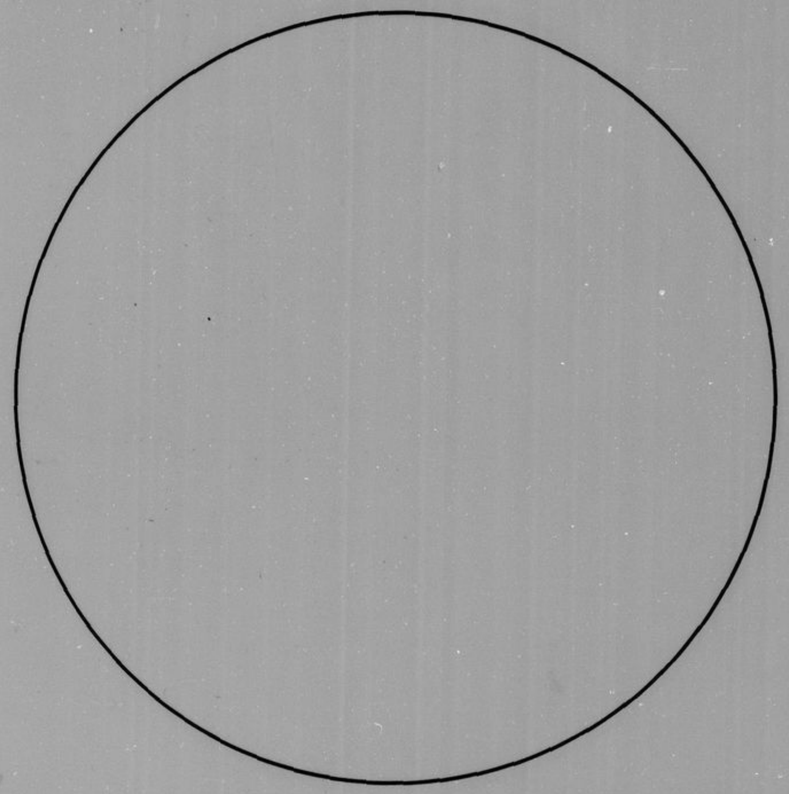
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The following named persons, were on the fourth Wednesday in April 1832 appointed, and on the first Monday in June 1832. inducted into Office, pursuant to an act of the General Assembly, passed at their October Session A.D 1831, as Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Providence for year ensuing.

His Hon^r. Samuel W Bridgham, Mayor.

Dexter Thurber
Charles Holden
John H Ormsbee
William P Grinnell
Henry R Greene
Asa Messer

Aldermen.

# City of Providence June 4th 1832

This being the day appointed for the organization of the City Government by virtue of an act of the General Assembly of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations passed at their October Session A.D. 1831. intitled "an act to incorporate the City of Providence" the following Gentlemen being the Mayor and Aldermen and twenty three of the Common Councilmen elect met in Convention in the Representatives Chamber in the State House, to wit,

## Hon Samuel W Bridgham Mayor

## Aldermen

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Dexter Thurber | Esq. First ward | Charles Holden | Esq. Second ward |
| John H Ormsbee | Esq. third ward | William J Grinnell | Esq. Fourth ward |
| Henry R Greene | Esq. Fifth ward | Asa Messer | Esq. Sixth ward |

## Common Council

| First Ward | Second Ward |
|---|---|
| Thomas R Holden | Isaac Brown |
| Jesse Metcalf | Samuel Pearson |
| William R Staples | Joseph Cady |
| Peter Daniels | Cyrus Fisher |

| Third Ward | Fourth Ward |
|---|---|
| Joseph J Cooke | George Baker |
| John Church | James M Warner |
| William C Barker | Benjamin L Weeden |
| Asa Pike | Thomas B Tenney |

| Fifth Ward | Sixth Ward |
|---|---|
| Samuel Jackson 2d | Caleb Williams |
| Hezekiah Anthony | William Olney |
| Pardon Clark | Thomas Seekell |
| William Talman | Stuey Baker |

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No 2.

Resolved, that the Mayor and Alderman Grinnell, together with such of the Common Council as they may add, be and they hereby are appointed a Committee to enquire into and Consider, what City Officers are necessary and Proper in their Opinion to be appointed by the City Council, William R Staples & Hezekiah Anthony added

No 3

An Ordinance fixing the Salary or Compensation of the Overseer of the Poor and, Clerk of the Market and City Clerk

Section 1 Be it ordained by the Mayor Aldermen and Common Council of the City of Providence in City Council Assembled, that the Salary of the Overseer of the Poor shall be Two hundred and fifty dollars for the ensuing year payable out of the City Treasury quarterly

Section 2 And be it further ordained that the Salary of the Clerk of the Market shall be two hundred Dollars for the ensuing year payable out of the City Treasury quarterly

Adjourned to Meet again at three oclock PM

In Board of Aldermen, June 4th 1832. 3 oclock P.M

the Board met according to adjournment

Present His Hon the Mayor and

Dexter Thurber, Charles Holden, John H Ormsbee, William J Grinnell, Henry R Greene, Asa Messer } Aldermen

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# City of Providence June 4th 1832

This being the day appointed for the organization of the City Government by virtue of an act of the General Assembly of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations passed at their October Session A D 1831. entitled "an act to incorporate the City of Providence" the following Gentlemen being Mayor and Aldermen and twenty three of the Common Councilmen elect met in Convention in the Representatives Chamber in the State House, to

Hon Samuel W Bridgham Mayor

## Aldermen

Dexter Thurber Esq[r] First ward
John H Ormsbee Esq[r] third ward
Henry R Greene Esq[r] fifth ward
Charles Holden Esq[r]
William J Grinnell Esq[r]
Asa Messer Esq[r]

## Common Council

### First Ward
Thomas R Holden
Josee Metcalf
William R Staples
Peter Daniels

### Second Ward
Isaac Brown
Samuel Pearson
Joseph Cady
Cyrus Fisher

### Third Ward
Joseph J Cooke
John Church
William C Barker
Asa Pike

### Fourth Ward
George Baker
James M Warner
Benjamin C Weeden
Thomas B Tenney

### Fifth Ward
Samuel Jackson 2d
Hezekiah Anthony
Pardon Clark
William Talman

### Sixth Ward
Caleb Williams
William Olney
Thomas Seekell
Stuey Baker

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Section 4. And be it further ordained, that the Salary of the City Treasurer shall be Five Hundred dollars for the ensuing year, payable out of the City Treasury quarterly.

No 5. Voted that the President and Isaac Brown be a Committee, with such as the board of Aldermen may add to count the Books, papers & other property of the City from the late Town Treasurer, to be transferred to the City Treasurer, and also to receive a bond to be executed by the City Treasurer with sufficient Sureties in the Sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars for the faithfull discharge of his trust.

No 6. An Ordinance designating the Offices to be appointed annually by the City Council in addition to those Specially designated and required to be appointed by the City Charter.

Section I. Be it ordained by the Mayor, Aldermen & Common Council of the City of Providence, in City Council assembled, that under the Law of the State & by virtue of the Provisions of the City Charter, it is incumbent on the City Council to appoint & they shall appoint annually the following Offices, in addition to those specially designated & required to be appointed by the City Charter, to wit. A City Sergeant, a City Treasurer, a City Scale of weights & measures, one or more Auctioneers, Such a number of assessors of taxes & taxes as may be deemed necessary (provided that the number be not less than three, nor more than thirteen) one or more Collector or Collectors of taxes, one or more packer or packers of Fish, a pound keeper, a Scale of Leather & so many Constables, overseers of the poor Surveyors of Highways, overseers of fences & gaugers of Casks as the said City of Providence shall have occasion for, also three or more Presidents of fire wards - such a number of fire wards as may from time to time be thought proper; one or more person or persons to Superintend the building of Chimneys & placing of Stoves & Stove pipes - a School Committee to Consist of not less than five nor more than thirty persons, resident inhabitants of the City - a measurer or measurers, not exceeding two of Grain, Salt & Sea Coal, & Commissioners of Side walks ...

Section II. And be it further ordained, that the following Offices, in addition to those required to be appointed by the laws of the State as designated in the preceding Section of this Ordinance, be appointed by the City Council annually until otherwise ordained by the City Council, to wit, City auditor, surveyors & Corders of wood, surveyors of hoops Staves & heading, Clerk of the Market, overseers of the Hospital, Field drivers, members of the several Engine Companies members of the several fire hook & ladder Companies, members of the Several Hydraulion Companies members of the several forcing, Stationary Engine Companies, members of the furniture & Goods fire protection Company, City Criers, Committee to prevent mischief on Streets, inspectors of pot & pearl ashes, inspectors & measurers of Carpenter, masons & painters work, Surveyors & measurers of Stone, overseers of public bridges, Committee to advise on repairs of public bridges, overseers of North Burial Ground, overseers of the several City pumps, Inspectors of Liquor to ascertain proof, overseers of the Town House (so called) & Measurer or Measurers of Beer.

The two Boards met in Convention in the representatives Chamber in the State house on the afternoon of the 4th June 1832 for the purpose of Electing City Officers When the following Officers were Elected.

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| Municipal Judge | Thomas Burgess |
| Clerk Municipal Court. | Allen O Peck |
| City Sergeant, | Edward Harwood |
| City Treasurer | Stephen Tillinghast. |



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| City Audit | Hezekiah Anthony, Benjamin D. Weeden |
| Overseer of Poor | Joshua Rathbun |
| City Constables | David E Mann, Jacob C Gould, Asael Kingsley Sylvester Downs John B Vaughn, Wilson Hallan, Anthony Dexter, Fabyan Potter ... |
| Sealer of Weights & Measures. | John T Jackson |
| Assessors of Taxes. | James W Arnold, Amherst Everett, Henry P Franklin |
| Surveyors & Corders of wood | John Burrough, George W Carpenter, Asa Ames, William Warner, William Bradley Samuel Carlile, Benjamin F Olney, George W Daniels, Cyprus Grant. |
| Surveyors of Highways | William T Grinnell, Dexter Thurber |
| Surveyors of Hoops Staves & Heading | William Arnold Joseph T Dawson, Samuel Eaton Jr. |
| Gaugers of Casks | Enoch Eddy, Daniel V. Rose John W Jones James Burroughs, James Bartlett |
| Collector of Taxes | John Hill |
| Clerk of Market, | Joshua Rathbun |
| Packers & Inspectors of Fish | Peleg T Sheaman, Joshua Hunt |
| Overseers of Hospital | Mayor & Aldermen |
| Pound Keeper | Joshua Rathbun |
| Fence Viewers | Pardon Mason, Israel Arnold Edward Harwood |
| Field Drivers | Pardon Mason, Israel Arnold, Edward Harwood, William Thurber |
| Presidents of Fire Wards | Elisha Dyer, Dexter Thurber Richard Jackson Benjamin Moore Carlo Mawran. Wilbur Kelly |

| Fire Wards | | | |
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| | Nathaniel Bishop | Sylvanus G Martin | Philip W Martin |
| | William Russell | John Andrews | Martin Page |
| | Solomon Townsend | Caleb Williams | Betty Greene |
| | Cyprus Williams | Stephen Branch | Edward Carrington |
| | Smith Bosworth | John H Greene | Samuel W Bebbyham |
| | Joseph G Metcalf | Ephraim Talbot | Joseph Swift |
| | Nathaniel Peace | Ezekiel Burr | Benjamin Hopkins |
| | Samuel Dexter | Samuel W Wheeler | Henry G Mumford |
| | Thomas Seekell | Welcome Congdon | |

Henry Mathewson resigned.

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| Hydraulion Engine No 1. | Smith Bosworth | George Grinnell | Charles Chenery |
| | Anthony B Arnold | Enoch Aldrich | Robert H Ives |
| | Allen O Peck | Cyprus Dyer | Thompson Wells |
| | George W Taylor | Paris Dyer | Amasa Manton. |

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| Hydraulion No 1 | John Hutchins | Abel Lincoln jun | John Andrews |
| | John Taylor | William G Crump | Clovis Stern |
| | David Andrews | William H Waterman | Samuel Allen |
| | William G Aldrich | Benjamin R Carpenter | Willard Fairbanks |
| | William H Mason | Gardner I Swarts | Benjamin B Vial |
| | James G Anthony | John B Howell | Daniel S Seamans |
| | Thomas Aldrich | Theodore Taylor | Joseph G Burton |
| | Isaac H Cady | William Belcher | S B Pearce |
| | James Arnold | Thomas Jackson | Thomas J Stead |
| | Asa Pike | William N Douglass | Charles S Wood |
| | Jonathan Pike | Francis G Carlile | William P Blodgett |
| | John Calder | Stephen S Keene | James W Buckley |
| | Thomas P Bucklin | John B Angell | George B Dean |
| | Edward T Miller | William G Rupell | George Nightingale |
| | Joseph H Angell | Samuel C Chace | Robert L Thurston |
| | Daniel Hale | Geory H Fanning | William H Foster |
| | James C Keene | Benjamin Hoppin jun | Barney Hunter |
| | Squire Pierce | Amos D Smith | Tillitis Reynolds |
| | Benjamin Robinson | William H Shackleford | Ebenezer Fuller |
| | John R Rice | Thomas B Lippitt | Samuel Almy |
| | Reuben I Peckham | Timothy Munyan | Thomas D Mitchell |
| | Peter Pratt | Samuel B Wheaton | Tillinghast Almy |
| | Amos B Jones | Samuel H Thomas | Henry Bowen |
| | Seth Paddleford | Richard Dalglish | George R Dyer |
| | Billings Thurston | Charles W Keene | Manning Rawson |
| | Stephen Arnold | Alexander T Adie | Samuel G Stevenson |
| | William Andrews | Joseph T Battinglll | George Benson |
| | Henry Anthony | Pearly W Carpenter | Caleb S Remsbe |
| | Perley B Fuller | Rufus Phelps | Henry E Barney |
| | Charles A Hoppin | Luther Horton | |
| Hydraulion Co No 2. | Henry E Mumford | Harvey French | Robt I Taylor |
| | Randal H Keene | Inc H Field | Jonah Stern |
| | W S Patten | Chandler Hall | Jno Oldfield |
| | Wm Calder | Perley Howland jun | Allen Baker |
| | Wm R Frost | Elbert Tully | Randal H Holden |
| | Wm W Burr | Arnold Kingsley | Dexter Angell |
| | Zachariah Allen | George Darnell | Gray W Cushing |
| | Samson Almy | Caleb Mosher jun | Isaac Pitman |
| | Lyman Arnold | Wm Mills | Wm L Humphrey |
| | Sam H Adams | Geo T Mann | G L Dwight |
| | Dan Angell | Charles W Pike | Wm C Bowen |
| | David T Capron | Geo B Parker | James W Wakeman |
| | Ambrose Clarke | Charles N Pond | Joseph C Peckham |
| | Samuel B Cushing | Joseph Remington | Henry W Rivers |
| | Daniel C Cushing | Wm H Reynolds | Wm H Allen |
| | Charles D Cook | Thomas Hone | Wm H Whitmarsh |
| | Ward Chaney | Elijah Seldon | James B Harkness |
| | George A Davis | George W Taylor | Daniel E Updike |
| | Geo H Davis | Thomas White | Samuel C Blodgett |
| | Sullivan Dorr jun | Hazael Buffum | |



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| Stationary Engine No 1. | Oliver Pierce | Chauncey Shepard | Thomas Tabor |
| | Jacob Manchester | Henry Munro | Joseph A Doke |
| | Levi L Webster | Wm H Murray | Wm H Thurber |
| | Charles J Shelly | Rupell Warren | Wm Talman |
| | John L Noyes | Caleb A Cory | John C Brickler |
| | Henry A Howland | John C Cass | Benjamin Allen |
| | Albert Mowry | James Lewry | Reuben Brown |
| | Albert Manchester | Samuel Foster | Salma Manton |
| | Henry J Talbot | Joseph A Barker | Oliver H Wilbur |
| | Benjamin Dyer | Edward R Young | George H Hoppin |
| | Edward Cory | Joseph A Andrews | Benjamin Bogman |
| | James E Bedlong | Wm Andrews | Jonathan Cady |
| | Wm P Taft | James Helm | Daniel Peters |
| | Benjamin White | Malachi R Gardner | Benoni Parkhurst |
| | Stephen M Davis | Lewis L Hodges | Seth H Gifford |
| | Amos W Snow | Earle P Mason | Adnah Sackett |
| | George A Taylor | John Wardwell | Thomas J Gardner |
| | Joshua Spooner | Benjamen F Wardwell | Isaac Sackett |
| | Henry Barton | Wm Brownell | Oliver E Bedlong |
| | Daniel Owen | Florence Mahony | Charles H Dabney |
| | Loring Shelley | Israel H Day | Henry R Warren |
| | Wm Andrews | Jefferson Borden | |
| Stationary Engine No 2 | Royal W Potter | Andros Bowen | Ebenezer Wright |
| | William J Harris | Samuel N Richmond | William Thurber jr |
| | Nathaniel G Heland | George W Richmond | Henry Thurber |
| | John H Taylor | Lewis W Clifford | Thomas R Tripp |
| | Jonathan A Eddy | George Simmons | John S Rice |
| | Edward Tripp | Henry N Bradford | Lewis H Bradford |
| | John H Hamlin | William Aplin | Henry D Sheldon |
| | Richard E Eddy | William Batchelor | William H Mason |
| | John B Draper | William H Wilkinson | Timothy H Temple |
| | Monzo E Forbush | Albert Young | Joseph Bradford |
| | Geory Owen | Stephen R Weeden | Charles H Pope |
| | Eleazer H Tourtellot | Ezra Hubbard | William Langley |
| | William P Ball | Ebenezer S Perkins | Edward S Sheldon |
| | James W Frordick | John C Gladding | Vincent Carr |
| | Ephraim Brown | William Earle | Albert E Harding |
| | Charles Sherman | Welcome Arnold | Stephen G Hedley |
| | Edward Billings | George A Humphrey | Joseph S Martin jun |
| | Darius Sherman | William Foster | Nicholas H Bradford |
| | Samuel Congdon | William L Burrows | George Adams |
| | Allen Dow | Thomas G Goddard | Conrad C Illery |
| | Henry L Brown | Thomas B Updike | William H Harding |
| | John B Henriksoff | Monzo Draper | Amos S Hunter |
| | Charles L Keene | William Hall | Noah Chace |
| | Stephen S Hopkins | Benjamin Hathaway | |
| Fire Engine No 2. | Jesse B Sweet | Joel Metcalf jun | Sayles Brown |
| | Richard W Bush | Peter Church | Augustus S Winship |
| | George E Haviland | Thomas R Hopkins jun | William N Armsbury |
| | George H Bush | William A Salisbury | John S Brown |

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| | Whiting Metcalf | Thomas Fletcher | Bristow B Grinnell |
| | Asa W Davis | Harvey Brown | James Thurber Jr |
| Fire Engine Co No 3 | Henry D Kendall Capt | John S Dyer | Thomas M Coy |
| | I B Draper | Henry G Gladding | Wm Waterman |
| | Benjamin S Taylor | Thomas Brown Jr | Ward Cheney |
| | Charles Dyer Jr | John J Paine | Thomas Simmons |
| | Samuel Gould | Ephraim Jackson | Joseph H Bosworth |
| | Charles Chase | Henry Clarke | |
| Fire Engine Co No 4 | John R Spearman | William C Miller | Richard Burgess |
| | Randal Holden | John Sanders | James Miller |
| | Nathan S Tillinghast | George Champlin | Richard R Richmond |
| | Caleb Godfrey | Benjamin Hodgkiss | |
| | Lewis Wilcox | Robert Caswell | |
| | George Rice | Thomas Wick | |
| Fire Engine Co No 5 | Morris Child | Jonathan S Angell | Alvin S Arnold |
| | Stephen R Olney | David Bothy | George B Cook |
| | James E Butts | Benjamin Cowell | William W Arnold |
| | Marmon Smith | Benjamin B Wood | Samuel B Draper |
| | Samuel Green | Daisy Greene | William Seaver |
| | William D Thornton | Ward A Work | Henry C Mathewson |
| | Arnold Hopkins | Thomas Kincaid | |
| Fire Engine Co No 6 | John Branch | Meric Nichols | Alfred Anthony |
| | Joseph Grant | John Westcott Jr | Ebenezer Walker |
| | Wm A Howard | Samuel W Brown | George Lyons |
| | Sam[l] Miller | Stephen Barker | Samuel Irons |
| | Nathan Bucklin | Daniel T Hubbard | Wm T Wardwell |
| Fire Engine Co No 7 | Horatio Babcock | Angell Bailey | Edward Field |
| | Cornelius S Tompkins | Thomas J Sprague | Edward Salsbury |
| | Thomas Barlow | Edmund H Perkins | Samuel Carke |
| | Gardner Salsbury | David Trask | Samuel Kelsey |
| | Charles V Merrick | Cyrus B Eddy | Edwin Field |
| | Parshall S Paine | John Salsbury | Sylvester Salsbury |
| | John Sanders | Edwin Barlow | |
| Fire Hook & Ladder Co No 1 | Stanton Thurber | Owen Carlisle | Cyrus Osborn |
| | George G Clarke | Edwin H Harris | Obadiah P Osborn |
| | George W Fox | Daniel Hull | John Farnam |
| | Edward S Underwood | Wilkes Sharp | Henry N Pettis |
| | Thomas Tinnel Jr | James Wheaton Jr | |
| | Joseph Low | John Martin Jr | |
| Fire Hook & Ladder Co No 2 | Sheldon Young | Daniel W Young | Seth Butts Jr |
| | Robert Manchester | Henry Martin | I B Nichols |
| | Dennis Sawyer | James D Herrick | Isaac Clarke |
| | Rufus Greene | Wm B Mason | Charles C Snow |
| | Caleb Cook | David Tinckham | |
| | James W Thurber | Gardner Luther | |



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| School Committee | Samuel W Bridgham | Henry Edes | William Aplin |
| | Dexter Trumbo | Geo Curtis | Geo Baker |
| | Charles Holden | Moses B Ives | Alexis Caswell |
| | John H Ormsbee | Robert H Ives | David Pickering |
| | William S Grinnell | Peter Pratt | Manasseh Church |
| | Henry R Greene | Thomas H Webb | Alexa Babcock 3rd mem. |
| | Asa Alexander | Frederick A Farley | Robert Knight |
| | | | Robert B Watkins |
| Firewardens, Goods Fire protection Co. | Richmond Bullock | John W Richmond | William C Barker |
| | Peter Grinnell | John Andrews | William Russell |
| | Edward J Mallett | Nicholas Gilbreth | Peter W Snow |
| | Joseph S Cooke | John Church | Isaac Brown |
| | Josiah Keene | Benjamin D Weeden | John Gardner |
| | Moses Richardson | Simeon Barker | Enoch Slee |
| | Simeon Cooke | William Bucklin | |
| Sealers of Leather | Calvin Dean. Josh Mitchell Jr. | | |
| Town Cryers | John Greene | | |
| Committee to procure Inscriptions on Streets | Truman Bucklin, Isaac Matteson, Leonard Blodgett, | | |
| Inspectors of Pot & Pearl ashes | Smith Bosworth, Amasa Manton, | | |
| Inspectors of Masons & Carpenters Masons & painters work | William R Benson, Leonard Blodgett, John H Greene, Cyrus Fisher Hozea Carpenter | | |
| | Robert Manchester Joseph Bogman James Brown, Barton Bosworth | | |
| | James Lewis | | |
| Surveyor and Measurer of Stone | Zachariah Chaffee, Daniel Hale, William Andrews, | | |
| Overseer of Rubbish Bridges | Menzies Sweet, | | |
| Advising Committee on Public Bridges. | Mayor & Aldermen | | |
| Committee to Superintend the building of Chimneys & placing Stoves & Stove pipes | Samuel Carlile, Charles Hartshorne, John T Jackson | | |
| Auctioneer | Sylvester Hartshorne | | |
| Overseer, North Burial Ground | Benjamin Hathaway | | |
| Measurer of Grain Sea Coal & Salt | John P Jones, Hazeltine Tefft, | | |
| Overseer of Pump North End | George Cleaveland | | |
| do South End | Samuel Carlile | | |
| do Stone bonds & Ends & Westminster Street | Nicholas Northup. | | |
| do High Street | George B Cook | | |
| do Broad Street | Thomas Clarke | | |

Inspectors of Liquors to obtain proof.

Overseer of Town House

Commissioners of Side Walks

Measurers of Brass.

Daniel V Ross, John B Jones

Joshua Rathbun

Walter Paine, Whitlock Martin, Benjamin Clifford, Benjamin Clifford having resigned. Amasa Mason was on the 12th instant appointed in his place

John B Jones, Hazelltine Taft

~~Adjourned, to meet tomorrow Morning at 9 o'clock A M.~~
The two boards then Separated

In Board of Aldermen, met by Adjournment, June 5th 1832. at 9 o'clock A M.

Present His Hon Samuel W Bridgham, Mayor
Dexter Trumbo
Charles Holden
John H Ormsbee
William T Grennal
Henry R Greene
Asa Messer
} Aldermen

And the Common Council

Edward Harwood Esqr in attendance

No 7 Resolved,
That Robert Knight, Charles T Tillinghast & Albert G. Greene Esquires, be and they hereby are Selected from the Justices appointed to keep the peace in this City, to Compose the Police Court

No 8. An Ordinance appointing the Times & Places for holding the Municipal & Police Courts.
Section 1st. Be it ordained by the Mayor, Aldermen & Common Council of the City of Providence in City Council assembled that there shall be four terms of the Municipal Court of said City, in each & every year, for the purpose of transacting any business within the Jurisdiction of said Court except probate business, to be holden at the Times following, to wit, on the Second Wednesday of August, on the Second Wednesday of November, on the Second Wednesday of February & on the Second Wednesday of May
Section 2. And be it further ordained that for the purpose of transacting probate business only, the Judge of said Court, shall set and hold said Court on Monday the 11th day June 1832. & on Tuesday of each & every week in the year except Sunday the 12th day of June 1832 ~"~
Section 3d And be it further ordained, that the Police Courts of said City shall be holden, three in each Month to wit on the Second & fourth Tuesdays of every month
Section 4. And be it further ordained, that both said Courts shall be holden in the room heretofore occupied by the late Town Council of the Town of Providence

No 9. Resolved, that the Clerk of this Board be and he hereby is appointed a Committee to procure at the expense of the City Suitable Books for records, and Stationary and also Copies of the State Laws and Supplements to the Same for the use of the several Ward Meetings

No 10. Resolved that the City Clerk together with Mr Williams be and they hereby are authorized & directed to procure to be printed, five hundred Copies of the City Charter & the act passed by the General Assembly of this State intitled an act "to provide for the Organization of Government in the City of Providence" with the names of the City Officers annexed ~"~



No 11 Voted & Resolved that the Committee appointed yesterday to procure a Copy of the address delivered to the City Council yesterday by the Mayor, be and they are hereby authorized to Contract to be printed two hundred Copies of said address in pamphlet form.

No 12. Resolved, that Mr Staples with such as may be added by the Board of Aldermen, be a Committee to transfer the Books papers & property belonging to the Office of the late Court of Probate or of the Clerk of said Court to the Clerk of the Municipal Court

No 13 An Ordinance fixing the Compensation of the City Clerk
Be it Ordained by the Mayor Aldermen, and Common Council of the City of Providence in City Council assembled, that the Compensation of the City Clerk, for all Services performed by him for the City as City Clerk, as Town Clerk "by Office" and Clerk of the Board of Health, shall be Four hundred Dollars per annum, payable quarterly, out of the City Treasury, in addition to the fees allowed by Law, to Town Clerks for recording deeds, issuing Licences, and for such other Services as are paid for by the parties to whom such services are rendered

No 14 Resolved that Messrs Staples, Anthony & Williams with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to Enquire & report what further Ordinances the interest and welfare of the City require & should be passed & that they report the next Meeting ~"~ The Mayor & Aldermen Grennell added

No 15. Resolved, that the Committee appointed to receive the Books & other property of the City to be transferred to the City Treasury, be requested to present to this Council, as soon as convenient a Schedule of the property of the City, and of the income accruing from it the past year

The Three Following Articles erroneously brought under this head See records of board of Aldermen

Edward S Sheldon Auctioneer presents his account of Goods Sold by him the past year subject to duty and was duly Sworn to the same, Amount of Duties $43.45

Edward S. Sheldon makes request that he may be appointed Auctioneer for the year ensuing which is granted on giving bond as the Law directs

William Blodgett Auctioneer presents his account of Goods sold by him the past year subject to City duty, and was duly engaged to the same, Amount of Duty, $35.73

William Blodgett, makes request that he may be appointed Auctioneer for the year ensuing, which is granted on giving bond as the Law directs ~"~

Alderman Holden is appointed Treasurer of the Board to receive all Monies, for Licences &c. ~"~...~

The Board Adjourned to meet at the Senate Chamber in the State House this afternoon at 3 O'clock PM ~

In Board of Aldermen, City of Providence June 12th 1832
held by adjournement

Present His Hon Samuel W Bridgham Mayor
Dexter Trumbo
Charles Holden
John H Cousins
William S Grinnell
Henry R Greene
Asa Messer
} Aldermen

And the Common Council

Edward Harwood Offier in attendance

No 1 Report of the fire department of the City received & ordered on file

No 2 Mr Asa Peck a member of the Common Council, appears before this Board, presents his Certificate of appointment and is engaged by the Mayor

No 3 List of members of Engine Co No 2 who were selected by said Company from their number to be exempt from serving as Jurors.

No 11 An Ordinance relative to a Common Seal for the City and Seals for the Board of Aldermen & the Municipal Court.

Section 1 Be it Ordained by the Mayor, Aldermen & Common Council of the City of Providence in City Council Assembled, that the Common Seal of the late Town of Providence be the Common Seal of the said City, & that the same Seal be the seal of the board of Aldermen, until otherwise ordained by the City Council

Section 2 And Be it further ordained, That the Seal of the late Town Council when exercising probate jurisdiction be the Seal of the Municipal Court, until otherwise Ordained by the City Council

No 5. Resolved that William S Grinnell Esq be & he hereby is appointed a Committee to procure a Seal for the Municipal Court & to report as soon as may be

No 6. The Joint Committee appointed to receive from the Town Treasurer, the Books, Papers and other Property of the City, and transfer them to the City Treasurer and to receive his receipt and Bond, respectfully report, that they have discharged their duties and have lodged the receipt & bond in the Office of the City Clerk

And in accordance with a Subsequent Resolution, they have obtained from the late Town Treasurer, a Schedule of the property of the City, together with the Income arising from it the past year, which papers are herewith presented

In behalf of the Joint Committee
Geo Baker, Chairman

Referred back to same Committee

No 7. Resolved that Messrs Brown & Church with such as the board of Aldermen may add be a Committee to Consider & Report to the next meeting, what alterations are necessary to be made in the Market House Chambers for the accommodation of the City Officers and Government

Alderman Grinnell added

No 8 To the City Council

The School Committee report that during the last year they have expended on the Schools $ 5,737.29. of this Sum, the sum of $ 5,388.82 was for instruction, and the Sum of $ 348.47. was for repairs and incidental Items



The Sum appropriated to the Town was 5000 dollars and the sum received from the State was $ 1485.27. both together making $ 6.485.27. the difference between this Sum & the Sum expended on the Schools is $ 747.98. the sum not expended.

There are including the african School Eleven public Schools, twenty seven male & female have been engaged in teaching them, and 1243 Children have attended them, The Committee have visited them every quarter, and the subcommittee have visited them at intervals during the quarter, They, the Committee think are generally in a flourishing condition, perhaps no part of the Country, Boston excepted, is better furnished with Schools, than this City, and it is gratifying to observe how readily the Citizens advance their money for the Support of an institution so Charitable, beneficial & republican

The Secretary is required by one of the by laws of the Committee to keep a record of all the absentees from the meetings of the Committee, that an abstract of the record may be presented to the freemen of the Town, at their Meeting in June annually, together with an Estimate of the necessary expence of the School the next year, such an abstract & Estimate they have and it is the Opinion of the Committee that 5000. dollars will be necessary the next year

Geo Curtis Secretary — Asa Messer President

No 9. Resolved Mr Staples with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to prepare and report a device for a Common Seal for the City of Providence

Alderman Grinnell added

No 10 An Ordinance designating the Duties of the City Auditt

Section 1. Be it ordained by the Mayor, Aldermen & Common Council of the City of Providence in City Council assembled, that the City Auditt shall appoint the times not less than two in each Month & place when and where they will act upon accounts & other Claims against the City and cause public notice thereof to be given by publishing the same three weeks successively in one of the news papers printed in this City

Section 2 and be it further ordained that all accounts and other Claims against the City for Services done or materials provided for the use of the City under the Charge, direction or Superintendence of either of the Surveyors of Highways or any other Officer or Officers or any Committee appointed by the City Council except the School Committee, Board of Aldermen & Board of Firewards, shall when presented to the auditt be accompanied with a Certificate under the hand or hands of such Surveyor or other Officer or Officers or Committee of the City Council Certifying the same to be Correct, otherwise the same shall not be received na acted upon by the Auditt

Section 3. And be it further ordained, That it shall be the duty of the Auditt to procure and keep a Suitable Book, wherein they shall write the date & amount of each and every Claim allowed by them, and to whom allowed, and shall whenever required by the City Council report to them the amount of the Claims allowed

No 11 Upon the Report of John Howland Esq late Town Treasurer, Resolved, that the same be referred to the President & Mr Brown, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to report such order as they may deem proper thereon at the next meeting

Alderman Holden Added

No 12 The Fire Department for the City of Providence have expended for the last year Commencing June 1831 Ending May 31. 1832, $ 1153.45

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| Hydraulion | No 1. | 55 | 28 | | Engine No 7. | 12 | — |
| do | No 2. | 35 | 14 | | Old Engine | " | " |
| Engine | No 1. | 36 | 85 | | Ladder Co. No 1 | 29 | 25 |
| do | No 2 | 16 | 58 | | do No 2. | 22 | — |
| do | No 3. | 10 | 75 | | Forcing pump No 1. | 209 | 95 |
| do | No 4. | 1444 | 57 | | do. No 2 | 337 | 00 |
| do | No 5 | 43 | — | | Other expences | 31 | — |
| do | No 6. | 38 | — | Eph Talbot | Chairman board of Firewards | $ 1153 | 45 |

No 13 Resolved that the City Treasurer be and he hereby is authorised and empowered to Borrow at any time or times previous to the first day of October next, under the advice of the Committee herein after mentioned, such sum or sums of money as may be necessary, not Exceeding Five Thousand Dollars, in the whole, to discharge the Current Expenses of the City

Resolved, Further that Dexter Thurber together with such of the Common Council as they may add be and they hereby are appointed a Committee to advise with the City Treasurer in relation to the loaning of money from time to time for the use of the City as mentioned in the preceding resolution

No 14 Resolved that the Clerk of the Common Council be and he is hereby authorised to procure Copies of the Statute laws of the State & Supplements to the same for the Municipal Court & the Common Council

No 15. Resolved that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorised to pay out of the Treasury, To Benjamin Clifford Esqr Fifty Dollars & to Stephen Tilling hast Esqr Fifty Dollars for their Services as Town Audit for the late Town of Providence for the year past ending June 2 1832.

The Common Council by message made known their preparation to join in Convention with the Board of Aldermen should any Business require it, whereupon the two boards met and the following appointments were made in City Council, to wit,

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| Fire Engine Co No 6. | See List presented |
| Stationary Engine Co No 2 | See List presented |
| Fire Hook & Ladder Co No 1 | See List presented |
| do do No 2) | See List presented |

Benjamin Clifford resigns his Office of Commissioner of Side walks which is accepted

Amasa Mason was thereupon appointed Side walk Commissioner in his place

The Two boards adjourned to meet at the City Clerks Office Friday the 15th instant at half past 6 o'clock PM

## In Board of Aldermen Friday June 15th 1832

held by adjournment

Present His Hon Samuel Bridgham Mayor, and
Aldermen Dexter Thurber
Charles Holden
Jotus H Comstock
William J Grinnell
Henry R Greene
Asa Messer

And the Common Council

Edward Harwood Office in attendance

The following business was transacted by Concurrent Votes



No 2 Ordered that the City Clerk in the execution of the duties of his Office shall record in a Book to be kept for that purpose, all the Votes, Orders, resolutions & Ordinances, rules and regulations, made and past by the City Council by Concurrent Votes of the two boards composing it, Also all the proceedings of the two boards when in Convention

No 3 Resolved that the City Clerk be and he is hereby directed to procure a Suitable Book for the recording of Plats and that after he has procured such Book he be directed to record therein all plats of private property which shall be left at his Office for Record

No 5 An Ordinance appropriating Twenty Thousand Dollars for the purposes herein Mentioned

Be it ordained by the Mayor, Aldermen and Common Council of the City of Providence in City Council assembled, that the following sums of Money be and the same are hereby appropriated out of any money in the Treasury for the following purposes, to wit,

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| For the Support of the public Schools for the present year ending on the first monday of June next (besides the sum which the City is entitled to receive from the State) to be under the direction of the School Committee | $ 5.000 |
| For the Support of the poor and removal of paupers including Asylum | 2000 |
| For the fire department | 600 |
| For Highways and Streets | 4000 |
| For the Support of Public Bridges | 1000 |
| For the Support of the Watch | 2000 |
| For lighting the Streets | 1000 |
| For Salaries | 1000 |
| For repairs of Public Buildings | 200 |
| For the support of the City pumps & wells | 200 |
| For interest on money loaned and on funded debt | 1000 |
| For Contingent expences, namely, to pay any Claims which may be allowed by the Board of Aldermen or by the City Audit not included in any of the preceding Items | 2.000 |
| | $ 20.000 |

## In City Council

The Two Boards met in Convention for the purpose of Appointments &c

Fire Engine No 7. — See List of Engine Co's

Hydraulion Co No 2 — Additional number Viz. Elisha M Aldrich, Thomas D Evans, James S Belcaplace, John Potter, N J Smith, Rufus M Wheeler

Cyrus Fisher, resigns his appointment as Measurer of Carpenters, Masons, and painters work which is accepted

Henry Mathewson resigns his Office of Fire ward which is accepted

Fire ward — Thomas Seekell is appointed Fire Ward in place of Henry Mathewson resigned

Additional Assessors of Taxes — William Sheldon Robert Angell

The Two Boards now Separated and the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber

In Board of Aldermen, having retired to their Chamber acted upon the following business

No 8

An Ordinance for Apising and Collecting a Tax of Forty Thousand Dollars

Sec. 1 Be it ordained by the Mayor, Aldermen and Common Council of the City of Providence in City Council Apembled,

That a Tax of Forty thousand Dollars be apised and levied upon the taxable property of the Inhabitants and others owning such property in said City and that said Tax be apised on or before the third Monday of August next and Collected and paid into the City Treasury on or before the third Monday of September next

Sec 2 And Be it further Ordained that the Collector of said Tax advertise in all the newspapers in said City for three weeks succesively requiring all persons who may be apised for said Tax to Call at his Office to pay the same, for which purpose his Office shall be kept open from nine Oclock A.M. until twelve M and from two to five oclock P.M. (sunday excepted) for ten days including and ending on the said third monday of September next, when his Office shall be kept open until nine Oclock in the evening, and that the Collector of said Tax deduct three p cent from the tax of him, her, or them who shall so make payment

Sec 3 And Be it further ordained that the Collector of said tax be allowed four p Cent for Collecting said Tax, and that he allow out of his said Commissions three p cent to all who shall pay him the amount of his, her, or their said tax on or before the said third monday in September next

Sec 4 And Be it further ordained, that the Collector pay into the City Treasury all monies he shall receive by the said third Monday of September next towards said tax and that all persons who shall be delinquent in paying their said tax by said third monday in September next, shall pay Interest after for which the said Collector shall be accountable to the said City

Sec 5. And Be it further ordained, that James W Arnold Ambrose Everett Henry D Franklin, William Sheldon and Robert Angell, be and they hereby are appointed Apisers to Apise said Tax. And that John Hill be and he hereby is appointed the Collector of said Tax.

No 9. Resolved. that Isaac Brown & Asa Pike together with such as the Board of Aldermen may added be a Committee to Continue the repaving of South Main Street from Power Street to Wickenden Street, and to pave Dunwells gangway so called in Conformity with the vote of the Town passed on the fifth day of June & 30th August A.D 1831 and that they be authorised to draw upon the Treasury to defray the expenses of the Same to be paid out of the sum appropriated for the repairs of Highways

Alderman Comba acceded

No 10 Resolved that the room heretofore occupied by the Town Treasurer be and the same is hereby appropriated for Clerks Office of the Municipal Court and the Office of the City Treasurer, until it is otherwise Ordered,

Voted that this Board do now adjourn to meet June 18th 1832 at half past 6 Oclock P.M



In Board of Aldermen. (met by Adjournment) June 18th A.D 1832. at half past 6 Oclock P.M.

Present The Hon. Samuel W Bridgham Mayor
and Aldermen. Dexter Thurber
Charles Holden
John H Crowbe
William J Grinnell
Henry R Greene
Asa Messer
And the Common Council
Edward Harwood Esqr in attendance

Ordered that the Clerk of this Board give a Certificate to the General Treasurer, in accordance with the 6th Section of an act entitled "an act to Establish public Schools", that the money received from them in the year 1831 under the authority of the act aforesaid has been faithfully applied to the objects Contemplated by said act of the General Assembly

Certificate to the General Treasurer

Robert Angell is appointed in addition to the nuisance Committee for the north End Ward No 1

No 1. Resolved, that the Committee appointed on the 12th Instant to report what alterations are necessary to be made in the Market House Chambers for the accomodation of the City Government and Officers, be, and they are hereby instructed to Confer with the Committee appointed by the Town in April last, to take possession of the third Story of the Market under the original Contract between the Town & the Owners thereof and to report to this board the progress & views of that Committee in relation to the Same

No 2. Resolved that Messrs Staples, Anthony & Brown with such as the Board of Aldermen may added be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to report an Ordinance requiring the Citizens to Cleanse their Sink drains & privy Vaults and to remove all nuisances wherein exposing which may be dangerous to health and that said Committee report at the next meeting

Voted that Aldermen Green be a Committee to Inspect the Hospital, & to make report of the necessary Alteration for the accomodation of the Sick

Voted, that this Board Adjourn to, Tomorrow at half past six Oclock P.M.

In Board of Aldermen, (met by adjournment) June 19th 1832 at half past 6 o'clock PM.

Present His Hon^r Samuel W Bridgham Mayor and Aldermen Dexter Thurber, Charles Holden, John H Ormsbee, William J. Grinnell, Henry R Greene, Asa Messer

And the Common Council

Edward Harwood Offic^d in attendance

No 1. An Ordinance in relation to Quarantine. In Board of Health proceedings

No 2 An Ordinance respecting nuisances In Board of Health proceedings

No 3. Resolved, that the City Clerk in the discharge of his Duty cause Notice to be given to any Officer or Committee hereafter Chosen by sending to each a Notice of such appointment as soon as may be, Provided such officer or Committee are not members of the City Council

No 4. Instructions to Health Officer See Board of Health proceedings

No 5. Instructions to Sentinel at Fields point See board of Health proceedings

No 6. An Ordinance Concerning Dogs

Sec 1 Be it Ordained by the Mayor, Aldermen & Common Council of the City of Providence in City Council assembled,

That from and after the first day of July next any dog which may be found running at large within the limits of the City of Providence without a line about his neck of the length at most of six feet, and the owner or some other person having both thereof, shall be killed immediately and his body conveyed to some one of the places hereinafter designated and there buried three feet below the surface of the ground

Sec 2. And be it further ordained that the places for burying the dogs killed in pursuance of this Ordinance shall be as follows, to wit, on the west side upon a piece of ground belonging to the City North of the present burial ground and at the North end, out side of the fence of the North Burial Ground

Sec 3 And be it further ordained that the sum of one Dollar be paid out of the City Treasury to any person for each and every full grown dog by him killed in pursuance of this Ordinance and buried as aforesaid, and that whoever shall have a Claim for the reward herein offered shall present the same with due proof thereof, at a meeting of the Board of Aldermen on the Monday next following

Sec 4 And be it further ordained, that if any dog shall after the said first day of July next be found at large within the limits aforesaid, Contrary to this Ordinance, the owner or keeper of such dog shall incur a penalty of five Dollars to be recovered one half to and for the use of the Complainant and the other half to and for the use of the City according to the act of the General Assembly intitled "an act Concerning dogs"

Sec 5 And be it further ordained that the City Sergeant & Anthony Dexter & Jacob C Gould Constables be and hereby are Charged with the Execution of this Ordinance, and that the same be published under the direction of the Board of Aldermen, And that all Ordinances concerning Dogs heretofore made by the late Town Council of the Town of Providence, be and hereby are Repealed



The Two Boards met at this time in Convention for the purpose of making some appointments necessary for the preservation of Health in the City

Samuel W Thurber by written Communication resigns his Office as one of the Committee on Nuisances, which is accepted

Amasa Mason declines accepting the Office of Side walk Commissioner whereupon Mapa Babbitt is appointed in his place

A motion was made that the nuisance Committee be increased to Twelve, and the vote being taken, it was agreed that the Committee consist of the twelve following persons, to wit,

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| Robert Angell | Benjamin Cook |
| Benoni Cook | John Reynolds |
| Benjamin Clifford | Mons Richardson |
| Mapa Babbitt | Henry Cushing |
| William Sheldon | Daniel Field |
| Samuel Young | William A Howard |

The Two Boards having finished the Business for which they met, now Separated and the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber, and proceed on the following Business

No 7. Resolved that Mr Wheeler, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be a Committee to Contract with one or more of the publishers of News papers in this City for the City printing for the ensueing year Alderman Holden added

No 8. Resolved that the City Clerk be & he hereby is directed to Cause the Ordinance in relation to Nuisances & the abatement & removal there of this day passed by the City Council, together with the names of the Committee on Nuisances to be published under the direction of the board of Aldermen for three weeks successively

Resolved that the Citizens generally be requested to use their exertions, to carry into full and immediate effect the spirit of said ordinance

Voted that this Meeting Stand adjourned to Friday next at half past Six o'clock PM

In Board of Aldermen (met by adjournment) Friday, June 22 (D 1832

Present His Hon. Samuel W Bridgham Mayor and Aldermen Dexter Thurber, Charles Holden, John H Ormsbee, William J Grinnell, Henry R Greene, Asa Messer

Edward Harwood Office in attendance

And the Common Council

No 1 — The Report of Medical Board, is presented read & Recorded
See Board of Health record

No 2 — The Committee appointed to Contract with one or more publishers of News papers for the City printing for the ensuing year, report that they have agreed with the proprietors of the Daily Journal & Rhode Island American, at $35 each

No 3 — Resolutions relative to the Report of the Board of Physicians
See Board of Health record

No 4 — An Ordinance prohibiting Swiming & bathing in Certain Places therein Designated

Sec 1 Be it Ordained by the Mayor, Aldermen, and Common Council of the City of Providence in City Council Assembled that from and after the last day of the present month of June, of any person shall, for the purpose of Swiming or Bathing go into any of the waters of the Harbour, Cove, or pires of said City or of the Blackstone Canal within the following limits, to wit, from a point on said Canal, twenty rods above the guard gate near the Providence Woollen Manufactory & from a point on the Mashassuck river twenty rods above the mills belonging to the United Manufacturing Company Company & extending on the East side of said Waters to & as far South as & including Fox point, and as far East thereto as Nelson's Distillery, & extending on the West side of said waters from said points on said Canal & Mashassuck river to & as far South as & including the City's Hospital lot except the Waters west & North of Great point (so called) & the Waters Northerly & Westerly of Carpenters point (so called) Such person so offending shall on Conviction thereof be fined not exceeding two Dollars, one half part thereof to & for the use of the Complainant & the other half to & for the use of said City & be imprisoned not exceeding five days, or as shall suffer either or both said punishments at the discretion of the Court

Sec 2 And be it further ordained, that all the ordinances heretofore passed by the Town of Providence in relation to Swimming or bathing in said Waters or any of them be & the same are hereby repealed

Sec 3 And be it further Ordained that this Ordinance be published in the Manufacturers Journal & in the Rhode Island American three weeks Successively

Sec 4 And be it further Ordained that it be, and is hereby made the duty of the City Sergeant and Constables to give information to the Mayor of any and all breaches of this Ordinance which may come to their knowledge

No 5 — The Health regulations of the Board of Health of the Town of Newport are received and ordered on file

Nuisance Committee — The Two Boards having met in Convention, the following business was transacted
Benjamin Peck tenders his resignation, of Office as a member of the Committee on nuisances, which is accepted
Whereupon Samuel Currie was appointed to fill the Vacancy in said Committee

The Two Boards then Seperated, and adjourned to Friday next at



In Board of Aldermen (met by adjournment) Friday June 29th 1832

Present His Hon Samuel A Bridgham Mayor
and Aldermen. Charles Holden
John H Combe
William J Grinnell
Asa Messer
And the Common Council

Edward Harwood. Office in attendance

No 1. — An Ordinance, To prevent the Introduction of the Asiatic Cholera into the City of Providence & for other purposes therein mentioned

Whereas information has been received that the Asiatic Cholera a highly Malignant disease, which has ravaged a large portion of the Eastern hemisphere has Crossed the Atlantic & now exists in some parts of the American Continent & danger has arisen of its being introduced into this City: — For the prevention whereof & for the purpose of Mitigating its severity Should it unhappily appear amongst us.

Section 1st Be it ordained by the Mayor, Aldermen & Common Council of the City of Providence in City Council assembled, That the Committee on nuisances, be and they hereby are instructed to pursue the Measures by them undertaken for the prevention & removal of all nuisances injurious to health, or any other Causes which may probably originate or Conduce to the Spreading of any infectious or Contagious disease; that in the further discharge of their duty the said Committee attend to the purifying & Cleansing the Streets Lanes, alleys & other public places & also the Several City buildings & the appurtenances in their respective wards & to the removal of such Causes of Sickness as may exist therein: that they Cause all dirt & other things prejudicial to health to be removed from the premises of all such persons as are, in their opinion, unable to Cause or procure the Same to be done, that they procure & use as much lime or the Chloride of lime as they may deem necessary both for the Streets and other public places where the City are bound to Cleanse & also for the use of Individuals who may be in the opinion of said Committee too poor to provide themselves therewith

Sec 2 And be it further ordained that the said Committee be and they hereby are directed to inquire into the number of the inmates of any houses or tenements where they may have reason to believe the number to be so great as to be prejudicial to health & in Case such should be the fact, in the opinion of said Committee to report the names of such inmates & the Circumstances of their respective Cases to the Board of Aldermen, acting ex-officio as the Board of Health for their Order thereon;

Sec 3 And be it further ordained that the Board of Aldermen, acting Ex-Officio as the Board of Health shall have full power, to use any of the public buildings of the City, or procure any other buildings for Hospitals or other purposes Connected with the Objects of this Ordinance as they may deem necessary & to furnish the Same with every thing necessary to Carry into effect the Object intended: and to provide sufficient Medical & other attendance for the sick & to Cause the removal of any person or persons from their place of residence to the Hospitals aforesaid or to any other place, If, in the Opinion of said Board, it is necessary for the health of said persons so removed, or of any other inhabitants of the City

Sec 4th. And be it further ordained that all keepers of Hotels, taverns, boarding houses & other places of entertainment within said City, shall severally, from time to time Report to the Board of Aldermen, acting Ex-Officio as a board of Health, the name or names & place or places of usual residence, of all and every person or persons who may be sick at their respective houses upon his or their knowledge of such person or persons being sick, by leaving a writing to that effect signed by him or her at the City Clerks office, addressed to the Mayor & Aldermen, and that every keeper of a hotel, tavern, boarding house or other place of entertainment, who shall neglect or refuse to make such report as aforesaid

Shall forfeit and pay to & for the use of said City the sum of Twenty Dollars for every offence to be Sued for & recovered by action of debt in the name of the City Treasurer before the proper Court to try the same ~

Sec 5th. And be it further ordained that every Physician who shall professionally attend upon any person or persons sick in any Hotel, tavern, boarding house or other place of entertainment or in any private family, shall from time to time, as soon as the same can be obtained, report to the Board of Aldermen, acting ex Officio as a board of Health, the name or names and place or places of usual residence of all & every person or persons whom they shall so professionally attend & are affected with Malignant Cholera or any disease resembling the same by leaving a writing to that effect signed by him at the City Clerks Office, addressed to the Mayor & Aldermen, & that any Physician who shall neglect or refuse to make such report as above required shall forfeit and pay to and for the use of said City the sum of Forty Dollars for every offence to be sued for & recovered by action of debt in the name of the City Treasurer before the proper Court to try the same. ~

Sec 6th. And be it further ordained, That the sum of Five Thousand dollars be and hereby is appropriated out of any money in the City Treasury, not otherwise appropriated for the purposes of Carrying the provisions of this Ordinance into effect ~

Sec. 7th. And be it further Ordained, that this Ordinance shall Continue in force Six months unless sooner repealed ~

Sec 8th And be it further ordained that this Ordinance be published in the Rhode Island American & in the Manufacturers & Farmers Journal three Weeks Successively.

No 2 Resolved that the President & Mr Staples with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to take such measures as they may deem necessary, to preserve from injury by fire the Books & papers belonging to this City,

Which Was the Mayor acceded ~

No 3 Resolved that Mr Warner and the City Treasurer, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be a Committee to examine, & if they think necessary, advise the best Mode to Collect,

Aldermen Hunt, Stoddard ~

In Board of Aldermen (met by adjournment) July 6th A.D. 1832 ~

Present His Hon Samuel W Bridgham Mayor
and Aldermen Dexter Thurber
Charles Holden
John H Brewster
William S Grinnell
Henry R Greene
Asa Messer

~ And the Common Council ~

Edward Harwood Office in attendance



No 1. Resolved that the City Auditor be and they are hereby directed to allow, Four dollars to the first Universalist Society, for the use of their Vestry, for ward Meeting in April last ~

No 2 An Ordinance prescribing the manner of notifying ward meetings to be holden for the purpose of Elections ~

Sec 1. Be it ordained by the City Council, that all ward Meetings to be holden in the respective Wards of this City for the purpose of Elections shall hereafter be notified and warned by notices thereof under the hand of the City Clerk, published in the Manufacturers & Farmers Journal and in the Rhode Island American during the Space of one week next before each day of Election ~

Sec 2 And be it further ordained, that all the Rules, resolutions and ordinances heretofore made and passed by the Town of Providence, relative to the mode of notifying or warning Town Meetings, be and they hereby are repealed ~

No 3. Resolved, That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to invest the principal of the Dillingham fund in the Stock either of the Union or Exchange Bank & that so much as may be necessary to enable him to purchase Four Shares of said Stock, in addition to said fund be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated ~

No 4. An Ordinance in addition to the Ordinance entitled "an Ordinance appropriating Twenty thousand Dollars for the purposes therein mentioned ~

Be it ordained by the City Council, that in addition to the Sum of Two Thousand dollars in and by said ordinance appropriated for "the support of the poor, removal of paupers including the asylum" there be also appropriated the interest and income of the Dillingham fund, now in the City Treasury, towit the sum of One hundred and Eight Dollars

No 5. The petition of Shadrach Manton & others in relation to the Lindsey well.
from Common Council
Read & Concurred with amendments ~

No 5 Resolved that Messrs Isaac Brown & Samuel Barnes be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to Cause a pump to be placed in the public well in Cranston Street, provided the Cost thereof does not exceed Thirty dollars

No 7. Resolved that the Committee appointed to procure and furnish the ward Clerks with Stationary be and he is hereby authorized to procure in addition, Suitable Boxes or Chests for the preservation of the Same

Engine Co. No 5. The Two Boards met in Convention for the purpose of making some appointments
The following named persons were appointed, members (in addition) to Engine Company No 5.
To wit

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| Edmund Williams | Nathaniel S Potter | John Partridge |
| John Winship | Edmund A Nichols | Frederick W Dorr |
| John Burton | Samuel D Wicks | Solomon Arnold |
| James Sheldon | William B Gardner | Robert R Briggs |
| William Gilmore | Stephen W Hunt | William S Spencer |
| | Simeon Arnold | |

The Two boards then Separated, and the Board of Aldermen adjourned to Tomorrow at 10 o'clock A.M.

David E Mann & a/c. Upon the Bill of David E Mann it is resolved, that the Same be allowed, and after the same shall be Certified by the President of this Board, be paid out of any Money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated ~

In Board of Aldermen July 12th 1832

Present His Hon Samuel W Bridgham Mayor
and Aldermen Dexter Thurber
Charles Holden
John H Ormsbee
William J Grinnell
Henry R Greene
Asa Messer

And the Common Council

Edward Harwood Offier in attendance

The Health Offier makes report which is received and ordered on file

The passengers who arrived in the pool from New York in the Steam Boat Resident having landed in Setauket, and having applied to this Board for a permission to Come into the City — It is Ordered that after they have been sufficiently fumigated & Cleansed under the direction of the health Officer, together with their Baggage, they have permission to come into this City after 8 oclock tomorrow morning, if in good health

No 1. Resolved, that his Hon the Mayor together with such of the Common Council as they may add be and they hereby are appointed a Committee to Consider whether any and if any what Ordinance is necessary or expedient to be passed by the City Council to prevent the introduction of the Malignant Cholera, into this City and that they report by a draft of an Ordinance or otherwise

Messrs Staples, Williams and Cooke, added

Voted that the 10th Section of an act entitled "an act to prevent the Spreading of any Contagious or infectious sickness in this State," be published in the daily Journal & daily advertiser

Adjourned to Meet at 4 oclock Tomorrow Morning

In Board of Aldermen, Wednesday July 18th 1832.

Present His Hon Samuel W Bridgham Mayor
and Aldermen Dexter Thurber
Charles Holden
John H Ormsbee
William J Grinnell
Henry R Greene
Asa Messer

And the Common Council

Edward Harwood Offier in attendance

The Health Offier makes report of the arrival of the Steam boat Hercules from the City of New York with ten passengers, all well



The Two Boards met in Convention, when the following named persons, having stood propounded three months are admitted Freemen of this City Town.

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| Admitted Free | Charles B Aborn | Oliver Arnold Budlong | Job Angell |
| | Ransom Hicks | Albion N Chuy | Ebenezer Whipple |
| | Thomas Poing Gladding | George W Hallet | Edwin Tillet |
| | John Proctor | Samuel Stafford | Isaac Butts |
| | Daniel Wilmarth | Philo B Cook | Rhods G Lockwood |
| | Joseph A Chedell | Henry A Howland | Geo Horton |
| | Thomas J Stead | Thomas Brown Jun | Frederick H Smith |
| | Joseph C Marcan | Abner H Manchester | Henry D Kendal |
| | Lorenzo D Anthony | Cyrus B Manchester | Benjamin Franklin Smith |
| | Lewis D Miller | Benjamin F Taylor | Willard W Fairbanks |
| | Broocks Lewis | James O Arnold | Edmund H Bates |
| | George H Bush | Henry B Fuller | James Walford |
| | Joseph A B Lake | Christopher Bentley Arnold | Thomas Snow |
| | Oliver Keith Wilbur | Welcome Arnold | William F Pullen |

Caleb Arnold, having petitioned on Certificate as Eldest Son of Welcome Arnold of Warwick and now owning Sufficient freehold estate in this City, is admitted free

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| Admitted free as Eldest Sons | James Burrough Jun | Eldest Son of | James Burrough |
| | George Brown | do | George L Brown |
| | John Brown | do | Simeon Brown |

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| Propounded | Hiram W Kimball | Deed produced |
| | Nathan Cobb | do |
| | Seth Baker 2d | do |

Fire wards The following persons having declined serving as fire wards to wit, Henry Matteson Nathaniel Bishop, John H Grant, Nathaniel Bacon, Edward Carrington, Stephen Branch. The following named persons were appointed in their place to wit

Roger Williams Potter
Hiram Hill
John Church
John H Clarke
Maspa Bassett
Robert Manchester

The two boards now Seperated, and the Board returned to their Chamber

The Board of Aldermen having returned to their Chamber acted upon the following business

No 1. Resolved, that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to pay Walter Paine Chairman of the Committee to repair and pave Streets, the balance due said Committee amounting to One hundred Seventeen Dollars & 83 cents out of the Money appropriated for the repair of Highways

The Health Offier makes report which is received and ordered on file

Adjourned to Meet at 3 oclock PM

In Board of Aldermen (met by adjournment) July 28th 1832. Afternoon

Present His Hon^r Samuel W Bridgham Mayor
and Aldermen Dexter Thurber
Charles Holden
John H Ormsbee
William J Grinnell
Henry R Greene
Asa Messer
And the Common Council

Edward Harwood Office in attendance

No 2. An Ordinance prohibiting all persons coming from New York or any other City Town or place infected with Malignant Cholera from entering into this City of Providence

Section 1 Be it ordained by this City Council of the City of Providence, that no person who shall come from New York or any other City Town or place infected with Malignant Cholera shall be allowed to come into this City within the term of five days from the time he or she shall have left the City of New York or any other City Town or place infected as aforesaid, and that every person so offending shall forfeit and pay a sum not exceeding One hundred Dollars to and for the use of the City, to be recovered in an action of the Case in the name of the City Treasurer before the proper Court to try the same

Sec 2 And be it further Ordained that it shall be the duty of the Health Officers, the City Sergeant and all the Constables of this City to prosecute all persons offending against this Ordinance

Sec 3 And be it further Ordained that this Ordinance be published in the daily advertiser and daily Journal

Adjourned to Meet tomorrow at 3 o'clock PM

In Board of Aldermen Specially Convened by authority of His Hon the Mayor July 30th 1832.

Present His Hon^r Samuel W Bridgham Mayor
and Aldermen Dexter Thurber
Charles Holden
John H Ormsbee
William J Grinnell
Henry R Greene
Asa Messer
And the Common Council

Edward Harwood Office in attendance

No 1. Whereas great inconvenience will attend the opening of the public School houses for Hospitals for the accomodation of such persons as may be afflicted with the Malignant Cholera or with disease resembling the same, and the board of Aldermen acting ex-officio as the board of Health experience great difficulty in procuring buildings suitable for that purpose, Therefore

Resolved that the board of Aldermen acting ex-officio as the board of Health be and they hereby are authorized and empowered in Case they may deem it necessary to procure by purchasing or otherwise Sites a Sites for one or more Hospitals in this City and to erect or Cause to be erected thereon suitable buildings for the



purpose, and that the Cost thereof be paid out of the Money appropriated under the Ordinance passed by the City Council entitled "an Ordinance to prevent the introduction of the Asiatic Cholera into the City of Providence" and for other purposes therein mentioned

No 2. Resolved that Mess^rs Brown & Pearson be and they are hereby authorized and empowered to make such repairs as they may deem necessary upon the well in the Town hangle yard

Adjourned to meet August 10 at 3 o'clock PM

In Board of Aldermen, met by adjournment, August 10th 1832.

Present His Hon^r Samuel W Bridgham Mayor
and Aldermen Charles Holden
John H Ormsbee
William J Grinnell
Henry R Greene
Asa Messer
And the Common Council

Edward Harwood Office in attendance

No 1. Resolved that Mess^rs Williams and Brown together with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to advise and direct the surveyor of highways in regard to the repair thereof, and that no Surveyor shall expend on any one street more than the sum of twenty Dollars, nor shall they Cause any foot walk to be laid, without the advice and direction of said Committee

Resolved that it shall be the duty of said Surveyor, and they are hereby required in keeping their accounts to enter the name of the Street upon which all repairs are made Alderman Messer added

No 3. Resolved that the wardens of the several Wards of this City be and they hereby are authorized and empowered to employ Constables, one each, to attend the ward Meetings

No 4 The Committee appointed to Cause a pump to be placed in the public Well in Cranston Street, beg leave to report, that they Contracted with Mr Z Chaffee to effect the object of their appointment for the Sum of thirty Dollars, he has placed an Iron pump with the fixtures in the most permanent manner,

for the Committee Isaac Brown

In Board of Aldermen, met by adjournment, Monday May 27. 1832

Present Samuel W Bridgham Mayor
Aldermen Dexter Thurber
Charles Holden
John H Crombie
William J Grinnell
Henry R Greene
Asa Messer
And the Common Council

Edward Harwood Office in attendance

Mr Bassett is authorised to Cleanse & fumigate the House in Eddy Street where a Mrs Lewis died with Cholera, yesterday

No 1. To the City Council of the City of Providence,

The Subscriber having been hereto for authorised to procure for the use of the Ward Meetings, Books Stationary and trunks, begs leave to report that he has performed all the duties contemplated in the resolutions under which his authority was derived.

He has procured for each ward and delivered to the Clerks thereof,
1 Record Book.
the Statute laws of the State and the Supplements to the Same
3 quires of Paper
1 Stick Sealing wax
3 ink Stands
2 Sand boxes & 1 paper of Sand
1 bunch quills
12 Sheets Cartridge & wrapping paper
1 trunk and for all but the last item he has the receipts of the ward Clerks which are reported herewith he has procured Copies of the laws of the State and the Supplement to the Same for the Common Council, and the Municipal Court

Allen O Beck Clk. Common Council, Committee

No 2 An Ordinance prohibiting the throwing of any animal or vegetable Substances into ponds, Rivers, Coves, the Canal Basin, or any Docks in the City

Be it Ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence, that if any person or persons shall throw Cast or deposit, or Cause to be thrown Cast or deposited into or upon the Margin of any pond, River, Cove, the Canal Basin or any docks in the City any animal, or Vegitable matter or Substance whatever he, she, or they offending shall forfeit and pay a sum not exceeding fifty dollars nor under ten dollars to be recovered in an action of the Case, one half part thereof to and for the use of him, her or them who shall prosecute for the Same, and the other half part thereof to and for the use of the City

No 3 The Committee authorised to make the necessary repairs on the Well & pump in the Town House Yard respectfully report That they caused the Stone work of the well to be raised in Order to Cure of the water and placed over it a Substantial platform of Stone, took off about 10 pd of the Old pump & replaced it with new, put in new Ropes & requested the Surveyor to graduate the Earth and Cover it with gravel, all of which will Cost about thirty Dollars



No 4. Whereas great inconvinience is almost daily experienced in the administration of police in this City, from the want of some suitable place wherein to Commit such Idle vagrants as are found loitering about the City; also such as belong to this City of dipolute, idle, or disorderly habits, and whereas for the preservation of good order and better government of the City a house of Correction has become indispensibly necessary — therefore, Resolved, that Dexter Thurber with such as the Common Council may add be a Committee to present to the City Council as soon as Convinient, such Plan, or plans for a building for a House of Correction, as they may Judge the interest of the City requires, with the probable expence of such building; and that they make inquiry as to a Suitable Site for such building and the probable Cost thereof, and that One hundred dollars be appropriated from the Contingent funds to further the object of said appointment

Messrs Brown, Staples, & Church. of Common Council added

No 7. Resolved that Messrs Holden & Metcalf be and hereby are appointed a Committee to Contract with some Suitable person or persons to take up the pavements and gravel Charles Street at the foot of Orms Street

Doctor Pearsons makes report which is received and ordered on file

Admitted Free. The two boards then met in Convention for the purpose of admitting free such persons as have stood propounded three months. The following were admitted, to wit

Thomas Snow
Billings Brastow
Johns Prentice
Randal Holden 2d
Job Martin
Joseph W Clarke
Ebenezer Cobb
Jonas Starr
James Thurber Jr.
Joseph Briggs
William W Harding
John Crandal
Spencer Pease
Royal Lee
William R Bowers
Henry Ward
Asa W Davis
John Martin
George Bucklin 2d Eldest Son of William Bucklin
Elisha Dyer Junr. " " Elisha Dyer

Persons Propounded. Daniel B Salsbury — By will of Daniel Brayton
William Randal. — Said propounded
Thomas Davis. — Do — Do

Benoni Cook Communicates to the City Council his resignation of the appointment as one of the Committee on nuisances, which is accepted

Aldermen Thurber & Grinnell make Communication of their resignation of Office as Surveyors of Highways, which are accepted

Surveyors of Highways. Warden Mason for West Side
Warren Bachiller East Side

The Two Boards then Seperated, and the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber

No 8. Resolved that the report of the Committee upon the Subject of the debt of the City and the Treasury accounts of the past year together with the accompanying documents be received and that the same be recorded Resolved that the aforesaid, report and the accompanying Schedule of the City property be published

The joint Committee to whom was refer'd the papers which were furnished them by Submit the Subjoined Statement of the financial Concerns of this Town on the day of at the same time, They also present a Corrected Schedule of the City property, together

## Statement of Financial Concerns of the City

| | | |
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| Whole amount of Town debt. | | $ 108 „ 814 „ 97. |
| Amount funded and drawing 5 p ct int | 95.000 | |
| Amount unfunded | 13. 814. 97. | |
| | | 108 „ 814 „ 97 |

Balance in the Treasury and receipts during the year ending June 4. 1832.

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| Balance in the Treasury June 4. 1831 | | 531 | 17. |
| Balance of the tax of the year | 1830. | 705 | 53 |
| on tax of | 1831 | 32. 600 | — |
| Depte (Donation) fund | | 2. 938 | 62 |
| Rent of Market house Stalls for | 1830. 31. | 1. 828 | 92 |
| Rent of " " " " | 1831. 32. | 1. 610 | — |
| Rent of Estates | | 450 | 42 |
| School fund from the State Treasury | | 1. 485 | 27 |
| Licences of Billiard Tables | | 376 | 20 |
| Interest on delinquent taxes | | 103 | — |
| Licences to retailers auctioneers public houses &c. | | 2. 874 | 70 |
| Loans in which interest is paid | | 9. 4445 | — |
| | $ | 54. 950 | 83 |

54 950 83

This residue of the tax of 1831 not collected amounts to $ 1067 „ 53. the whole of which Sum will in the opinion of the Collector be paid, the amount of outstanding demands is estimated at about $ 2000 — Small sums of receipt into the Treasury vary in different years. For four years last past the average amount received from the Market houses stalls is $ 1. 915. 95, — The averages amounts received for rents of Estates for these years is about $ 330 — This amount received this year includes some arrears and advances. For four years $ 214 more Considerably less. The amount received on account of Depte donation Fund also varies at is From Billiard Tables usually about $ 3. 000, It will be noticed that the above account of the rent of the Market House Stalls inclu des two years, It will also be noticed that payment for the services of the Town Council of two years has been made within the last financial year

Statement of the Town Debt at different Periods as recorded in the Town Clerks Books, Reported by the Town Treasurer

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| May | 1818. | $ 27. 576 „ 00 | April | 1821. | not reported | | April | |
| April | 1819. | 27. 917 „ 00 | „ | 1822 | $ 28 „ 894 „ 32 | | June | |
| „ | 1820 | 29. 890 „ 00 | „ | 1823 | 32. 820 „ 64 | | „ | |
| 1824 | | $ 33. 523 „ 00 | June | 1827. | $ 82. 000 „ 00 | | June | 1830. $ 110 „ 433 „ 00 |
| 1825 | | 43. 615 „ 00 | „ | 1828 | 95. 551 „ 00 | | „ | 1831. 107. 433 „ 00 |
| 1826 | | 63 „ 327 „ 00 | „ | 1829 | 110. 000 „ 00 | | | |

On the first day of April 1830 Certificates were issued by the Town Treasurer to the amount of $ 105.000. Constituting the of April 1832. has been paid leaving $ 95.000 as before Stated, The sums stated above as the amount of the annual tax, During the four years preceding the first of January 1829. there had been paid out of the Treasury on of Mill bridge $ 49. 285. And on account of building the Depte Asylum $ 41. 500. with these expenditures and deficiency of the annual receipts into the Treasury to meet the Current expenditures. A Large in the public Streets highways and Bridges



the late Town Treasurer and presented with a former report to the Council on the eighth instant respectfully the organization of the City Government, and an abstract of the Treasury account Current for one year ending with a Statement of the income arising from it „ —.

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| The funded debt is redeemable at the following periods namely | | | |
| in the year | 1834 | | 10 „ 000 — |
| " " " | 36 | | 10 „ 000 — |
| " " " | 38 | | 16 „ 000 — |
| " " " | 40 | | 60 „ 000 — |
| Amount unfunded drawing 6 p ct. | | 9. 300 | 95 „ 000 — |
| " " " 5 „ " | | 4. 514 „ 97. | 13 „ 814 97. |
| Redeemable at pleasure and at short periods | | | |
| | | | 108 „ 814 97. |

Payments from the Treasury during the same time, and bal on hand —

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| Support of poor in the Asylum (order of Town Council) | 1145. 34 | | |
| Support of poor under order of Overseers — | 1815. 47. | | |
| Depte Donation | 3193. 56 | 6. 504 | 47. |
| Town Water order of Town Council | | 4. 042 | 61 |
| Oil and lighting lamps do do | | 2. 253 | 05 |
| Other orders of Town Council | | 1. 099 | 87 |
| Highways 5. 767. 76. Paving 5. 370. 40. | | 11. 138 | 16. |
| Wells and pumps | | 253 | 07. |
| Public Schools. | | 5. 730 | 48 |
| Public Bridges | | 1130 | 64 |
| Contingent expenses, including donation to firemans asp funds $ 212 „ 50 | | 2. 668 | 94 |
| Interest in funded debt | | 5. 237. | 50 |
| Interest in unfunded debt, and temporary loans — | | 209 | 13 |
| Fire department | | 1. 152 | 16 |
| Pay of Members of the Town Council two years. | | 899. | — |
| Salary of the Town Treasurer | | 550 | — |
| Com for building Asylum bal of asp including their Services — | | 692 | 70 |
| Funded debt redeemed | | 10. 000 | — |
| Bal in Treasury, transfered to the City Treasurer | | 839. | 05 |
| | $ | 54. 950 | 83 — |

Town debt. A balance of about $ 2. 500 remained unfunded. Of the funded debt $ 10. 000 redeemable on the first day Town debt, may in some Cases exceed the actual permanent debt, on account of temporary loans in anticipation of the account of Highways and bridges including the Causeway on the South side of the Canal basin and the rebuilding perhaps some other items of smaller amount, the Town debt has gradually accumulated on account of the portion of the increase of the Town debt for several years past has been incurred in making improvements

Geo. Baker

for the Committee „ —

Schedule
City
Property

# Real Estate belonging to the City of Providence

The Brick Market house and the lot on which it Stands. the Fish Market building projecting over the Cove, The Town house, and lot on which it stands, bounding 80 feet on College Street, 73 feet on Benefit Street westerly on land purchased by the Town of Nicholas Brown 68 feet lot adjoining and Compeping a part of the Town house lot bounding Northerly on Original Town House lot and on the lot since purchased of Nicholas Brown, Easterly on Benefit Street on which it measured before a gore was sold to Nicholas Brown 84 feet, Southerly on land of N Brown & Brown & Ives 164 feet

Lot now Comprising a part of the Town house lot purchased of Nicholas Brown 27 of August 1821 adjoining Easterly and Southerly on Town house lot described above, and westerly on land of William Brown late deceased and Northerly on College Street, on this lot stands a small building belonging to the heirs of the late Judge Bowen and now in possession of Peter Pratt Esq. for which he pays to the Town twenty dollars p year ground rent, in exchange and in part payment for this lot the Town Conveyed to Nicholas Brown a Strip of the Towns land, adjoining East on Browns land and Northerly on part of the Towns land on which the pound Stands and a gore at the S. E. Corner adjoining Benefit Street. as by the deed dated August 1821 appears — on that part of the present Town house lot adjoining Benefit Street Stand the Artillery Gun house for which the Town, now City, are Obliged by act of General Assembly to find a location, west North of the Gun house are two buildings belonging to the City, Connected with the fire department, near the middle of the lot on the South side of the Town house Stands a wooden building belonging to the Militia Company of Cadets, by permission of the Town, Nearly across the west end the Town have erected a Shop Shed and the pound — .. ...

# Hospital Lands

Two acres and 30 poles purchased of Martha Field bounded East on the River and South on Hawkins Cove Called the Old Hospital land, this land the Town had not the Power to sell it being purchased for a Special use — Ten acres 21. 10th of land Called the new Hospital land, on which the large Hospital building Stands, bounding on the brook which forms the South boundaries of Providence and North of Cranston — this lot when purchased adjoined the Old Hospital lot, but the Turnpike road to Pawtuxet now Cuts it ...

# The North Burying Ground

This tract originally Comprised 45 acres and on the 25th of June 1795. the Town purchased of Moses Brown eight acres adjoining West on the Same, after which a Turnpike road was laid through, Leaving part of the Town land S. W. of the road, this part was afterwards sold by the Town to Sullivan Dorr and Thurs, owners of a Woolen Factory, it has always within my memory been said that there had been Considerable encroachments on different sides of the land, and it was thought by some persons that the 8 acres bought of M Brown had formerly been Strip off the Original 45 acres, tho he had purchased & not doubting that the best title was in the person from whom he made the purchase — there Certainly ought to be a Survey, and as far as possible definate the bounds ascertained and monuments of wrought stone placed at the Lines, especially as some of the land on the west line of the Pawtuxet road is now understood to be enclosed by individuals — ...

# The Dan Jacobs Lot

This lot lies at the Junction of North Main Benefit and Stampers Streets and the Money for the purchase was raised in part by the people in the neighbourhood that the land might lay open for the accomodation of the entrance into those Streets — which Could not be Obtained by Subscription was paid by the Town, and the deed is to the Town Treasurer, after the land was purchased Engine House No 2. was placed thereon



# Old Brick

Old Brick school house and lot, Sixty feet in width and extending from Mathewy Street north to South Court Street

# North School House and lot 1st District

The lot on which the School house Stands is bounded 45 feet on Benefit Street and extends 80 feet East, by the Condition of the Deed it Can only be used and occupied for a School house. For the Year 1825. the Town purchased a lot 20 feet wide and extending 62 feet Easterly from Benefit Street for the better accomodation of the School house so that the whole lot is now 65 feet on Benefit Street ...

# The Sessions Lot

This Lot fronts westerly 250 feet on North Main Street and extends Easterly to a Road, and Contains about Nine and one half acres, it is now under Lease to Hathaway & Daniels for one year from first of May 1832. the rent Sixty dollars ...

# South or third district School

The lot on which the School house Stands is eight rods feet, front on Benefit Street, the East part of the lot extends North 80 feet to the Selling hair burying ground, and 34 feet of the west part extends back 122 feet to land of Benjamin Clifford, an Engine house stands on this lot ...

# West Side

A lot ten feet in width fronting on Weybosett Street and holding that width to Meddles Street. now in possession of Thomas Burgess who leases the Same in Connection with his Estate adjoining and the Town receives a proportion of the rent ...

# Reasons House and Lot

This lot is 31 feet in front on Weybosett Street the Engine house No 3 Stands on a part Corner of the lot — the remainder of the lot with the dwelling house is rented to David Pitts at 80 dollars per year payable quarterly ...

# Real Estate

This is a house and lot at the Junction of Weybosett and Dorrance Streets — the lot is but of small dimentions and the Estate is leased to David Masters at 120 dollars per year, this Estate the right is now in possession of the Town is Subject to be Claimed by the heirs of Field should they appear

# The Public Squares

Conveyed to the Town, "for some public purpose or purposes and for no other use or purpose whatever" this lot is 150 feet Square and is bounded on Atwells Avenue and Broad ford Street, and on two Sides on 20 feet gangways ... ...

# Fourth District School house & Lot

Lot on the Southerly side of Richmond Street 112 feet. the depth of the lot not mentioned in the deed, on this land the School House has been built

## Stone School House & Lot.

Between High Street and Parsonage Street this deed does not designate the quantity of Land.

## Gore or three Cornered Piece.

This Corner piece lies between the Road which leads to the 2 Societies burying ground and what was called the Hospital Road, the Conditions are that the land shall be added the road to which it adjoins.

## Land on Charles Street and Smith Street.

The land on which the old work House and Bridewell Stand measuring about 240 feet in length bounded Easterly by the river and westerly by Charles Street 111 feet wide at the South End and 67 feet 8 inches on the North. the old work house is now rented, the South part to Daniel Branch Housr Carpenter at 60 dollars p year, the north end is rented to Nicholas Sheldon as a Hatters Shop at 40 dollars, the Old Bridewell building was rented to Daniel Hayford Jr. Land on West side of Charles Street about the same North and South in length and breadth, 20 feet of which is leased to Ebenezer P Brown and on which his Soap stands at 20 dollars p year. Another part of 40 feet front is leased to Page and on which his Soap and Candle Works Stand at 75 Cents p foot, another part of 30 feet is rented to Abner Barber on which he has built a Carpenter Shop, the remainder of this lot lies Common.

A piece of land lying westward of the Contemplated Bank Street westward of the above described land bounding Southerly on Smith Street, for which Reference to the plat of the whole made by Benoni Lockwood May 12. 1829.

## Hydraulion Buildings.

Building of Hydraulion No 1 Standing on Canal Land
" " No 2 near the Canal Basin Standing on Lands taken from the river, A building of the fire department Standing on Land of Benjamin Aborn and an Engine house on Land of Joseph Martin, the Town pays rent for all these buildings except that on which Hydraulion No 2 Stands.

Respectfully Submitted to the Committee of the City Government June 7th 1832. by John Howland, late Treasurer.

In perusing the above, I find the Fields point land has been omitted, it Contains I think 37 P or 37 3/4 Acres, for having delivered over the deeds to my Successor Committee now examine them. this land having been by vote of the Town placed under the Care of the T. Council they let the Grandstone Sentinel have the improvement of it as his Compensation for that Service. In addition to this purpose of there is a piece of land Called Goat Point to which the bounds were fixed a few years ago by Wm O Hopkins, Stanford Newel and Joel Metcalf Committee appointed by the Town. The Town has also a Claim to part of the land and Shore South of Shingle Bridge on the west side of the River or Canal Bank which the heirs of the Crawford Family also pretend to Claim.

John Howland



The following Statement exhibits the amount of the yearly disbursements from the Treasury, as reported at Town Meeting, Commencing when the said Town Treasurer Came into Office before which time there seems to have been no report of the Current Expenses. In some Cases other items are designated. The report were made in some years at the April meeting, and in others in June (and for different portions of the Year,) The amounts therefore may not be strictly Correct, as Coming within the periods of any one year, but they are no doubt approximate very nearly to the truth.

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| April | | | | June | | | |
| " 1818. | | 26.663. | 85 | 1827. Ordinary | 39.072.58 | | |
| " 1819 | | 25.085 | 73 | Extra | 2.715 59 | | |
| " 1820 Ordinary. | 21.710.72 | | | Asylum | 15.930.00 | | |
| Extra | 1.531.97 | 23.272 | 69. | Debt | 18.500.00 | 77.319 | 27 |
| " 1821 no report found | | | | 1828 Ord | 45.698.15 | | |
| " 1822 Ord, | 23.317.24 | | | Extra | 3.051.90 | | |
| Extra | 4.057.67 | 27.257 | 71 | Asylum | 10.710.00 | | |
| " 1823 Ord | 25.882.20 | | | Debt | 11.545.00 | 70.025 | 05 |
| Extra | 2.911.39 | 34.825 | 19 | 1829 | | 68.1172 | 49 |
| " 1824 Ord | 37.134.18 | | | 1830 | | 46.300 | 20 |
| Extra | 941. | 38.075 | 18 | 1831 Ord | 42.969.58 | | |
| June 1825. Ord | 44.997.02 | | | Extra | 1.142.20 | | |
| Extra | 2.081.10 | 47.808 | 12 | Debt | 10.000.00 | 54.111 | 78 |
| " 1826 Ord | 30.757.72 | | | | | | |
| Extra | 2.631.11 | | | | | | |
| Asylum | 10.700.00 | 52.138 | 33. | | | | |

The report of the year 1829 includes the disbursements from January 1st to December 31st.

During the last twenty two years, while the present Collector has been in Office there have been levied by the Town twenty two taxes, namely,

From 1810 to 1817 inclusive each year $ 20.000. 1818. $ 25.000 – 1819. to 1822 inclusive $ 20.000 – 1823. & 24 $ 25.000 1825 & 26 $ 30.000. – 1827. 28. & 29. $ 40.000 1830 & 31. $ 35.000. amounting in the aggregate to $ 505.000

The whole of this Sum has been paid into the Treasury by the Collector, except the balance uncollected on the last tax, and excepting the amount deducted on the payment of tax bills his own Commission and the sums voted by the Town and at which has on an average amounted to about one hundred dollars on each tax apprised or on the aggregate to the sum of $ 2.200

This fact affords the best evidence of the diligence patience and faithfulness of the Collector, and is at the same time highly Creditable to the tax payers.

The Compensation of the Collector is and has been for several years past four Cent on the amount Collected, three percent of which is deducted by him from all tax bills paid within ten days after the Tax has become payable, in Conformity to a provision of the Ordinance levying the tax leaving one Cent on the sum thus paid which, on a tax of thirty five thousand dollars usually amounts to about thirty thousand, Four Cent on the residue Collected, make his Compensation about the Sum of $ 500

The Late Town Treasurer respectfully presents to the Committee of the City Government, the amount of rents payable on property of the City as the same are at present fixed ~ ~

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| 26 feet of land part of the Town House lot, on which the Office building of Peter Pratt Esq^r Stands ~ | | 20 | ~ |
| Land on Charles Street on which the house of Ebenezer P^d Brown Stands ~ | | 20 | ~ |
| 40 feet of land leased to James Page on Charles Street, | | 30 | ~ |
| 30 feet of land on Charles Street to Alfred Barber ~ | | 22 | 50 |
| North end of Old Work house occupied by N Thurston | | 40 | ~ |
| South end by Branch House Carpenter | | 60 | ~ |
| The left of Old Bridewell, Daniel Hayford jn^r | | 25 | ~ |
| The Upton Lot, Hathaway & Daniels | | 60 | ~ |
| The Room House David Pitts | | 80 | ~ |
| The Steele Estate David Martin | | 120 | ~ |
| 10 feet of land on Wybosett Street the amount of rent depends on the rent of adjoining property belonging to Thomas Burgess Esq^r as it is let together ~ | | 483 | 50 |
| Rent of Office of John Whipple | 32 dollars | | |
| " " of Nath^l Searle, | 32 " | | |
| State insurance Office ~ | 34 " | 138 | ~ |
| | | 621 | 50 ~ |

The rent of Fields point has been Abrogated by the Compensation of the Sentinel

Beside the above rents Catharine Williams a Black woman pays for the use of the thirds of the widow Henry, the last year she paid as agreed by the Overseer of the Poor 4 dollars as the widow is Maintained in the asylume, And Thomas Sickell rents the thirds of a small building belonging to a Widow who is Maintained by the Town in the asylum, amount this year not yet known to me

The rent of the Market House Stalls the present year amounts to 1760 dollars

The amount Rec^d on Billiard Table Taxes from June 1831 to June 1832, was three hundred twenty six dollars ~ ~

June 8th 1832

John Howland late Town Treasurer ~

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In Board of Aldermen (met by adjournment) August 31^st. 1832.

Present William J Bunnell President &c, tem, and Aldermen Dexter Thurber, Charles Holden, John H Ormsbee, Henry R Greene, Asa Mason ~ And the Common Council ~

Edward Harwood, Office in attendance ~

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No 1 An Ordinance repealing this Ordinance passed on the Eighteenth day of July A.D 1832. Entitled "An Ordinance prohibiting all persons Coming from New York or any other City, Town or Place infected with Malegnant Cholera from entering into the City Boundries"

Be it Ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence that the Ordinance passed on the Eighteenth day of July A.D 1832. Entitled "an ordinance prohibiting all persons Coming from New York or any other City Town or place infected with Malegnant Cholera from entering into the City of Providence" be and the same is hereby repealed, Provided nevertheless that nothing in this Ordinance Contained shall prevent the prosecution for, or recovery of any penalty incurred under the said Ordinance hereby repealed ~ ~ ~

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No 2 An Ordinance relative to City pumps & wells ~

Sect. 1. Be it Ordained by the City Council, that no person shall wash any thing in any Watering trough attached to any City Pump or well, or shall in any manner render the water therein unfit for the use of Cattle, or injure or Cause to be injured either of said pumps or wells or troughs or other apparatus attached thereto, or waste the water issuing therefrom; And shall every person offending in the premises shall forfeit and pay for each and every offence, a sum not exceeding five dollars nor less than one dollar, to the use of the City, to be recovered by action of debt in the name of the City Treasurer.

Sect. 2 And be it further Ordained, that it shall be & it is hereby made the duty of each & every Constable of said pumps & wells, of the City Sergeants and of each & every City Constable to give information to the City Treasurer of every breach of this Ordinance that may Come to their knowledge ~ ~

Sect. 3. And be it further Ordained that this Ordinance be published in Manufacturers & Farmers Journals, and Rhode Island American, for three weeks Successively ~ ~ ~ ~

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In Board of Aldermen met by Adjournment, September 10th 1832, 3 Oclock P.M.

Present Samuel W Bridgham Mayor and Aldermen Dexter Thurber, Charles Holden, John H Ormsbee, William J Bunnell, Henry R Greene, Asa Messer ~ And the Common Council ~

Edward Harwood Office in attendance ~

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No 1 Resolved that Messr^s Sickell, Metcalf and Holden be and they hereby are appointed a Committee to Sell and Cause to be removed the Old Work house and Bridewell & Lot the Stone work thereof ~ to Cap the wall upon the line of the Canal to be raised & Secured as high as the wall upon the opposite side of the Canal and the land to be filled up, graduated and levelled to Conform to the adjoining Streets.

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No 3 Resolved that the City Treasurer be and he hereby is authorized and empowered to borrow at any time or times previous to the Eighteenth day of this present month September under the advice of the Committee herein after mentioned such sum or sums of money, as may be necessary not exceeding Five Thousand Dollars in the whole to discharge the Current expenses of the City ~ ~ Resolved that Messr^s Cady and Brown with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and they hereby are appointed a Committee to advise with the City Treasurer in relation to the loaning of Money from time to time for the use of the City as mentioned in the preceding resolution ~ ~ ~ Alderman Ormsbee added ~ ~ ~

## An Ordinance making Sundry appropriations

No 4. Be it Ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence, that the sum of one Thousand Dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated to and for the use of the fire Department — that the sum of twenty six hundred and twenty five dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated for the payment of the interest that may become due on the funded debt of the City — and that the same be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated —

No 5. Resolved that Messrs Anthony, Holden, & Brown with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to make enquiry relative to the Estate of the late Dea. William Bowen situated at the Corner of College and South Main Street in reference to the purchase of the same, and report to the next Meeting of this Council — Alderman Grinnell added —

No 6. Resolved, that the City Treasurer be and he hereby is directed to pay what due the several Sums of money obtained by him on loan for the use of the City, by order of the City Council passed June 12th and September 10th 1832, out of any Money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated —

No 7. Upon the Petition of Edward Carrington and others in relation to the passage of the Steam Boats in the river it is —

Resolved that the same be and hereby is referred to Messrs Barker & Bowen with such as the Board of Aldermen may add to Consider the subject matter thereof and to report in relation to the same at the next meeting of the Council, And also to Consider and report at the same time what Measures are necessary to prevent the unlading of Vessells in the river and thereby obstructing the Channel

Alderman Grinnell added —

Adjourned to Meet next monday Sept 17. 1832.

In Board of Aldermen (met by adjournment) Monday afternoon September 24th 1832

Present Samuel W Bridgham Mayor and Aldermen Dexter Trumbull, Charles Holden, John H Ormsbee, Henry R Green, Asa Mason.

— And the Common Council —

Edward Harwood Officer in attendance —



No 1 An ordinance appointing the time and place of holding a Town Meeting in relation to the Dexter donation and directing the manner of raising the Same

Be it Ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence, that by Virtue of and in Conformity to the provisions Contained in the Second Section of the act of the General Assembly entitled "an act to incorporate the City of Providence" a Town Meeting of the freemen of the City of Providence shall be holden in the Town house (so Called) where Towns meetings have heretofore been holden, on the Second Monday of October next at 2 Oclock P.M. for the purpose of transacting business in relation to the property and Estate devised to the Town of Providence by the last will and testament of Ebenezer Dexter and denominated the Dexter donation and the Appluse and other Towns or City property Connected therewith and that said meeting shall be notified and warned by the City Clerk by his publishing a Certified Copy of this Ordinance in the Manufacturer and Farmers Journal, in the Rhode Island American and Gazette & in the Republican Herald's, during the Space of Ten days next before the day of said meeting —

No 2. Resolved that the report of the Committee upon the Subject of the Encroachment upon the Rowe Estate lot be and the Same hereby is referred to the Treasurer, and that the Treasurer be and he hereby is authorised to Cause the lines of said lot to be defined & permanently marked and to procure a plat of the same —

Resolved, that the treasurer be and he is hereby requested to make Temporary repairs on the Rowe house the Cost not exceeding fifty Dollars

No 3. The Committee appointed by the City Council on the 10th instant to make enquiry relative to the Estate of the late Doctor Wm Bowen situated at the Corner of College and South Main Street, in reference to the purchase of the Same — Respectfully report — That they have had an interview with John W Stapley Esq. one of the heirs and was informed by him, that the aforesaid Estate Can be bought for Twenty Thousand Dollars payable for Eighteen Thousand five hundred dollars, that the Lot is Sixty Six feet in front on South Main Street, extending back on College Street and holding its Width one hundred and three feet — Respectfully Submitted with a request that the Committee may be discharged —

Providence September 24th 1832. For the Committee Hezekiah Anthony —

Persons Reprimanded

The two Boards met in Convention when the following persons were reprimanded to wit, George Collins — Paid Dollars Isaac Hutchinson — do Albert G Evans — do —

Isaac Mathewson by written communication declines excepting his appointment as one of the Committee to prevent encroachments on Streets —

Samuel Bard Cushing is hereby appointed one of the Committee to prevent encroachments on Streets —

The two Boards then Separated

No 4. Resolved that the 3 Section of the Quarantine regulation be so amended that the Health Office may permit, if in his opinion no danger is apprehended, any Vessell having gone through all the regulations of quarantine to come up and discharge her Cargo at any wharf in the City

No 5. The Committe appointed by the City Council on the 19th day of June, to take such measures as they might deem nucpary to preserve from injury by fire the Books and papers belonging to the City

Report, that in the discharge of their duty, they examined the Chests and Cases in the Clerks Office and found them sufficient to Contain all the Books, they Caused handles to be put on all those which needed them, so that they might be easily removed, they have procured sop Canvas bags to remove the papers, and have deposited them in the Clerks Office,

In addition to this, the Mayor has given directions to the Captains of the Watch to take Charge of the Market house Chambers during the night and to see that they are visited and examined every two hours,

These are all the measures which appeared nucpary to secure the objects expressed in the resolution

Respectfully Submitted by Geo Baker for the Committe

No 6. Resolved that the report of the Committe appointed to Consider on the alterations nucpary to be made in the Market house Chambers, which was made to the board this day be printed to the next meeting of this Board and that said Committe be requested to report at that time an estimate of the expence of the alteration proposed in said report

No 7 Resolved that the City Sargeant be and he is instructed to deliver to each Office of the City one Copy of the address of the Mayor at the Organization of the City Government.

Adjourned to Wednesday morning at 9 oclock. am
September 26. 1832

In Board of Aldermen (met by adjournment) September 26th 1832
at 6 oclock PM

Present Samuel W Bridgham Mayor and
Aldermen Dexter Thurber
Charles Holden
John W Ormsbee
Henry R Greene
Asa Messer.

And the Common Council

Edward Harwood Office in attendance

No 1. An ordinance relative to persons licenced to retail wines and Strong Liquor

Sec 1. Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence, that no person (except Tavern Keepers) who shall be hereafter licenced by the board of Aldermen to retail wines or Strong Liquors in his or her Raw Cook shop. Oyster house or place of Entertainment shall keep open his or her said Raw Cook shop. Oyster house or place of Entertainment after the hour of Ten Oclock in the evening, nor shall he or she open the same before day light, nor by himself herself or his or her Servant or servants open his or her said Raw Cook Shop Oyster House or place of Entertainment on Sunday or sell any article kept therein on that day



Sec 2. And be it further ordained, that no Tavern Keeper who shall be hereafter licenced shall by himself herself or his or her Servant or Servants sell to any person (other than a traveller) any wine or strong liquor on Sunday

Sec 3. And be it further ordained that every person who shall violate this Ordinance or any part or provision thereof shall forfeit & pay the sum of twenty dollars for every such offence to the use of the City to be recovered in an action of debt in the name of the City Treasurer before the proper Court to try the same; and Moreover that if it shall be made to appear to the Satisfaction of the board of Aldermen, that any person licenced as aforesaid hath violated this Ordinance or any part or provision thereof, the said board of Aldermen may after due notice given withdraw the licence granted to such person and declare the same null and void by virtue of the act of the General Assembly passed at October Session A. 1825, entitled "an act in addition to an act entitled an act enabling the Town Councils in this State to grant licences for retailing Strong Liquors & for other purposes"

Sec 4. And be it further ordained that all Ordinances heretofore passed by the late Town Council of the late Town of Providence inconsistent with this Ordinance be and they hereby are revoked

Sec 5. And be it further ordained that this Ordinance be published three weeks Successively in the Manufacturers & Farmers Journal and in the Rhode Island American and Gazette

No 3. Resolved that Messrs Holden Brown & Williams with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and they are appointed a Committe to advise with the Treasurer in Establishing the Rents of the City lands & Tenements

Aldermen Greene added
Holden

No 4. The Committe appointed to Cause Two hundred Copies of "The Mayors address" to be printed respectfully report that they have Caused that number to be printed and attached to the City Charter at an expence of Fifteen dollars, and deposited them with the City Clerk

Providence 26th Sept 1832 Joseph S Cooke for the Committe

No 5 Resolved that Messrs Brown, Tenney and the President, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and they are hereby authorised and empowered to proceed forthwith and Cause the Market Chambers to be prepared for the accomodation of the City Government and Officers in Conformity with the plan reported by the Committee on that Subject on the twenty fourth day of September instant, and also to Cause such other alterations in the said Chambers and the Entrance to the same as they may deem nucpary

Resolved that said Committe be and they are hereby authorised and empowered to procure such furniture for the accomodation of the City Council as they may deem nucpary. Alderman Greene added

No 6. Resolved that the City Sargeant be and he is instructed to deliver to each Officer of the City One Copy of the address of the Mayor at the Organization of the City Government, and the City Charter

Adjourned to Next Monday Morning 9 oclock AM
October 1st 1832

In Board of Aldermen (met by adjournment) October 8th 1832

Present Samuel W Bridgham Mayor and
Aldermen Dexter Trumbe
Charles Holden
John H Ormsbe
William J Grinnell
Henry R Greene
Asa Messer

And the Common Council

Edward Harwood Offices in attendance

No 1 Resolved that Mr Brown, The Treasurer, and Mr John Howland, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to enquire into any encroachments upon the wathouse Lot or upon any of the Streets adjoining or running through the Same and to report as soon as may be

No 2. Voted & Resolved, that in Conformity with the recommendation Contained in the resolution this day passed by the freemen of the City of Providence in Town meeting assembled, the sum of Two hundred Dollars, be and the same is hereby appropriated, out of any Money in the City Treasury not otherwise appropriated towards defraying the expence of building the wall required by the will of the late Ebenezer W Dexter to be erected around the Asylum Lot, and that said Sum be subject to the order of the Commissioners of the Dexter Donation

No 3. The Committee appointed to procure the printing five hundred Copies of the City Charter and the act passed by the General Assembly of this State for the organization of Government in the City of Providence together with a list of City Officers

Respectfully Report

That they have attended to the duties assigned them and have procured the 500 Copies of City Charter with the said act of the General Assembly & list of Officers attached at the expence of $14. and herewith present the same to the City Council

Providence Sept 26. 1832.

For the Committee
Nathaniel M Field.

No 4 Resolved that the City Sergeant be and he is hereby directed to deliver one Copy of the City Charter with the address of the Mayor at the Organization of the City Government attached to the same to each of the Sunday Schools in the City

No 5. An Ordinance repealing an Ordinance entitled, "an Ordinance Establishing rules and regulations respecting quarantine"

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence that the Ordinance entitled "an Ordinance Establishing rules and regulations respecting quarantine" be and the same is hereby repealed from and after the twentieth day of October instant,

Provided nevertheless that nothing in this Ordinance Contained shall prevent the prosecution for or recovery of any penalty already incurred or which may be incurred under said Ordinance hereby repealed,

To the President of the Common Council

Sir I beg leave to resign as one of the Committee for procuring alterations in the Market house Chambers Yours &c. Thomas B Turner

Adjourned to Wednesday 9 October AM October 10th 1832



In City Council Providence November 5th 1832

Present Samuel W Bridgham Mayor and
Aldermen Dexter Trumbe
Charles Holden
John H Ormsbe
William J Grinnell
Henry R Greene
Asa Messer

And the Common Council

No 1 The Committee appointed on the 25th day of Sept last to make alterations in the Market house for the accomodation of the City Government & its Officers, beg leave to report that they were prevented from proceeding immediately in the execution of the duties assigned them by reason of the absence of some & sickness of others who they were desirous should give in their proposals for doing the work, and it was not until the 8th day of October that a Single estimate was received & then only one, at which time one of the Committee left the City & was absent sometime & another was in a neighbouring State, and no progress could be made until their return. They deem it proper to state the estimate received exceeds the amount reported by a former Committee & they are inclined to think the variation may be attributed to errors in the former and that the latter may not be much out of the way.

Your Committee having the Estimate are now ready to proceed, but much time having elapsed from Causes beyond their Control & the Season so far advanced, they have not deemed it best to Commence at this time the work committed to them without submitting to the Council the Cause of the delay.

for the Committee
Isaac Brown

Providence 5 Nov. 1832.

The aforegoing report is read and Received

No 2 Resolved that Thomas B Turner be and he is added to the Committee to Cause Alterations to be made in the Market Chambers for the accomodation of the City Government and its Officers

No 3 The undersigned resigns the office as one of the Committee relative to the purchase of Masons Hall, and requests to be discharged from further duty on that subject

Providence 8th October 1832.

Wm J Grinnell

On the resignation of William J Grinnell one of the Committee to procure from St John Lodge a Conveyance of the Masonic Hall, Resolved that the same be received and the said William J Grinnell be and he is hereby discharged from said Committee

The Two Boards now met in Convention

Admitted Free The following persons having stood propounded more than three months were admitted freemen of the City viz

Asyus W Kimball
Nathan Cobb
Seth Baker

Persons Reponded to

Samuel Foster — deed produced.
William Foster — do
Jacob B Thurber — by descent
Albert N Snow — deed produced
Nathaniel S Eldridge — Certificate of one Share in City Hotel produced
Samuel J Cole — by descent

There being a Vacancy in the Board of Side walk Commissioners occasioned by the by the absence from the City of Wheeler Martin Esq. one of the members of said boards Therefore Voted that Benjamin Clifford be and he hereby is appointed to fill said vacancy

Voted that the two boards now Seperate, when the Board of Aldermen returned to their Chamber, and the Two boards transacted the following business by Concurrent vote

No 1. Resolved that the City Clerk be and he is hereby directed to furnish Warren Bachelder one of the surveyors of Highways with a Certified Copy of a Resolution of the City Council in relation to the repair of Streets and the laying of Cross walks passed on the tenth day of August last.

No 3 Resolved, that Mr Clarke be and he is hereby authorized and empowered to remove the sign in Westminster Street from the house of Mr Samuel Potter to the House of Henry P Franklin at the Corner of Westminster & Mathewson Streets

No 6. Resolved, that Alderm Fenner, Fessenden & Brown, be and they hereby are authorized and empowered to Cause such Alterations and repairs to be made in the drain at the foot of College Street as they may deem expedient and necessary

No 7. Resolved that Alderm Anthony & Clarke be and they hereby are appointed a Committee to examine & ascertain the Condition of the School house lot & yard in the fourth School district & in Case they deem it necessary to fill up and graduate the same

No 8 Resolved that Mr Warner be and he hereby is appointed a Committee to enquire into the necessity of building a Barn or Shed at the Workshop and to Cause one to be built in Case he deem it necessary, Provided the expence thereof shall not exceed thirty dollars and that after the bills are duly audited they be paid by the City Treasurer out of any money not otherwise appropriated,



In City Council November 19th 1832.

Present Samuel H Bridgham Mayor and Aldermen Charles Holden, John H Ormsbee, William J Grinnell, Henry R Green, And the Common Council

No 1. Resolved that the Sum of Eleven Dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the payment of the Expences of the Municipal Court at the November term thereof A.D. 1832 to be paid by the Treasurer on the Order of the Clerk of the Court

No 3 Resolved that the City Treasurer together with the Committee to present encroachments on Streets be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to enquire and ascertain whether any Street gangway wharf, land or landing place belonging to the City is used occupied or improved by any individual or individuals & to report as soon as may be the results of their enquiries & the particulars of every such case as may come to their knowledge together with their Opinion and Recommendations they may deem expedient & proper to be passed for the interest of the City in relation thereto

No 4. Resolved that the City Sergeant be and he is hereby directed to Cause the bells of the First and Second Congregational, and the Rev Mr Tobey's Meeting houses to be rung for the Space of half an hour previous to the time of holding Ward Meetings on Wednesday next, and the Expence of the same be paid by the Order of the Board of Aldermen

No 5 Resolved, that the Surveyor Cause the Obstructions to the free passage of the Water in the Drain Crossing Westminster Street to be removed as soon as may be, under the directions of the Committee to advise & direct him

No 6 The Committee Charged with the repairs of South main Street beg leave to lay before the Council the following report detailing the expences of the same from Power to Transit Street, with such remarks as has suggested themselves — Owing to the prevalence of the Cholera it was not found practicable to begin the work so early as was Contemplated & notwithstanding the lateness of the season it was Completed by the Middle of October & your Committee may add, to their entire Satisfaction —

The expence as per Statement herewith amounts to $ 1713.10 per Dollar, from which is to be deducted old Stone Sold to S. Chedel, Fessenden & Andrews, D W Snow, & N. S. Eldridge, amounts probably to near Two hundred Dollars & thus reducing the Expence to about Fifteen hundred Dollars — The Stones sold have been at the rate of one Dollar the ton excepting a few square ones & in one instance a trifle less when it was necessary to remove them from the place on which they had been laid

The number of Tons bought of new Stones was about 340, not to exceed 350 & there remaines unused on the Vacant lot fronting the distillery on James Street about 60 tons, thus reducing the quantity bought to less than 300 tons to pave 3600 square yards, being not less than 10 1/20 square yards to each ton, whereas the previous year the Stones bought paved but 7 1/2 to each ton, This difference was Caused by placing a greater proportion of old Stone than has been done heretofore & your Committee were of opinion the interest of the City would be better Served by a Careful Selection & greater proportion of the old Stone placed than has been the practice formerly, your Committee have not deemed it advisable owing to the lateness of the season to go below Transit Street, there remains to be relaid a Short Section between Transit & Mackenden Street & from the quality of the Stone now Composing the pavement, they are of opinion the Expence of Smoothing this Street would be Comparatively light — The small piece of Cromwell Avenue, so Called Could not be prepared by the Surveyor & it has been deemed advisable to defer this work until another year —

For the Committee Isaac Brown, Dec 19th 1832. — Upon the foregoing report of the Committee to repair South Main Street

Resolved, that the Same be received

No 7. An Ordinance to prevent Obstructions in Certain Streets and Gangways & upon Certain Public lands of the City of Providence ...

Whereas great inconveniences have arisen to the public, especially in times of fire from Wood, lumber, merchandize & other things being placed & permitted to remain for a long time in the Streets & gangways of the City of Providence leading to the Waters of the rivers & harbour thereof & upon the public lands of said City adjoining said waters Therefore, Sec 1 Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence, that no wood, lumber, merchandize or other things shall be placed & permitted to remain or lie in any of the public Streets or gangways of said City leading to the Waters of the rivers or harbour thereof or upon any of the public lands of said City adjoining said waters for any longer time than may be necessary to land the same from any boat or boat or to put the same on board any boat or boat, in no case however exceeding the Space of twenty four hours under the penalty of a forfeiture to the use of the City of a sum not exceeding fifty nor under five dollars to be recovered of the owner or owners of such wood Lumber, Merchandize or other things or of the person or persons who placed the same in such Street or gangway or on such public lands in an action of the Case in the name of the City treasurer before the proper Court to be by the Same ...

Sec 2. And be it further Ordained that it shall be the duty of the Surveyors of Highways to make inquiry after all breaches of this Ordinance & to prosecute for the same thereof in the name of the City Treasurer as aforesaid, & moreover that the said Surveyors & each of them be & they hereby are directed & required in Case any wood, lumber, merchandize or other things shall have been permitted to remain or lie in any Street or gangway, or on any public lands, as aforesaid for a longer Space of time than twenty four hours in violation of the preceding Section of this Ordinance to give notice to the owner or owners of such wood, lumber, merchandize or other things or to the person or persons who placed the same there or thence to remove the same or Cause the same to be removed therefrom & in Case of his, her or their neglect or refusal so to do for the Space of twenty four hours after such notice, the surveyor or surveyors giving such notice are hereby authorized, empowered & required to remove the same or Cause the same to be removed, therefrom forthwith as Common Nuisances, and in every such Case the owner or owners of such wood, lumber, Merchandize or other things or the person or persons who placed the same in such Street gangway or on such public Land shall be liable to pay the expence of the removal thereof to be recovered by the Surveyor or surveyors who removed the same or Caused the same to be removed in an action of the Case in his or their own name or names before the proper Court to be by the Same ...

Sec 3 And be it further Ordained that the third Section of the by-laws regulations & duties passed by the Town Council of the late Town of Providence on the twenty ninth day of December A.D. 1825, be and the same is hereby repealed ...

Sec 4. And be it further Ordained that this Act or Ordinance be published three weeks successively in the Manufacturers & Farmers Journal & in the Rhode Island American & Gazette ...

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The two boards now met in Convention and the following persons were propounded to become freemen ... of this City, to wit,

Persons Propounded

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| George T Wheeler | duly produced |
| John W Horton | do |
| Jacob T Seagrave | do |
| Josiah Seagrave | do |
| Elisha W Baker | Tenant by the Curtesy |

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Committee to superintend the building of Chimneys & placing Stove pipes

Benoni Cook in room of Charles Hartshorn excused

And

Job Carpenter ...

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The Two Boards now seperated

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In City Council Monday Evening 5 o'clock December 31st 1832

Present Samuel W Bridgham Mayor & Alderman
Dexter Thurber
Charles Holden
John H Ormsbee
William T Grinnell
Asa Mason
and the Common Council

No 1. The Subscriber, appointed on the 5th November a Committee to build a barn or shed on the Hospital ground if expedient in his opinion ... Reports

That he has attended to that duty and has caused to be erected a building 16 feet by 16 feet with shingled roof, Contracted for at the sum appropriated, to wit, $30

Providence December 31. 1832 ... James McWaine, Committee

The aforegoing Report is read and thereupon Resolved, that the same be excused

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No 2 The Committee appointed in November last to remove the sign from Mr Anson Potters house and place it on Mr Henry B Franklins house at the Corner of Westminster and Mathewson Streets, beg leave to report that he has attended to that duty and painted the sign, two coats both sides, and placed it as directed by this board without any expence to the City

December 31. 1832 ... Barton Clarke ... Committee

The aforegoing report is read and thereupon Resolved that the same be excused ... " ...

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No 3 The Committee chosen on the 5th November last, to examine and ascertain the conditions of the School house lot and yard on the fourth district & to have attended to the same, respectfully report, that on examination they found it necessary immediately to graduate & fill up the lot, which they have caused to be done so that the childrens might have access into the school house, as well as to prevent the water from running into and coming the lower floor of the school house, in taking up the old fence in order to fill up the lot, the committee were of opinion that none of it was suitable to be reused, they therefore have caused a suitable fence to be built on the front of the lot

this filling up the lot, the stone work and fence cost, $89.49.

Respectfully submitted by
H. Anthony, for the committee ...

The aforegoing report is read and thereupon Resolved that the same be excused ... " ...

No 4.

To the City Council of the City of Providence

Gentlemen

The Committee appointed by your board on the 8th day of October last "to enquire into any encroachment upon the work heretofore laid, or upon any of the Streets adjoining or running through the same". have had the subject under examination & beg leave respectfully to report, that at an early period of the settlement of the Town of Providence the proprietors granted to John Smith the exterior lands in the valley of the Moshassick river conditioned that he should erect & ever maintain a grist mill on said river for the use of the inhabitants of the Town, In the month of March 1754. a dispute having arisen as to the title of such part of said lands as lay in Charleston so called, a plat thereof was made under the direction of Elisha Brown in right of his wife Martha claiming by inheritance from the grandson of the grantee, On trial of the case this plat was confirmed by the Courts of Common Pleas & Supreme Court, & said Brown put in possession of the disputed lands, subsequently at the request of the Mr Brown, that certain Streets through said lands should be changed

The Town Council on the first day of July 1754. appointed a Committee who reported in favor of the proposed alteration, this report was accepted and confirmed by the Council on the 7th day of October of the same year, thereby, in the opinion of the committee adopting said plat & establishing its title so far as the Town was concerned therein, in said Brown.

Reference is also "especially" had to the said plat in the report of a Committee dated 13th of 4th month 1785. appointed to fix the line of division between the lands of Job Smith & those of the Town, and to lay out certain Streets, a plat whereof is on file in the Clerks Office.

It must be admitted that this plat of division varies from that of Elisha Browns, it gives the true line of Job Smiths lot & so far, is Conclusive as to him, but it does not, & ought not to affect third parties, who had no notice of the intended division & who so far as appears were not present thereat, besides even with respect to Job Smith it is erroneous, the Compass given by Comfort extending the lines westward of that actually laid down as the true one the said Thurston is incorrect — In the suit brought by Mrs Martha Howell, against Henry Seals & others in the Circuit Court in March term 1829 — the Elisha Brown plat was admitted by both parties & used at the trial — This Case did not reach the jury, it having been discontinued by the plaintiff who commenced a new action in the State Courts this was definitely settled at the March term 1832, of the Supreme Court in favour of the defendants, thereby confirming their title to the lots claimed by them, a portion of two of said lots is on land subject to Claim by the new City of Providence which in part gives rise to this inquiry as to encroachments — But from the evidence cited above of the various admissions of the plat of March 1754 the Committee are satisfied that there is no encroachment upon the City lands & that the claim of Seals & others is just & ought to be confirmed, the Committee do therefore recommend that the vote passed at a Town meeting holden on the 25th day of April 1830 a Copy of which is hereunto annexed be Carried into effect the plat accompanying this report will show the relative situation & quantity of land to be exchanged —

all which is respectfully Submitted

Providence November 28. 1832

Isaac Brown
Stephen Tillinghast
John Howland
Committee

I have Signed the above report and recommendation, as a mode of Compromise of a doubtfull question, rather than fully admitting the Claims of Seals and others to be fully established to the extent marked on the little plat

John Howland

The aforegoing report is read and thereupon Resolved that the same is received —



No 5 The Committee appointed to make alterations in the drain at the foot of College Street respectfully report that the surveyor of Highways has made the required alterations therein

City of Providence
December 31st 1832

Thomas B Fenner
for the Committee

The aforegoing report is read and thereupon Resolved that the same be received —

No 6. Resolved that Messrs Anthony, Weeden & the President with such of the board of Aldermen may add be and they hereby are appointed a Committee to ascertain how much if in their opinion any additional allowance ought to be made to the City Clerk for his services the present year, and report at the next meeting —

Aldermen Gunnell & Ormsbee (added).

No 7. Resolved that Messrs Staples and the President with such of the Board of Aldermen may add be a Committee to take into consideration the Petition of Richmond & Bullock & others in relation to the erection of a Marine Hospital on their premises, and report —

The Mayor & Aldermen Hazard excused —

No 8. Resolved that the City Clerk be & he is hereby authorized to procure such furniture for the rooms occupied by the Board of Aldermen, as he or they may deem necessary —

No 9. An Ordinance repealing an ordinance entitled "an ordinance respecting Dogs"

Section 1. Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence that the ordinance entitled "an ordinance respecting Dogs" be and the same is hereby repealed, provided however that nothing herein contained shall in any manner affect any suits which are now pending against any person or persons whatever in Consequence of the violation of the Provisions of the Ordinance hereby repealed

No 10. Communication from the Mayor

To the City Council of the City of Providence —

I take the liberty of calling your attention to the following subjects deeming them important to the interest of the City —

The practice of Smoaking Cigars in the public streets & gangways & on the public wharves & lands of the City increases very much in my opinion the danger of fire, an Ordinance was passed on this subject by the Town many years ago & altho I cannot posit that it has ever been repealed yet I am apprehensive that such must have been the fact as much as it has not been executed for a long time, I therefore recommend a revision & enactment of the Ordinance

The incumbering of the side walks with boxes, merchandize & other things is a very great inconvenience & annoyance to the passengers thereon, An Ordinance was also passed by the Town upon this Subject many years ago but it does not appear to have been executed for a long time & has either been repealed or suffered to become obsolete, I also recommend a revision & reenactment of this Ordinance —

I further recommend the appointment of a Joint Committee of both Boards to revise generally the by laws & ordinances of the late Town Council with the view of Compiling a series of Ordinances to form at no distant day a Compleat Municipal Code agreeably to the suggestion I made at the organization of the City government —

The majesty of the laws of Corporations is daily becoming more & more apparent — indeed it is found on experience to be impossible to execute effectually the police laws of the City without such an establishment — I therefore recommend that the Committee heretofore appointed on that subject be requested to proceed on the business as fast as the nature of the Case

will admit, and inasmuch as the General Assembly have now before them the subject of erecting a State prison & also contemplate the erection of a new Jail in this County & have appointed a Committee on the latter subject, I recommend that the Committee appointed by the City Council be instructed to confer with the said Committee of the State or any other Committee which may be hereafter appointed by the General Assembly in relation either to a State prison or County Jail & also with the representatives of the City in the General Assembly & ascertain if any arrangements can be made with the State so as to connect the object of the State with that of the City & thereby promote the objects of & save expense to both,

The alterations contemplated to be made in this building for the accomodation of the various departments of the City government having been delayed for the present, it is needful that the rooms occasionally occupied, from necessity by the City Clerk by the Mayor & by the board of Aldermen should be warmed by a small Stove or otherwise & provided with a few cheap articles of furniture, such merely as to answer a temporary purpose

The votes by-laws or ordinances heretofore adopted by the Council defining the powers & duties of the Committee appointed to superintend the building of Chimneys & placing of Stove & stove pipes & in relation to Carrying lighted Candles &c into barns & certain other buildings in my opinion require revision, I therefor invite your attention to that subject

Claims have been made against the City by Benjamin Brown Thomas Arnold & Jacob C Gould for the reward for apprehending 11 persons accused of the Murder of the sailor in Knaps Lane in the fall of the year 1831 deeming this to be a subject proper for the consideration of the City Council I present herewith the applications of those Claimants

I also present herewith the report of the Committee appointed by the City Council in relation to the workhouse lot & the documents accompanying the same for your consideration & action thereon

Respectfully Submitted by

Samuel W Bridgham Mayor

Providence December 31st 1832

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Admitted free

The two boards having met in Convention, the following persons having stood propounded more than three months were admitted free to vote

Daniel B Salsbury
William Randal
Thomas Davis
George Collins
Isaac Hartshorn
Albert J Evans
William Grune having voted in this City by Certificate now showing evidence of sufficient freehold Estate in said City is thereupon admitted a freeman thereof

| | | | |
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| Admitted free as Eldest Sons. | William Henry Wilkinson | Eldest son of | William Wilkinson |
| | Jacob Dunnell Jr | " | Jacob Dunnell |
| | Danforth P Weaver | " | Daniel Weaver |
| | Christopher Kelly | " | Wilbur Kelly |
| | Nicholas L Tuell | " | Thomas L Tuell |
| | Ben Wilkinson | " | Arnold Wilkinson |
| | Alpheus Fenner | " | Daniel Fenner |



Persons Propounded

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| William G Angell | by decree |
| Thomas Jefferson Branch | do |
| Ebenezer N Paddleford | by the Curtesy |
| Stephen Chace | And produced |
| Cyrus Osborn | do |
| John A Dennis | do |
| Samuel H Wales | do |
| William Calder | do |
| Edward Billings | do |
| Oliver C Nye | do |
| Nathaniel Vial | do |
| Benjamin S Church | do |
| John Irwin | do |
| John G Anthony | do |
| Isaiah Barney | do |
| William Langley | do |
| George A Burrough | do |
| Kingsley J Studley | do |
| William S Patten | do |
| William Vial | do |
| Philip H Purple | do |
| Joseph D Shaw | do |
| Shadrach Manton | do |
| Stephen R Weeden | do |
| Nathaniel Sweet | do. |

In City Council Wednesday January 15th 1833 at 5 o'clock PM

Present Samuel W Bridgham Mayor and
Aldermen Wayte Thurber
Charles Holden
John H Ormsbee
William J Gunnell
Asa Messer — & the Common Council

No 1 Resolved, that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and empowered by and with the advice of Aldermen Holden and Thurber with such of the Common Council as that board may add, who are hereby appointed a Committee for the purpose to transfer a small portion of the work house lot in conformity to the provisions of a Vote of a Town Meeting April 21. 1830 — & Mr Williams of Common Council added

No 2 The Committee appointed on the 31st December to ascertain how much if on their opinion any additional allowance ought to be made to the City Clerk, for his services the present year, respectfully report, that on investigation the Committee being all present, they were of opinion that the duties & labour of the City Clerk under the administration of the City government are much more, and the fees of his Office being less than was anticipated at the time his Salary was fixed — they therefore recommend that the sum of Two hundred and fifty dollars be paid to the City Clerk as additional compensation for his services the present year, and have therefore presented the annexed resolution —

Respectfully submitted
January 15th 1833. H. Anthony for the Committee

The foregoing report is read and thereupon, Resolved that the same be received —

No 3 Resolved, that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to pay to the City Clerk the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars, as additional Compensation for his services for the present year ending on the first monday of June next, to wit, one hundred & twenty five dollars on the first of February next and one hundred and twenty five dollars at the expiration of his term of Office —

No 4

Treasurer's Office, City of Providence January 15th 1833

Gentlemen

I take leave respectfully to apprise you that additional appropriations are required to cover the excess of expenditure under the following heads viz: —

Support of the poor including the asylum —

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| Expenditures to the 1st instant | $ | 2380.14 | | |
| Appropriations | | 2000 | Exp $ | 380.14 |
| Support of public Bridges. | | 1303 32 | | |
| Appropriation | | 1000 | | 313.32 |
| City Watch | | 2625 75 | | |
| Appropriation | | 2000 | | 625.75 |
| Repairs of public buildings | | 174 6 | | |
| Appropriation | | 250 | | 224.6 |
| | | | $ | 1534.27 |



The unexpended appropriations are

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| Public Schools. appro. | 5000 | | $ 1826.14. exclusive of $ 1327.28. | |
| Expenditure. | 2170 | 86. | | unexpended from last Years now on hand |
| Fire department. appro | 1600 | | | |
| Expenditure | 1573 | 58. | 26.42 | |
| Highways & Streets appro. | 4000 | | | |
| Expenditure. | 3799 | 13. | 200.87. | |
| Lighting Streets appro. | 1000 | | | |
| Expenditure | 385 | 93 | 614.7. | no payment has been made for last |
| Salaries appro. | 1000 | | | |
| Expenditure | 766 | 67. | 233.33. | |
| Wells & pumps appro. | 200 | | | |
| Expenditure | 105 | 49 | 94.51. | |
| Interest appro. | 3025 | | | |
| Expenditure. | 2707 | 94 | 917.6 | |
| Contingencies appro | 2000 | | | |
| Expenditure | 1576 | 85 | 423.15 | |
| Cholera appro | 5000 | | | |
| Expenditure | 2873 | 71 | 2126.29. | |

There has been paid out of the Treasury
Upon the Order of Mr Isaac Brown as Chairman of the paving
Committee — $ 1771.32
less returned for old paving Stone 170.16
$ 1601.16

Under the Town government the Treasurer opened an account of "Order of Town Council" under which head was charged payments for attendance of Town Sergeants & others including incidental expences, This account is now opened "Order of the board of Aldermen" and is charged with $ 219.4. for which an appropriation is asked —

Prior to the first of January 1830 the Treasurer's accounts were settled annually subsequently they have been settled semiannually, I respectfully suggest that the latter course be continued & that the City auditor whose duty it has hitherto been to examine the accounts may be a Committee for that purpose —

Very respectfully
Yr Obt Servt
Stephen Tillinghast
City Treasurer

The foregoing Statement is read and thereupon Resolved — that the same be received and referred to Messrs Cook & Fenner with such as the board of Aldermen may add — Alderman Ormsbee added —

No 5. Resolved, that Messrs Cook & Fenner be a Committee with such as the board of Aldermen may add to examine the semiannual account of the City Treasurer — Alderman Ormsbee added —

No 6 The Committee appointed to repair Charles Street at the foot of Pine Street have attended to that duty the repairs cost twenty dollars, the old paving taken up from Charles Street sold for $ 15.56 cent balance of Cost to the City $ 4.44 — for the Committee Thomas R Holden

The foregoing report is read and thereupon, Resolved that the same be received —

No 7 Resolved. that the representatives of this City in the General Assembly at the present Session thereof be and they are hereby requested to use their exertions to procure the passage of an act, to grant to the City Council power to appoint a City inspector of Beef & pork with all the power, within the City, which the Inspector General of Beef & pork has

# City Council

February 5th 1833. at 6 Oclock P.M.

No 1 A Communication from the Mayor, was read & sent to the Common Council.

No 2 An Ordinance relative to the removal of the Contents of Privy Vaults

Sec 1 Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence, that if any person or persons shall, between the first day of April & the first day of November in any year carry into or through any public Street of said City any of the Contents of any privy vault in any Cart, wagon or other vehicle of any description whatever, at any other time than between ten oclock P.M. & sunrise, such person or persons shall forfeit & pay to the use of said City the sum of five Dollars, for every such offence, to be recovered in an action of debt in the name of City Treasurer before the proper Court to try the same.

Sec 2 And be it further ordained that if any person or persons shall at any time whatever carry into or through any public Street of said City any of the Contents of any privy vault in any Cart, wagon, or other vehicle of any description whatever, which shall not be effectually covered and water tight, such person or persons shall forfeit & pay to the use of said City for every such offence, the sum of five dollars, to be recovered in an action of debt in the name of the City Treasurer before the proper Court to try the same

Sec 3. And be it further ordained that if any Cart, wagon or other vehicle of any description whatever having therein any of the Contents of any privy vault shall be permitted to stand, except while loading in any public Street of said City, the owner or owners of the same or drivers thereof shall forfeit and pay to the use of said City, for every such offence the sum of two dollars to be recovered in an action of debt in the name of the City Treasurer before the proper Court to try the same

Sec 4. And be it further ordained that all the ordinances heretofore passed by the late Town Council of the Town of Providence relative to the removal of the Contents of privy vaults be and they are hereby are repealed

Sec 5. And be it further ordained that this ordinance be published three weeks successively in the Manufacturers and Farmers Journal and in the Mechanic

No 3. Resolved that Mr Weeden with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be a Committee to Contract with the publisher of one of the papers for the publication of the Ordinances of the City in the place of the Rhode Island American which has been discontinued

Alderman Holden added



No 4 Resolved that Messrs Staples & Metcalf together with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and they are hereby appointed a Committee upon so much of the Communication of the Mayor as relates to Measures for promoting found in the sale of fire wood and Charcoal in this City

The Mayor added

No 5 The Committee to whom was refered at the last meeting of the City Council a "Communication from the Treasurer in relation to his accounts and sundry appropriations" respectfully report a draft of an ordinance appropriating Sixteen Thousand dollars for the purposes therein specified

Providence 5 February 1833.

Joseph S Cooke
Thomas B Turner
John H Crosby

Read and thereupon Resolved that the same be passed

No 6 An Ordinance appropriating Sixteen Thousand dollars for the purposes therein named

Be it Ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence, that the following sums be and the same are hereby appropriated out of any monies in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated for the following purposes Viz

For the Support of the Poor One Thousand three hundred dollars
For the Construction and repairs of Bridges One thousand two hundred dollars
For the City watch, Two thousand four hundred dollars
For the Construction and repairs of Public Buildings Eight hundred dollars
For the fire department One thousand dollars
For the high ways Two thousand Dollars
For lighting the City Nine hundred dollars
For Salaries of City Offices Two thousand one hundred dollars
For repairs of the "Fest house" four hundred and twenty dollars
For alteration of the market house One thousand dollars
For order of the Board of Aldermen one hundred and eight dollars
For interest on the City debt One thousand seven hundred & twenty nine 59/100 dollars
For Contingencies One thousand & ninety 51/100 dollars

No 8 The Committee appointed by the City Council at their last meeting "to examine the semi annual accounts of the Treasurer" respectfully report that they have examined the City Treasurer's account from the 8th of June to 5th January last inclusive, and find them Correctly stated and properly vouched, except an item of nine dollars sent Cashier on 25th October last, being in a Bank bill rejected by the City Cashier as bursa money and passed to the Treasurer as ten Dollars which proved to have been altered from a One dollar bill, and which your Committee recommend may remain as it now stands in the Treasurers account Current to the present date

Providence 5th February 1833.

Joseph S Cooke
Thomas B Turner
John H Crosby

Read and thereupon resolved that the same be passed

# Dr. City of Providence in account with Stephen Tillinghast Treasurer Cr.



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| 1832 July 11 | To Cash paid for 4 Shares of Stock in the Union bung for the investment of "The Tillinghast Fund" a donation made in May 1823 — 4 Shares a $50 | 200.— | | | 1832 June 8 | By Cash rec'd from John Howland late Treasurer for balance in his hands | | 239 | 5 |
| | advance on ditto 10 p Cent. | 20.— | 220 | — | Sept 3 | " received of Randal for impounding his horse — — | | — | 40 |
| August 9. | " paid note to Manufacturers Bank — — | | 2081 | 63 | Oct 2 | " Cash of John Hill for tax on Bartlett billiard table to 1st inst. 3 mo 26 days @ $200 p an 14.47 | | | |
| 15 | " ditto do Union Bank | | 500 | 0 | | less J. Hills Comm[n] 5 p Ct | 2.72 | 01 | 75 |
| 14 | " ditto Providence Inst[n] of Savings | | 662 | 0 | 3 | " Cash of City Clerk for license money | | 639 | 0 |
| 1833 January 5 | " 15 Butchers notes Credited Dec 14th due 1st June next | 1820.— | 2020 | 0 | 9 | " ditto do do | | 200 | 0 |
| | " S & S Tingleys Note due 4 p inst | 200.— | | | 10 | " ditto do do | | 200 | 0 |
| | To John Hill for taxes uncollected | | 4299 | 90 | 12 | " ditto do do | | 227 | 0 |
| | Balances of the following accounts viz. | | | | 19 | " do of John Hill omitted June 12th or rather wrong Credited J. Hills tax for one quarter tax on Bartlett billiard table to 1st June @ $200 p an — | 50.— | | |
| | School account | 2707.94 | | | | less J. Hill's Com[n] 5 p Ct. | 2.50 | 47 | 50 |
| | Lamps | 329.18 | | | 23 | " Cash of City Clerk for licenses | 271.0 | | |
| | Fire department | 1544.43 | | | | less 1 bill paid as $10 but proved to be $1 allowed to $10. | 9.0 | 262 | 0 |
| | Cholera appropriations | 2835.1 | | | Nov 7 | " Cash for Pedgs note 3d Instalment in 1832 | 115.0 | | |
| | Contingencies | 1426.93 | | | | protest $0.50, Int 5 mo 3 ds 2.92. | 3.42. | 118 | 42 |
| | Support of the poor | 769.33 | | | 21 | " Cash of Charles Hobbens for license money | | 150 | 54 |
| | Highways | 3775.43 | | | 24 | " do of John Hill for tax on Wm Gibbs billiard table from 27th August to 1st October 35 days @ $200 p an | 12.18 | | |
| | Bridges | 1303.32 | | | | less John Hills Com[n] 5 p Ct | .90 | 18 | 22 |
| | Public Schools | 1646.58 | | | | | | 133 | 0 |
| | City Watch | 2247.0 | | | Dec 12 | " Cash of City Clerk on a/c of licenses | | | |
| | Hire of Alleys Sewers | 177.17 | | | | " do Daniel Brownell for his Note | 33.83 | | |
| | Wells & Pumps | 105.44 | | | | Interest on do 4 mo 18 ds | .72 | 34 | 55 |
| | Support of the poor on the Asylum | 1079.8 | | | 14 | " do of Clerk of the Market for Butchers stalls 1st to 31st Dec. 1832. | 115.0 | | |
| | orders of board of Aldermen | 219.4 | | | | less 5 mo interest | 1.35 | 43 | 65 |
| | Paving Committee | 1601.16 | | | " | " do 1 Stall to Israel Scott as above | 20.0 | | |
| | Salaries | 766.67 | | | | less 6 mo interest | .50 | 19 | 40 |
| | Public Buildings | 174.6 | 23.007 | 98 | | " Notes pen sundry butchers for hire of 15 Stalls for 1 year ending 30th inst. 1833 with due 1st Jan 1833 | | 1820 | 0 |
| To new account of balance on hands of Treasurer | | | 13.518 | 0 | 1833 Jany 3 | " Cash of John Hill 1 quarters tax billiard table of J Bartlett to 1st inst | 30.0 | | |
| | | | | | | less J Hills Com[n] 5 p Ct. | 2.50 | 47 | 50 |
| | | | | | 5 | " balance of taxes appeal in 1831 say tax of $ 33.000.0 | | | |
| | | | | | | Credited by former Treasurer | 32.000.0 | 2400.0 | |
| | | | | | | off John Hills Com[n] on $ 35.000.0 | | | |
| | | | | | | at 4 p Ct. 1400.0 | | | |
| | | | | | | less 4 p Ct on $ 14.50 taxes relinquished 58 | 1399.42 | 1000 | 58. |
| | | | | | | " Cash rec'd of Oliver Leach for the City Watch on the Cov voted him in August last | | 12 | 0 |
| | | | | | | " do of John Hill Collector on a/c of tax appeal in August last of $ 110.000.0 | | 32.700 | 0 |
| | | | | | | By remainder of tax of August not Collected | | 4.300 | 0 |
| | | | | | | " balance of this account | | 367 | 47. |
| | | $ | 46.247 | 51 | | | $ | 46.247 | 51 |

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| Balance as p Ledger | | 19837.90 | | |
| off. John Hills balance | 4299.90 | | | |
| Notes unpaid | 2020.0 | 6319.90 | $ | 13.518 0 |

Errors Excepted

City Treasurers Office January 5th 1833

Stephen Tillinghast City Treasr.

This account is read and thereupon Resolved that the same be passed — " —

No 9 Resolved that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to pay to Isaac Harkhouse the sum of Two dollars in full for his services in examining the wounds inflicted on the Body of William Crosbie, at the request of the Jury of inquest on the body of said Crosbie ... ... ...

No 10 An Ordinance to prevent rioting and other disturbances in the public Streets and other places in the City of Providence ... ...

Sec 1 Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence, that every person who shall pawl, commit any mischief, quarrel or otherwise behave in a disorderly manner in any of the public Streets, gangways, alleys or lanes of said City or on any of the public wharves or public lands of said City to the disturbance or annoyance of the peaceable inhabitants of said City or any portion of them, or shall aid, assist, encourage or promote the same to be done by any other person or persons shall forfeit and pay to the use of said City, for every such offence a sum not exceeding twenty dollars nor less than five dollars to be recovered in an action of the Case in the name of the City Treasurer before the proper Court by the same ... ...

Sec 2 And be it further ordained that it shall be the duty of the City Sergeant and all the City Constables of said City and the City watchmen thereof to look after, take notice of and prosecute for all breaches of this Ordinance ...

Sec 3. And be it further ordained that this Ordinance be published three weeks successively in the Manufacturers and Farmers Journal and in the Mechanic ... ... ... ...

No 11 Resolved that Messrs Holden, Cady, Barker, Weeden, Clark and Williams with such as the board of Aldermen may add be a Committee to enquire & report to this Council what ought to be the Salaries of his honor the Mayor and the other salaried Officers of the City from and after the first Monday in June next ...

Aldermen Messrs and Grinnell added

No 12 The Committee to whom was refered the Petition of Richmond Bullock & others for the establishment of a Marine Hospital in this City have this day made report which was read and received ...

Thereupon it is Voted and ordered that his Honor the Mayor be and he is hereby requested forthwith to memorialize the President of the United States on the subject, and request that any Appropriation may be made for that purpose from the Marine Hospital funds ... ... ...

No 13 The Committee to whom was refered the petition of Richmond Bullock and others relative to a Marine Hospital Respectfully report ...

That in the year 1826. the Marine Society in this place addressed a memorials to the delegation of this State in the Congress of the United States requesting them to use their exertions to procure the establishment of a Marine Hospital in this place. Soon after the receipt of this memorial this States delegation prefered a petition to the President of the United States on the subject. On the 19th day of April 1827 the Secretary of the Treasury informed Mr Burgess one of the delegation that, "on the people of the district of Providence ceeding to the United States a suitable and commodious site with lands convenient on which to build a Marine Hospital the sum of five thousand will be granted out of the Marine Hospital funds towards such building." This communication of the Secretary of the Treasury was laid before the freemen of the Town of Providence at their Town meeting on the 25th day of June 1827 and was then refered to a Committee "to examine the lands belonging to the Town and to report at the adjourned meeting, where said Hospital may be most conveniently placed." At the adjourned meeting on the 11th of the same June said Committee made a report, designating a part of the Fields point Estate, as a proper location. the Consideration of this report was refered to the August Town Meeting of the same year and the Town Clerk



was directed to insert in his warrant for calling said meeting that the Consideration of the propriety of Conveying said part of said Fields point Estate to the United States for that purpose, would then be acted upon and the Town Council of the Town were empowered to Confer with any agent of the United States inspecting a Site for the proposed hospital at said August Town Meeting John Howland was authorized to Convey the proposed site to the United States, Town proceedings of the town were Communicated to the Secretary of the Treasury by Mr Burgess on the 13th of February 1828 and on the 15th of the same month the Collector of this district was requested by the Secretary of the Treasury to examine the premises proposed to be Conveyed and report his Opinion "as to eligibility of the land, and as regards matters of Convenience and title, on the 5th of March 1828. the Collector reported to the Secretary of the Treasury adversely, on the grounds of the distance of the proposed site from the Town, but this matter seems to have rested until the June Town meeting at which the Town Clerk was directed to insert in his warrant for calling the August Town Meeting in that year a notice, that the Consideration of the propriety & expediency of the Town's making a donation of a site for such a hospital would be acted upon at that Town Meeting August 1828. the Town Council were appointed a Committee "to ascertain what land belonging to the Town or individuals that may be purchased shall in their opinion be a suitable place whereon to erect a Marine hospital" and to report at the next meeting on the part of September following, the Town Council recommitted to this States delegation in Congress a memorial setting forth the presentation of the request by the Marine Society the grant of the sum of $ 5000 for the erection of a hospital on Condition that the Town would furnish a suitable Site, the proceedings of the Town in the selection of Fields point - the objection to that site by the Collector of the district as above set forth, and that, at that time the estate called the Pavilion could be obtained for the purpose provided a further grant of from three to five thousand dollars could be obtained from the Marine hospital funds for that purpose and requesting said delegation to use their influence to procure such appropriation, upon receipt of this memorial it appears that the States delegation waited on the President on the subject and on the 12th of February following (1829) Mr Burgess prepared a Memorial to the President, embodying the facts set forth in the memorial of the Town Council & earnestly soliciting a further appropriation, on this memorial was endorsed by the Secretary of the Treasury "By direction of the President the further sum of $ 3500 is to be allotted to the Town of Providence out of the hospital funds" and on the 23d of the same month the Secretary informed Mr Burgess that "by direction of the President the necessary instructions had been given to the Collector of Providence for applying the further sum recommended to the Marine hospital fund" On the same day notice of this further appropriation was given by the Secretary of the Treasury to the Collector & he was required without delay to report his opinion of "the fitness for that object of the house called the Pavilion in regard to situation, its state of repair, estimated value &c of necessary furniture" &c &c, It would seem from a note of Mr Burgess to the Treasury department of Feb 25 that the Secretaries note of the 23d had not reached him for in answer to a note from him of that date the Secretary reiterates to Mr Burgess that "the further sum of $ 3500 had been allowed by the President"

The Collector in his reply to the Secretary of March 4 reports his examination of the estate in question "that it will answer for a hospital - is a pleasant & healthful situation - in good repair, & that its maximum value is $ 7500 - as it respected title he retired upon the opinion of the district attorney, this opinion he had not then received, on the 10th of the same month the district attorney reported to the Collector that the title was not indisputable, though it could be made so by releases from those who could disturb it ...

At the April Town meeting 1829. the Town Council reported to the freemen that in pursuance of their appointment to report a suitable site for the erection of a Marine hospital recommended the Pavilion estate as such, whereupon the Council were authorized to ascertain on what terms it could be purchased, and in their discretion, to Contract and do whatever they may think right & proper in the premises, with power to draw on the Town Treasury for such sums as they might judge necessary for the above purpose and the Town Treasurer was also authorized to take a deed of any land that might be Contracted for by said Committee and also to give a deed of the same to the United States ...

It should be born in mind that these grants, allotments or allowances were made by Mr Adams while he was President, and during the time that Mr Rush was Secretary of the Treasury, on the 6th of March 1829. after Mr Ingham was appointed

Secretary of the Treasury in place of Mr Rush, & Richmond the proprietor of the Pavilion then at Washington addressed a note to Mr Ingham inclosing a duplicate of the memorial of the Town Council to the States delegation, In twelve days after this viz March 18. 1829. Mr Ingham wrote to the Collector requesting him "to take no further measures in relation to the Marine hospital until further directed" notwithstanding this letter the Collector on the 7th of May following addressed a letter to Mr Ingham, enclosing a letter from the hospital physicians approving the selection of the Pavilion & a letter from the district attorney stating the title to be unexceptionable —

To this it does not appear, any answer was returned, On the 15th of June following the President of the Town Council addressed a letter to Mr Ingham, requesting information on the subject and on the 10th of the following month, he is informed by Mr Ingham, that "no specific appropriation had been made by law for the establishment of a Marine hospital in the district of Providence" Not discouraged at this reply from Mr Ingham, on the 10th of December following he addressed another letter to Mr Ingham stating his surprise at the assertion that no specific appropriation had been made & enclosing a Copy of Mr Rushs letter of February 23 1829. to the Collector and requesting Mr Ingham again to turn his attention to the subject, under the belief that Mr Ingham would then be of opinion that the appropriation in question was legally made, & was justly due to the district, To this Mr Ingham made no reply. —

Copies of most of the documents above referred to were reported to the house of Representatives of the United States on the 2d of April 1830 by Mr Ingham in pursuance of a resolution of that house previously passed. They were then accompanied with a statement of the aggregate receipts and expenditures of the Marine hospital fund & a statement of the amount Collected & disbursed at this port the year preceeding. In this document Mr Ingham says that the funds is diminishing yearly — that the wants of Seamen in the Southern ports require an extension of the provisions for their relief & that seamen in Providence are as well provided for as in most other ports of the United States & much better than in many. This Circumstance in addition to the fact as is stated it, that the total expenditures after the erection of the proposed hospital at Providence would not be less than three & perhaps four fold the sum at now exist are adduced as the reasons why the proposed appropriations of $8500. for the establishment of a Marine hospital at Providence had been suspended by the President —

From a statement made by Mr Bayard, in his letter to Mr Clapp of April 17. 1827. it appears that up to that time there had been received from seamen in this port $24.293.53 expended for their relief $14.014.35, leaving a balance of $9.679.18. in favor of this district, Mr Ingham reported the balance of the fund to be 18.032.35. on 27th April 1830 If we add to the Balance of 9.679.18 in favor of this district as stated by Mr Bayard a balance of 412.41 saved in the years 1827. 1828 & 1829 it will appear that of the whole amount of the fund then in existance viz. 18.032.35. $10.091.59. was the surplus of receipts over expenditures in this port —

The Marine hospital fund was raised in part by appropriations by the general government but principally by a tax of twenty Cents p month deducted from the earnings of every seaman employed in the Merchant service. The law that imposed this tax provided that the tax should be expended in the district where it was collected. Very soon after, it was provided that it should be expended in the State where collected or an adjoining one & need not be in the same district. The next provision in relation to this fund declared it to be a general fund to be expended at any place without regard to the place where it is collected, This law & that of May 1802 puts the whole fund under the Control of the President alone — — —

The object of the fund is to procure temporary relief for sick and disabled seamen while in the service — hence seamen who have left the service, and they who are reputed incurable are alike refused any assistance from it — —

From the report of Mr Ingham aforesaid to it appears that in the year ending Oct 31 1829. the amount received from seamen this port was 690.10 and the amount expended was 611.40 that the whole number of persons assisted was 39. — the greatest number at any one time was nine the average number during the year was three and the average time each patient received relief was twenty seven days, In that year, it will be perceived that the receipts exceeded the expenditures



about $85, The Committee learn from the Collector of the district that in the year 1827. the receipts were 1130.16 expenditures $ 851.85. in 1828. receipts 1122.78 expenditures 1082.12. in 1830 receipts $ 582.76 expenditures $ 903.78 in 1831. receipts 936.04 expenditures $ 1698.58. & in 1832 receipts were 769.12. expenditures 1744.15. during the last year the whole number of persons that received relief was 91. the greatest number at any one time was not supposed to exceed ten — & the average time each patient received relief was about 20 days —

Your Committee also learn that persons applying for relief, are boarded at such places as the hospital physician directs, In Cases where the patients are heads of families, it has generally been supposed that they should board with their respective families — where they are transient persons provided with boarding houses they are not generally removed unless their habits are such as require some restraint — in such Cases they have been boarded with the Keeper of the City hospital —

The keeper of this hospital as such receives no other Compensation from the City than the use of the land, buildings & furniture and for this he is obliged to receive into the hospital & take care of all persons having Contagious diseases sent there by the board of health, For the board & nursing of these persons the keeper receives a weekly Compensation from the persons themselves if able to pay & if not then from the City by orders of the board of health —

There are all the facts your Committee have been able to collect that have any bearing on the subject referred to them. they report no opinion on the subject; which is their excuse for being so minute in their detail

W^m Staples, for the Committee —

Read and thereupon Resolved, that the same be received —

The two Boards then met in Convention when the following persons having stood propounded more than three months were admitted freemen of this City. Viz. —

Samuel Foster
William Foster
Jacob B Thurber
Albert W Snow
Nathaniel T Eldridge
Samuel J Cole

Admitted Free —

Persons Propounded

| | Dues produced |
|---|---|
| Josiah T. Crocker. | |
| Stephen Cornell | 190 |
| John Grace | 190 |
| Stephen W Hunt. | 190. |

# City Council, March 6th, 1833 Wednesday 6 Oclock P.M.

Present Aldermen: Samuel W Bridgham Mayor and Dexter Thurber, Charles Holden, John H Ormbee, William S Grinnell, Henry R Greene, Asa Messer — and the Common Council

The Mayor made a Communication in writing addressed to this City Council and therewith presented a Copy of a Memorial made by him to the President of the United States which is read in this board and sent to the Common Council

No 1 An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance entitled "an Ordinance appointing the times and places for holding the Municipal and Police Courts" passed on the fifth day of June A.D. 1832.

Sec. 1 Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence, that the Municipal Court and the Police Court of said City may hereafter be holden in any room in the Market house building

Sec. 2 And be it further Ordained that so much of the fourth section of the Ordinance entitled "an Ordinance appointing the times and places for holding the Municipal and police Courts" passed on the fifth day of June A.D. 1832. as is inconsistent with this Ordinance be and the same is hereby repealed

Sec 3 and be it further ordained that this Ordinance be published three weeks successively in the Manufacturers Journal and in the Providence City Gazette

No 2 An Ordinance prescribing the Manner of Notifying ward meetings to be holden for the purpose of Elections

Sec 1. Be it Ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence, that all ward meetings to be holden in the respective wards of said City for the purpose of Elections shall hereafter be Notified & warned by notice thereof under the hand of the City Clerk published during the Space of ten days next preceding before each day of Election in two of the news papers of said City.

Sec 2 And be it further ordained, that the Ordinance passed by the City Council on the 25th day of July A.D. 1832 entitled "an Ordinance prescribing the manner of Notifying ward meetings to be holden for the purpose of elections" and all the votes resolutions and Ordinances heretofore made & passed by the Town of Providence relative to the mode of Notifying or warning Town meetings, be and they hereby are repealed

Sec 3 And be it further ordained that this Ordinance be published three weeks successively in the Manufacturers and Farmers Journal and in the Providence City Gazette

No 3 The Committee appointed to Contract for the City Printing for the year ensuing the year report that they have agreed with the proprietor of the Providence Daily City Gazette to do the same at the rate of $ 35 ₰ annum.

for the Committee Wm. L. Wilder

March 6th 1833



No 5 We the Committee appointed to recommend a Compensation for the Clerk of the Common Council for the present year by leave to report, that we have attended to the duty assigned us, and that we recommend three dollars to be the sum to be paid him for each and every meeting of his attendance

No 5 Resolved by the City Council of the City of Providence, that the Clerk of the Common Council of said City be allowed and paid for his services the sum of three dollars for each and every meeting he has or may attend as Clerk during the present year

No 7 Whereas by the Charter of the City of Providence it is made the duty of this City Council to fix the Salary of the Mayor in the Month of March in each year payable at stated periods, therefore

Resolved that the Salary of the Mayor of this City for the ensuing year Commencing on the first monday of June next be One thousand Dollars, to be paid him for his services in four equal payments quarterly

No 8. Resolved that the President, Mr Cady and Mr Brown, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to provide accomodations for the City Government, and that the Books and papers belonging to this City be removed under the directions of said Committee to such place or places as they may appoint — Aldermen Ormbee added

No 9. The Committee charged with the alteration in the Market house for the accomodation of the City Government, report that the workmen employed in the Execution of the work have prepared all the work & are now ready to put the same up. so soon as the several rooms are vacated — The same Committee charged with making a new entrance ask the views of the City Council on that subject, It has appeared to your Committee that the occupants of the upper Story will be much benefited by the alteration, it would seem to be right they should pay a fair or just proportion of the expence, but they do not learn that the occupants of the upper rooms put any interest in the improvements or are disposed to pay any part of the expence — Your Committee are of Opinion the alteration should be made & at the time the other work is in progress & they would much regret any delay in the execution of that part of the work connected with the new entrance — Your Committee have ascertained that the expence would be about $ 1000 Dollars & when they take into view the increased room both on the lower and second floors and the improved entrance & interior appearance of the building they do not hesitate to recommend it —

Whatever proportion of the expence that might be adjudged to the occupants of the upper room, it would at some future time (when opposition should be given to the City and doubtless will be) fall on them to pay & on that view of it, It Can make no more difference to the City than the interest on the sum expended — for the Committee

Isaac Brown

Read and thereupon Resolved that the same be received —

Admitted Free

The two Boards then met in Convention

When the following persons having stood propounded more than three months were admitted freemen of this City, to wit,

George T Wheler
John W Horton
Jacob T Seagrave
Josiah Seagrave
Elisha W Baker
Rowland Watkinson

having been heretofore admitted a freeman in the Town of Warwick in this State as appears by Certificate produced to this Council from the Town Clerk of said Warwick, and producing a deed of sufficient freehold Estate in this City, he is therefore by Vote of the City Council admitted a freeman of said City —

Persons Propounded

Shubal Hutchens — died produced
Levi C Eaton — do

**Stationary Engine No 2.**

The following persons were elected additional members of the Stationary Engine No 2 for the remainder of the year ending the first monday of June next to wit,

- Stupell Clapp
- John B Chace Jr
- William J Cook
- Mengis Durit
- William S D Read
- Major W Shaw
- Gilbert Sheldon
- William W Comstock

**Hydraulion No 1.**

The following persons were elected additional members of the Hydraulion Co No 1 for the remainder of the year ending the first Monday of June next. to wit,

- Joseph W Baker
- William Sanford
- William Manns
- Stephen W Angell
- Clark Randall
- Alexander B Chace
- Stephen Cornell

**Hydraulion No 2.**

The following persons were Elected additional members of the Hydraulion Company No 2 for the remainder of the year ending the first monday of June next to wit.

- James S Redfield
- John A Hanley
- Gideon R Swift
- Isaac S Budlong
- Richard Hopkins 2d
- Nelson Mowry
- Elijah Abbe Jr
- Edward Tyson
- Jeremiah Amitat
- Rufus Wheeler
- Rowland Downs
- Samuel B Joslin
- Seranus D Hall
- Cyrus C Aldrich
- Arthur Dennis
- John C Gray
- Alfred A Mason
- Philip Allen Jr
- Geo B Jastrum
- Benjamin Gyles
- James Martin
- Whipple Brown
- Isaac Giles
- Smith Hunt
- Daniel A Mowry
- Manning Rawson
- Woodbury C Harris
- Olney L Smith
- Edward C Laurence
- John W Lowden
- Albert G Barston
- Marvin Smith
- Charles Hodges Jr
- George Willard
- William Temple
- Thomas H Shreve
- A N Burdick
- Dexter Hall

The two Boards then Separated



City Council — March 20th 1833 — Wednesday Evening 6 o'clock PM.

Present Aldermen: Samuel W Bridgham Mayor and Charles Holden, John H Combe, William S Grinnell, Henry R Greene, Asa Messer — and the Common Council.

No 1 — Resolved, that the Treasurer by and with the advice of the Committee appointed to advise him in relation to the leasing of the City lands be and he is hereby authorized and empowered to lease the Spring lots for terms not exceeding five years

No 2. — The Committee appointed on the 29th June last to repair the West House — Report

That they have attended to that duty and have Caused to be expended on the house out buildings and fences the sum of three hundred and forty three Dollars — for the Committee

James H. Warner

Read and thereupon Resolved that the same be received

No 3 — An Ordinance Fixing the Compensation of Ward Clerks

Sec 1 Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence that the Clerks of the several Wards of said City be entitled to two dollars each for every ward meeting they may attend legally appointed, and that the Treasurer be authorized to pay said Compensation upon the presentation of the bills of said Clerks Certified by the Wardens of their respective wards

Sec 2. Be it further ordained that the Treasurer pay to the Clerks of the several Wards eight dollars each for the services rendered by them at Ward meetings since last year Holden

No 4 — Resolved that the Committee heretofore appointed by the Town of Providence to take possession of the upper chamber of the Market House in pursuance of the original agreement with the five Nations, be and they are hereby authorized to draw on the City Treasurer for a sum sufficient to carry into effect the object of their appointment, and the City Treasurer is hereby authorized to pay the same out of any money in the City Treasury not otherwise appropriated

Persons Propounded

The two Boards met in Convention, when
The following persons were propounded to become freemen, to wit,

- James Jacobs — died produced
- Stephen Cornell — do
- Lewis Thayer — do
- Lourayo S. Anthony — do
- Moris Potter — do
- James D. Mason — do

Admitted Free. George C Bowers. Eldest son of Sylvester Bowers.

Hydraulion No 1. Additional members of Hydraulion No 1 Elected.
. Samuel C Blodget — . Henry D Bickford
. Joseph F B Angell — . Hartford Billings
. Henry C Smith — . William H Potter
. Abel Oaks — . Jeremiah D Card
. Harvey Nichols — . Horatio N Carpenter

F. E. Engine No 2. Additional members of F. E. Engine No 2 Elected.
. George Earle 2d — . Thomas R Greene

The Two Boards then Seperated.

## City Council April 2d 1833.

Present Members: Samuel W Bridgham Mayor and Dexter Thurber, Charles Holden, John H Crosbee, William J Grinnell, Asa Messer, and Common Council

Edward Harwood Officer in attendance

The Two Boards met in Convention. when the following persons having stands propounded more than three months were admitted free — to wit —

Admitted Free.

William G Angell — John Justin
Thomas J Branch — John G Anthony
Ebenezer A Paddelford — Isaiah Barnes
Stephen Chace — William Langley
Cyrus Eborn — Gorge A Burroughs
John R Dennis — Kingsley P Studley
Samuel H Wales — William J Patten
William Cabden — William Vial
Edward Billings — Philip H Dunbar
Oliver C Keyes — Joseph L Shaw
Nathaniel Vial — Shadrach Munton
Benjamin J Church — Stephen R Weeden

Nathaniel Swail

Admitted Free as Eldest Sons

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| Francis D. Danforth | Eldest son of | Walter R Danforth |
| William Bradley jr | " " " | William Bradley |
| Jonah S Luther | " " " | John Luther |
| Joseph Fuller | " " " | Jacob Fuller |
| Henry Williams jr | " " " | Henry Williams |
| Amos Bratton | " " " | Nathaniel Bratton |



Stephen Arnold (son of Caleb), having been admitted a freeman in the Town of Warwick as appears by Certificate and possessing evidence of sufficient freehold estate in this City, is thereupon admitted free.

Propounded. Henry Prentis and produced.

The Two Boards then Separated.

No 1. An Ordinance for the preservation of side walks.

Section 1. Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence that from and after the fifteenth day of April 1833. no person shall ride, drive or lead any horse, or shall drive or lead any horse & cart, waggon, dray, sled, sleigh or any other vehicle drawn by one or more horses or horse, or no person or shall kindle or where any whole barrow or hand cart, or hand waggon, or move or carry any hand barrow upon any side walks, stone walks or which may hereafter be laid in said City with brick or stone or lime for the purpose of mixing or keeping the same, or shall fasten or hitch to any horse or horses or any post or tree that stands on such side walks, or shall saw, split or cut any fire wood or other timber or lumber on any coal on any such side walks, and that every person so offending shall forfeit and pay the sum of two dollars for each offence to the use of said City, to be recovered in an action of debt in the name of the City.

Section 2. And be it further ordained that it shall be the duty of the occupants of the lower stories of all buildings, and the occupants of all lands and the owners of all unoccupied lands & buildings which shall adjoin any of the side walks aforesaid, to remove all the snow upon said walks which shall fall thereon, so far as the same shall adjoin said buildings & lands, as soon as may be after the same shall have fallen, and every person neglecting so to do for the space of twenty four hours after the same has fallen shall forfeit and pay the sum of two dollars for each offence to the use of said City to be recovered in an action of debt in the name of said City.

Section 3. And be it further ordained that no person shall deposit place or put, or suffer to be deposited, placed or put by any person or persons in his or her employment, any goods, wares and merchandize, & Chattels or merchandize on any such side walks, except while actually removing the same into or out of some building or entrance, and that every person so offending shall forfeit and pay for every offence two dollars to be for the use of said City to be recovered by action of debt in the name of said City.

Section 4. and be it further ordained that no person shall spread or suffer any person or persons in his employment to spread any awning over any of the side walks in said City in any easy part thereof and both ends of the sketching poles or bars thereof are at least seven feet above such side walk and every person who shall spread or suffers any person or persons in his employment to spread any awning contrary to the provisions of this Section shall forfeit and pay the sum of two dollars to the use of said City to be recovered in an action of debt in the name of said City.

Section 5. and be it further ordained that it shall be the duty of each of the City Constables to report the names of all persons offending against any of the provisions of this ordinance to the Mayor of the City to the end that they may be prosecuted thereof.

Section 6. and be it further ordained that no person shall be prosecuted or held for any breach of any of the provisions of this ordinance unless the suit for the same shall be instituted and Commenced within twenty days from the time of Committing such breach.

Section 7. and be it further ordained that the ordinance passed by the freemen of the Town of Providence in Town Meeting assembled on the 15th day of April 1825 entitled an Ordinance relative to sundry side walks in the Town of Providence be and the same is hereby repealed from and after said 15 day of April 1833. provided said repeal shall not affect any suit then Commenced or pending for any penalty or fine under said Ordinance.

Section 8. and be it further ordained that this ordinance be published for three weeks successively in the Providence daily Journal, & Providence City Gazette.

No 2. Resolved that the resolution passed by the City Council on the 20th Ult° in words following to wit " Resolved that the Committee heretofore appointed by the Town of Providence to take possession of the upper Chamber of the Market House in pursuance of the Original agreement with the Masons be and they are hereby authorised to draw on the City Treasurer for a sum sufficient to Carry into effect the Object of their appointment and the City Treasurer is hereby authorised to pay the same out of any Money in the City Treasury not otherwise appropriated" be and the same is hereby repealed

No 3 Resolved that the Committee heretofore appointed to make alterations in the Stairway and entrance to the Market House Chambers be authorised and empowered to proceed according to the reported and Contracts stair ways and entrances either outside or inside of the house according to their Judgment, provided the Committee can make an agreement by which said annual rent shall be paid by the owners of the Third Story which they are hereby empowered to execute

No 4. Resolved that the Committee appointed to repair the drain in Westminster Street be empowered to make such alterations in relation to it as they may deem Expedient

City Council April 16. 1833

Present Samuel W Bridgham Mayor and Aldermen Charles Holden, John H Cumbee, William S Grinnell, Henry R Gunne, Asa Messer And the Common Council

No Read & Ord.

A Communication in writing from the Mayor in relation to the wall round the Asylum Farm was read and sent to the Common Council

A motion from the Common Council, requesting the Board of Aldermen to declare Thomas Street a public highway was passed

No 1 Resolved that the City Clerk be and he is hereby empowered and directed to Cause the Act entitled "an act for registering Marriages, Births & burials" to be published for three weeks Successively in the Journal, the City Gazette, the Herald Patriot & Mirror



Admitted Free. as Eldest Sons

The Two Boards then met in Convention when the following persons were admitted free as eldest sons of freemen to wit,

| | | |
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| John H Butts. | Eldest son of | James V Butts |
| Joshua Mauran Jn° | " | Joshua Mauran |
| William A Bradley | " | William Bradley |
| Benjamin G Wilkinson | " | Arnold Wilkinson |
| Francis Hazwell | " | Ephraim Hazwell |
| Thomas W Cozzens | " | Sullivan Cozzens |
| Charles Greene | " | William Greene |
| Edward D Sheldon | " | Edward D Sheldon |
| John Brown Jn° | " | John Brown |
| William Simons Jn° | " | William Simons |

Admitted Free on Certificate

The following persons having produced Certificates of being freemen of other Towns in this State and also producing Evidence of Sufficient freehold Estate in this City are admitted free to wit,

| | |
|---|---|
| Nathaniel G Sikes | Deed and Certificate produced |
| James C Sikes | Do |
| Israel G Manchester | Do |
| Jacob Hopkins | Do |
| William Simons | Do |
| Christopher A Baddeley | Do |
| Thomas Williams 2d | Do |
| Caleb Greene | Do |
| Jeremiah Cole | Do |
| Amasa Wilkinson | Do |

Persons Propounded

The following persons were propounded to become freemen, to wit,

| | |
|---|---|
| Monzo Draper | Deed produced by the Curtesy |
| Holder C Weeden | Do |
| Josiah Chaffee | Deed produced |
| Appelles Seekell | by the Curtesy |
| John C Cape | Deed produced |
| David B Slade | by the Curtesy |
| Thomas M Farlow | Deeds produced |

# City Council April 30th 1833

Present Samuel W. Bridgham Mayor and
Aldermen Charles Holden
John H Ormsbee
William S Burnell
Asa Messer — and the Common Council

Read

Communication from the Mayor accompanying a report from the City Treasurer and the Subject of the want of Water on the workhouse lot. &c — was read and sent to the Common Council —

No 1. Resolved that Messrs Messer, Holden Williams & Mitchell be and they are hereby appointed a Committee with full power and authority to Cause Canal Street from Market square to the North side of Eagle Street, to be graduated and paved as soon as the proprietors of lots on said portion of said Street shall Comply with the Conditions of the report of Amasa Mason & others accepted at a Town Meeting on the second of June A.D 1828 and that the expence thereof be paid by the Treasurer out of the Money appropriated for paving Streets & repairing highways upon the Order of said Committee — — —

No 2. Voted & Resolved that in Conformity with the recommendation Contained in the resolution passed by the freemen of the City of Providence in Town meeting assembled on the 8th day of October 1832. the sum of five hundred Dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated out of any Money in the City Treasury not otherwise appropriated, towards defraying the expence of building the wall required by the will of the late Ebenezer Knight Dexter to be erected around the Asylum lot, and that said sum be subject to the Order of the Commissioners of the Dexter Donation

No 3

Office of City Treasurer
Prov April 29th 1833

Sir — The City owns one fifth of an undivided lot of land with a small house thereon, the lot measures 30 feet on Mayes St. & Street & extends back to Middle Street It is so circumstanced as to be of small value to the City & its income is very trifling, the whole renting for $70 P an. the building being old requiring frequent repairs, I take leave to suggest that the City's interest therein be disposed of and the proceeds placed in the Treasury —

You are already apprised I believe of the failure of water at the public fountain on Charles Street occasioned by the owners of the Calendering Establishment having sunk a well in the neighbourhood & otherwise impeding the natural Course of the Springs, this deprivation is severely felt it being the only watering place within a long range which is accessible to Cattle, The City hands also suffer from its stoppage, the soap works of Mr James Lee located thereon having been supplied with water from this Source

I remain very respectfully your Obt Servt
Stephen Fillingham City Treasurer

To his Hon. the Mayor —

Resolved that Messrs Warden, Warner & Cady with such as the board of Aldermen may add be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to Consider a Communication of the Treasurer, Communicated by the Mayor read and accepted at this meeting & to report what proceedings ought to be had in relation to the Matter therein referred to.

— City Treasurers address —



No 4 The Committee appointed by the City Council on the 12th day of November last to inquire & ascertain whether any Street gangway wharf or landing place belonging to the City is used and occupied & improved by any individual or individuals & to report as soon as may be the results of their inquiries & the particulars of every such Case as may come to their knowledge, together with their opinions as to the measures they may deem expedient and proper to be pursued for the interest of the City on occasions thereto, not having been officially notified of their appointment until the season was so far advanced to begin their operations have hitherto omitted to act & now beg leave to report in part, — — —

No 1 Gangway South of the distillery on lands of Thomas D Hoxsey & others laid out 12 feet wide from South Main Street to the Channell of the river, the whole of said gangway west of South Water Street is enclosed by a board fence for the purpose of a Coal yard & to be occupied by George M Steinhauer — — —

No 2 Gangway next north of No 1 & of same width was in the year 1818 agreed to be exchanged with the late Isaac Bowen for a like quantity of land on the North side of his lot & adjoining a 12 feet gangway Commencing at the South east Corner of the Sabdon house & extending to the river making the new gangway 24 feet wide from South Main Street to the Channell, the preparatory measures were taken & passed through the regular forms of laying out by a Committee whose doings were Confirmed by the Town Council, but no deed has passed from the Town to said Bowen, as is the practice in such Cases, Bowen has notwithstanding taken possession of the lands & enclosed it, but in return has not complied with the Conditions of the exchange in as much as the house standing on Main Street & the Southerly side of the land to be relinquished by him projects twelve inches known the east end of the third west of said house projects two feet six inches & the west end thereof eight feet four inches, the fence on the west side of Dexter Street projects thereon three feet & the whole width of said gangway, west of South Water Street is occupied as a wood yard by the owners of the Steam boat Providence — — —

No 3 The gangway leading from South main Street at the foot of Daniel Street & Commencing at a point fifty seven feet westerly from said Main Street is * thirty nine feet wide to the Channell, It has also the same width from Main Street Westerly to the above named point but under the following Circumstances, In the year 1816 the Town exchanged with E Carrington Esq. the North gangway as so Called of 17 feet width & removed in lieu thereof twenty seven feet of land adjoining Northerly on his block on South main Street & water Street north of this & adjoining thereto Mr Carrington owns a strip of land beginning at Main Street & extending westerly 57 feet & adjoining this last described land the Town (City) owns a gangway of 12 feet in width & extending westerly 57 feet, It was the intention of the parties that Mr Carrington should release to the Town his land & receive in Exchange therefor the last named gangway, but the Burrough family whose Estate bounds thereon made objections to the measure & nothing further has been done saving that Mr Carrington has enclosed the said gangway. — —

No 4. The gangway leading from Main Street to the Channell at the foot of Meeting Street is encumbered by lumber belonging to Nathan Mason — — —

No 5. In the gangway between the Estates of Richmond Bullock & the heirs of Jesse Comstock a line of posts has been placed, projecting four inches into said gangway — — —

No 6. opposite the Estate of Thomas Howard, this gangway is encumbered on its South line by blocks of Stone belonging to S & J Tingley, & the west end thereof by a pile of Brick, seemingly a permanent deposit — —

No 7. This gangway is also occupied as a place of permanent deposit for bricks, Called Crawford Street —

No 8. the lands in front of the Union Buildings extending to the river was Conveyed by James Fenner Esq. to the Town, in the following words, "For public use in landing and shipping goods &c from & in the river & piping to and from this landing &c to be kept forever open & free from all encumbrances for that purpose"

As regards the measures deemed expedient in regard to the foregoing premises the Committee respectfully suggest that Cases No 1. 4. 5. 6. 7. being encroachments on the public lands the Overseers of highways for the Eastern district be ordered to remove the same forthwith at the Expence of the parties transgressing — They also respectfully recommend that measures be taken,

* Note this gangway should be 59 feet wide by connivance —

betakent to Complete the exchange of gangway No 2 by a legal Conveyance thereof to the agent of the late Isaac Bowen & that said agent be forthwith required to Complete the Contract on their part, in default of which the whole proceedings to be declared null and void & the City resume possession of their land, —

The Case of No 3 is somewhat perplexing, It is however recommended that further negotiations be entered into with Mr Carrington & if practicable that mutual release be executed he assuming the taste of guarding the Barnacle Ladies, In failure of this the fence ought to be taken down — .. —

No 8. having been given as a public landing place, It is Conceived that the City can do nothing more than regulate the time which each vessell may respectively occupy said landing —

All of which is Submitted by
Providence April 30th 1833.
Stephen Tillinghast
Samuel B Cushing. Committee

Mr Leonard B Hodges authorizes me to say that he Concurs in this report Stephen Tillinghast.

Common Council April 30 1830

The aforegoing report is read accepted and thereupon Resolved that the same be referred to his Honor the Mayor, and that he be and is hereby requested to Carry the proceedings recommended therein to be had, and that the Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and empowered under the advice of the Mayor to execute all such Deeds as may be necessary to Conclude the Contracts mentioned therein — .. —

No 5

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence

The undersigned having had many applications from Citizens residing on the East side of the river to be supplied with water from their Aqueduct respectfully request permission to attach a frame work of timber to the piers on the North side of the new bridge to support a Box to Contain their pipes, the box will not project below the timber on which the planks are laid and consequently will not offer any obstruction to the passage of boats —

Providence April 30. 1833.

Charles & Paris Dyer
Benjamin Dyer
Thomas J Steel
Salma Manton.

Resolved that Messrs Williams, & Brown with such as the board of Aldermen may add be a Committee to report on the expediency of granting the petition of C & P Dyer & others — ..

Alderman Grinnell added —



City Council May 17th 1833

Present Samuel W Bridgham Mayor and
Aldermen Charles Holden
John 16 Cambee
William S Grinnell
Henry R Gaunt
Asa Messer and the Common Council — .. —

A Communication from the Mayor in relation to several subjects was read and sent to the Common Council, together with a Communication from the City Treasurer respecting several suits brought against the City — .. — .. —

No 1 Resolved, that should the President of the United States visit this City during his intended tour to New England, that His Honour the Mayor be, and he hereby is authorized, to draw on the City Treasurer for the funds necessary to defray the expence of his reception as the guest of the City

No 2 Resolved. that Messrs Williams & Weeden with such as the board of Aldermen may add be and they are hereby appointed a Committee with full power to attend to the progress of the suit of Benjamin Bowen and the suit of Asa Field against the City now pending in the Court of Common Pleas for the County of Providence and to make such Settlement and Compromise or disposition of the same as in their Judgement the interest of the City require

— City Treasurer added —

No 3 The Committee appointed to Cause Canal Street from Market Street to the North side of Steeple Street to be paved provided the owners of land between North Main Street and Canal Street have so filled and graduated their lots as to Carry the Water over Canal Street into the River —

Commenced on their duties assigned them by measuring & leveling Canal Street find the distance from a point at the South west Corner of Charles Potter Store to north side of Steeple Street to be 573, and as the lots and avenues lying between and running from North Main to Canal Street have been so materially altered by the owners filling them up and erecting Stone walls & fences on their lots adjoining the public gangways and by erecting buildings on the east side of Canal Street so as to obviate all the liability apprehended by the Committee raised by the Town, who reported June 1828. after all the Circumstances above your Committee have Come to the Conclusion that the Spirit of the Conditions Contained in that report made by Amasa Mason & others, are Complied with — Your Committee therefore recommend Canal Street to be paved forthwith

for the Committee
Thomas R Holden —

Resolved that Messrs Holden Williams & Metcalf be and they hereby are appointed a Committee to Cause Canal Street from Market Square as far as the North side of Steeple Street to be graduated and paved, and that the City Treasurer be and he hereby is authorized and requested to pay to the Order of said Committee out of any money in the Treasury appropriated to the repair of highways — .. —

No 4 Resolved, that Messrs Fenner & Barker with such as the board of Aldermen may add be and they hereby are appointed a Committee to examine and Certify the accounts of the City Treasurer, — Alderman Holden added —

Admitted Freeholders

The Two Boards met in Convention and the following persons having stood propounded more than three months were admitted freeholders to wit,

Josiah F. Crocker
Stephen Cornell
John Greene
Stephen W Hunt

And George Rice producing Certificate of his being a freeman of the Town of Warwick in this State, and also producing evidence of sufficient freehold estate in this City, is admitted a freeman of said City

Persons Propounded

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| Benjamin W Robbins | died produced |
| George H Buffington | do |
| Alfred F Buffington | do |
| William P Allen | Admitted by the Curtesy |

The two boards then Separated

No 5 The Committee appointed to examine the real Estate belonging to the City in Weybosett Street & report on the expediency of selling the same

Report that they have attended to the same and find that in the year 1822 Sarah Westcott applied to the Town of Providence for relief as a pauper but said Town declined furnishing any assistance until she had consumed her own property, she therefore Conveyed to the Town her real Estate & being a lot of land containing Ten feet on Weybosett Street & bounding the same width extends back about 100 feet to Middle Street with part of a building on the same, Since it came into possession of the Town they have received to the present time for rent, $ 34.18. besides expenses for repairs, and have paid to Mr Westcott $ 594.50 which with interest on same amounts to $ 827.38, Mr Westcott is still living & now receives an annual allowance of $ 24. from the City, as there is not much income to be derived from this property your Committee would advise the same to be sold & herewith offer resolutions to that effect being of the opinion that at this time the Estate will sell for sufficient to reimburse the amount paid Mr Westcott with interest all of which is respectfully submitted

May. 17. 1833. for the Committee
B D. Wadsworth

Resolved that Messrs Wadsworth Warner & Cady with such as the board of Aldermen may add be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to sell all the right title and interest that the City has unto a piece of land Conveyed to the late Town of Providence by Sarah Westcott as per deed dated March 13th 1822.

Alderman Mason added

Resolved that the City Treasurer be and he hereby is authorized to Convey and quitclaim all the right title & interest the City has to the above Estate under the advice & direction of the above Committee

No 6 Resolved that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to pay out of Money appropriated to the repairs of highways, to James Lewis the sum of Forty dollars and twenty two Cents for his bill of services in the repair of the abutment of Steeple Bridge by agreement with Warren Batchelder surveyor of highways, and to Amos Adams, Sixty four Dollars & forty two Cents for Stone furnished for the repairs aforesaid under the Order of said Surveyor



Gentlemen

The Committee appointed on the 19th day of November last relative to encroachments on Streets &c who reported in part on the 30th day of April last by leave further to report

1st That the Store of Miss Candace Allen on South Water Street encroaches on the gangway leading along the South line of Capt N Bishop's Estate from Long point Street to the Channell 12 inches at the East end & 8 inches at the west end

2d The gangway leading from South main Street to South Water Street, between the Estate of Mr Thomas L Halsey & the heirs of Isaac Brown deceased, is encumbered on its whole width Lines by ground stones belonging to or in Charge of Mr Charles C Mowry

3d The gangway leading from Weybosett Street to the Channel by lands of Mr Cyrus Butler is impassable from Pine Street to Pope Street being encumbered with Stones & Lumber, supposed to belong to Mr C Butler

4th The gangway from Weybosett Street on the line of Picks Wharf is in like manner encumbered with Stone & Ship timber the former belonging to Henry L Rice Stone Cutter. the latter to Messrs S & A B. Arnold

5th Matthewson Street, north of Sabin Street is fenced in & used by the Providence Dyeing Bleaching & Calendering Co. as wood yard. Chiefly

6th The City Insurance Company have erected a Blacksmiths Shop at the West end of Abbot Street occupying its whole width, the wall & fence of the "Frame Cottage" so called belonging to Messrs P Grinnell & Co. encroaches on the above named Street about fourteen feet,

Abbot Street forms part of the Federal Hill portion of the City & is among the Streets & gangways which were declared to be public highways by a Special act of the General Assembly passed at their January Session A. 1822.

There remain many encroachments upon Streets in this Section of the City which must form the Subject of a further report.

All which is respectfully Submitted by
Stephen Tillinghast, for the Committee

Providence May 17. 1833.

The aforegoing report is read and thereupon resolved that the same be accepted received and copied to his Honor the Mayor

## City Council — May 24th 1833

Present. Aldermen Samuel W Bridgham Mayor and Charles Holden, John H Ormsbee, William J Grinnell, Henry A Greene and the Common Council

No 1. Whereas the Clock erected as a sign by A Brown & Son & projecting over the side walk in South Main Street nearly opposite the Providence Bank is in the opinion of the City Council of the City of Providence a public benefit and accomodation, Therefore

Resolved, that the said A Brown & son be & they hereby are authorized and permitted to keep up said Clock in the place where it is now erected so long as they shall keep the same running as a time piece and provided the same be secured under the direction of Alderman Grinnell who is hereby appointed a Committee for the purpose any thing in the Ordinance passed by the late Town Council of the Town of Providence on the twenty eighth day of October A. 1818. relative to the placing and removing of signs & against projecting them into the Streets and for other purposes, to the Contrary notwithstanding

№2 The Committee appointed to examine the watering places in Charles Street, Report, that they have attended to the same and find a deficiency of water which is caused by the Canada Bleaching Company having sunk five fountains in the vicinity, your Committee cannot at present recommend any remedy for the evil Complained of —

for the Committee B. D. Wheeden —.

Read and thereupon —

Resolved that the same be received and that the same be recommitted to the same Committee —

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№3 To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence —

Elisha B. Dickerson of said City, Grocer, respectfully represents that at this November term of the Court of Common Pleas for the County of Providence 1832, a qui tam action was brought against him by Edward Harwood in behalf of this City, for retailing strong liquors in a less quantity than a Gallon without license from the Hon. Mayor & Board of Aldermen, that his selling liquor as aforesaid was a mere inadvertence on his part without any deliberate intention of violating the law; yet as he had actually violated it he made no defence to said action, and judgment passed against him by default for the sum of Fifty dollars fine & 4.69 cents Cost of said suit, that execution issued against him for said debt and Cost on the 18th day of March 1833. and owing to his utter inability to pay said debt & Cost or any part thereof, he was on the same day Committed to the State Jail in this City where he has ever since remained, that during his said imprisonment, which has already amounted to a Considerable punishment for his offence he has made several attempts to be relieved by taking the poor prisoners oath, that he Called Slade B. Hale as a witness to prove his poverty before the Justices, but owing to the inconsistent & unsatisfactory Statement of the said Hale, the Justices refused to administer your petitioner to said oath, and he remains still in jail, running more deeply in debt every day for his board without any other prospect of being relieved than by the merciful interposition of your Honorable body — Your petitioner would further represent, that notwithstanding the strange & inconsistent statements of S. Hale, he is in fact wholly destitute of property & utterly unable to pay said fine & Costs or any part thereof, he therefore prays your Honorable body to take his unfortunate Case, into your Consideration & order that his said fine be remitted & that he be discharged from his said imprisonment on giving his obligation to pay said Costs together with the Cost of S. Execution & Officers fees for Commitment amounting in the whole to the sum of five dollars and sixty eight Cents Elisha B. Dickerson —

The Subscriber to whom was referred the annexed petition, respectfully reports that in his Opinion the public interest will be promoted by granting the prayer thereof he therefore recommends that said Petitioner be discharged on payment of all the Costs and giving his Note to the City Treasurer for the debt mentioned in said petition —

May 24th 1833. B. D. Wheeden —

Resolved, that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to discharge Elisha B. Dickerson from imprisonment at the suit of Edward Harwood in behalf of the City, he the said Dickerson paying all the Costs in said suit and giving his Note for the debt.

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№5. Providence May 24th 1833 —

Your Committee appointed on the petition of Benjamin Dyer & others respectfully report. That they have attended to said appointment, they notified the petitioners and met and Conferred with them on the Subject matter contained in said petition —

Your Committee proposed to the petitioners to recommend the prayer of said petition on Condition that they would allow the City to tap the water in two places on each side of the river in Case of fire and for the use of the Market house, which proposition the petitioners did not accept. Your Committee think it inexpedient to grant the prayer of said petition without the above mentioned or some other adequate privilege —

Caleb Williams, for the Committee —

Read and thereupon Resolved that the same be received —

Resolved. that Messrs Williams & Brown with such as the board of Aldermen may add. be and they are appointed a Committee with full power to make such an arrangement with the Providence Aqueduct Company, to enable said Company to carry their pipes across the river as they may think proper —

Alderman Tennell added —.

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The two boards met in Convention and the following persons were propounded to become Freemen, to wit,

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| Abraham Lucas. | elected & produced — |
| Charles A Coppin | do |
| Wheeler M Standing | do |
| James S Hall —. | do. |

The two boards then Separated —.

# City Council of Providence June 3d 1833

This being the day appointed by law for the annual organization of the City Government, The following Gentlemen, being the Mayor and Aldermen and twenty three of the Common Council elect met in Convention in Masons Hall to wit, at 10 o'clock A.M.

Samuel W Bridgham Mayor

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| Stanford Newell | Alderman, | first ward |
| Charles Holden | " | Second " |
| John H Cousbe | " | third |
| William S Gunnell | " | Fourth, |
| John Dunwell | " | Fifth |
| Asa Mason | " | Sixth |

## Common Council

| First ward | Second ward |
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| Thomas A Holden | Joseph Eddy |
| Jesse Metcalf | George Curtis |
| Williams A Smith | Cyrus Fisher |
| Drayton Angell | Isaac Brown |
| **Third ward** | **Fourth ward** |
| Joseph S Cook | George Baker |
| William C Barker | James M Warner |
| Amherst Everett | Benjamin D Wardner |
| Roger Williams Potter, | Thomas B Tenney — absent. |
| **Fifth Ward** | **Sixth ward** |
| Hezekiah Anthony | Caleb Williams |
| Burdon Clarke | Henry Baker |
| William Ham | Erastus F Newton |
| Daniel Field | John Gould |

His Hon Samuel Eddy Chief Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court of the State of Rhode Island, then administered the oath required by the City Charter to the Mayor elect. — The Mayor then administered the like oath to the above named Aldermen elect, and also to the above named Common Council elect, duly returned as such as appeared by their Certificates of Election delivered in to the Mayor, and thereupon the Convention balloted for City Clerk and on Counting the ballots it appeared that Richard M Field was duly elected to that office and was duly sworn by the Mayor.

The Mayor then delivered an address to the City Council

Voted that the two boards now Seperate, and the board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber A Communication was received from the Common Council that they had Elected George Baker their President, and Allen O Peck their Clerk.



# City Council June 3. 1833. half past 2 o'clock P.M.

Present Aldermen Samuel W Bridgham Mayor and
Stanford Newell
Charles Holden
John H Cousbe
William S Gunnell
John Dunwell
Asa Mason. and
Common Council

Thomas B Tenney a member of the Common Council being absent at the organization of the City government this morning, now appeared and was duly engaged by the Mayor.

No 1. An Ordinance providing for the Election, and prescribing the duties of the City Marshal.

Section 1. Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence that on the first Monday in June annually there shall be elected by the City Council aforesaid a City Marshal.

Section 2. Be it further ordained that it shall be the duty of the City Marshal to pass personally thro' the Streets and passageways of the City removing all nuisances obstructions and impediments of every description therein, to the end that the same may be removed according to law, and noticing all offences against the laws ordinances and orders or being taking the names of Offenders in order that the same may be prosecuted, It shall also be the duty of the City Marshal to receive all Complaints made by the inhabitants or others, against any breach of the laws, ordinances and orders aforesaid, attending for this purpose daily at some stated hours, in some one of the public Offices of the City to be designated by the Mayor, to enforce and carry into effect, to the utmost of his power, all and every of the ordinances which now are or which hereafter shall or may be in force within said City, to obey and execute the Commands and orders of the Mayor and Aldermen in relation to any matter or thing in which the City may be or any ward Concerned or interested whenever thereto required, to be vigilant in detecting any violation or breach of any law, ordinance, or order, to furnish the Mayor, from time to time with a detailed report in writing of all such offences against the laws, ordinances, and orders, or any of them, as he may have detected; to prosecute all offenders against the laws or ordinances as soon as may be after detecting or apprehending the offence or offences by them respectively Committed; to attend regularly and punctually on all trials of causes prosecuted on behalf of the City, and to use all lawfull ways and means in the effectual prosecution and final Conviction of offenders; to lay before the Mayor and Aldermen a Court Statement of all prosecutions by him instituted before the Municipal or Police Court within one week after their final determination respectively; and further to perform all such other and additional duties, as pertain to the due execution of the laws, and to Comply with all such mandates as may at any time be prescribed to him by the Mayor and Aldermen.

Section 3. Be it further ordained that the duties of the City Marshal who may under this ordinance be appointed on the first Monday of June in the Year one thousand eight hundred and thirty three shall Commence on the twentieth day of said June and not before.

Section 4 And be it further ordained that this ordinance be published for three weeks successively in the Providence daily Journal and Providence City Gazette.

The Two boards then met in Convention, for the purpose of the Election of City Officers, when the following persons were elected to their respective Offices, to wit:

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| Judge of Mun[l] Court | Thomas Burgess. | | | |
| Clerk of Mun[l] Court | Allen O Peck | | | |
| City Sergeant | Edward Harwood | | | |
| City Treasurer | Stephen Tillinghast | | | |
| City Auditt | Hezekiah Anthony, Benjamin C Weeden | | | |
| Owners of the Pon | Joshua Rathbun | | | |
| City Constables | Henry G Mumford, David E Mann, Jacob C Gould, Sylvester Brown, Jabez J Potter, Amril Kingsley | | | |
| Sealer of Wt[s] & Measures | Ephraim Jackson | | | |
| Assessors of Taxes | James M Arnold, Henry S Franklin, Robert Angell (on the fourth), Nathaniel Bishop, William Sheldon | | | |
| Surveyors & Corders of Wood | John C Barnaby | William Bradley | Benjamin S Olney | |
| | Henry Carpenter | William Warner | George C Daniels | |
| | Samuel Carlile | Samuel Pearson | Cyrus Grant | |
| | James Snow | Asa Ames | Thomas J Wardwell | |
| Surveyor of Highways | Henry G Mumford | | | |
| Surveyor of Hoops Staves & Heading | William Arnold, Joseph S Dawton, Samuel Cathcarth | | | |
| Gaugers of Casks | Enoch Eddy, Daniel C Rose, John C Jones, James Burrough, James C Bartlett | | | |
| Collector of Tax. | John Hill | | | |
| Clerk of the Market | Joshua Rathbun | | | |
| Insp[r] & Packs of Fish | Pleg S Sherman, Benedict Brown | | | |
| Com[rs] of Hospital | Mayor & Aldermen | | | |
| Pound Keeper | Joshua Rathbun | | | |
| Fence Viewers | Pardon Mason, | Israel Arnold, Edward Harwood | | |
| Field Drivers | Pardon Mason | Israel Arnold, Edward Harwood, William Thurber | | |
| Presidents of five Wards | Elisha S Dyer | Dexter Thurber, Richard Jackson. | | |
| | Benjamin Mowry, | Carlo Sherman, Wilbur Kelly | | |
| Five Wards. | Ephraim Talbot | Caleb Williams | Solomon Sowrend | Samuel C Dexter |
| | Benjamin Hoppin | Joseph Sweet | Smith C Bosworth | Henry G Mumford |
| | John Andrews | Roger Williams Potter | Duty Greene | Martin C Pages |
| | William Russell | Alpha C Babbitt | Welcome Congdon | Oliver C Pierce |
| | Joseph G Metcalf | Hiram C Hill | Sylvanus S Martin | Nathan C Bucklin |
| | Samuel W Wheeler | Robert C Manchester | Philip W Martin | Benjamin Robinson |



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| Hydraulician No 1. | Smith C Bosworth. | Stephen C Arnold | Robert S Thurston | |
| | Anthony B C Arnold | William C Andrews | William H C Foster | |
| | Allen O C Peck | Henry C Anthony | Tibbitts C Reynolds | |
| | George H C Taylor | Perry B C Fuller | Ebenezer C Fuller | |
| | George C Grinnell | Charles A C Hoppin | Thomas L C Mitchell | |
| | Cook C Aldrich | Abel C Lincoln jun[r] | Tillinghast C Olney | |
| | Charles C Cheney | William S C Crump | Henry C Bowen | |
| | Robert H C Fox | William H C Watterman | George W C Benson | |
| | Thompson C Wells | Benjamin C C Carpenter | Caleb S C Lincoln | |
| | Amasa C Manton | Theodore C Taylor | Joseph W C Butler | |
| | John C Hutchins | Thomas C Jackson | Stephen C Connell | |
| | John C Taylor | William S C Douglas | Alexander C Chace | |
| | David C Andrews | Francis C Gallile | James W C Waterman | |
| | Wm L C Mowry | Stephen S C Keene | William C Sanford | |
| | William H C Mason | John C Angell | William C Munro | |
| | James G C Anthony | Samuel C C Chace | Stephen H C Angell | |
| | Thomas C Aldrich | George H C Fanning | Henry C Nichols | |
| | Isaac H C Cady | Amos C C Smith | Henry C Smith | |
| | James C Arnold | Thomas C C Lippitt | Jeremiah C C Card | |
| | Jonathan C Pike | Timothy C Munyan | Abel C Coles | |
| | John C Calder | Samuel C C Watson | Joseph S C Angell | |
| | Thomas C Burdick | Richard C Dalgleish | Horatio N C Carpenter | |
| | Edward S C Miller | Alexander S C Adie | Hartford C C Billings | |
| | Joseph H C Angell | Ralph C Phillips | Samuel C C Hodgert | |
| | James C Greene | Luther C Morton | Shubal C Hutchins | |
| | Squire C Pierce | John C Andrews | Charles C Kendall | |
| | Benjamin C Robinson | Samuel C Allen | James H C Carpenter | |
| | John R C Peck | Willard C Fairbanks | Charles S C Fisher | |
| | Reuben J C Peckham | Joseph S C Benton | Mathias C Nelson | |
| | Peter C Pratt | Thomas J C Steel | William H C Brown | |
| | Moses C Brown Jnº | Chester S C Hood | Henry A C Bickford | |
| | Fish C Paddleford | William C C Hodgert | William S C Potter | Asst. Hydr. |
| | Henry C C Barney | James W C Buckley | | |
| | Billings C Brastow. | George C Nightingale | | |
| Hydraulician No 2. | Henry G C Mumford | George C C Jastram | Richard C Hoppin jun[r] | |
| | Wm S C Potter | Edw[d] C C Lawrence | John A C Hendrick | |
| | Wm W C Burr. | James C Martin | Charles W C Hodges | |
| | Zechariah C Allen | Roland C C Evans | Ebn[r] C Kelly | |
| | Elisha M C Aldrich | Wm C Calder | Geo S C Man | |
| | Jeremiah C Hannibal | Amril C Kingsley | Daniel C C Mowry | |
| | Allen C Baker | Samson C Almy | John C Hatfield | |
| | Robert N C Burdick | Cyrus C Aldrich | Horace C Bassum | |
| | Samuel C C Cushing | Philip C Allen jun[r] | Wm H C Frost | |
| | Ambrose C Clarke | Albert G C Barton | Daniel C Angell | |
| | Pearly W. C Carpenter | Jn[o] S C Budlong | Samuel H C Adams | |
| | G. L. C Dwight | Daniel C C Cushing | Elijah C Albee jun[r] | |
| | John A C Field | David S C Capron | Wm H C Allen | |
| | Isaac J C Ellis | Geo K C Davis | Whipple W C Brown | |
| | James C C Haskins | Arthur C Dennis | George W C Cushing | |
| | Woodbury C C Harris | Randal H C Greene | Benjamin S C Cushing | |
| | Dexter C Hall | Pleg C C Copeland jun[r] | Joseph C Capwell | |

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| | Sullivan Dorr Jr. | Geo W Parker | Thomas H Shire |
| | John C Gray | Charles M Peck | Wm Temple |
| | Benj Giles | Manning Rawson | Geo W Willard |
| | Randall Holden 2d | Gideon B Sweet | Charles N Bond |
| | Seamans L Hall | Marvin Smith | Joseph Remington |
| | Smith Hunt | Robert J Taylor | Thos Stone |
| | Samuel B Jolin | Rufus White | Olney L Smith |
| | John W Dowden | Isaac Pitman | Geo W Taylor 2d |
| | Alfred A Mason | Jonah Stone | Thomas White |
| | Nelson Mowry | Edwd Sipson | |
| James S Ridgeway | Charles S Seales | William Valentine | John H Richmond, Henry Hopkins. adm Mar 12th inst. |
| Forcing Stat Engine No 1. | Jacob Manchester | Earle P Mann | Caleb A Cory |
| | Albert H Manchester | Job Andrews | James E Bedlong |
| | Isaac Sackel | Henry Barton | Stephen A Davis |
| | Charles J Shelby | Daniel Chace | Chauncy Shippard |
| | John L Noyes | Amos W Snow | William B Taft |
| | Oliver Pearce | Joshua Spooner | Thomas Taber |
| | James G Smith | Edward R Young | John C Cafe |
| | Florence Mahony | William Brownell | Oliver H Wilbur |
| | James Devine | Benjamin Allen | Benjamin Bogman |
| | Wm H Murray | Levi L Hodges | John G Pitts |
| | Admah Sackel | Joseph A Andrews | John W Cory |
| | Benjamin F Wardwell | William Andrews | Henry G Luther |
| | Benjamin Dyer | Albert Lapenga | Alfred Spink |
| | John Wardwell | James Helme | Edward H Thurston |
| | Samuel Foster | Levi L Webster | Thomas A Seamans |
| | Edward Cox | Benoni Parkinson | Peter Pierce |
| | George H Hopkins | Reuben Brown | John W Martin |
| | Selma Manton | Thomas Gardner | Benjamin F Read |
| | Geo A Taylor | Malachi R Gardner | Philip Cafe |
| | Benjamin White | Henry A Howland | Francis L Danforth |
| | Jerem Borden | Joseph A Barker | George Richard 53 |
| Forcing Stationary Engine No 2 | Roger Williams Potter | Micah Chace | James G Remington |
| | William J Morris | Henry P Sheldon | Charles H Pope |
| | Nathaniel S Helme | Monzo B Tarbush | Vincent Carr |
| | John H Taylor | Allen Dorr | Albert S Harding |
| | Jonathan A Eddy | Edwin H Townsend | Conrad C Ellery |
| | Edwin Sipp | Charles L Hunt | William H. Harding |
| | John H Hamblin | Andrew Bowen | Russell Clapp |
| | Richard C Eddy | Samuel N Richmond | John B Chace Jr |
| | John B Dexter | Geo M Richmond | William J Cook |
| | Samuel Congdon | Lewis W Clifford | Monroe Swift |
| | William B Ball | Henry W Bradford | William S. B Read |
| | William Thurber Jr | Stephen A Warden | Mayo W Shaw |
| | Henry Thurber | John C Gladding | Gilbert Sheldon |
| | Ephraim Brown | George A Humphrey | William W Comstock |
| | William Buckbee | Thomas B Updike | Geo Card 2d |
| | William Aplin | Monzo Draper | Thomas R Greene |
| | William Langley | William Hall | Lewis H Bradford |
| | James W Goodrich | Benjamin Hathaway | William H Man |
| | Henry L Bowen | Ebenezer Wright | Edward Billings |



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| | Joseph Bradford | William L Barnes | Timothy H Temple |
| | Edward S Sheldon | Thomas G Stoddard | Stephen G Wolcott |
| | Nicholas H Bradford | John S Rice | Amos S Jones |
| | Clarke Sherman | Thomas R Tripp | Charles W Olney |
| | George Owen | George Adams | |
| | Ezra H Hubbard | William Foster | |
| Engine No 2. | Jessee B Sweet | Augustus J Winship | Isaac B Curtis |
| | George E Cleveland | James Stumber Jr | Luther Angell |
| | George H Bush | Wm N Amsbury | John Simmons |
| | Joel Melody Jr | Whiting Metcalf | David A Cleveland |
| | Peter Church | Thomas Fletcher | Lewis Warner |
| | Wm P Salisbury | Harvey Brown | George Hunt |
| | Sayles Brown | Wm W Chace | Cyrus Cleveland |
| Engine No 3. | Henry L Hundall | John S Pyne | Thomas Simmons |
| | Jos H Bosworth | Henry J Gladding | James Brown |
| | Ira G Draper | Thos Brown Jr | Wm P Pana |
| | Benjamin S Taylor | John J Paine | Ethan A Fitch |
| | Charles Pyne Jr | Ephraim Jackson | Benjamin S Jones |
| | Samuel Guild | Henry Clarke | Gardner S Swan |
| | Chas Child | Ward Cheney | Olney Read |
| Engine No 4. | John R Sherman | George Champlin | Reuben Chace |
| | Randall Holden | Edward Richmond | William Dunwell |
| | Nathan S Tillinghast | James Miller | John Griffin |
| | Caleb Godfrey | Turner Rice | Solomon Jacobs |
| | Lewis Wilcox | Robert Capwell | George Munro |
| | George Rice | John Potts | Abraham Munro |
| | William Potter | Caleb Mitchell | Jeremiah Munro |
| Engine No 5. | Moses Child | Duty Greene | Samuel B Purple |
| | Nathaniel S Potter | Stephen P Olney | Henry C Mathewson |
| | Samuel Greene | George B Cook | Edmund A Nichols |
| | John Barton | Ward A Work | William B Sandman |
| | Stephen W Hunt | Thomas Wright | Simeon Arnold |
| | David W Petty | Alvan S Arnold | Frederick V Purple |
| | Edmund Williams | Manson Smith | Robert K Briggs |
| | William H Gilmore | Arnold Hopkins | James Sheldon |
| | John Wenship | William Staver | Samuel P Wilkes |
| | William W Arnold | William S Manton | John Parkis |
| | Jonathan S Angell | Benjamin Cowell | Solomon Arnold |
| | James E Ball. | Benjamin B Wood. | William J Snowden |
| Engine No 6 | John Branch | Stephen Barker | William A Bogs |
| | Joseph Grant | Daniel S Hubbard | Jno Waterman |
| | Wm A Howard | Alfred Anthony | Wm Montgomery |
| | Nathan Buckbee | E.W. Walker | John Tillinghast |
| | Alexis Nichols | Samuel Irons | George Lucas |
| | John Westcott Jr | Wm S Wardwell | Jeremiah Hawkins |
| | Samuel W Brown | Sprague Barker | |

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| Engine No 7. | Horatio Babcock | John Sanders | Edward Field |
| | Thomas Barstow | Cardner Salsbury | Edmund 76 Perkins |
| | Cyrus B Eddy | Pardon S Pierce | James G 76 Leland |
| | Edwin B Barstow | Sylvester Salsbury | Alpheus B Southwick |
| | Thomas J Sprague | John Salsbury | Abner Paine |
| | Edward Salsbury | Edwin Field | |
| | Angell Bathy | Cornelius S Simpkins | |
| Fire Hook & Ladder Company No 1 | Stanton Thurber | Geo W Fox | Cyrus Osborn |
| | Josiah Low | Oren Claflin | Obadiah B Osborn |
| | Thomas Tanner jr | Edwin 76 Harris | Henry A Ellis. |
| | C. S. Underwood | Daniel Hall | James Chapman. |
| | George G Clarke | Wilbur Sharp | Charles L Parkhurst |
| | John Freeman | James Wheaton jr | Lyman Dayton |
| Fire Hook & Ladder Company No 2. | Sheldon Young | James D Merrick | Charles G Snow. |
| | Robert Manchester | William B Munroe | Peter D Grune |
| | Russell Grune | David Jenkins | Wm J Brown |
| | Dennis Sawyer | Gardner Luther | Isaac Lasha |
| | Caleb C Cook | Silas Butts jr | Thomas J Munro |
| | James W Thurber | J B Nichols | Jacob B Thurber |
| | Daniel W Young | Isaac Clarke | Enoch Bowen. |
| School Committee | Samuel W Bridgham | Moses Brown 2nd | David Pitkin |
| | Stanford Newel | Robert 76 Goss | Thaddeus Church |
| | Charles Holden | Peter Pratt | Robert C Patterson |
| | John 76 Crombie | Thomas 76 Webb | Josiah Chapin |
| | William J Grinnell | Frederick A Farley | David Andrews |
| | John Grinnell | William Aplin | Samuel B Tobey |
| | Asa Messer | George Baker | Edward B Hall. |
| | George Curtis | Moses Capwell | Henry R Grune |
| Furniture, Goods, Fire Protection Company. | Richmond Bullock | John W Richmond | William C Barker |
| | Peter Grinnell | John Andrews | William Russell |
| | Edward J Mallett | Nicholas Stillwell | Peter W. Snow |
| | Joseph S Cooke | John Church | Isaac Brown |
| | Josiah Keene | Benjamin D Wheden | John Gardner |
| | Moses Richardson | Simeon Barker | Enoch Steer. |
| | Benoni Cooke | William Buckler | |

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| Sealer of Leather | Calvin Pecon Joel Metcalf 2nd. |
| City Cryer | John Greene Nathaniel Metcalf. |
| Committee of Encroachm[t] on Streets | Leonard Blodget, Samuel Barnett Cushing |
| Inspectors of Pot & Pearl ashes. | Smith Borworth Amasa Manton. |
| Inspectors & Measr of Carpenters, Masons & Painters work | William B B Benson Leonard Blodget, John 76 Greene, Hogs Carpenter, Robert Manchester Joseph S Bogman, James Browne, Pardon Borworth, James Lewis, Russell Grune. |



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| Sworn Measurers of Stone. | Zechariah Chaffee Daniel Hale, William Andrews. |
| Overseer of Public Bridges | Munzir Pratt |
| Advising Committee &c. &c. | Mayor & Aldermen |
| Committee to Superint building of Chimneys, placing Stoves & Stove pipes | Samuel Carlile, John S Jackson Benoni Cooke Cyrus Fisher |
| Auctioneers | Sylvester Watchouse. |
| Overseer of North burial ground. | Benjamin Wattaway. |
| Measurers of Grain Salt & Salt. | John B Jones, Hazeltine Supt. |
| Overseer of Pump North End. | George Crawford |
| Overseer of Pump South End. | Samuel Carlile |
| do Bond Street & west end of Westminster Street. | Nicholas Northrup. |
| do High Street. | Caleb Williams |
| do Broad Street. | Thomas Clarke. |
| Inspectors of Liquors to ascertain Proof. | Daniel V Rose. John B Jones. |
| Overseer of Town Hall. | Joshua Rathbun. |
| Commissioners of Sick walks. | Walter Paine, Alpa Babcock, Benoni Cooke |
| Measurers of Brass | John B Jones, Hazeltine Supt. |
| City Marshal. | Henry G Mumford |
| Nuisance Committee | Alpa Babcock, Benjamin Clifford |

The Two boards the Separated.

No 2 An Ordinance for the repeal of so much of an Ordinance, entitled "an Ordinance fixing the Compensation of the Judge and Clerk of the Municipal Court and the Justices of the Police Court and also the Salary of the City Treasurer" as relates to the Compensation of said Judge of the Municipal Court

Section 1. Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence that so much of the Ordinance entitled "an Ordinance fixing the Compensation of the Judge and Clerk of the Municipal Court, and the Justices of the Police Court, and also the Salary of the City Treasurer" as provides for the payment of the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars to said Judge of the Municipal Court out of the City Treasury, be and the same is hereby repealed.

No 3. Resolved, that the Clerk of the Common Council of said City, be allowed and paid for his Services the sum of three dollars for each and every Meeting, he shall attend during the present year

# City Council, Tuesday June 4th 1833.

Present, Samuel W Bridgham Mayor and
Aldermen. Stanford Newel
Charles Holden
John H Ormsbee
William J Grinnell
John Dunwell
Asa Messer and the Common Council

No 1 An ordenance fixing the Compensations of Certain Officers for the year ending on the first Monday of June A.D. Eighteen hundred & thirty four

Section 1. Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence that the Compensation of the Annual Officers herein after mentioned shall be for the year ending on the first Monday of June A.D. eighteen hundred and thirty four, as follows, to wit,

To the City Clerk, Seven hundred dollars.
To the City Treasurer Five hundred dollars
To the Overseer of the Poor Two hundred and fifty dollars
To the City Sergeant. Three hundred & twelve dollars.
To the Surveyor of Highways Five hundred dollars
To the Clerk of the Market. Two hundred dollars.
To the Judges of the Municipal Court one hundred dollars.
To the City Marshal Two hundred & fifty dollars

Section 2. And be it further ordained that said annual sums be and they are hereby appropriated accordingly, and that the same be paid by the City Treasurer quarterly to the Officers respectively intitled thereto,

No 2. Resolved that the City Treasurer pay to Benjamin Clifford the sum of fifty dollars to Moses Richardson the sum of forty dollars, to William A Howard the sum of thirty dollars, to William Sheldon the sum of thirty dollars, to Samuel Currie the sum of thirty five dollars & to Robert Angell the sum of thirty dollars for their services as members of the Committee on Nuisances

No 3 The Committee appointed to examine the accounts of the City Treasurer respectfully report to the City Council that they have performed that duty — they have examined the accounts up to May 31 1833 and find them sustained by the proper vouchers and correctly stated

June 4. 1833. Thomas B Tenney
Wm C Barker
Charles Holden

The aforegoing is read and thereupon Resolved that the same be received

No 4. Resolved that the Treasurer pay to Mapa Bassett the sum of fifty five dollars and fifty seven Cents, to Henry Cushing the sum of twenty five dollars and to Samuel Young. thirty two dollars and thirty three cents, for their Charges as members of the Committee on Nuisances.

No 5 The report of the Treasurer. together with his account Current, a Statement of receipts into the Treasury, an abstract of payments from the Treasury, the Statement of the actual State of appropriations hereto for made by the City Council and a Schedule of the real Estate of the City & the rents thereof is read, and thereupon ordered, that the same be received & deposited in the Vestry and the Treasurer & that they cause so much thereof as the law requires & they may deem necessary to be published



Treasurers office, Providence June 1st 1833.

Treasurers Report.

Sir

I have the honor herewith to enclose you
My account Current with the City of Providence for the year ending this day —
A Statement of receipts into the Treasury & the sources whence derived
An abstract of payments from the Treasury and for what purposes —
Actual State of appropriations hereto for made by the City Council embracing Sundry requirements which are immediately called for, and
A Schedule of real Estate belonging to the City together with a list of rents,

Samuel W Bridgham Esq
Mayor of the City of
Providence

I am with perfect regard
Your Obt Servt
Stephen Sellingheart.
City Treasurer

Dr City of Providence in account with Stephen Sellingheart Treasurer Cr

Account Current

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1833. March 8 | To Cash paid Benoni Lockwood for survey and house lots | | 5 | 0 | 1833 Jany 5 | By balance of old a/c as audited | | 1983 | 90 |
| " 11 | " Thos B Sheldon for repairs of said lots. | | 150 | 0 | " 15 | " Cash of A Sayles in Compliment of Aldermth for selling liquor on Sunday, 20.0 | | | |
| " 25 | " do do | | 113 | 07 | | by Allen & Pitts fees 5.0 | | | |
| May 31 | To balances of the following a/cs against the City viz | | | | | paid Aldermth fees 7.5 | 12.50 | 7 | 50 |
| | Interest account | | 2544 | 43 | | " Cash of J Hall 1 qrs log to 1st inst. of the | | | |
| | lamps | | 1113 | 31 | | Gibbs billiard table | 50.0 | | |
| | City watch | | 1803 | 0 | | by Jn° Wells Cons.° 5 pct. | 2.50 | 47 | 50 |
| | Fire department | | 253 | 31 | 20 | " Cash of City Clerk on a/c of licenses. | | 85 | 0 |
| | Cholera appropriation | | 71 | 85 | 29 | " do of Barton Sheldon endorsed on | | | |
| | Contingencies | | 701 | 32 | | Philip Collins note due on Oct. 1831. | | 80 | 0 |
| | Support of the Poor | | 748 | 18 | March 7. | " Rec.d of Samuel Hayford for rent of the old | | | |
| | do do in the Asylum | | 1121 | 3 | | Bridewell from Nov 10. 1828. to Nov. 10. 1832 | | | |
| | Highways | | 1075 | 3 | | 4 years at $25. | 100.0 | | |
| | Bridges | | 295 | 1 | | do for bill of Cost on suit agt him | | | |
| | Public Schools | | 3055 | 98 | | heretofore Charged the City | 5.42 | | |
| | Hearse & Pumps | | 13 | 31 | | | 105.42 | | |
| | Wells & Pumps | | 48 | 92 | | by D. Hayford's bill of repairs | | | |
| | Orders of Board of Aldermen | | 75 | 85 | | of the old work house as allowed | | | |
| | Paving Committee | | 1 | 75 | | by the late Treasurer | 30.34 | 59 | 48 |
| | Salaries | | 933 | 33 | 8 | Cash of Wm Chace on a/c his note | | 8 | 0 |
| | Public Buildings | | 88 | 90 | | do of C. Clark for license to exhibit Cy Lemoines | | 1 | 0 |
| | Committee to alter Marshal Chambers | | 1914 | 54 | 15 | do of Isaac Brown for so much he overpaid | | | |
| | Asylum Wall | | 205 | 44 | | for paving Stones say 40 3/4 sms @ 150, | 59.30 | | |
| To new account for so much of the tax | | | | | | should have been 40 3/4 @ 150, | 60.64 | 8 | 85 |
| appeared in August list not yet collected | | 2510 | 0 | | | Willard Jenkins note due on 6 months for | | | |
| notes on hand not due | 1805.95 | 4315 | 95 | | | for exchange of Work house land | 100.0 | | |
| of which $1766.95 — 15 per cent | | | | | | add 6 mo. Interest & | 3.0 | 103 | 0 |
| | | | | | 22 | " Cash received from the Police Court for fines | | | |
| | | | | | | of 6 riders @ $15 each. | | 90 | 0 |
| | | | | | 25. | do of B Sheldon endorsed on note of Philip Collins | | 16 | 0 |
| | | | | | May 9. | do endorsed on W. W Chace's Note. | | 8 | 0 |
| | | | | | 13 | do of Jn° Wells for 1 quarter tax on Wm | | | |
| | | | | | | Gibbs billiard table to 1st inst | 50.0 | | |
| | | | | | | by Jn° Wells, Cons.° 5 pct. | 2.50 | 47 | 50 |
| | | | | | | do of City Clerk for licenses | | 122 | 0 |
| | | | | | | Carried forward. | | 20.531 | 70 |
| | | Carried forward. | $ | 21.162 | 45 | | | | |

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| | | | 1833. | | Bro^t forward. | | |
| Brought forward. | 21.152. | 45 | April 24. | | Bro^t forward. | 20.531 | 74. |
| | | | | By Cash of C. S. Tillinghast for fines of 4 persons for breach of Cholera quarantine @ $10 ea. $40.0. Interest thereon 15 | | 40 | 15 |
| | | | | " Cash of John Hill for 1 quarter rent of Wood & Parsons billiard tables to the 24th inst. 50.0 Less Com^n 5 p^ct. 2.50 | | 47 | 50 |
| | | | May. 9. | Cash from the Treasurer of the institution for savings being the am^t of deposit standing in the name of James Harmon a deceased foreigner deposited in said Co^y may 1824. 120.0 Interest to January 1833. 52.77. | | 172 | 77. |
| | | | 15 | " Cash endorsed on W. W Chace's note. | | 8 | 0 |
| | | | | " do of Royal Lee for 1 quarter rent of the Old Workhouse lot to 1st april. | | 72 | 50 |
| | | | 31. | Curb Stones purchased in 1831 & Charged the City & G Palmer for the Asylum walls. | | 30 | 0 |
| | | | | " Cash of Daniel Arnold for 1 quarter to his Shop adjoining the Alms houses | | 1 | 0 |
| | | | | " Cash of the City Clerk on acc^t of licenses | | 90 | 18. |
| | | | | " Interest on Stock of the Tillinghast Donation in Union Bk $200 6 m^s 7 p^ct. | | 7 | 0 |
| | | | | " balance of "rent account" | | 121 | 40 |
| | | | June 1st | By new account for balance due from the City | | 10 | 21. |
| | | | | Errors Excepted. City of Providence June 1st 1833 Stephen Tillinghast City Treasurer | | | |
| | $ 21.152 | 45. | | | | $ 21.152 | 45 |

**Statement of receipts into the Treasury for the year ending May 31. 1833. and the source from whence derived viz^t.**

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| Total receipts from all sources. | $ 43.194 | 90. |
| Derived from | | |
| Balance paid over by former Treasurer | 839 | 5 |
| Taxes on billiard tables. | 315 | 93 |
| Licenses to Hawkers & others | 2115 | 72 |
| Rents of stalls due in 1832. | 272 | 47. |
| Back rents for old workhouse & buildings | 117 | 8 |
| Remainder of tax of 1831. | 1000 | 58 |
| Current tax of 1832. | 37.500 | 0 |
| Thatch right one season | 12 | 0 |
| Highways, old materials sold. | 8 | 85. |
| Money of savings bank for a deposit by James Hearnson, a deceased foreigner | 182 | 77 |
| Interest on the Tillinghast donation of $200. 6 Ms. @ 7 p^ct. | 7 | 0. |

**Abstract of Payments from the Treasury for the year ending May 31. 1833. viz^t**

Total amount of payment $ 43205.11.

| For the following purposes. viz^t. | | |
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| Interest. | 5352 | 39. |
| Lamps | 1742 | 69. |
| Fire department. | 1797. | 72 |
| Cholera Appropriation | 2906 | 89. |
| Contingencies | 2128 | 25 |
| support of the poor at large | 1517. | 71. |
| Support of the poor at the Asylum | 2200 | 11 |
| Highways | 4349. | 46 |
| Bridges | 1599. | 33. |
| Public Schools exclusive of amount rec^d from the State Treasury. $ 1527. 22. | 4702 | 56. |
| Watch. | 4110 | 0. |
| Heirs of Mary Peste | 190 | 48. |



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| Rents | 561 | 37 | Wells & pumps | 134 30 |
| Fines | 138. | 5 | Orders of the board of Aldermen | 294 39. |
| Expenses of land on South St. | 103 | 0 | Paving Committee St Mary's St. | 1603 1 |
| | $ 43.194 | 90. | Salaries exclusive of Mayor & Aldermen | 1700 0 |
| | | | Public Building | 302 45. |
| Memorandum of unsettled Claims viz^t | | | Alteration of Market house Chambers | 1914 34 |
| Bills audited & not called for | 258 | 76 | Wall round the Asylum Farm. | 206 14 |
| Orders of School Committee | 71 | 4 | Investment of Tillinghast & Donation fund. | 220 0. |
| Nuisance Committee estimated | 400 | 0 | Notes given prior to June 1832. & since paid $ 2061.63. $ 600. $ 500 | 3161 63 |
| Salaries of Mayor & Aldermen | 1600 | 0 | Expenditures on market house lot. | 269. 67. |
| Market house Chambers | | | $ 43.205. 11. | |

Note the Support of the poor in the Asylum is exclusive of $ 3153.0 paid from the Tillinghast Donation fund for that purpose

City of Providence June 1st 1833
Stephen Tillinghast
City Treasurer

The funded debt is redeemable at the following periods viz^t:

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| In 1834. | $ 10.000. 0 |
| 1836. | 10.000. 0 |
| 1838 | 15.000. 0 |
| 1840. | 60.000. 0 |
| | 95.000. 0 drawing interest at 5 p^ct payable semi annually |

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| The unfunded debt payable April 1st 1834. is | 7000.0 | | |
| do payable on demand | 400.0 | | |
| do D. H. Tows Treasurer | 1300. | 9300. 0 | Interest as above |
| Notes & drafts of John Wilson on demand. | | 1333.34 | do 6 p^ct. |
| | | $ 105,633. 34. | |

**A General State of the Appropriations made by the City Council at various times**

Appropriations for Interest wholly exhausted

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| " | Public Schools 1/3 of the sum received from the State | $ 1298. 0 |
| " | City Watch remaining | 10. 0 |
| " | Fire department ditto. | 773. 0 |
| " | Highways ditto | 1127. 0 |
| " | Lamps ditto | 100 " 0 |
| " | Salaries ditto | 1400 " 0 |
| " | Wells & Pumps ditto | 45. 0 |
| " | Contingencies ditto | 517. 0 |
| " | Cholera. ditto | 2034. 0 |
| " | Support of the poor ditto | 172. 0 |
| | But there has been paid from the funds of the City in addition to those rec^d from the Asylum Donation $ 1121. 0. | |
| " | Bridges remaining | 601. 0 |
| " | repairs of public buildings ditto. | 287. 0 |
| " | Poor house ditto | 60. 0 |
| " | wall round the Asylum farm ditto. | 494. 0 |
| " | Committee to Alter Market Chambers have expended $ 914. 34 beyond the appropriation for that object & paid from the Treasury on the personal responsibility of the Chairman | |

The appropriations wanted to meet the present demands are, for City Watch, Salaries, Contingencies, Support of the Poor, & interest, Authority is also required to enable the Treasurer under the advice of a Committee to raise money upon loan from time to time as the Wants of the City may require

City of Providence June 1st 1833.

Stephen Tillinghast, City Treasurer

P.S. It is respectfully requested that in the appropriation for the support of the poor that the income of "the Tillinghast Donation" be Specially included

## Schedule of Real Estate belonging to the City of Providence

The Brick market house and lot on which it stands on Market Square

The Fish Market projecting over the Cove and North of Cove Street Bridge

The Town house and lot on which it stands bounding on College Street 80 feet & on Benefit Street 73 feet. Lot adjoining & now Comprising a part of the Town house lot bounding northerly on original Town house lot & on the lot since purchased of Nicholas Brown; Easterly on Benefit Street, on which it measured before a gore was sold to Nicholas Brown 84 feet Southerly on land of Brown & Ives 181 feet. Lot now Comprising a part of the Town house lot purchased of Nicholas Brown in August 1821. adjoining Easterly & Southerly on Town house lot, above described & Westerly on land of heirs of Doctor William Brown deceased & northerly on College Street, on this lot Stands an Office now in the occupation of Peter Pratt & Thomas Burgess. In exchange & part payment for this lot the Town Conveyed to Nicholas Brown a Strip of their land adjoining the late Doctor William Browns land & northerly on part of the Estate land on which the pound now stands, & a gore at the S.E. Corner adjoining Benefit Street, as by deed dated in August 1821. will appear, on that part of the Town house lot adjoining Benefit Street Stands the Artillery Gun house for which the City is obliged by act of the General Assembly to furnish a location, Next north of the Gun house are two buildings belonging to the City & Connected with the fire department, near the middle of the lot on the South side of the Town house stands a wooden building belonging to the Military Company of Cadets by permission of the City, nearly across the west end of the lot, the City has erected a horse shed for use of the Market people, & a Pound, during the present year a small building was erected by the City & near to the Pound for Cholera purposes

### Hospital Lands.

Five acres and 30 poles bought of Martha Field bounding East on the river & South on Hawkins Cove Called the old hospital land it having been purchased for special use, the City has no power to sell it Ten & 7/10 acres of land Called the new hospital land on which the large hospital building stands bounding on the brook which form the south boundary line of the City & the North line of Cranston when purchased this lot joined the old hospital lot but it is now Separated thereform by the Providence turnpike, a new hospital has during the present year been erected in the vicinity of the last named hospital

The North burying ground originally Comprised 15 acres & on the 21st June 1796 the Town bought of Moses Brown eight acres adjoining west on the same after which a turnpike road was Carried through it leaving part of the Town land S. West of the road, this piece was afterwards sold to Sullivan Dorr & others owners of a Woollen factory, & it has always within my Memory been said that there had been Considerable encroachments on different of the land & it was thought by some persons that the 8 acres bought of Mr Brown had been formally Chipped off the original 15 acres though he had purchased not doubting that the best title was in the person from whom he made the purchase, there Certainly ought to be a Survey & as far as possible designate bounds & ascertained & monuments of wrought Stone placed at the lines especially as some of the land on the west side of the Pawtucket road is now understood to be Claimed by individuals / Note, these observations on the burying ground



belong to Josias Hawkins and Engr. the late Town Treasurer / The Dorr's lot lies at the Junction of North Main Benefit & Thompson Streets & the money for the purchase was raised on Lots by the people in the neighbourhood, that the land might be kept open for the accommodations of the entrances into those Streets

The deficiency of purchase money was paid by the Town, the deed of the land is to the Treasurer, after purchase of this land, Engine No 2 was placed thereon

Old Brick School house lot is 50 feet on Court house parade & 50 feet deep, the lot whereon the School house stands was given to the Town by Ambrose Page in May 1756. for a School house & no other purpose it extends to Meeting Street making the whole lot about 120 by 100

North School house & lot first district the lot is bounded 45 feet on Benefit Street & extends 80 feet east & can be kept for no other purpose that its actual use in the year 1825 the Town bought a lot of 20 feet width & extending 62 feet easterly from Benefit Street, for the better accomodation of the School house, so that the whole lot is now 65 feet on Benefit Street,

The Stevens lot ports westerly on North Main Street at its northern extremity extending eastaly to a road & Contains about 9 1/2 acres

Canal and Charles & Smith Streets, The work house lot east side of Charles Street & bounding on the Canal, measures in length on Charles Street, about two hundred & twenty feet, its width on Smith Street is about one hundred feet & at its north end sixty three feet, the old work house & buildings will have been removed, the lot walled up to the level of Smith Street on the South line to the land of Charles Street & bounding thereon the length of 115 feet, the remainder lies open & is used in part for a public watering place / The land on the west side of Charles measures thereon about 240, width at the North end extending Westerly to Bucks Street, so called, ninety six feet, width at the South end bounding on Smith Street about 79 feet, this width is exclusive of 18 feet on the west line being the proposed Continuation of Bucks Street through the City land to Smith Street, by an exchange lately made with Dexter Angell & others the work house lot forms a square divided North & South by Charles Street

South or Third district School — The lot on which the School house Stands is 80 feet ports on Transit Street, the East part of this lot extends 80 feet north to the Tillinghast burying ground & 311 feet of the west part of it extends back 122 feet to land of Benjamin Clifford, an Engine house Stands thereon

Great Point, to this land bounds were affixed some years since by Messrs Ward & Staples Stamped Newel & Joel Mitchell a Committee appointed by the Town, the quantity of land is to me unknown as no plan thereof has been made, Land South of Smiths Bridge, the City is supposed to have Claim to part of the land & flow South of said Bridge, which the heirs of the Crawford family also pretend to Claim

The Abbot Lot at Tockwotten, 40 feet square given to the Town as a watering place see Book No 12. fol. 570.

West Sides, a lot 10 feet wide by 100 long on Weybosset Street extending back to Middle Street with part of a Small building thereon,

Stone Hayses lot, this lot ports on Weybosset Street 31 feet & is in depth 70 feet. Engine house No 3 stands on the west part of this lot

The Steele Estate, A house & lot at the Junction of Weybosset & Orrance Streets now on the possession of the City subject to the Claims of the heirs of Moses Steele

The Public Square, Conveyed to the Town "for some public purpose or purposes & for no other use or purpose whatever" this lot is 150 feet square & bounded on Aleppo avenue & Bradford Street on two sides by 20 feet gangways as well has been staked out thereon for public use

Fourth district School, House & lot on the Southerly side of Richmond Street containing 112 feet, depth thereof not mentioned in deed

Stone School house, and lot between Weybosset Street & Providence Street, the deed does not name the quantity of land

Hydraulic Buildings, Building of Hydraulic No 1. Stands on land of Thomas Tobin's on Hydraulic Street

Hydraulic No 2 on a Canal Basin on land taken from the Cove

A building of the fire department standing on land of Benjamin Abbott, an engine house on land of Elliot, another on land of for all which ground rent is paid.

Fields Point land Contains about 38 acres in part of which say about 5 acres Abbot Field Claims right of dower.

Note the City Treasurer is mainly indebted to the last Town Treasurer for this Schedule

Thatch Beds

The north bounds of the lower thatch bed belonging to the City, begin at the N. E. Corner of the house late belonging to Daniel Thurber standing near the shore South of Carpenters point & thence runneing across the Cove until it Comes to a Cedar tree marked O on the south side, standing on the margin of the Marsh a little E. of the East path on land of John Smiths heirs, The thatch beds purchased of Joanna Barns, Wm. N Rhodes, Ed. S. Olney are bounded Southerly on the above described line beginning on the Easterly side of the Cove at the said Maple tree & extending up the river to a stone set in the ground at four acres meadow. at the boundary line between the Town's of Providence & North Providence & then Crossing the Cove to the white oak tree standing on Carpenters point

## Schedule of Rents, viz.

Rents

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| 20 feet of land being part of the Town house lot rented to Otis Rial and Thomas Burgess from year to year | $ 20 | 0 |
| land Composing the work house Estate 115 leased to Royal Lee 5 years ending Jan'y 1st 1838 @ $2.50 p year | 290 | 0 |
| part of lot next north of the above to expire in august 1833. | 10 | 0 |
| 110 feet to James Page no lease $ year | 30 | 0 |
| 30 do to Albert Barber lease ends January 1834 | 22 | 50 |
| Note Js Smith to have this at the expiration of Barbers Lease 4 years @ $30 $ year | | |
| 30 feet to James Smith to January 1. 1837. | 30 | 0 |
| 67 do William Mumford to April 1. 1838. | 67 | 0 |
| 92 do Ebenezer A Brown to January 1838. | 22 | 0 |
| The Stetson Lot leased to Warren A Batchelder 5 years to April 1838. to be paid on 31 rons Manure $ year & pay yearly. | 50 | 0 |
| The Stone house no lease, David Pitts | 25 | 0 |
| The Estate house do Daniel Martin | 140 | 0 |
| Land on Wickopee Street $ year. | 14 | 0 |
| | $ 791 | 50 |

The rents of Steeles point land has been absorbed by the Compensation of the Sentinel

The rent of Market house Stalls for the year ending intrest next but pay'ble 1st June next is 1885 0

The amount received on Billiard Tables taxes from June 1832. is 316 75

Note, the "Tillinghast Donation" is a bequest of $200 made by the late Mr Lydia Tillinghast as a fund the intrest or income thereof to be used for the relief, Comfort and support of the poor of all or any County of Colony" It is invested in Stock of the Union Bank

City of Providence June 1st 1833.

Respectfully presented

Stephen Tillinghast, City Treasurer

Thatch Beds Continued, The amount paid for rights bought of Mrs Barnes & others was Mrs Barnes & Wm N Rhodes $405. Elisha Olney $87. Smith Olney $105, making together $ 592 Value of the right of Cutting the thatch for one year being the interest of the Cost $35.52

The foregoing description was prepared by the late Treasurer, but I cannot ascertain the quantity of land in the "lower thatch beds" nor do the deeds from Mrs Barn's & others Convey any specific number of acres or parts of acres

The privilege of Cutting all the thatch in Cutting a half right belonging to the Olney Donation fund was sold this year for twelve dollars on Condition that the whole should be removed nothing having been done with it the season preceding the last. rendered it less valuable than heretofore



No 6. Whereas disputes have arisen in granting the use of the Town house to applicants indiscriminately by the Owners of said building — It is therefore resolved that the said Town house shall not be used for any purposes excepting for the transaction of City business and for holding Ward Meetings without the permission of the City Council

No 7. An Ordinance for the appointment and Collection of a Tax of Forty Thousand dollars

Section 1 Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence that a Tax of Forty thousand dollars be appointed and levied upon the ratable property of the inhabitants and others owning such property in said City and that said tax be appointed on or before the third Monday of August next and Collected and paid into the City Treasury on or before the third Monday of September next.

Section 2 Be it further ordained that the Collector of said Tax advertise in all the newspapers in said City for three weeks successively, requiring all persons who may be appointed for said tax, to Call at his office to pay the same; for which purpose his office shall be kept, from nine o'clock A.M. until three o'clock P.M. and from two o'clock until five o'clock P.M. (sundays excepted) for ten days including and ending on the said third Monday of September next, when his Office shall be kept open until nine O'clock in the Evening; and the Collector of said tax shall deduct three Percent from the tax of him per or them who shall so make payment

Section 3 Be it further ordained, that the Collector of said Tax be allowed four Percent for Collecting said Tax and that he allow out of his Commission three P Cent to all who shall pay him the amount of his, her or their tax on or before the said third Monday of September next

Section 4. Be it further ordained that the Collector pay into the City Treasury all monies he shall receive by the third Monday of September next towards said tax, and that all persons who shall be delinquent in paying said tax by said third Monday of September next shall pay interest after for which said Collector shall be accountable to said City

No 8. Resolved that Alderman Mayo be and he is hereby appointed a Committee to Confer with such as the board of Common Council may appoint, in relation to the Ordinance fixing Salaries

Ten Cents added

No 9. Resolved that Messrs Cooke & Anthony with such as the board of Aldermen may add be a Committee to ascertain what disposition can be made of the "Town house" and lot adjacent thereto most for the interest of the City and that they report as soon as expedient

Alderman Comstock added

No 10 Resolved that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and empowered to borrow at any time or times previous to the first monday of September next such sum or sums of money as may be necessary not exceeding in the whole Five Thousand dollars, to discharge the Current expenses of the City

Resolved that Messrs Brown & Cady, with such as the board of Aldermen may add be and they hereby are appointed a Committee to advise with the City Treasurer in relation to the hireing of money from time to time for the use of the City as mentioned in the preceding Resolution

Alderman Grinnell added

No 11. Resolved, that it shall be the duty of the City Clerk to furnish the City Sergeant with the names of each and every person elected to Office from time to time by the City Council (except the School Committee and members of the fire engines, Hydraulion, Forcing Stationary engine, fire hooks & ladders and Furniture and goods fire protection Companies) and that it shall be the duty of the City Sergeant to notify such persons (with the above exceptions) of their said appointments to Office within ten days after such appointments.

№ 13 An Ordinance appropriating Twenty two thousand, six hundred dollars for the purposes therein mentioned ~

Section 1 Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence that the following sums be and the same are hereby appropriated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated for the following purposes, to wit,
For the support of the public Schools for the year ending on the first monday of June next (besides the sum which the City is entitled to receive from the State Treasury) to be under the direction of the School Committee, Five thousand dollars ~
For the Support of the Poor and removal of paupers including Asylum Three thousand dollars ~ together with the income of the "Tillinghast fund" so Called
For the fire department One thousand dollars ~
For Highways & Streets Three thousand dollars ~
For the Support of public bridges One thousand dollars ~
For the Support of the watch Two thousand dollars
For lighting the Streets One thousand dollars
For the Salaries of the Mayor and Aldermen for the year ending on the first Monday of June next One thousand six hundred dollars ~
For a deficiency in the appropriation for Salaries for the year ending on the first monday of June (eighteen hundred & thirty three two hundred dollars ~
For repairs of public buildings two hundred dollars ~
For the support of the City pumps and wells, one hundred dollars ~
For alterations in the Market house one thousand five hundred dollars ~
For paving Canal Street from Market Square to Steeple Street, one thousand dollars
For interest on Money loaned and on funded debt one thousand dollars ~
For Contingent expenses, namely, to pay any Claims which may be allowed by the board of Aldermen, or by the City auditor not included in any of the preceding items ~
One thousand dollars ~
Section 2 and be it further ordained, that said several sums be and the same are hereby appropriated in addition to any unexpended balances remaining of former appropriations for the respective purposes aforesaid ~

№ 14. Resolved that the use of the Town house be allowed to St John Church and Society for their Stated meetings during the pleasure of the City Council under Charge of the owners of the Town house ~

№ 15. Voted that William R Staples and Alpheus Billings Esquires be and they hereby are selected from the Justices appointed to keep the peace in this City to Compose the Police Court

Voted, that the Mayor be and he is hereby requested to furnish a Copy of the address this day delivered before the City Council for publication ~

The Two boards met in Convention and the following appointments were made, in the Fire department ~

Forcing Station Engine № 1. See record of 3d instant ~

Fire Hook and Ladder Co № 1 See record of 3d instant ~

Engine Co № 2. See record of 3d instant ~



Engine Co № 4 See record of 3d instant ~

Engine Co № 5 See record of 3d instant

Engine Co № 6 See record of 3d instant.

Engine Co № 7 See record of 3d instant ~

Henry R Greene by written communication makes known the resignation of his appointment as a member of the School Committee, whereupon it is Voted that the same be received ~

Assessors of Taxes See record of 3d instant.

Collector of Tax. Voted that John Hall, be appointed to Collect the tax of $110.000 ordered this day ~

City Auditt. Hezekiah Anthony & Benjamin D Wilden Auditors, were duly engaged by the Mayor ~

## City Council June 12th 1833 ~

Present. Samuel W Bridgham as Mayor and Aldermen
Stanford Newel
Charles Holden
John H Combee
John Dunwell
Asa Messer ~ and the Common Council

№ 1 An Ordinance establishing rules and regulations respecting quarantine

Whereas in the opinion of the City Council of the City of Providence there is danger that Contagious or infectious diseases may be brought into said City of Providence by vessels their Officers seamen passengers & Cargoes. Therefore

Sec 1. Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence, that the quarantine ground of said shall Comprise that part of the harbour of said City lying Westward of the main Channel of the river & extending Northward from Safe pass point to the distance of one half of a mile from said point ~
Sec. 2 And be it further ordained that from and after the twenty fourth day of the present month of June no vessell which shall arrive in the harbour of said City from any foreign port or place whatever except those direct from any port or place North of the 18th degree of North Latitude & no vessel which shall or may arrive from any port or place in the united States South of Chesapeake Bay & including the port of Norfolk & places on the James River notwithstanding she may have stopped or touched at any intermediate port or ports during her homeward passage nor any vessell with her Officers Crew or passengers, that shall have touched or landed at the Port of Norfolk shall pass the quarantine ground but all such vessels whatever may be their lading shall be subject to the inspection & examination of the health Officer appointed by the Board of Aldermen acting ex officio as a board of health who may on inspection & examination of any such vessell, permit her to proceed up to the City, if it shall appear to him that public health will not thereby be endangered & provided it is not repugnant to the eighth section of this Ordinance ~
Sec 3 And be it further ordained that no vessel Coming from any Port or place in the South of Europe or within the Straits of Gibraltar or from any port or place in the American Continent situated between the tropics including all the West Indies Islands & places in the Bay of Mexico or from any other port or place where it is ascertained that Contagious Sickness doth prevail or hath recently prevailed shall be permitted to unload at any of the wharves of said City, But such vessells with their Officers Crew & passengers, after having been subjected to & gone through all the regulations of quarantine to

the Satisfaction of the said health Officer may on a Certificate obtained from him to that effect, or libraty from the board of Aldermen acting ex officio as a board of health be permitted to discharge their Cargoes into Scows or lighters any where South ward of the Cook & west of the Channel, & in such Craft may bring the same up to the City; or the said health Officer may permit if in his Opinion no danger is to be apprehended, any such vessel to unload at the wharves at Jeffersons point or Indies point Vessels laden with Salt & vessels Coming from Canton or from any port in the pacific Ocean having no sickness on board, are not included in this Ordinance, but may after Conforming to all the directions of the said health officer & on procuring his Certificate that in his opinion no danger is to be apprehended, be permitted to unlade at any of the wharves in said City

Sec 4. And be it further ordained, that all vessels arriving at this port, after having discharged their Cargoes in any other port of the United States, agreably to the quarantine regulations of such port, shall anchor on the quarantine ground, and be visited and examined by the said health officer and be subject to the provisions of the 3th Section of this Ordinance, the same as if said vessel Came direct to this port

Sec 5 And be it further ordained that all vessels subject to their arrival at this port, to be visited and examined by the said health officer, which shall pass Reedy point after 9 oclock P M and before 8 oclock A M. shall anchor at the quarantine ground notwithstanding they may not have been hailed by the Sentinel

Sec 6 And be it further ordained that if any vessel subject to quarantine shall pass or leave the quarantine ground without permission of the said health officer, the owners or owners, or agents or agents of such vessell, or the person or persons who shall move the same shall forfeit and pay to the use of the said City a Sum not exceeding one hundred dollars nor less than twenty five dollars to be recovered in an action of the Case in the name of the City Treasurer before any Court proper to try the same and such vessel shall be liable to be ordered back to the quarantine ground at the expence of the owners or owners or agents or agents thereof, and the owners or owners, or agents or agents of such vessel shall also be liable to the same penalty on every repitition of such offence

Sec 7. And be it further ordained that if any officer of the Customs or any other person whosoever, shall go on board of any inward bound vessels, that shall be subject to quarantine, such officer or other person so going on board shall not land in said City until the time of quarantine of such vessell shall have expired under a penalty not exceeding twenty dollars, nor less than five dollars to be recovered to the use of the said City in an action of the Case in the name of the City Treasurer before any Court proper to try the same

Sec 8. And be it further ordained, that no unbarked hides Skins hoofs, or any other article or substance that shall or may be thought by the said health officer, Capable of generating disease, shall be landed from any vessell whatever, within the limits of this City during the existance of the quarantine, except at the hospital ground, or Jeffersons point or Indies point; nor shall such goods be brought into the Compact part of said City only by special permission from said health officer; nor shall any ship or vessel having sickness on board or having had any person or persons sick of a Malignant or a Contagious disease during the voyage, be permitted to Come any where in this City, during the existance of the quarantine except to the wharves at Jeffersons point (south of Pikes wharf) or Indies point, under special permission from the said health officer, nor shall any dirty bedding or clothing be landed or brought within the limits of said City during the existance of the quarantine from any ship or vessel in which any person have been sickly during the voyage, nor shall any dirty bedding or Cloathing be brought within the limits of said City during said time from any place where any Contagious or Malignant disorder doth or hath recently prevailed unless they are first Carried direct to the hospital and there washed and Cleansed, and every person Concerned in the violation or evasion of this Section of this ordinance shall incur a penalty not exceeding one hundred dollars nor less than twenty five dollars, to be recovered to the use of the said City in an action of the Case in the name of the City Treasurer before any Court proper to try the same

Sec 9. And be it further ordained that the said health Officer shall have authority to put such interrogatories and enquiries to the Captains or Commanding officers, or any other person on board of any vessell arriving at the port of Providence, and subject to quarantine as he shall deem proper, respecting the State of the vessell, and the health of the people on board, and such Captains or Commanding Officers or other person, shall refuse to answer any or all interrogatories or



enquiries put to him by said health officer, or shall evade such enquiries, or shall in any way or manner, make or Cause to be made to said health Officer a false or equivocal Statement or report in relation to the officers, Crew or passengers on board thereof, or of the State of the health of all or any of the Officers Crew and passengers, or shall neglect to report to said health officer any death that may have occured on board during the said Voyage or shall refuse to sign his written examination taken at the time by said health officer, after being requested so to do; such Captain Commanding Officer or other person so offending shall forfeit and pay as a penalty a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars nor less than one hundred dollars, to be recovered to the use of the said City in an action of the Case in the name of the City Treasurer before any Court proper to try the same

Sec 10 And be it further ordained that if any person ordered to the hospital ground on board of any vessell arriving at this port or ports any part of said City after having so arrived, shall refuse to go thither or being there shall depart from or leave the limits of said hospital without permission first obtained from the board of Aldermen acting ex officio as board of health or from said health officer in writing such person shall for each offence forfeit and pay a sum not exceeding one hundred dollars nor less than twenty five dollars to be recovered to the use of said City in an action of the Case in the name of the City Treasurer before any Court proper to try the same

Sec 11. And be it further ordained that no person during the existance of the quarantine unless by the Special order of the board of Aldermen acting ex officio as a board of health, a health officer shall go within fifty yards of the hospital ground except those at quarantine, the health officer and other Physicians, nurses, and those attached to the family of the Keeper of the hospital and those passing on the turnpike road; under a penalty not exceeding twenty dollars nor less than five dollars, to be recovered to the use of the said City in an action of the Case in the name of the City Treasurer before any Court proper to try the same, nor shall the nurses or those attached to the family of the said Keeper be allowed to leave the hospital without his permission under the like penalty to be recovered in like manner

Sec 12 And be it further ordained that no stagnant or offensive bilge water shall be pumped out of any ship or vessel at any wharf in said City above Jeffersons point in the Channel or flats opposite the same during the existance of the quarantine regulations unless it be done between the hours of 10 oclock P M and 4 oclock A M. under the penalty of two dollars for the first offence and for every offence after the first five dollars to be recovered of the Captain or Commanding Officer of such ship or vessel or of the owner or owners thereof to the use of said City in an action of the Case in the name of the City Treasurer before any Court proper to try the same

Sec 13 And be it further ordained, that the following be the rules and regulations to be observed on board all vessells while at quarantine

1 All vessels shall during their quarantine wear Colors in their Shrouds.
2 No provision, Spirituous liquors, or other articles shall be admitted on board of such Vessels without permission from the said health officer
3 The said health Officer on all occasions shall direct what goods shall be delivered from on board such Vessels the place where, and the manner in which they shall be landed
4 No person or persons in any boat or vessell except by permission of the said health Officer shall be permitted to go alongside of any such vessel, nor to lie at anchor, or remain in any other manner within one hundred yards of any of them
5 such vessels shall be removed and stationed at such places as the said health officer may from time to time under the direction of the board of Aldermen acting ex officio as board of health direct & appoint
6 the bilge waters shall be pumped from such vessels at least twice a day
7 The directions of the said health officer for Cleaning the Vessell, Cloathing and other things on board shall be strictly complied with by the Officers and Crews,
8. The Commanders of such vessels respectively shall be answerable for all irregularities and breaches of these regulations by the people on board
9 all permissions and directions of the said health Officer as aforesaid shall be in writing

Sec. 14 And be it further ordained, that if any person or persons shall be guilty of a breach of any of the rules and regulations to be observed on board all vessells while at quarantine and Contained in the next preceding section of this Ordinance such person or persons so offending shall forfeit and pay a sum not exceeding twenty dollars nor less than ten dollars to be recovered to the use of the City in an action of the Case in the name of the City Treasurer before any Court proper to try the same

Sec 15 and be it further ordained that the board of Aldermen acting ex officio as a board of health of said City be and they hereby are authorized and empowered from time to time to fix and assign the time which ships or vessels shall be detained at quarantine by virtue of this ordinance, and also to prescribe if they deem it necessary, from time to time, such other ports places or Countries besides those mentioned and described in this Ordinance from which vessels arriving shall be subject to examination at quarantine

Sec 16. And be it further ordained — that the Board of Aldermen, acting ex officio as a board of health of said City be and they hereby are authorized and empowered to make and carry into effect such further rules and regulations respecting quarantine as to them may appear necessary to prevent the introduction of Contagious or infectious diseases from other places, and to annex such penalties for the breach thereof as they may think proper not exceeding two hundred dollars fine or five days imprisonment

Sec 17. And be it further ordained that the board of Aldermen acting ex officio as a board of health be and they hereby are authorized and empowered from time to time to suspend the operation of the whole or any part of this Ordinance in such manner, and for such length of time as they may deem proper, provided they are of opinion that the health of said City will not be endangered thereby, and the same to revive at their discretion

Sec 18 And be it further ordained, that all the rules and regulations, rules, bonds, and ordinances heretofore adopted by the late Town of Providence or the late Town Council thereof in relation to quarantine be and they are hereby repealed

Sect 19. And be it further ordained that this ordinance be published three weeks successively in the Providence daily Journal and in the Providence City Gazette

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No 2 Upon the petition of William J Tillinghast and Seth Luther praying for the use of the Town house for a meeting for associating on the evening of the Seventeenth instant

Resolved that said petition be approved and the prayer thereof granted, and that the use of said Town house be and the same is granted to said petitioners for a meeting on said Seventeenth instant, under the Care of the overseer of the Town house

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No 3 To the Hon City Council of the City of Providence

I send you herewith a draft of an act to authorize the Establishment of a house of Correction & for other purposes, for your examination & Consideration and if approved, to be presented to the General Assembly for their Consideration and to be passed into a law if they think proper — Respectfully submitted by

Providence June 5th. Samuel W Bridgham

Read in Board of Aldermen. Mayor

Common Council June 12 1833 Read and referred to Mess[rs] Curtis and Williams. with such as the board of Aldermen may add,

In Board of Aldermen same day read & Concurred with Alderman Comstock added

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No 4. To the Hon. City Council of the City of Providence to be Convened on the first Monday of June A D 1833

The School Committee respectfully report that they have given all the attention in their power to the important business entrusted to their Care & Charge have visited the several Schools as often & with as close Scrutiny as required by law or by their own regulations & by laws, & have caused the School houses to be kept in suitable order & the Schools furnished with all things needfull, for their successfull operations, the Committee are fully persuaded of the very great importance of these institutions to the rising generation & to the public at large & are fully Convinced that the public money is spended on this head



of this City government which if not within this head of providence, cannot be more beneficially applied

The Committee are aware that the amount of appropriations during the year past has considerably exceeded that of the year next preceding, but they state with confidence that no more has been expended than was absolutely necessary & highly proper to effect the important object in view — the principal part of the increased expence has arisen from three sources namely, important repairs necessarily made on the School houses in the second & fourth districts, the re-establishment of one of the primary Schools which had been for some time discontinued & the supply of all schools with fuel, the schools have hitherto been mainly supplied with fuel by appointments made by the teachers upon the Scholars, but so much Complaint has been made of the inequality of these appointments the difficulty of Collecting them there being no means of enforcing payment except by expelling the delinquents from the schools which the Committee did not think the Spirit of the law or the great object of it would justify them in doing & this inability of many to pay their appointment & the difficulty of ascertaining such inability whereon it may be set up as an exemption that the Committee have concluded & ablish this Course entirely & to supply the fuel wholly by drawing on the public treasury — they could not discover any reason for a distinction between this & any other necessary means of supporting the public Schools — if the schools are to be free schools they deem that they ought to be, not partially but wholly such — But notwithstanding this additional expence & the other Circumstances above mentioned the Committee have the pleasure to State that the whole amount expended does not come up to the amount appropriated by the sum of two hundred & forty four dollars & eight cents, the amount appropriated was five thousand dollars & there has been received of the State the sum of fifteen hundred & twenty seven dollars & twenty eight cents, making in the whole the sum of Six thousand five hundred & twenty seven dollars & twenty eight cents

The amount expended for instruction is four thousand & six hundred & fifty six dollars & eleven cents for repairs of School houses is three hundred & twenty seven dollars — for fuel is ninety three dollars & forty five cents, & for incidental charges is two hundred & six dollars & sixty four Cents, making in the whole the sum of six thousand two hundred & eighty three dollars & twenty Cents, & leaving the above mentioned sum of two hundred & forty four dollars & eight cents of the appropriation unexpended

The Committee are therefore of opinion that the sum of four thousand dollars will be both a necessary & sufficient appropriation for the year ensuing

The Committee take pride & pleasure in announcing that the schools are at this time in a flourishing Condition, at one period during the year they were much interrupted & the number of pupils diminished & their progress in learning much retarded in Consequence of the apprehension & subsequent appearance of the Malignant Cholera in the City — as soon as that excitement subsided however the Schools began to resume their wonted Course & have during the winter & spring increased both in number & improvement till they have now arrived to a Condition in every respect in which they would not suffer by a Comparison with schools of the same Class in but few, if any other places in the Country — The number of the public schools (including the African) is twelve the number of persons employed in instructing them male & female, is twenty two & the number of scholars at the Close of the year was eleven hundred & ninety eight — the whole number of scholars during the year averaged one thousand & sixty seven

The Committee as appointed by your Hon body at the Commencement of the year was Composed of twenty two members, two of whom namely Robert Rowland & Asaph Bassett Esquires declined serving & the Committee appointed Josiah Chapin & David Anderson Esquires to fill the vacancies, During the year two other vacancies occured one by the removal of the Rev Dr Eaton from the City & the other by the resignation of Doctor Thurber Esq[r] & these two vacancies the Committee have filled by the appointments of Doctor Samuel B Sotter & the Rev Edward B. Hall

The Secretary has kept a record of all the minutes from all the meetings of the Committee during the year, an abstract of which, agreably to one of the by laws of the Committee is herewith presented all which is respectfully submitted for the Committee by Samuel W Bridgham President

George Curtis Secretary

Resolved that the report of the School Committee be received and Recorded

No 5. Resolved that Mr Metcalf be and he is hereby appointed a Committee to Cause the pavements (excepting the gutters) in Olive Street to be taken up and the Street to be graveled

No 6. Resolved that Mr Weeden with such as the board of Aldermen may add be and they hereby are appointed a Committee to Contract for the City Printing, for the ensueing year

Alderman Holden added

No 7. Resolved. That Messrs Curtis, Everett & Sumner together with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to examine all the Ordinances passed by the freemen of the Town of Providence, by the Town Council of said Town, and by the City Council of the City of Providence which are now in force together with such of the acts of the General Assembly as peculiarly concern said City with instructions to report to the City Council what alterations and amendments of said Ordinances and acts, if any are in the opinion of said Committee expedient; to the end that a revised Code of said Ordinances and acts of the latter being amended in such manner as the General Assembly upon the request of said Council may enact) may be prepared with a view to the printing thereof in a convenient form for the use of said Council and of the Citizens, whenever the City Council shall hereafter so direct

And said Committee are hereby authorized to employ some suitable person at the expence of the City to make such transcripts of the records and to perform such other services relative to the duties of said Committee as they may deem necessary: Provided however, that the expences incurred by virtue of this resolution shall not exceed in the whole the sum of one hundred dollars

Resolved that said Sum of one hundred dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purposes in the preceding resolution mentioned, and the City Treasurer is directed to pay the same or so much thereof as may be required, to the order of said Committee out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

The Mayor added

No 8 Recapitulation of the Return of the Fire department

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| Expenses of | Hydraulion | No 1. | $ 279. | 62 | | |
| " " | Hydraulion | " 2 | 17 | 49 | The City Treasurer has paid Sweeting Taft | |
| " " | Engine | " 1 | 3 | 25 | bill audetted April 2. 1831 | $ — 67. |
| " " | do | " 2 | 7 | 39 | Thomas Thompson rent Hydraulion No 1 | 49. 73 |
| " " | do | " 3 | 271 | 91 | Jefferson Borden annual allowance | |
| " " | do | " 4 | 16 | 21 | of 50 cents each Fireman | 219. 50 |
| " " | do | " 5 | 125 | 30 | | $ 259. 90 |
| " " | do | " 6 | 61 | 57 | add recapitulation annexed. | 1546. 65 |
| " " | do | " 7 | 182 | 93 | aggregate expences for fire department | $ 1816. 55. |
| Ela | do | | — | — | Year. 1832 — 33. | |
| Dadelin Co. | | 1 | — | — | For the Audit | |
| Do. | | 2 | 31 | 20 | Eph[m] Talbot Chairman | |
| Fearing & Engine | | 1 | 223 | 35 | Sam[l] W Wheeler Sec[y]. | |
| Do | | 2 | 309 | 30 | | |
| Extra purposes | | | 15 | 00 | | |
| | | $ | 1546 | 65. | | |

The foregoing report is read and thereupon

Resolved. that the same be received and that the Recapitulation thereof be recorded

No 9. Sec 1 An Ordinance Concerning Dogs

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence, that from and after the thirtieth day of the present month of June any dog which may be found running at large within the limits of the City of Providence without a collar about his neck not exceeding two feet in length and the owner or some other person having hold thereof, shall be killed immediately and his



body conveyed to some one of the places herein after designated, and there buried three feet below the surface of the ground

Sec 2 And be it further Ordained that the place for burying the dogs killed in pursuance of this Ordinance shall be as follows, to wit, on the west side upon a piece of ground belonging to the City North of the present burial ground, and at the North end, out side of the fence of the north burial ground

Sec 3 And be it further ordained that the sum of one dollar be paid out of the City Treasury to any person for each and every full grown dog by him killed in pursuance of this Ordinance and buried as aforesaid and that whosoever shall make a Claim for the reward herein offered shall present the same with due proof thereof at a meeting of the board of Aldermen on the Monday next following

Sec 4 And be it further ordained that if any dog shall after the said thirtieth day of the present month of June be found at large within the limits aforesaid, Contrary to this Ordinance the owner or keeper of said dog shall incure a penalty of five dollars to be recovered to the use of the City in an action of debt in the name of the City Treasurer before any Court proper to try the same

Sec 5 And be it further ordained that all ordinances heretofore made by the late Town Council of the Town of Providence Concerning Dogs be and the same are hereby repealed

Sec 6 And be it further Ordained that the City Sergeant and all the City Constables be and they hereby are Charged with the Execution of this Ordinance; and that this Ordinance be published three weeks Successively in the Providence daily Journal & Providence City Gazette

No 10 Resolved that the sum of fifty Cents be paid by the City Treasurer to the Treasurer of the Providence Association of firemen for mutual assistance for each of the firemen of the City to qualify for them severally to be entitled to the Benefit of the funds of said Association and that the same be paid on the Certificate of the City Clerk out of the Money appropriated for the fire department

No 11 Resolved that Messrs Knowlton & Gould be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to make such arrangements for the Celebration of the approaching anniversary of American Independance as they may deem expedient, provided the expence thereof to be defrayed by the City shall not exceed the sum of One hundred & fifty dollars, which sum is hereby appropriated for that purpose to be paid by the City Treasurer to the order of the Chairman of said Committee out of any Money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated

Persons admitted Free. The two boards then met in Convention. and the following persons having stood postponed three months were admitted free. to wit,

Shubal Hutchens
Levi C Eaton

Hydraulion Co No 1. Voted that William H Potter be a member of Hydraulion Company No 1.

Hydraulion Company No 2. Voted that the following persons be admitted as members of Hydraulion Company No 2, to wit

James S Buttolph
Charles F Searle
William Valentine
John H Richmond
Henry Hopkins

Fire Ward. Voted that Benjamin Robinson be added to the number of Fire wards

The two boards then Separated, and the Board of Aldermen adjourned to meet on Monday. June 17th 1833.

Common Council adjourned to meet Tuesday 25th day of June 1833. at 4 o'clock P.M.

# City Council June 21. 1833

Present, Aldermen — Samuel W Bridgham Mayor and
Stanford Newel
Charles Holden
John H Cambe
William S Grinnell
John Dunnell,
Asa Messer — together with the Common Council

No 1 The Committee appointed to Contract for the City printing, for the year ensuing, report they have Contracted with Marsh & Miller & Paine to print one hundred Copies of the Quarantine regulations in Rhode Island & to publish all the advertising of the City including the Laws and Ordinances for sixty dollars, for the present municipal year in the following papers —

Daily Journal
Manufacturers & Farmers Journal &
the Enquirer

June 21. 1833

B. D. Wheeler } Committee
Charles Holden }

The foregoing report is accepted read and thereupon resolved that the same be received " " "

No 2. Upon the Petition of Franklin Cooley and William J Billingsley, for the use of the Town house, for a meeting of individuals favorable to the extention of the right of suffrage, on the fourth day of July next, at five o'clock P.M. Voted and resolved that the prayer thereof be and the same is hereby granted and that said petitioners be and they are hereby authorized to use said house, at said time for said purpose under the direction of "Comm of Town house". " " "

No 3. The Joint Committee to whom was referred the draft of an act to authorise the City of Providence to establish a house of Correction and for other purposes, submitted by his Hon the Mayor to the City Council for their examination and approval, respectfully ask leave to report —

That the first question which presented itself to the Committee for consideration in connection with the proposed act referred to them, was the following, "Is it expedient that a house of Correction should be established, and that the powers of Magistrates within the City relative to the police thereof, should be enlarged in the manner provided in the draft under examination" To this enquiry your Committee could not hesitate to reply in the affirmative For this view we research beyond the ordinary observation of every day is necessary to establish the correctness of their answer. The laws of the State now in force do indeed provide that persons convicted of Crimes shall in certain Cases therein specified be imprisoned in the Common Jail. But your Committee are decidedly of opinion that, under all Circumstances, this punishment is by no means the best that the wisdom of man has devised. On the Contrary they believe Solitary imprisonment, or Confinement at hard labour, (neither of which is now practicable to any sufficient extent in the State Jail in this County) to be much more efficacious. these descriptions of punishment, can be suitably inflicted only in an establishment distinct from the existing prison.

One Consideration among others that might be urged in reference to this subject presses upon the minds of your Committee with great force, gradation is as apparent in Crime as in the Course to excellence, It is unquestionably the tendency of small Offences to lead directly or indirectly, to the Commission of greater



To the former therefore it is peculiarly requisite the proper remedy should at once be applied, and in such manner that, at least, no worse disorder should grow out of the intended Cure, great Care should be taken so to provide for the punishment of offenders as that the Majesty of the laws may on the one hand be fully vindicated and the frequent violations of them be thus in some degree prevented, while on the other the offenders themselves may be effectually withheld from further progress in the downward Course into which they may have been betrayed. Yet he who is for the first time guilty of a minor imposition of good order, is, during the period of his punishment to be associated within the same precincts with those who have been regularly engaged in the perpetration of the most heinous Crimes, what moral effects will be the probable result, The beginning of more Confidence with hardened felons — the facility thus afforded, may the more easily thus be moved for a more intimate Connexion with them than would perhaps be otherwise formed, — the Contagion of evil more virulent in such an atmosphere, — will tend to break entirely down the barriers between right and wrong in minds which under more favorable auspices, might have been completely reclaimed after a single transgression; If so, proper justice and a due regards to the best interest of the Citizens alike require such a separation between the persons who may be Convicted of lesser offences and those who shall be guilty of high Crimes as may be obtained by means of an institution of the description proposed, in Connexion with the Common Jail — but though the Community may be found in strict justice to provide more than one place where offenders against the laws may be Confined it by no means follows that because no more than one has yet been established, lighter offences are wholly to escape punishments, It is the duty of the City to protect it self from the injurious operations of those who war against its welfare in the best manner Circumstances will permit. Our precincts are occasionally infested by vagrants and disorderly persons, Comprising a body of individuals of various descriptions who are altogether of unfit Character to be tolerated among us. the Countenance of such persons within our limits Constitutes an evil for which by the existing laws, your Committee apprehend no sufficient remedy is provided, It is true the board of Aldermen may enquire certain persons in regard to many of the incidents alluded to under the act intitled "an act providing for the relief, support, employment and removal of the poor," but the provisions of that act are by no means well Calculated in the opinion of your Committee, to enable that board fully to attain the desired object. the powers Conferred by that Statute do not extend to all the Cases which Call for the interposition of law, and even in instances which are fairly with in their scope the penalty provided with reference to a point of great importance is of such a nature that it is rarely or never inflicted and is therefore almost wholly inoperative, your Committee allude to the punishment of Public whipping to which all persons are liable who return to the City with out permission after having been once removed therefrom by virtue of the act just mentioned. The enlargement of Powers asked for in the proposed act seems to your Committee therefore highly necessary —. Your Committee cannot but believe that the establishment of a house of Correction to which may be Committed as well the whole Class of vagabonds, of which so many have from time to time harboured within our borders, as all other persons whose minor offences require a prompt Conviction that to be kept in solitary Confinement or at hard labour for such terms as may be adjudged suitable at the time of their Conviction will more effectually Contribute towards the salutary reform which has so long and so ardently been desired by many of our Citizens in relation to the administration of Police, than any other means yet proposed, the passage of an act by the General Assembly, authorising such an establishment, is the first step towards the wished for end. That being obtained it will then remain for the City Council to adopt such further measures relative to the subject as they may deem expedient — But in the meantime the City should avail it self of such measures as may be placed within its power, until a house of Correction shall be established. your Committee deem it important that the proper tribunals should be empowered to Commit to the Common Jail all such persons as being Convicted of any of the offences set forth in the proposed act, would be Committed to that house were it already provided. Such a provision is Contained in the draft prepared by the Mayor and refered to your Committee which draft they have Carefully examined — they deem it to be well Calculated for all the purposes which it is designed to answer. The Committee suggest however the expediency the expediency of making a few slight alterations as specified herewith, these amendments the proposed act is in the unanimous opinion of your Committee entitled to the full approbation of the City Council, and in their Judgment the proper measures ought now to be taken to

procure to pass into a law, they therefore recommend the adoption of the accompanying Resolutions — all which is respectfully submitted —

George Curtis for the Committee.

The foregoing report is read and thereupon,

Resolved that the same be received —

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## City Council

Monday July 8th 1833. at 4 o'clock P.M —

Present William J Grinnell President Pro tempora of Board of Aldermen, and
Stanford Newell
Charles Holden
John H Ormsbee
John Dunwell
Asa Messer
Together with the Common Council —

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No 2 The Committee appointed at a meeting of the City Council on the 17th May last to sell the land owned from Sarah Westcott situate in Weybosett Street, Report that they have sold the same by Contract to Thomas Burgess Esq. Consideration nine hundred dollars, but owing to an error in the resolution, when reference is had to said Sarah Westcott's Deed as dated March 13th 1822. instead of March 30th 1822. the actual date of the deeds, the City Treasurer did not feel authorized to convey the same your Committee therefore offer the annexed resolutions authorizing the City Treasurer to Convey said Estate —

July 8th 1833. For the Committee B D. Waterman —

Resolved that the City Treasurer be & hereby is authorized & directed to Convey by deed to Thomas Burgess Esq. all the right title and interest the City has in & to ten feet of land situate on Weybosett Street it being the same Estate Conveyed to late Town of Providence by Sarah Westcott as per her deed dated March 30th 1822. provided the said Burgess shall pay or cause to be paid to said City Treasurer the sum of Nine hundred Dollars, —

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No 3 The Committee to whom was referred the petition respecting Wickenden & Hill Streets have attended to their duty and ask leave to offer the following report — They recommend the granting the prayer of said petition so far as relates to Wickenden Street, which is that the pavings be removed excepting the gutters and the Street gravelled, a part of the pavings must of necessity be removed or Caved up in Consequence of the raising of the Bridge in said Street — the Committee are of opinion that the Stones taken up will very near if not quite pay the expence of the improvement — The Committee have hereunto annexed a resolution to embrace the subject —

July 8th 1833. For the Committee — Wm C. Barker.

Resolved that the surveyor of Highways be directed to Cause all the pavings in Wickenden Street, excepting the gutters, be taken up and said Street gravelled and made in good order under the direction of the Committee heretofore appointed on said Street, and that the expence thereof be paid out of the funds appropriated for the repairs of Highways —



No 4 Upon the petition of William J Tillinghast for the use of the Town house for a meeting of individuals favorable to an extension of the right of suffrage, on the evening of the ninth inst at 6 —

Resolved that the prayer thereof be granted and that the petitioners & those represented by them be and they are hereby authorized to use said Town house at said time for said purpose under the direction of the Keeper of the Town house —

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No 5. Resolved that Messrs Warner, Weeden, and Curtis be and they hereby appointed a Committee with full power and authority if they deem it expedient, to Cause the drain on Benefit Street to be extended to the Cove, and also with full power to permit private persons to Carry their drains into said drain on such terms and under such restrictions and limitations as they may deem expedient —

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No 6. Resolved by the City Council of the City of Providence that a board of Commissioners ought to be established as soon as may be within said City —

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## City Council

Monday August 5th 1833

Present, Samuel W Bridgham Mayor and
Aldermen Stanford Newell
Charles Holden
John H Ormsbee
William J Grinnell
John Dunwell
Asa Messer
Also the Common Council —

Edward Harwood Officer in attendance —

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No 1. The Committee appointed to Cause the pavements in Power Street to be taken up has Completed the duties of his appointment & Caused the pavements to be taken up and the Street gravelled without any expence to the City — Jeffery Metcalf Committee.

The foregoing report is read and thereupon Resolved that the same be received

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No 2 The Committee appointed on the 19th day of November last to prevent encroachments on Streets & to report to their two former reports, further & finally report the following encroachments upon the Streets gangways upon Federal Hill so called, all which Streets gangways are declared to be public Streets by an act of the General Assembly passed at their January session A.D. 1822 and recorded in Book No 30 pages 439 & 440 — Broadford Street at its North end is enclosed & the land under Cultivation by John C Jones — The first gangway running parallel with Atwell's avenue & on the North side thereof is enclosed at the lines of lots No 19 owned by Samuel Slow & No 20 owned by Albert Sprague — The first gangway west of Broadford Street & parallel thereto leading from Atwells avenue to Federal Street is enclosed with lots No 28. & No 67. occupied by Barrington Anthony & owned by Walter R Danforth — The gangway between lots No 78. owned by Christopher V Spencer & No 79 owned by William J Hammond is fenced across at the line of Federal Street, The Providence Steam Engine Company have a building on Abbot Street which occupies the whole width of said Street (as platted May 17) & leave a share Engine in operation which Covers the entire gangway leading from Abbot Street westerly between lots No 90 & 91. The lots No 72 & 73 in the occupation of John Penno on the Eastside of Tongue Lane at its junction with the South side of Federal Street have encroached upon said Lane set by a fence in front of said lots — Your Committee find that many of the above recited

enclosures & incroachments have existed for many years & if permitted much longer to Continue may endanger the public right to said highways, & the occupants thereof may acquire title thereto by Continued possession — Your Committee know not who originally made & erected these obstructions & erected these nuisances, but they do Consider the present occupants as the parties who in the words of the Statute Continue them, thereby rendering themselves liable to prosecution —

The Opinion of your Committee being required as to the proper measures to be pursued in relation to the premises — they respectfully suggest, that immediate notice be given to Each & every of said occupants to remove said obstructions &c encroachments before the third Monday in September next & that upon neglect thereof the subject matter be laid before the grand jury of the Supreme Judicial Court which will then be in session & that some suitable person be appointed to aid the Attorney General in prosecuting all delinquents

Respectfully Submitted by
Stephen Tillinghast
Leonard Blodget
Samuel B Cushing
Committee

Providence August 3d 1833
Jos. Cushing & Tillinghast
several times each for the
three last months inclusive @ $1. $12 —

The aforegoing report is read and thereupon

Resolved that the same be referred to his Honor the Mayor —

No 4. Resolved that the sum of six hundred Dollars in addition to the appropriation heretofore made for paving Canal Street be paid to the order of the Committee out of any Money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated

No 5. Resolved, that the City Treasurer under the advice and direction of the Committee appointed for that purpose be and he is hereby authorized to hire for the use of the City the sum of twenty five hundred Dollars —

No 6. Resolved that the City Treasurer pay to John Reynolds and Benoni Cooke Twenty five Dollars each being the amount of their bills presented "for services as Nuisance Committee for the year 1832"

No 7. Resolved that the use of the Town house under the direction of the Overseers thereof be and the same is hereby granted to William Tillinghast and others friendly to an extention of the right of suffrage for their meetings on the evenings of the Eighth and Sixteenth instants —

No 8. Resolved that Messrs Caleb Angell 2d & Field be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to cause edge Stones to be set up in front of the Work house lot on Charles Street if they deem it expedient, and draw upon the Treasurer for the expense of the same —

The following are the transactions of the two boards in Convention, to wit,

Fire Wards — Nathan Bucklin hereto fore appointed a fire ward for this City Signifies his resignation of said Office in writing which is accepted and John O. Waterman of Olneyville is thereupon appointed a fire ward in place of said Bucklin —



Admitted Free. The following persons having stood propounded more than three months are admitted Free. to wit.

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| James Jacobs. | Ray Spink | John C Cass |
| Lewis Thayer | Alonzo Draper | David B Sluck |
| Lorenzo D Anthony | Holden Weeden | Thomas Mc Farlan |
| Moses Potter | Josiah Chaffee | Abner Peckham. |
| James D Mason | Apollos Seekell | |

Abner Peckham having been admitted a freeman of the Town of Cumberland in this State as appears by a Certificate produced to this Council from the Town Clerk of said Town of Cumberland, and also producing a deed of sufficient freehold Estate in this City, he is thereupon by vote of the City Council admitted a freeman of the City of Providence —

Persons Propounded.

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| Richard Lake. | said produced |
| Ezek A Gilson | do |
| John S Dispeau | do. |

City Inspector & Bush & Bake. Voted that it is expedient (under the authority of the State Legislature) to appoint an Inspector General of Beef & Pork for the City of Providence, whereupon Thomas Angell & Stephen W Burritt were nominated for said Office, whereon on Counting the Ballots given in it appeared that Thomas Angell had 20
Stephen W Burritt. 11
Nicholas Angell 1. said Thomas Angell was therefore declared to be elected to said Office — — —

Voted that the Two boards now Seperate —

The Two following resolutions were passed by the Common Council on the fifth day of August 1833 and were Concurred in by the Board of Aldermen on the 12th day of the same month.

No 9 Resolved that Messrs Brown and Williams be and they are hereby authorized and empowered to cause the obstructions in the drain in Weybosset Street to be removed if they think it expedient —

No 10 Resolved that the Owners of the Town house be authorized to permit said house to be used for political meetings during the present month at his discretion, any thing in any previous resolutions to the Contrary notwithstanding —

# City Council

Monday August 25th 1833.

Present. Samuel W Bridgham Mayor and
Aldermen Stanford Newell
Charles Holden
John H Ormsbee
John Dunnell
Asa Messer
Also the Common Council

No 1. Resolved, that Messrs Brown & Cady with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and they hereby are appointed a Committee to make such arrangements as they may deem advisable with one or more of the banks in this City for the deposit of the City funds — Aldermen Holden added

No 2 Resolved that the City Treasurer be and he hereby is authorized to borrow the sum of twenty five hundred Dollars, in addition to the sums heretofore authorized under the advice and direction of the Finance Committee

Resolved that the sum of Eighteen hundred & fifty dollars be and hereby is appropriated for the payment of interest, in addition to the amount heretofore appropriated, to be paid out of any money in the City Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Resolved that the sum of Four hundred Dollars be and hereby is appropriated for Contingent expenses, in addition to the amount heretofore appropriated, to be paid, out of any money in the City Treasury not otherwise appropriated

No 3 The Committee appointed on the 8th July last to Cause the drain in Prudent Street to be extended to the Cove, with power to permit private drains to be entered or Continued therein on such Conditions as the Committee may deem expedient. Respectfully report

That they have Caused the same to be Constructed under the direction of the surveyor, the whole expense thereof amounts to 259. 47/100 dollars of which Sum forty five dollars will be paid by Richard Waterman Esq. and twenty five dollars by Richard Jackson Esq for the privilege of using the same for private purposes.

August 26 1833

for the Committee
J W Warner

The foregoing report is read and thereupon

Resolved that the same be received

## The Two Boards met in Convention

Admitted Free

When the following persons having lived prepounded more than three months were admitted freemen of this City, to wit,

Benjamin W Robbins
George W Buffington
Alfred S Buffington
William P Allen
Abraham Lucas
Charles A Hoppin
Winslow Mc Blanchard
James S Hall



Admitted Free as Eldest Sons

William Olney 2d — Eldest Son of — William P Olney
Charles Miller — " " — William Miller
Edward W Billings — " " — William P Billings.

On Certificate

Zechariah R Tucker, having produced a Certificate from the Town Clerk of Cranston as being a freeman of said Town, and also producing a deed of sufficient freehold Estate in this City, is admitted a freeman thereof —

John S Phillips having produced a Certificate from the Town Clerk of Warren as having been admitted a freeman of said Town, and also producing a deed of sufficient freehold Estate in this City is admitted a freeman thereof —

Repounded

William J Curtis — By the Curtesy
William Swarb — do
Richard Saunders. — By inheritance.

The two boards then Separated

# City Council

Monday September 30. 1833.

Present Aldermen Samuel W Bridgham Mayor and
Stanford Newell
Charles Holden
John H Ormsbee
John Dunnell
Asa Messer also the Common Council

No 1. An Ordinance repealing an Ordinance entitled "an Ordinance Concerning Dogs"

Sec 1. Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence, that from and after the thirty first day of October next the Ordinance passed by the said City Council on the twelfth day of June A D 1833 entitled "an Ordinance Concerning Dogs" be and the same is hereby repealed: Provided nevertheless, that this Ordinance shall not prevent the prosecution for or recovery of any penalty already accrued or which may hereafter accrue, under the said Ordinance hereby repealed prior to & including the said thirty first day of October next —

Sec 2 And be it further ordained, that this Ordinance be published three weeks successively in the Providence Daily Journal, the Manufacturers & Farmers Journal and the Inquirer —

No 2 Upon the petition of William J Billinghurst in behalf of the Friends of Free Suffrage, Voted and Resolved, that the use of the Town house on the evening of the Seventh day of October next be granted to them the said William J Billinghurst and those whom he represents under the direction of the Overseers of the Town House —

No 3 An Ordinance appointing the time and place of holding a Town meeting in relation to the Dexter Donation and directing the Manner of Warning the Same

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence, that by virtue of and in Conformity to the provisions Contained in the second Section of the act of the General Assembly entitled "an act to incorporate the City of Providence" a town meeting of the freemen of the City of Providence shall be holden in the Town house (so Called) where Town Meetings have heretofore been

holden on the third Tuesday of October next being the fifteenth day of said Month at 3 Oclock P M for the purpose of transacting Business in relation to the property and estate devised to the Town of Providence by the last will and testament of Ebenezer N Dexter and denominated the Dexter Donation and the Asylum & other Town or City property connected therewith and that said meeting shall be notified & warned by the City Clerk, by his publishing a Certified Copy of this Ordinance in the Providence Daily Journal, the Manufacturers & Farmers Journal, the Inquirer & the Republican Herald during the Space of one week next before the day of said Meeting

The Two Boards met in Convention, when the following persons were propounded to become freemen, to wit,

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| Christopher C Potter. | died produced |
| Arthur W Potter junr | do. |
| Thomas W Parker | do |
| Jeffrey Borden | do |
| William J Butts | do |
| John W Cargill | do |
| Thomas White | do |
| Alfred Hines | do |
| George Read | do |
| William Taylor | do |
| Thomas R Briggs | do. |

Voted that the two Boards now Separate.

No 4 Voted, that the City Treasurer be appointed to attend on the part of the City to the laying out of a highway from Charles Street to Bath Street, through or over some part of the North house lot, said Street being ordered to be laid out by the Board of Aldermen, and he is hereby authorized to make any arangement he may think advisable in the premises

No 5 Resolved that the Roman Catholic's of this City have during the pleasure of this Council the use of the Town house on the Sabbath days (excepting Evenings) for Religious Worship under the direction of the owners of the Town house

No 6 The Committee appointed by the City Council to ascertain what disposition can be made of the town house lot, so called, for the interest of the City, respectfully report that they have reviewed the premises and are sensible that something ought to be done to Create a revenue permit and to abate the nuisance Caused by deposits of filth under & near the horse shed erected for the Convenience of persons bringing Vegetables to market — The only disposition of it which at present suggests it self to your Committee, is to lease that part of the lot on College Street Commencing at the westend bounding & extending up said Street about Sixty feet, to within about twenty feet of the Town house, (leaving the well in the gangway of sd ends back the depth of the lot, equal to the part Occupied by the Cadet alarm post — the pound and building for the Cholera Carriage to be removed to another part of the lot the horse Shed to be abolished — or remove the rear of said lot for the shed to be removed thereon leaving the lot to be leased to extend only one hundred feet back from Colley Street.

Should it be thought advisable to grant a permanent or other lease of that part of said lot above described, the Committee suggest that the City Treasurer be authorized to lease it under the direction of a Committee to be appointed with full power for that purpose —

The Committee recommend that the City Treasurer be requested to ascertain on



what Conditions the Artillery and Cadet Companies occupy a part of said Town house lot for their several alarm posts, the time they occupied, and make report to the City Council —

Prov. 30. Sept. 1833. Respectfully Submitted by
Joseph S Cooke for the Committee —

The aforegoing report is read and thereupon Resolved that the same be received —

Resolved, that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby requested to ascertain on what Conditions the Artillery and Cadet Companies occupy a part of the Town house lot, so Called, for their several alarm posts, and the time they occupied, also on what Conditions any other buildings stand on said lot, and make report to the City Council as soon as practicable —

No 7. Resolved that the following sums of money be and are hereby appropriated for purposes herein named to be paid out of any money in the City Treasury not otherwise appropriated viz. for Contingent Expenses — $ 500 —
" City Watch — 1500 —
" Fire department — 500 —
" Market house Chambers 1000 —

No 8. The Committee authorized by a resolution of this board on the 26th Aug last "to make such arangements as they may deem advisable with one or more of the Banks in this City for the deposit of the City funds" report that they have arranged with the Merchants Bank for the deposit of the funds of the City & by which Interest at the rate of 5 p Cent will be allowed, Calculated on the balances at the Close of Each day.

Providence 30 Sept 1833. for the Committee
Isaac Brown —

The within report is read and thereupon Resolved that the same be received —

No 9 The following Resolution, passed by the Common Council September 30th 1833. was Concurred in by the Board of Aldermen October 7th 1833 —

Resolved by the City Council that Mess Parker, Clarke and Potter be and they hereby are appointed a Committee to cause the Stalls in the Market house to be repaired or new ones erected agreeable to the report this day received, and that the expense thereof be paid from the Treasury out of any Money not otherwise appropriated

No 10 The following Resolution and draft of an act passed by the Common Council August 5. 1833 was Concurred in by the Board of Aldermen October 16. 1833.

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Providence that the representatives from said City to the General Assembly be and they hereby are requested upon their utmost exertions to procure the passage of the accompanying draft of an act to authorize said City to establish a house of Correction and for other purposes into a law —

Resolved that the City Clerk be and he hereby is directed to transmit a Copy of the foregoing resolution & of the draft accompanying the Same to the representatives aforesaid —

An Act to authorise the City of Providence to establish a house of Correction and for other purposes

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly and by the authority thereof it is enacted, That it shall and may be lawfull for the City of Providence to establish and Maintain a house of Correction within the limits of said City, in which said house of Correction shall be Confined all persons who may be legally Committed thereto as herein after provided

Section 2. And be it further enacted, that the City Council of said City of Providence be and they are hereby authorised and empowered to elect a Keeper of said house of Correction at the time when said house shall be first established by virtue of this act; and afterwards a Keeper of said house shall be elected by said City Council at every annual election of City Officers and oftener in Case of Vacancy: And it shall be the duty of the Keeper of said house, in addition to such duties as may from time to time, be prescribed to him by said Council, to present to the Supreme Judicial Court upon the second day of every term thereof which shall be holden within and for the County of Providence, a list of all persons in his Custody within said house of Correction, which list shall Specify the several dates and Causes of the Commitment of such persons, the tribunal by which they were ordered to be Confined, and the terms of time for which they were respectively Committed

Section 3 And be it further enacted, that the City Council aforesaid shall have power to appoint from time to time, besides a Keeper of said house of Correction, such other officers & officers thereof as they the said Council may deem expedient, and the same as well as said Keeper to remove at any time by Concurrent vote, two thirds of the members present of each Board voting in the affirmative; and all said Officers shall be duly sworn or affirmed to the faithfull discharge of the duties of their respective offices

Section 4 And be it further enacted, that the City Council aforesaid board they hereby are authorized to make, ordain and establish from time to time, all such by laws, ordinances, rules & regulations for the government of said house of Correction, and of the persons Committed thereto, as said Council may deem needfull and proper; provided that said by laws, ordinances, rules and regulations be not repugnant to the laws of the State

Section 5 And be it further enacted, that every Commitment to said house of Correction shall be by precept in writing which precept, in all Cases not otherwise provided for by law shall be executed either by the City Marshall, the City Sergeant, or some one of the Constables of said City; and each Commitment shall be entered by the Officer making the same in a book to be provided by said City and kept at said house for that purpose

Section 6. And be it further enacted, that said house of Correction shall be deemed a Common Jail and the Keeper thereof an Officer, so far as to render applicable thereto, as such, the provisions of the Act of the General Assembly entitled "An Act directing the precept upon writs of Habeas Corpus"

Section 7. And be it further enacted, that the Mayor, the Board of Aldermen, the Municipal Court, the Police Court, and any one or more of the Justices of the Peace for said City board they hereby are severally authorised and empowered to Commit to the States Jail in the County of Providence as the said house of Correction shall be established, and afterwards to Commit, at their discretion, either to said Jail or to said house of Correction all persons whom by this act, by the act of this General Assembly entitled "An Act to incorporate the City of Providence" or by any present or future ordinance of the City Council of said City passed in pursuance of the provisions of said last mentioned act, they the said Mayor, Board of Aldermen, Municipal Court, Police Court and Justices of the peace, now or hereafter may be authorised to Commit or order to be Committed to prison: And the several persons who may be Committed to the house of Correction aforesaid, shall be kept therein at hard labour either in Solitary Confinement or otherwise, or shall be kept in Solitary Confinement without labour, or shall suffer Solitary Confinement without labour for a part of the term for which they shall be Committed and be afterwards kept at hard labour either in Solitary Confinement or otherwise for the remainder of said term, as shall be prescribed in and by the respective sentences or orders by force of which such persons shall be so Committed; and the several tribunals and Magistrates aforesaid are hereby required to Specify, in and by their said Sentences and orders, as well the mode as the duration of imprisonment;



provided however that no person shall be Condemned to Solitary imprisonment without labour for a longer period than ten days for any one offence

Section 8. And be it further enacted, that the City of Providence shall be liable to pay to the Jailer of the County of Providence for the time being, such sum for the weekly support of each and every person Committed to the Jail in said County under and by virtue of any of the provisions of this act, as shall be allowed and paid by the State from time to time for the weekly support of each State prisoner in said Jail

Section 9. And be it further enacted, that the Board of Aldermen of said City be and they hereby are authorised towards any person who shall appear, upon examination before said Board, to have no legal Settlement within this State, and who shall be adjudged by said Board to be an unsuitable person to become an inhabitant of said City to depart from and out of said City within such time as said Board shall appoint; and in Case any such person shall not depart from said City within the time specified in such order, or shall at any time after the expiration of said specified period be found within said City without permission first had and obtained from said Board of Aldermen, and in Case any person legally removed from said City by order of removal shall return thereto without permission first had and obtained from said Board of Aldermen, said Board of Aldermen are further authorised and empowered to Commit every such person to prison for a term not exceeding three months; Provided nevertheless that nothing in this act Contained shall be Construed to prevent said Board of Aldermen from proceeding under and according to the act of this General Assembly entitled "an act in amendment of an act entitled an act providing for the relief, support, employment and removal of the poor," in any Case wherein they may deem it expedient in the same manner and to the same effect as if this Act had not been passed

Section 10 And be it further enacted, that all persons who being habitual drunkards are destitute and without visible means of support, or who being such habitual drunkards shall abandon, neglect or refuse to aid in the support of their families and shall be Complained of by such families; all Common prostitutes who have no lawfull employment whereby to maintain themselves; all idle persons who being of doubtfull reputation and having no visible means to maintain themselves, live without employment; all able bodied or stout beggars who may apply for alms or actual Charity; all persons wandering about, lodging in watch houses, out houses market places, sheds, stables or uninhabited buildings, or in the open air, and not giving a good account of themselves; and all persons who go about from door to door or place themselves in the streets, highways, passages, or other public places within the said City of Providence to beg or receive alms, shall be deemed Vagrants

Section 11 And be it further enacted, that all persons who may have actually abandoned their wives or Children in said City of Providence without adequate support Leaving them in danger of becoming a Charge upon the public, or who may neglect to provide according to their means for the support of their wives or Children; all Common prostitutes; all Keepers of bawdy houses, or houses for the resort of prostitutes, common drunkards, tipplers, gamesters, or other disorderly persons; all persons who keep on any public Street highway or other public place, or in any house, out house, or other building, or in any yard, garden or other place possessed, occupied or used by them, any Cards, dice, tables, bowles, wheels of fortune, or other table box, machine or device for the purpose of gaming; all persons who go about with such table, wheel or other machine or device, exhibiting tricks or gaming therewith; all persons who play in any public Street, highway or other public place with Cards, dice, or any other instrument or device for gaming; all jugglers, Common show men and mountebanks who exhibit or perform for profit any puppet show, wire or rope dance or other idle shows, acts or plays in the public Streets highways or other public places; and all itinerant musicians who perform in the public Streets highways or other public places shall be deemed disorderly persons

Section 12. And be it further enacted, that any person who shall be Convicted before any one or more of the Justices of the peace for said City of Providence of being a vagrant or a disorderly person may be Committed to prison by the Magistrate or Magistrates before whom he or she shall be so Convicted, for a term not exceeding three Months

Section 13 And be it further enacted, that any person who shall be intoxicated under such Circumstances as shall in the opinion of any one or more of the Justices of the peace aforesaid, amount to a violation of decency may be Convicted of such offence by any such Justice or Justices either upon his or their own knowledge or upon Complaint duly made and supported by Competent testimony, and such person so Convicted may be fined for such offence in any sum not exceeding five dollars; and in default of payment of such fine together with the Costs of prosecution such person so Convicted may be Committed to prison by such Justice or Justices until said fine and Costs shall be paid: Provided however that such Person shall not

be kept in imprisonment for a longer period than ten days for any one default.

Section 14 And be it further enacted, that it shall and may be lawfull for the Board of Aldermen of said City to liberate and discharge at their discretion any person Committed to prison by order of said Board before the expiration of the time for which such person shall have been Committed, upon such Conditions as said Board may think proper; and in Case any person so liberated shall fail to fulfil the Conditions provided, said Board may recommit such person to prison for and during the remaining portion of the term of Confinement originally ordered.

Section 15 And be it further enacted, that it shall and may be lawfull for the City Council of said City of Providence to liberate and discharge at their discretion any person Committed to prison for the violation of any ordinance passed by said City Council, or who shall be Committed by any one or more of the Justices of the peace for said City under and by virtue of any of the provisions of this act, notwithstanding the time for which such person shall have been Committed may not have expired, upon such Conditions as said City Council may deem proper, and in Case any person so liberated shall fail to fulfil the Conditions by said City Council provided, the Court, Magistrate or Magistrates by whose sentence such person may have been originally Committed, shall, upon due proof of such failure recommit such person to prison for and during the remaining portion of the term of Confinement originally ordered.

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# City Council — Monday October 21. 1833.
## at 6 Oclock P.M.

Present Aldermen. Samuel W Bridgham — Mayor. and
Stanford Newell
Charles Holden
John Dimwell
William J Grinnell

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No 1 Resolved by the City Council of the City of Providence that Messrs Warner, Hamm & Smith be a Committee to Cause the well and pump at the Northern Entrance of Benefit Street to be put in such Order and Condition as shall be Suitable and Convenient for public use in such manner as they may deem expedient

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No 2 The following report of a Committee to pave Canal Street was received by the Common Council October 21st 1833 was Concurred in by the Board of Aldermen October 28th 1833

The Committee appointed to pave Canal Street from Potters Corner to Staples Street have attended to their duty and Caused the same to be paved as directed, and report the Expence of Completing the same is fifteen hundred & two dollars, leaving a balance due the Committee of eight dollars & ninety nine Cents

Providence October 21 1833. For the Committee Thomas A Holden

The aforegoing report is read and thereupon
Resolved, that the same be received



No 3. The Subscriber to whom it was referred by a resolution of the City Council dated September 30th 1833. to ascertain on what Condition the Artillery Cadet Companies occupy a part of the Town house lot, so called, for their armed alarm post, & the time they occupied, also on what Conditions any other buildings stand on said lot respectfully reports. Fourthly Artillery Alarm Post, was granted as follows, Whereas the honorable General Assembly at their Session holden in Newport in June A.D 1802 passed an act in the words following, to wit,

Upon the report of the Committee appointed to Consider the expediency & probable expence of erecting Sheds for the four field pieces belonging to the State, It is voted and resolved that a sum not exceeding four hundred dollars be & the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose of erecting said Sheds, to wit, one in each of the Towns of Newport, Providence, Warwick & Bristol, & that Capt James Vose, Col. Carlile, Capt Benjamin Greene (as called) & Col. Samuel Wardwell, be a Committee for the purpose of erecting said buildings, & that each of them have an Order for one hundred dollars of the said sum on the General Treasurer for the purpose of building said Sheds provided that the several Towns in which said buildings shall be erected shall furnish & grant to the State rent free the land on which said buildings shall be erected, during the time they shall be occupied as aforesaid provided that the expence of each of the buildings aforesaid, shall not exceed the sum of one hundred dollars.

In Town Meeting April 29th 1803.

"Voted & resolved that the State of Rhode Island & Providence Plantations, shall & may have hold & enjoy a Certain piece of land situated in this Town bounded & described as follows viz' beginning at the South East Corner thereof adjoining land of Capt Samuel Allen, thence easterly running westerly, bounding Southerly on said Allens land fifty feet thence, northerly, thirty feet, thence Easterly fifty feet to Benefit Street, thence Southerly thirty feet, bounding Easterly on said Benefit Street until it comes to the first mentioned bound, being the South Easterly part of the Walker lot, so called, so long as said State shall occupy or Cause or suffer to be occupied, the same for the purpose of erecting or Continuing Sheds for one pair of field pieces belonging to the State, & that the Treasurer of this Town for the time being be, & he hereby is authorized, empowered & directed, at any, & at all times hereafter to make any reasonable & further assurances for the purpose of securing the premises to the said State, for the purpose & term aforesaid, And it is further voted & resolved that if at any time hereafter the powers of said Town in Town Meeting legally assembled shall think fit to take the premises into their possession, the Town Council of said Town shall provide another piece of land for the purpose aforesaid, & shall cause the Sheds if any there erected or Continued on the premises for the purpose aforesaid, to be removed & placed on the said other piece of ground in like good order & position, as the same was placed, before it was removed & at the proper charge and expence of said Town".

Town Council Records July 23d 1827.

"W Holden of the Council & Major Potter of the Artillery Company are appointed to make enquiry for a lot for the Artillery alarm post to report on Monday next

July 30. 1827.

"W Holden of the Council makes report on file respecting the site of the Artillery alarm post stating that the west part of the work house lot (so called) on south street is a very suitable place for the building & the said report is received & Mr Holden is Continued a Committee to Confer with the Artillery Company relative to the removal of the building & their views on the Subject"

The Subscriber is informed by Capt Holden that no further Conference took place between him & the agent of the Artillery Company, the building in question was removed from one part of the Town house lot to another part thereof where it now remains

Secondly The Cadet Alarm Post.

"At a Town meeting of the freemen of the Town of Providence legally warned and assembled at the Town house in said Town on Wednesday the 23d day of July A.D 1812.

James Burrill Jr Moderator Voted that the Independant Company of Cadets in the Town of Providence, shall & may hold & enjoy a Certain piece of land in this Town being a part of the Walker lot (so called) south of the Town house, between the pound & the west line of the lot granted to the State for the use of the Artillery Company reserving a sufficient space for a passage to & from the pound; the lot hereby granted to be sufficient for the purpose of erecting a building for the use of said Company thereon for Military purposes only, of about forty feet East & West & fifty feet from

North to South, with Liberty to pass to & upon the same on the Towns land, so long as said Company shall Continue to improve said building — To have and to hold said lot for the purpose aforesaid, with the said privileges per & during the pleasure of the Freemen of this Town, or so long a period of time as the Town think proper to Continue the privileges now granted —

Voted that the Town Council be & they are hereby appointed to locate the lot to the Cadet Company this day granted by the Town" It does not appear that any record of this location was made in the Council Books —

" At a Town Meeting of the Freemen of the Town of Providence legally warned & assembled on the 25th day of November 1825. Voted that the Town Treasurer be instructed to Call upon the Artillery Company & the Cadet Company & request them to take a Lease from the Town of the Town's land occupied by them on the Town house Lot by their buildings at an Annual rent of one Cent each, upon the Condition that said Companies shall remove their buildings off the Town land, whenever required by the Town so to do — and in Case said Companies neglect or refuse to execute such Leases in that Case the Town Treasurer is directed to take measures to have said buildings removed off the Towns land with all Convenient dispatch".

The late Town Treasurer is of opinion that the respective Companies refused to vote the above vote of the Freemen, declined executing any Lease & that no further measures were adopted in relation thereto, The Cadet Company still occupy the "piece of land", granted to them by vote of the Freemen passed July 23d 1812 —

Messrs Peter Bell & Thomas Burgess occupy part of the lot fronting on College Street at an annual Rent of twenty dollars — they are ready at any time to surrender the premises thereof — The remaining buildings are the property of the City —

Treasurers Office
Providence October 10th 1833 —

Respectfully Submitted
Stephen Hilling hast
City Treasurer —

The aforegoing report is read and thereupon resolved that the same be received and referred to Messrs Weeden Anthony & Cooke with such as the Board of Aldermen may add —

Alderman Ormsbee added — The foregoing report was received by Common Council Oct 21st & Concurred in by the Board of Aldermen Octo 28th 1833 —

No 1. Whereas it is apparent that the Town house Lot, so called, may be improved in appearance and become a further source of revenue to the City

Resolved that it is expedient to Lease a portion of said Lot —

Resolved, that Messrs Cooke, Anthony & Weeden with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be a Committee to ascertain what portion of said Lot can be leased to the best advantage and make report as soon as is practicable —

Alderman Orms be added — This Resolution passed by the Common Council Oct. 21st & Concurred in by the board of Aldermen Octo 28th 1833 —



City Council December 2d 1833 — 6 o'clock P.M.

Present Aldermen Samuel W Bridgham Mayor and Charles Holden, John H Crosby, William J Grinnell, John Dunwell — and the Common Council —

No 1 The Committee to whom the Communication of the City Treasurer respecting the Town house Lot was referred report that they have attended to the same, and recommend that the City Treasurer be requested to notify the Independent Company of Cadets to remove their building from off the City land on or before the first day of May next & herewith offer a Resolution to that effect —

Dec 2d 1833. for the Committee
WJ Weeden —

Resolved that the City Treasurer be & he hereby is requested to Notify the Independent Company of Cadets to remove their building from the City land on or before the first day of May next

No 2 An Ordenance in relation to the Fish Market, —

Sec 1. Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence that from and after the first day of January next, the Stalls in the Fish Market building and the privilege of placing benches or tables on the platform in front of said building, except in the front of the covered Stalls shall be rented by the Clerk of the Market, at Auction or otherwise for a term not exceeding one year; said Clerk to advise with the City Treasurer in reference to letting the same; said Treasurer shall duly execute in behalf of the City any lease or leases that may be made thereof, Provided however, that the two South Stalls in said building shall not be rented, but shall be reserved for the Exclusive use of such Fishermen only, as may bring fish to market to sell at retail, and no other person or persons shall at any time occupy or use said two Stalls,

Sec 2 Be it further ordained, that it shall be unlawfull for any person or persons to stand with any Vehicle, bench, table or any other thing whatever within the limits of the Market place for the purpose of selling fish of any description, unless the right or privilege of so doing has been first obtained in Conformity with the first section of this Ordenance — " —

Sec 3. Be it further ordained, that it shall be unlawfull for any person or persons to expose for sale fish of any description that shall be spoiled or tainted; and all occupants of Stalls, benches or tables shall remove or cause to be removed all the offal, shells and filth of every Kind therefrom at least once every day.

Sec 4 Be it further ordained that no person or persons notoriously intemperate or dipsolate shall be permitted to occupy any of the Stalls benches or tables in said building or on said Platform, nor shall such person or persons be allowed to loiter in and about said building and Platforms, furthermore all occupants of Stalls, benches or tables, shall leave them in good order on or before ten o'clock at night after which hour no light shall be kept in the said Building or on the said platforms — " —

Section 5 Be it further ordained that any person or persons who shall refuse to obey or shall obstruct the Clerk of the Market in Carrying the provisions of this Ordenance into execution or shall Commit any breaches of said Ordenance, shall on Conviction thereof before any Court having Competent jurisdiction to try the Case in an action of debt to be brought in the name of the City Treasurer, pay a fine to & for the use of the City a sum not exceeding five dollars for any one offence —

Section 6. Be it further Ordained that the Clerk of the Market cause the provisions of this Ordenance to be Carried into effect, —

Section 7. Be it further ordained, that this Ordenance be published for three weeks successively in the daily Journal and Independent Inquirer — " —

No 4 To the City Council

The Committee to whom was repard the subject of new Stalls in the Market house attended to their duty and report, that they have Caused new Stalls to be erected in the upper part and one in the lower part of the house agreable to order, and that the expence thereof is Ninety three 4/100 dollars

Decmbr 2d 1833 per the Committee
Wm C Barker

No 5 Resolved by the City Council that the sum of Ninety three 4/100 dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the payment of Church & Sweets bill for repairs on the Stalls in the Market house

No 6 The Committee appointed to graduate & pave Canal Street from Charles Street Corner to the North side of Steeple Street, have attended to the duty assigned them, and have caused the above said Street to be paved, and now beg leave to report that the whole expenditure inclusive of repairs done on wharf walls and alterations and repairs on Wooden side walk is Sixteen hundred twenty two dollars & sixty eight Cents; including this appropriation twenty two dollars & sexty eight cents, the appropriation being Sixteen hundred dollars as will appear by the accompanying Act

per the Committee
Thomas R Holden

N.B. The Committee above deem it their duty to make this their second report in Consequence of Omitting Church & Sweets bill and John Millers bill both amounting to One hundred thirteen dollars and Eighty nine Cents pertaining to the former report was predicated upon the appropriation for the above work, to be fifteen hundred dollars, whereas it proves to be sixteen hundred, leaving the appropriation Monies as above stated — the above report being and embraces all the expenses of preparing and paveing said Canal Street, which is very donable, in the Estimation of your Committee, &c

No 7 Resolved that the sum of twenty two dollars and sixty eight Cents be and the same is hereby appropriated to pay the balance due for the paveing of Canal Street and that said Sum be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated

No 8 Resolved by the City Council that the sum of one thousand dollars be appropriated for Highways & a like sum of one thousand Dollars be appropriated for the Market house Chambers, and also an appropriation of the sum of five hundred dollars for the fire department to be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated &c

No 9 Resolved that Messrs Williams, Clarke & Hearn be a Committee to examine one of the pumps in High Street, and if they think it necessary to Cause such part of such pump to be repaired with new Sections as they may think expedient



The Two Boards met in Convention when
The following persons were

Admitted Free admitted freemen having stood propounded more than three months &c
to wit Richard Lake
Enoch A Gilson
John S Dispeau
William J Curtis
William Swarts
Richard Saunders

And the following persons were admitted freemen on their producing Certificates from the Towns of their qualifications as freemen & producing evidence of suppoint published in the City
to wit Benoni Phillips
Whipple Phillips
Richard Anthony
James S Rhodes

Persons Expounded

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| Welcome A Rhodes | Dead produced |
| Ezra Bourn | do |
| Ezra S Colvin | do |
| Joshua H Rathbone | do |
| Samuel Congdon | do |
| John Slade 2d | do |
| Charles H Pearce | do |
| Aaron W Curry | do |
| William Sapell | do |
| Henry H Snow | by consent |
| Benjamin Thurber | Estate in reversion |

The Two Boards then Separated

City Council Monday January 6th 1834

Present Aldermen Samuel W Bridgham Mayor and
Stanford Newel
Charles Holden
John H Cowden
John Cromwell
Asa Messer and the Common Council

No 1 Resolved that Messrs Curtis & Potter with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to examine the semiannual account of the Treasurer & report at the next meeting

No 2 The Committee appointed by the City Council on the 5th day of August last to Cause Curb Stones to be set up in front of the work house lot on Charles Street respectfully report that the same has been done by the Surveyor of Highways under the direction of said Committee.

Providence Nov 15. 1833 In the Committee, Joseph Cady

The foregoing report is read and received

No 3

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Providence that the Representatives from said City to the General Assembly be and they hereby are requested to use their exertions to procure the accompanying Draft of an act in amendment of an act entitled "An act to prevent erecting Wooden buildings in certain parts of the Town of Providence" to be passed into a law.

An Act in amendment of an Act entitled "An Act to prevent erecting Wooden buildings in certain parts of the Town of Providence"

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly and by the authority thereof it is enacted, That from and after the [illegible] it shall be Lawfull to erect within those parts of the City of Providence described in the act of which this is an amendment, as well as in those which may hereafter become subject thereto in the manner therein provided, two-Story wooden buildings, to be used for dwelling houses and for no other purpose, unless by appropriation of the five wards of said City or the major part of them, said buildings being of the following description, to wit, the same to be no Case to exceed twenty two feet; no part of the roof to be more than thirty five feet in height from the bottom of the sills; the floors to be laid in mortar; the sills to rest upon walls of brick or Stone; said walls in no Case to be of greater height than eighteen inches from the ground measuring on that side of the building next to the important part of the lot on which it may stand; the roof to be Covered with Slate, tile, Copper, tin, Zinc, or with Shingles laid in Mortar, and to have at least one window or scuttle in the same; and the building in no Case to Cover a greater surface than sixteen hundred square feet: Every such building, when erected within five feet of the boundary line of the owner or owners of the land on which it may be built to have a brick or stone wall on the side thereof next to said boundary line, unless said boundary line be on a public highway, seven inches thick at least if built of brick, or twelve inches if of Stone; And every such building when erected within ten feet of any other building the highest point of the roof whereof shall be more than thirteen feet from the ground, to have a wall of the same description on the side thereof next to such other building, unless said last mentioned building shall have a similar wall on the corresponding side thereof: And between every two adjoining buildings of the description herein set forth, an entire partition wall of brick or stone, of the thickness aforesaid, to be built; said partition wall to be of such height as that no part of the top thereof shall be less than two feet above the surface of the roof.

Section 2 And be it further enacted, that every person who shall use or occupy any building erected in Conformity with this act for any other purpose than for a dwelling house except for such other purposes as may be appropriated by the five wards aforesaid or the major part of them, shall forfeit and pay for each offence a sum not less than fifty dollars nor more than five hundred dollars, to and for the use of the City of Providence aforesaid, together with all Costs of prosecution, to be recovered in an action of debt, in the name of the Treasurer of said City, before any Court of Competent Jurisdiction: And every person who shall offend against this act by using or occupying Contrary thereto any building hereby authorized to be erected, and shall persist in such unlawfull use or occupation after he or she shall have been required by the five wards aforesaid or any one of them in writing, to discontinue the same, shall, for every thirty days during which he or she shall so persist, be deemed guilty of a new and separate offence and shall be fined accordingly.

Section 3. And be it further enacted, that so much of the Act of which this is an amendment, as is inconsistent with this Act, be and the same is hereby repealed.

No 4.

Office of City Treasurer January 6 1834. Gent

In addition to appropriations are required under the following heads. viz.

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| Contingencies | remaining of former appropriations | | 97.75 |
| Highways | do | do. | 109.07 |
| Bridges | do | nothing the Mayor has advanced from this over spent to pay | 256.00 |
| to pay for plank | | | 21.15 |
| Wells & pumps | unexpended | | 37.37 |
| Public buildings | do | | |



Market house Chambers appropriation is exhausted & demands for 255.21

Also an appropriation to pay the reward offered by the Town of Providence for apprehension & Conviction of the Murderers of Geo Crichton 500.00

Court & Council Charges. 100.00

Respectfully Stephen Tillinghast City Treasurer

Resolved that there be appropriated out of any Money in the City Treasury not otherwise appropriated the following sums

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| For Contingent Expenses | $ 500.00 |
| " Highways | 1000.00 |
| " Bridges | 500.00 |
| " Wells & pumps | 100.00 |
| " to pay the reward offered by late Town of Providence for Conviction of Murderers of Geo. Crichton | 600.00 |
| " Market house Chambers. | 500.00 |
| | $ 3200.00 |

No 5. Resolved that the Representatives of this City to the General Assembly of this State be respectfully requested to obtain if practicable an alteration of the 25th Sec. of the act entitled "An Act regulating the appeying and collecting of taxes" so far as to make it lawfull for the City Council to fix as a Compensation a less sum than one and one quarter per cent to the Assessors for apportioning each Tax hereafter for the City of Providence

Resolved that the City Clerk be and he hereby is requested to furnish each of the Representatives of this City with a Copy of this resolution

No 6. The Committee appointed by the City Council to ascertain what portion of the Town house lot so called, can be leased to the best advantage, respectfully report, that they have caused a plat of said lot with the buildings thereon, to be drawn, (which is herewith submitted) and recommend that the City Treasurer advertise to receive proposals for a lease of part of said lot equally to the resolution herewith annexed Your Committee are of opinion that should proposals be offered acceptable to the City Council the Artillery elamp post can be removed to some other lot belonging to the City- The Engine & fire hook and ladder houses and Firemens Hall Can be accomodated on the premises, Mssrs Ball & Burgess office removed, the House shed abolished and the pound & building for Choice & Carriage removed to or near the Asylum lot or to some other part of the premises

Providence January 1834. Geo. S. Cooke for the Committee

Resolved, that the City Treasurer be requested to advertise in the usual News papers under Contract to the City, to receive proposals till the first day of March next for a lease or leases for term of years renewable on the usual form of leases, of portions of the Town house lot so called, say, sixty feet fronting on College Street extending back the depth of the lot and fifty feet fronting on Benefit Street extending back to the first mentioned lot equally to a place thereof for the plat of said Town house lot in the Treasurers Office

Resolved, that at the expiration of the period above named the City Treasurer Communicate to the City Council all the proposals which he may have received in accordance with the foregoing resolution

By request sent up from the Common Council, The two boards met in Convention, when the following persons were admitted freemen of this City having been prepounded more than three Months, to wit,

Admitted Free

Christopher C Potter
Arthur M Potter
Thomas M Parkin
Jefferson Borden
William T Butts
John M Cargill
Thomas White
Alfred Himes
George Read
William Taylor
Thomas R Briggs
and William W Grant Elect son of Joseph Grant.

Persons Prepounded

George Paine elect produced
Daniel Angell do
George B Holmes do
David E Mann do

Voted that the two boards now separate and the board of Aldermen returned to their Chamber.

## City Council Monday Jan'y 13. 1834.

Present Aldermen, Samuel W Bridgham Mayor and Stanford Newel, Charles Holden, John Dunnell, John H Crombie & the Common Council.

No 1. Resolved that Messrs Warner Clarke & Metcalf be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to cause railing to be placed on Cook street at such places as they may deem expedient.

No 2. Resolved that a Memorial in the words annexed hereto, be signed in behalf of this City Council by the presiding Officers of the two boards, and presented to the Hon General Assembly at their next Session.

Resolved that the representatives of this City in the General Assembly be and they are hereby requested to use their exertions to procure the adoption of such measures as they may deem best Calculated to afford said City the redress prayed for in said Memorial.



To the Hon General Assembly of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations to be holden at Providence on the second Monday of January A.D 1834.

The Memorial of the City Council of the City of Providence

Respectfully sheweth.

That of the whole number of persons residing within this State at the last Census viz 97.210, more than one seventh part viz 16.336 were inhabitants of said Providence; that of the whole number of persons who Voted at the last Election of General Officers viz 7.317, more than one seventh part viz 1099. were residents of said City; that of the whole amount of property ratable within the State according to the valuation of a Committee appointed by the General Assembly in the year 1832 which valuation was established as the rule of taxation in the year 1834 to wit 32.650.000 dollars more than one fourth part, to wit, 9.500.000 dollars is ratable within the City aforesaid; that of the whole amount of revenue, exclusive of that portion set apart for the support of Public schools, which was received into the Treasury during the year ending the 29th of April last viz 20.619.52/100 dollars, more than two thirds viz 14.044.23/100 dollars, accrued in said Providence all which will fully appear by reference to the proper documents; That notwithstanding these facts, the freemen of said Providence are empowered to elect only four members of the House of Representatives, being but one Eighteenth part of the whole number of that house Consists; that the number of Representatives in the General Assembly allowed as aforesaid to said City, bears no due proportion, when Considered in Comparison with the respective number allowed the several Towns in the State, either to the population of said Providence the number of its freemen, the amount of its ratable property, or to the Share of the public revenue it actually Contributes to the Treasury; that the freemen of said City, therefore, being, as your memorialists Conceive entitled of right & in justice, to a greater number of Representatives than they are now authorized to elect, are not upon an equality with their fellow freemen throughout the State, in respect to the enjoyment of Political privileges; and that your memorialists having succeeded by law to the exercise, for the time being, of most of the powers and duties which formerly devolved upon the freemen of said Providence when assembled in town meeting, deem themselves to be imperatively required, in view of the premises to make respectful & urgent application to the proper authority for relief. Accordingly they respectfully solicit the General Assembly to adopt such measures touching the qualification of freemen, as will afford said City Complete redress.

No 3. The Joint Committee appointed at the last meeting of the City Council to examine the Semi annual account of the City Treasurer ask leave to report

That they have examined the account presented herewith purporting to be an account of receipts and payments from June 1st to December 31. 1833 that said Account is Correctly stated and properly vouched and that the balance in the Treasury at said last mentioned date, viz, $ 15.093.64. appeared to be deposited in the Merchants Bank

Respectfully Submitted by

Jan'y 13. 1834. Geo Curtis, John H Crombie } Committee

The aforegoing report is read and thereupon Resolved that the same be received and with the accompanying Account be placed on file.

By request from the Common Council the two boards met in Convention when the following persons were propounded to become Freemen, to wit,

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| Greene Clapp | duel produced |
| Ebenezer Cary | do |
| Francis Hedsey | do |
| John C. Jones | by descent |
| Amos C. Seamans | duel produced |
| Samuel Gladding | do |
| Edward Burr | by descent |

There being no further business the two boards by Vote Separated and the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber

## City Council Febuary 10th 1834.

Present Samuel W Bridgham Mayor and
Aldermen Stanford Newell
Charles Holden
John H Ormsbee
William J Grinnell
John Dunnell
Asa Mayer together with the Common Council

Edward Harwood Officer in attendance

A Communication from the Mayor to the City Council in relation to several Subjects, was read in board of Aldermen and sent to the Common Council

No 1. Upon the petition of William J Tillinghast for the free suffrage Committee
Voted & Resolved that the prayer thereof be granted, and that the persons favorable to an extension of suffrage be and they are hereby permitted to occupy the Town House under the direction of the overseers thereof on any one evening in the Month of March next, when said House is not otherwise appropriated

The Two boards then met in Convention when the following persons were propounded to become Freemen, to wit,

Persons Propounded

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| Fisher Ames. | duel produced |
| James Humphry | by descent |
| Redmond C. Shepard | duel produced |
| Jeremiah T. Durell | do |

Adm. Free. Lewis W. Child Eldest son of Griffin Child

Benjamin R. Wheeden Communicates to the City Council in writing his resignation as one of the City auditt, which was accepted. And

Thomas R Holden one of the Board of Common Council was appointed in his Stead

Voted that the two boards now Seperate



## City Council March 10th 1834.

Present Samuel W Bridgham Mayor and
Aldermen Stanford Newell
Charles Holden
John Holden Ormsbee
John Dunnell
Asa Mayer & the Common Council

No 1 Resolved, that the City Treasurer is hereby directed to pay to Harding Nickerson the sum of twenty dollars out of the Money appropriated for Contingent expences it being the same amount the said Nickerson having paid as a fine for violating an Act entitled an act to prevent damage being done to Weybosett Bridge in Providence by fastening cattle to the same

No 2 Resolved that the City Treasurer is hereby directed to pay Marshall Brown & Co.'s bill against the City amounting to twenty four dollars and forty nine Cents and also to pay Edward Harwood's bill against the City for three dollars & five Cents, out of the Money appropriated for Contingent expences &c

No 3 Whereas by the Charter of the City of Providence it is made the duty of the City Council to fix the Salary of the Mayor on the Month of March in each year payable at Stated period. Therefore

Resolved that the Salary of the Mayor of this City for the ensuing year Commencing on the first monday of June next be ONE Thousand dollars to be paid him for his Services, in four equal payments, quarterly

No 4 The Committee for altering the Westminster Chambers also for making a new entrance & providing furniture for the several Offices, present herewith a detailed Statement of the expence thereof amounting to Five thousand two hundred & eighty two dollars & 9 cents, of which 3951.. 7 was for altering the said Chambers for the accommodation of the Offices of the City Government 1443.50 for the new entrance. for which by agreement with the occupants of the upper room, the Marine Society are to pay annually a sum equal to the interest of one fourth part of cost 1443.50. And 495.42 for furniture expences of Carpenters work & painting & fixtures in all the rooms which having been done by the day & included in general bills could not be particularly ascertained. It will not be much out of the way to call the expences of furniture & fixtures such as desks Cases &c 1000 dollars leaving for expence of altering Chambers 3085.49. a sum Considerably exceeding the first estimates, but in the prosecution of the work it was found necessary to replace with new some that had not been Contemplated, such as new window frames through out, as well as offices, in Consequence of the decayed state of the old ones, It was also found necessary to secure the floor of the upper room which proved to be very weak & dangerous, when the ups of the room was taken into Consideration. Your Committee submit with the Statement the several Vouchers numbered from 1 to 35 & respectfully suggest this being referred to the Auditt or a Special Committee for examination

Providence 10 March 1834 For the Committee Isaac Brown

The foregoing report is read perused and referred with the accompanying documents Accounts & vouchers to Alderman Cooke & Cady with such as the board of Aldermen may add Alderman Holden added

No 5

Providence Se. March

To the Hon^ble City Council of the City of Providence at the session thereof to be holden at said City on the tenth day of March A.D. 1834.

The petition of the Independent Company of Cadets in said City

Respectfully represents

That in Consequence of the reception of a Copy of a vote passed by your honors, on the 2 day of December last, exertions have been made to procure a suitable piece of land upon which to locate said Company's Armory; which exertions have as yet proved unavailing: & that your petitioners are informed & truly believe that the Cost & expenses attending the removal of said building even Could a lot be obtained, would be greater than the value thereof; that at all times heretofore the Armory of this Company has been freely thrown open for the use of the City, on such occasions as it was needed; & in future the Company hope to have it in their power to extend the same accommodation should the occasion thereof be required; that in the Opinion of your petitioners, such a hall, situated as the Central part of our City is of great advantage & great benefit

Wherefore your petitioners pray, that in Consideration of the premises your Honors will repeal the vote passed at your session holden in said City on the 2 day of December A.D. 1833 requiring your petitioners to remove their building from the City land on or before the first day of May next & that they may be permitted to Continue to hold, occupy & enjoy the premises upon which said Armory now is located, upon the Conditions & under the restriction, reservations & limitations & during the period set forth, described & contained in the grant originally made to said Company, by a vote of the freemen of the (then) Town of Providence passed on the 22 day of July (A.D. 1812)

And as in duty bound will ever pray

for the Company

Prov. March 8 (A.D. 1834

John W.D. Hall } Committee

Jn^o Wilson Smith }

The aforegoing Petition is received, read & referred to Messrs. Fenner & Fessenden with such as the board of Aldermen may add

Alderman Gammell added

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No 6.

To the Selectmen of the Town of Providence

New York 7 March 1834

Having understood you wished to get the mud Cleared from the River in front of the Town of Providence, I make you the following Offer, I will begin near the Bridge & dig & remove the mud, one hundred & fifty feet wide & fifteen hundred & eighty down towards the point & to dig on an average three feet deep & deposit the mud on the west side of the river, for fifteen thousand dollars, the ground to be surveyed by an able surveyor before & after the digging is done, the digging to to be Completed in 2 years as above Sam^l yours &c

Nath^l F Greswold

The foregoing petition is read received and referred to Messrs Brown & Everett with such as the board of Aldermen may add

Alderman Ormsbee added

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No 7

Resolved, that the expenses hereafter for Fuel & Lights for the public Offices in the Market house Chambers. be paid by the City



Admitted Free

The two boards by request of the Common Council met in Convention when the following persons having stood Approved more than three months were admitted Freemen of this City viz

Peleg A Rhodes
Ezra Bourne
Ezra F Colvin
Joshua H Rathbone
Samuel Congdon
John Slade 2^d
Charles H Pearce
Aaron B Curry
William Lapsley
Henry H Snow
Benjamin Thurber

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Hydraulion No 2.

The following persons were appointed in addition to the Company of the Hydraulion No 2 viz.

Thomas Chantley
Zoeth Brown
George Edgar
Freeman Foster
Charles F Little
William Sanford
Jabez C Wright
Welcome Congdon
Nathaniel W Brown
Aaron Simons
David B Blake
Benjamin Robinson jn^r

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Voted that the two boards now Seperate

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John J Stimson, number Elect of the Common Council in place of Benjamin D Wesden resigned appeared and was duly engaged by the Mayor

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No 8.

To the Hon^ble City Council of the City of Providence

The Committee appointed by the City Council on the twenty fifth day of November 1832 to inquire & ascertain whether any Slip, gangway, wharf or landing place belonging to the City was used or occupied or improved by any individual or individuals & report as soon as might be thereafter of their inquiries & the particulars of every such Case as might come to their knowledge & their opinion with the manner they might deem expedient & proper to be taken for the interest of the City in relation thereto, having made three several reports in the subject, one on the third day of April last, one on the seventh day of May last, & one on the third day of August last, & all said reports having been refused by three several petitions of the City Council & the Mayor for their Consideration & action thereon, Now submit to the City Council a detailed account, of the present time of my proceedings in that business

The first report imparted except the second sworn & the third six matters in the whole were by one distinct Case Divided into them all up seperately as pursued by the Committee in their several reports and very nearly in the same Order.

First the gangway South of the Distillery on lands of Sam^l S Haley & others laid out twelve feet wide from South Main Street to the Channel of the river the whole of which gangway West of

South water Street was reported by the Committee as encroached by a board fence for the purpose of a Coal yard & to be occupied by George W Steinhauer — on examination of this matter & on viewing the premises I found the fence to be correctly placed on the west line of Fox Point Street (being the street intended to be described by the Committee but erroneously called on their report South water Street) both Northwardly & southwardly from said gangway, and also on the North & South lines of said gangway — on Fox point Street, however, permanent posts with fenders were placed by Capt. Steinhauer on each side of the gangway at its entrance into Fox Point street suitable for erecting a gate twelve feet wide across the whole width of said gangway & with intent to erect such gate if no objection should be made on the part of the City But on my interposing my objection that to Capt Steinhauer very readily & as a good Citizen, abandoned his project in regard to said gate & the whole gangway is now open & free of encroachment —

Second the gangway next North of the one above mentioned & of the same width was reported by the Committee to have been in the year 1818, agreed to be exchanged with the late Isaac Brown for a like quantity of land on the North side of his lot & adjoining & twelve feet gangway Commencing at the South west Corner of the Sheldon house & extending to the river making the new gangway twenty four feet wide from South main Street to the Channel — and the Committee further reported that the preparatory measures were taken & passed through the regular forms of law & carried out by a Committee whose doings were confirmed by the Town Council but that no deed had passed from the Town to said Brown as the Committee deemed the practice to be in such Cases, that Brown had notwithstanding taken possession of the land & enclosed it but in return had not complied with the Conditions of the exchange. in as much as the house standing on Main Street & the southerly side of the land agreed to be relinquished by him projected twelve inches thereon, the East end of the shed west of said house projected six feet six inches & the west end thereof eight feet four inches, the fence on the west side of Fox Point Street, projected thereon three feet, and the whole width of said gangway west of South water Street was occupied as a wood yard by the owners of the Steam Boat Providence — on full examination of the records of the proceedings of the Town Council & the said Brown in relation to this exchange in connexion with the subsequent acts of the parties, I am clearly of opinion that the exchange, tho not so formal as would have been advisable is nevertheless & notwithstanding effectual & valid & that no deed to said Brown or his grantee now any other or further proceedings are necessary to consummate the respective rights of the parties — On this view of the matter I proceeded to cause the encroachments reported by the Committee to be removed & have accordingly effected a removal of all the wood belonging to the owners of the Steam Boat Providence from off that part of said gangway lying west of south water Street so that the same is now entirely free of that incumbrance — And have also caused the fence between Fox Point Street & South water Street, which projected at the west end thereof four feet & ten inches on said gangway to be removed back upon the true line — I have furthermore procured Gen Carrington the grantee of the Estate formerly owned by Brown to Cut off so much of his shed or building as projected on said gangway being ten feet six inches at the East end thereof & eight feet & four inches at the west end thereof thereby giving that part of said gangway its full width, as regards the house standing on Main Street & reported by the Committee as projecting at the Northerly end thereof twelve inches upon said gangway I am fully convinced upon thorough examination of the records & upon view of the premises & running the lines that the said projection is only eight inches measuring by the foundation of said house — And inasmuch as the said house stood precisely as it now does when the said exchange of lands took place between the Town Council & Brown & it being stated in their proceedings now on record that the south line of said gangway as made by said exchange was about eight inches on said house I cannot prevail upon myself to believe that it could have been contemplated by the parties at the time, that for this trifling projection of eight inches of the house on the gangway so great a sacrifice should be required of said Brown as to compel him to Cut off that much of the house, & in confirmation of this no step appears ever to have been taken by the Town or Town Council to effect it, nor any Complaint made from any quarter in relation to it, — I have therefore thought the most reasonable Construction of the



transaction to be that the house should remain unmolested till it should be taken down, destroyed or removed & that thereafter no other building obstruction or encroachment should be placed on that part of said gangway on this ground & with this view of the subject I have procured from Gen Carrington a writing under hand & seal acknowledging that the permission of said house projecting eight inches on said gangway & binding himself his heirs & assigns that whenever said house shall be taken down, destroyed or removed no other building, obstruction or encroachment shall be placed on said eight inches of said gangway —

Third the branch of the Committee report relates to an exchange of gangways with Gen Carrington in which the Bunnoug heirs family Claim to have an interest, this Case as the Committee in their report say "is somewhat perplexing" & I have not been able for want of time to bestow upon it the undivided attention I hope to bring it to a Close — The public are suffering no injury or inconvenience in as much as all the land contemplated by the exchange to be given up to the public by Gen Carrington has been so given up by him & the whole length & width of the gangway contemplated by the exchange is open & unfenced as such free of all incumbrances or encroachments — Under these Circumstances & of nothing will for sometime to Come be lost by lapse of time I have thought it best to devote my attention in the time I could spare from other Official duties, to such of the other matters reported by the Committee as required more speedy action — I shall proceed in it as fast as time opportunity & Circumstances will admit & make it a subject of future Communication to the City Council —

Fourth the gangway leading from Main Street to the Channel of the river at the foot of Angell Street was reported by the Committee to be incumbered by lumber belonging to Nathan Mason — this encumbrance I have Caused to be removed & the gangway is now Satisfactorily kept Clear of obstructions —

Fifth. In the gangway between the estates of Richmond & Bullock & the heirs of Appleton Brock the Committee reported a line of posts to have been placed projecting four inches into said gangway — this reported encroachment is so small & the difficulty is so great of ascertaining with such nice accuracy the lines of so ancient a gangway & where stood divers fences on both sides thereof have been from time to time erected by the owners of the adjoining lands, that I have not thought it expedient to put the City to the expense of the surveys necessary to be taken to ascertain satisfactorily the Claim preparatory to taking measures to enforce it — It must be apparent to all that in running lines by different surveys at different times with different instruments a difference of a few inches might be reasonably expected to occur — the owners of the estates on both sides of this gangway appear to be satisfied with the lines as they now are & the public do not in my opinion suffer any or if any, not so much inconvenience or injury as to justify the outlay & expense of the investigation & Recovery if the City Council think otherwise & so direct I will proceed in the business —

Sixth the gangway opposite to the estate of the late Thomas Howard was reported by the Committee to be encumbered on its south line by blocks of stone belonging to Sd J Tingley & the west end thereof by a pile of brick resting by a permanent deposit — these encumbrances I have caused to be removed & the gangway is now kept Satisfactorily Clear of obstructions —

Seventh Bamford Street was also reported by the Committee to be occupied as a place of permanent deposit of Bricks — these obstructions I have also caused to be removed & the Street is now kept free of all encumbrances —

Eighth the land in front of Union buildings to the river is reported by the Committee to have been Conveyed by James Fenner Esq to the Town in the following words "for the public use in landing & shipping goods &c from & on the river & shoaping to & from the landing & to be kept forever open & free from all incumbrances for that purpose" — On this subject the Committee reported no actual encroachment or grievance to the public merely observing that the lands "having been given as a public landing place they Conceived that the City could do nothing more than regulate the time which each vessel might respectively occupy said landing — I have fully examined the City's title to these premises & am Clearly of opinion that they are to be kept open & free for a public landing place — the only just & legal ground of Complaint which I have heard to exist in regard to this matter is one which sometimes lying there too long, in many instances cannot to sell their Cargoes to the exclusion of others having equal rights & privileges, — deeming this to be wrong & to require regulation I have directed the City Marshal to have the thing as much as possible under his eye & whenever he receives a true information that such Cases exist to Cause the evil to be forthwith remedied —

Ninth the Store of Miss Candace Allen on South water Street was reported by the Committee as encroaching on the gangway leading along the South line of Capt N. Bishops estate from Fox Point

Shut to the Channel of the river, twelve inches at the East end & eight inches at the west end.
This reported encroachment I have not been able for want of time, to investigate.
The public are suffering but very little if any inconvenience by the delay; I shall however proceed in the affair as speedily as the discharge of other & more important duties will admit & make it a subject of future Communication to the City Council.

Tenth the gangway leading from South Main Shut to South water Shut between the Estates of The L Halsey & the heirs of Isaac Brown deceased, was reported by the Committee as encumbered on its whole North line by grindstones belonging to & in Charge of Charles O'Meany. This incumbrance I have caused to be satisfactorily removed.

Eleventh the gangway leading from Weybosett Shut to the Channel by lands of Cyrus Butler was reported by the Committee as impassable from pine Shut to Dyer Shut being encumbered with Stones & lumber supposed to belong to C Butler. this reported encumbrance I have not had time fully to investigate altho I have made some progress therein; the public are not suffering, being equally well accomodated by a free & unobstructed passway of equal width across said Butlers land adjoining & nothing will soon be lost by lapse of time, I shall proceed in this affair however as fast as time, opportunity & circumstances will admit & Communicate the result to the City Council on some future occasion.

Twelfth The gangway from Weybosett Shut on the land of Peter's wharf was reported by the Committee as encumbered in like manner as in the Case last above mentioned with stone & ship timber the property belonging to Henry L Bowen, stone Cutter; the latter to Messrs L & C S Arnold. this reported encumbrance is in all respects, similar to the one last above mentioned & will be in like manner, be attended to.

Thirteenth The City Furnace Company are reported by the Committee to have erected a Blacksmith's Shop at the North End of Abbott Shut occupying its whole width, on thorough investigation of this matter I find that Stanford Newel owns this Blacksmith's Shop & that it is occupied by Stanford Newel & Co erroneously Called by the Committee the City Furnace Company Neither the said Newel or the said Company placed said building on said Shut it was there when purchased by said Newel with the land & other buildings adjoining, this building is acknowledged by said Newel & said Company as standing on said gangway, and deming that the public would not be in the least degree inconvenienced or injured during the present season by means of said building standing on said Shut as above mentioned in as much as that part of said Shut lying North of said Blacksmith's Shop with the exception of one unoccupied lot lying North mostly on a steep side hill runs wholly through lands belonging to the said Newel & neither runs to nor is connected with any other Shut or gangway open & made passable North of the same, & deming also that the removal of said building before the latter part of the spring would be attended with great & serious inconvenience, detriment & expense to said Company, I have Consented to forbear for the present prosecuting either the said Newel or the said Company or the premises, the said Newel having agreed & stipulated in writing under his hand & seal to remove or Cause to be removed from said Shut the said building & all other encroachments, obstructions & nuisances by him or the said Company at any time erected thereon by the 1st month the day of May next & at any time before that day in Case the Mayor board of Aldermen & City Council should deem the public interest to require it & should direct it to be done. this Cause I deemed to be a prudent discreet & just exercise of power, Indeed I Consider it a duty to accommodate, for a short period at least, individuals who acknowledge in writing the just rights & Claims of the City & submit willingly to its authority whenever & in whatever Cases it may be done without any injury to the public. Holding that no government ought unnecessarily or arbitrarily to throw burthens upon the people or any portion of them I have entered into the above arrangment in this Case. But if Circumstances should change & the Board of Aldermen & City Council should view this encumbrance or encroachment in a different light from what I do I have reserved the right in such Case of Compelling a removal of it at any time.

Fourteenth The Providence Steam Engine Company are reported by the Committee to have a Steam engine in operation which covers the entire gangway leading from Abbott Shut northerly between lots No 90 & 91. this steam engine & the building in which it is placed are owned & occupied principally as is the building in the Case last above mentioned & the said Stanford Newel & Co the occupants of the same as in this instance erroneously Called "the Providence Steam engine Company." by the Committee in their report, And all the Circumstances of this Case being in every respect similar to those in the Case last above mentioned except that the said gangway runs wholly through lands of the said Newel & that any exception to what I have for the same reasons as are above assigned in that Case made a similar arrangement with said Newel in regard to it taking from him a like stipulation under hand & seal.

Fifteenth Matthewson Shut north of Sabin Shut is reported by the Committee to be fenced in & used by the Providence Dyeing Bleaching & Calendering Company as a wood yard Chiefly, the only encumbrance on that part of Matthewson Shut reported by the Committee are a quantity of yard Coal & a few light articles & a light open picket fence made of wood running across Matthewson Shut at its intersection with the North line of Sabin Shut, deming the said fence not to obstruct any travel or public use of said Matthewson Shut in as much as no part of said Matthewson Shut lying North of said Sabin Shut was ever built or kept in order by the Town or City for having thereon nor leads to any other Shut a gangway yet opened to the Westward thereof, all any states of indifferents except those of said Company & in as much also as a great part of said fence Consists of gates, one of which is very wide, & the whole is so slightly built as that it may be instantly precluded & removed with very little force in Case of fire, and deming also said fence to be a great accommodation & great use to said Company in securing their property adjoining said Shut & much exposed, & unless said Company are put to Considerable inconvenience & expense must unavoidably be so during the present season, I have made an arrangement with said Company in regard thereto, similar to those made with Mr Newel as stated in the two last preceding Cases, taking from said Company a like Stipulation in writing.

Sixteenth the south piece of the "Union Village" so called belonging to Messrs S Crawford & Sons, was reported by the Committee as encroaching on Abbott Shut about fourteen feet. this encroachment I have caused to be removed.

Seventeenth Bradford Shut at its North end was reported by the Committee to be enclosed & the lands under Cultivation by John B Jones. the fence making this enclosure I have Caused to be removed & the whole shut is now open & free of all encroachments.

Eighteenth the first gangway running parallel with Shute avenue on the North side thereof was reported by the Committee to be enclosed at the line of lot No 19 owned by Samuel Slocum & No 20 owned by Albert Teague the fence forming these enclosures I have Caused to be removed & the whole gangway is now open & free of unwarrantable encroachments.

Nineteenth the first gangway west of Bradford Shut & parallel therewith leading from Atlantic avenue to Federal Shut was reported by the Committee as enclosed with lots No 78 & 79 occupied by Barrington Anthony & owned by Walter R Danforth. the fences at the end of this gangway by which the same was wholly enclosed I have Caused to be removed & the said gangway is now open & free of all encroachments.

Twentieth the gangway between lots No 78 owned by Christopher Spencer & No 79 owned by William B Hammond was reported by the Committee to be fenced across at the line of Federal Shut this fence I have Caused to be removed & the gangway is open & free of all encroachments.

Twenty first the lots No 72 & 73 in the occupation of John Vinson on the East side of Tanyard Shut at its junction with the south side of Federal Shut was reported by the Committee to have encroached upon Tanyard Shut inclosed by a fence in front of said lots, this fence I have Caused to be removed back upon the line of Tanyard Shut thereby giving that Shut its full width.

Such have been my proceedings in regard to the Cases reported by the Committee & reported to me by your several resolutions & I hope they will prove satisfactory to you, to the parties immediately concerned & to the public. the business has Cost me much time & great labour. the Cases were all of a Chronic Character & of long standing & many of them had been under treatment by others without effecting a single Cure such Cases are always difficult & require time, skill & patience but out of the twenty one Committed to my Charge I have the satisfaction of reporting that I have effectually remedied sixteen & have the other five still under treatment.

Although the Committee were faithfull & constant in paying on the discharge of their duty

yet I have discovered one other Case of the same Character as the preceding, which escaped their vigilance — the gangway leading from Bradford Street westerly between Lots N° 98 & 99. as laid down on the plat of what is Called Federal hill is encumbered with a dwelling house & other buildings belonging to John O Jones some of which stand wholly & others partly thereon, deeming that the public would not be, during the present season of the year materially incommoded or injured by reason of said buildings standing on said gangway inasmuch as no part of said gangway is put in order for passing through or upon the same & the said gangway does not lead Westerly to, nor is it Connected at the westerly end or on either of the sides thereof with any other Street or gangway & deeming also that the removal of said Buildings before the latter part of the spring would be attended with great & serious detriment & expence to the said Jones, I have made an arrangement with him in regard to the same, similar to that made with Mr Newell as herein before stated taking from him a like stipulation under hand & seal.

By adding this Case to the list reported by the Committee the whole number amounts to twenty two and as this Case is also in effect remedied the whole number brought to a Conclusion is seventeen. The written arguments herein before mentioned are herewith presented.

I have been thus particular in all the preceding Cases deeming that this Communication might be hereafter regarded as a document not unworthy of Consideration touching the titles & lines of the Streets & gangways to which it relates should they at any future day be brought in question.

I embrace this opportunity to Communicate the present State of the two Cases, relative to which the City Council some time since by their resolution asked for information & which were noticed by me in a Communication I soon afterwards made to the City Council.

The Case of Benjamin & John O Wicks for encroachments on Sugar Lane is of recent origin & was thrown suddenly upon my hands without the intervention of the Committee. On thorough examination of the matter I was led to a decided opinion that the right of it was on the part of the City & that the most Judicious Course to be pursued to obtain redress was by indictment. The subject was therefore laid before the Grand Jury at the last September Term of the Supreme Judicial Court & an indictment found accordingly. All the Evidence was on the part of the prosecution prepared for trial & a trial urged, but the Court for Causes satisfactory to them & on the Motion of the defendants, continued it over to the next term which will Commence next week. At that time it will unquestionably be tried & I am confident will be brought to a result favorable to the City.

The alledged encroachments of Joseph O Butler upon High & Westminster Streets are in progress of investigation & will be prosecuted in as speedily as time, opportunity & Circumstances will admit.

Respectfully Submitted
by
Samuel W Bridgham
Mayor

City of Providence March 10th 1834



# City Council — Monday, March 24. 1834

Present Aldermen: Samuel W Bridgham Mayor and Stanford Newell, Charles Holden, John H Ormsbee, John Dunnell and Common Council

N° 1 To the Honorable Mayor, Aldermen & City Council of the City of Providence.

The Subscribers respectfully represent that Charles Ames is now Confined in Jail under a Conviction for selling Spun Liquors without having previously noticed & become thereby from the City Authorities, he was and is poor, has a wife and Children under & endeavors to support them owing to the afflictions which the Almighty has seen fit should happen to him he is incapacitated to labour, and by keeping a small retail grocery Store in which for a time he had a license & sold ardent Spirits he was enabled to provide for his wife and Children a Comfortable support, the City Authorities saw fit not to grant him a license and he having a Stock of the Store and Spirits on hand Continued to sell but kept an Orderly and well regulated Store but for selling was indicted and Convicted. Knowing the infirmities of body attached to the destitute situation of her family and the impurity of his doing something to support them led him to the violation of the Law we most respectfully request the Honorable City Authorities to be pleased to remit that part of the penalty belonging to the City and we are informed the prosecutor will release his part of the penalty. By so doing you will enable a poor and infirm man to go from Prison to his family and Contribute towards their support, all which your petitioners respectfully request

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| Jesse B Sweet | Jeremiah Whipple | Jacob F Seagrave |
| Pardon Brown | James Smith | Daniel Angell |
| Rufus Barton | Sayles Brown | Samuel B Jeffers |
| Luther Angell | John K Smith | |

The aforegoing petition is read received and referred to Messrs Brown & Field.

N° 2 An Ordinance directing when Certain Ordinances shall go into operation.

Section 1 Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence, That the several Ordinances which may be reported by the Committee appointed for revising the same, and which may from time to time be acted upon and passed, shall not go into operation and effect, until such time as shall be hereafter prescribed by the City Council

N° 3 Resolution. Resolved that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to Cause a Cross walk to be laid across Benevolent Street at the Junction with Brown Street, and a Cross walk in Benefit Street at or near the foot of Charles Field Street,

N° 4 To the Hon[r] City Council of the City of Providence

The Committee appointed to revise the Ordinances have attended to that service & report in part, the accompanying bills numbered from one to twenty eight inclusive, for the Consideration of the City Council & to be passed into Ordinances, the titles whereof are as follows viz

N° 1 An Ordinance designating the Officers to be appointed annually by the City Council in addition to those specially designated & required to be appointed by the City Charter

N° 2 An Ordinance appointing the times & places for holding the Municipal & Police Courts

No 3. An Ordinance relative to a Common Seal for the City & seals for the Board of Aldermen & the Municipal Court.

No 4 An Ordinance prescribing the duties of the City Auditor & for other purposes

No 5 An Ordinance prescribing the duty of the City Clerk & the City Sergeant in Certain Cases.

No 6 An ordinance to prohibit bathing in Certain places.

No 7 An ordinance to prohibit the depositing of animal & vegitable Substances in Certain waters of the City.

No 8 An ordinance relative to the City pumps & wells

No 9 An ordinance relative to persons licensed to retail Cyder & Strong liquors

No 10 An ordinance relative to the removal of the Contents of privies vaults

No 11 An ordinance to prevent Rioting and other disturbance on the Public Streets

No 12 An ordinance prescribing the manner of notifying ward meetings for the purpose of Elections

No 13 An ordinance fixing the Compensation of ward Clerks

No 14 An ordinance for the preservation of side walks

No 15 An ordinance in relation to nuisances

No 16 An ordinance prescribing the duties of the City Marshal

No 17 An ordinance providing for the establishment of a public watch

No 18 An ordinance describing & establishing the City Market place

No 19 An ordinance for the Regulation of the City Markets and Market places

No 20 An ordinance relative to the Streets and highways.

No 21 An ordinance in relation to dogs

No 22 An ordinance prescribing the duties of the Committee to prevent encroachments on Streets,

No 23 An ordinance appointing Town meetings in relation to the Dexter Donation

No 24 An ordinance in relation to the North Burial ground

No 25 An ordinance prescribing the duties of the owners of the public Bridges

No 26 An ordinance inspecting quarantine

No 27 An ordinance to prevent the firing of guns & pistols in the Streets and other public places

No 28 An ordinance for the prevention of fires

Respectfully submitted
by Samuel W Bridgham
George Curtis
Ambrose Everett
Thomas B Fenner
Committee

Providence March 24th 1834

The aforegoing report is read & Received

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No 5. An Ordinance appropriating three thousand three hundred and forty dollars for the purposes therein mentioned

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence,

1 That the sums herein after mentioned be and the same are hereby appropriated for the following purposes respectively viz:

For the payment of interest on the City debt, Two thousand three hundred & forty dollars

For the support of the public watch Six hundred dollars.

For the payment to the Providence Institution for savings, so much of the City debt, Four hundred Dollars



2. that the several sums aforesaid be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

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No 6. Resolved, by the City Council of the City of Providence, that the fire department be and hereby are authorized to place a building for Engine No 5. on the City School house lot, in the sixth ward.

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City Council Tuesday March 25th 1834

Present Aldermen Samuel W Bridgham Mayor. and
Charles Holden
John H Ormsbee
John Dunnell and the Common Council

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That not being a quorum of the board of Aldermen present, no business in said board was transacted,

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City Council Wednesday March 26. 1834

Present Aldermen Samuel W Bridgham Mayor and
Stanford Newel
Charles Holden
John H Ormsbee
John Dunnell and the Common Council

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No 1 Resolved, that the Citizens of the fifth ward be and they are hereby authorized to open the Schoolroom of the primary school in the fifth district any evening or evenings between this time and the day of the Annual Election of State Officers

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No 2 Resolved that the Mayor be and he is hereby authorized and empowered to procure for this Office, such additional furniture as he may think proper, and to draw upon the Treasurer for the expence of the same, not exceeding twenty five dollars

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No 3. Upon the Petition of John Andrews in relation to the meetings of the Citizens in their respective wards, Voted and Resolved that the same be granted and approved & Mayor Aldermen & City with such as the Board of Aldermen may add. Alderman Ormsbee, added

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That two Boards met in Convention, when the following business was transacted viz

Sawing Station Engine No 2. Nelson Anthony
Edwin H Harris were Elected members of Sawing Stationary Engine No 2

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The following persons were Elected additional members of Hydraulion Company No 1.

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| Hydraulion Co No 1. | James H Carpenter, | Charles H Harmon | Alfred Farnsworth | Henry Paine | William G Crumpt. |
| | William C Brown | Earl S. Hartlett | William S Williams | Daniel S Dexter | Jacob Munro. |
| | Henry Hopkins Jr. | Jeremiah D. Carrol | James R Donavan | Henry A Anthony | Lewis C Child |
| | Christopher S Brown | A R Gardiner | Ebenezer Sayles. | Isaac B Cook | |
| | Joseph Carpenter | John W Butts | William W Hopkins | William Forster | Proposed clerk, to become as Foreman |
| | George H Clifford | R C Bartlett | Elisha Dyer Jr. | Abel Foster, | Josiah S Wardwell |

The Two Boards now separated & the Board of Aldermen returned to their Chamber

# City Council Friday March 28. 1834.

Present Samuel W Bridgham Mayor and
Aldermen Stanford Newell
Charles Holden
John H Ormsbee
William J Grinnell
John Dunwell and the Common Council

No 1 To the Hon.ble City Council of the City of Providence

I beg leave to Call your attention to that portion of the debt of the City which Compond a part of the Consolidation resp some years ago & which will fall due on the first of next month — the amount is Eighteen Thousand dollars and it is necessary for the Credit of the City to make provision either for the payment of it or for its renewal on such terms as may be agreed on with the Creditors, an appropriation is already made for the payment of the interest — If any further information is required it Can be afforded by the City Treasurer

Respectfully submitted by
Samuel W Bridgham Mayor

That the foregoing Communication is read and referred to Messrs Brown, Cartis & Cady with such as the Board of Aldermen may add
Alderman Ormsbee added

No 2. Upon the petition of the Ladies of the Infant School Society for the use of the Town house for the examination of the said School Voted & Resolved that the same be received the prayer thereof granted and that said Society be and they are hereby authorised and empowered to use said house for said purpose under the direction of the owners thereof on the first Wednesday in May next

No 3 Upon the petition of John W Richmond in relation to the use & occupation of a lot of land on Hay Point and India Street, Voted & Resolved that the same be referred to Messrs Barker and Potter with such as the Board of Aldermen may Add
Alderman Holden added

No 4 Upon the report of the Committee to whom was referred the report account and Vouchers of the Committee appointed to Cause repairs and Alterations to be made in the Market house Chamber for the accommodation of the City Government & Offices Voted & Resolved that the same be received

No 5. Upon the report of the Committee to whom was referred the Communication of the Mayor to the Council this twenty eighth day of March 1834 in relation to the portion of the City debt which becomes due on the first day of April next, Resolved that the same be received and that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorised to renew for the term of one year the whole or any part of the portions of the City debt which will become due on the first day of April next ensuing, to wit, the sum of Eighteen Thousand dollars, provided that the same Can be effected at the rate of five per cent per annum, Resolved that in Case the holders or any of them of said portion of the City debt, shall refuse to renew so much thereof as may be due to them respectively upon the terms above mentioned then and in that event said City Treasurer shall be and he is hereby authorised to pay so much of said portion of the City debt the holders whereof shall refuse to renew as aforesaid,



out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated — Resolved that the sum of Eighteen Thousand dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose aforesaid. Resolved that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorised in Case the whole of that portion of the City debt aforesaid shall not be renewed upon the terms aforesaid, to procure from time to time under the direction of Messrs Brown, Cady & Cartis with such as the board of Aldermen may add, such sums of money upon temporary loan for the use of the City as the wants thereof may require not exceeding in the whole the sum of Eighteen Thousand dollars
Alderman Ormsbee added

# City Council Monday March 31 1834.

A Communication was received from the Common Council Inviting the attendance of the Board of Aldermen during the Consideration & discussion of the Ordinances referred by the Joint Committee of both boards, when the board of Aldermen remained until the hour of adjournment

Municipal & Police Courts. An Ordinance appointing the times and places for holding the Municipal & Police Courts
Section 1 Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence, That there shall be four terms of the municipal Court of said City, in each and every year, for the purpose of transacting any business within the jurisdiction of said Court (except probate business) to be holden at the times following, to wit; on the second Wednesday in August, November, February, and May,
Section 2 that for the purpose of transacting probate business only, the judge of said Court shall hold said Court on Tuesday of each and every week
Section 3 That the Police Court of said City, shall be holden twice in each and every Month, to wit, on the second and fourth Tuesday.
Section 4 That the Municipal Court shall be holden in the room now occupied by said Court or in the Common Council room, and that the Police Court shall be holden in the Justices Court room in said City.

Passed April 9. 1834.

Common Seal. An Ordinance relative to a Common Seal for the City and seals for the Board of Aldermen and the Municipal Court
Section 1. Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence, That the Common Council Seal of the late Town of Providence, be the Common seal of the said City and that the same seal be the seal of the Board of Aldermen, until otherwise ordained by the City Council

Section 2 that the seal of the late Town Council when expressing probate jurisdiction be the seal of the Municipal Court until otherwise ordained by the City Council.

Passed April 9 1834.

Duty of City Clerk & City Sergeant

An Ordinance prescribing the duty of the City Clerk and City Sergeant in Certain Cases.

Section 1 Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence That the City Clerk shall record all votes, orders, resolutions and Ordinances, rules and regulations made and passed by the City Council, by Concurrent vote: also all proceedings of the board of Aldermen and Common Council when in Convention.

Section 2 That the City Clerk shall from time to time furnish the City Sergeant with the name of each Committee man appointed and Officer elected by the City Council; Provided such Committee & Officers be not members of the City Council: and excepting him from the members of the School Committee and the fire department.

Section 3 That the City Sergeant shall notify all such persons of their appointment & election within ten days after said appointment or election shall have been made.

Passed April 10 1834.

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Pumps & Wells

An Ordinance relative to the City Pumps and Wells.

Section 1 Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence That no person shall wash any Clothes, Clothing utensil or other article or thing whatever in any watering trough attached to any City pump, or well; nor in any way or manner render the water in such trough or well unfit for use; nor injure any such pump or well or the appurtenances thereof; nor waste the water issuing therefrom.

Section 2 That every person offending against the provisions of this Ordinance, or any part thereof, shall forfeit and pay a sum not exceeding twenty dollars nor less than two dollars, to and for the use of the City to be recovered in an action of the Case, in the name of the City Treasurer before the proper Court to try the same.

Passed April 10. 1834.

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Licensed Persons

An Ordinance relative to persons licensed to retail wines and Strong Liquors.

Section 1 Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence That no person (except a Town Keeper) who is or shall be hereafter licensed to retail wine or strong Liquors in his or her store, Cook shop, oyster house victualling house or place of entertainment, shall keep open his or her store, Cook shop oyster house victualling house or place of entertainment, after the hour of ten o'clock in the evening: nor shall he or she open the same before day light; nor by him self her self, or his or her servant or servants, open his or her said store Cook shop oyster house victualling house or place of entertainment on sunday, nor sell any article therein on that day.

Section 2 That every person who shall violate this Ordinance or any part thereof shall forfeit and pay the sum of twenty dollars: to and for the use of the City to be recovered in an action of debt, in the name of the City Treasurer, before the proper Court to try the same; Provided however that nothing herein Contained shall be Construed to prevent the board of Aldermen (in addition to the foregoing penalty) from withdrawing and declaring null & void the Licens granted to such person, by virtue of the act of the General Assembly passed at October session 1825 intitled "an act in addition to an act intitled an act enabling the Town Councils in this State, to grant Licenses for retailing Strong Liquors and for other purposes"

Passed April 10 1834



Privy Vaults

An Ordinance relative to the removal the Contents of Privy Vaults

Section 1 Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence That no person or persons, shall, between the first day of April and the first day of November in any year, carry into, or through any public street of said City, any part of the Contents of a privy vault, in any Cart, wagon or other vehicle whatever, except between the hours of ten o'clock PM and sunrise.

Section 2 That no person or persons shall at any time whatsoever, Carry into or through any public street of said City, any part of the Contents of a privy vault, in any Cart, wagon or other vehicle, which shall not be effectually Covered, and water tight.

Section 3 That no such Cart, wagon or other vehicle whatever, having therein any part of the Contents of a privy vault, shall be permitted to stand (except while loading) in any public street of said City.

Section 4 That in Case of Violation of any of the provisions in the first or second sections mentioned, the owner or owners, driver or drivers of any such Cart, wagon or other vehicle shall forfeit and pay the sum of five dollars: and for any violation of the third section hereof, such owner or owners, driver or drivers shall forfeit and pay the sum of two dollars: which penalties shall be recovered to & for the use of the City in actions of debt, in the name of the City Treasurer before the proper Court to try the same.

Passed April 10. 1834

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Rowdling in Streets

An Ordinance to prevent rowdling and other disturbances in the Public Streets.

Section 1. Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence That each and every person who shall rowdy, Commit any mischief, guard or otherwise behave in a disorderly manner in any of the public streets, gangways, alleys or lanes in said City, or on any of the public wharves or public lands in said City, to the disturbance or annoyance of the peaceable inhabitants thereof, or any portion of them, or shall aid, assist, encourage or promote the same to be done by any other person or persons, such person or persons so offending shall forfeit and pay to the use of the City a sum not exceeding twenty dollars, nor less than five dollars; to be recovered in an action of the Case in the name of the City Treasurer, before the proper Court to try the same.

Passed April 10. 1834

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Ward Meetings

An ordinance prescribing the manner of notifying ward meetings for the purpose of Elections.

Sections 1 Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence That all ward meetings to be holden in the respective wards of said City, for the purpose of Elections, shall be notified and warned by notice thereof, under the hand of the City Clerk; which notice shall be published for and during one week next before each day of Election, in two of the news papers of said City.

Section 2 That on the day of every such Election, the City Marshal, shall cause three of the Bells in said City to be rung, for the space of fifteen minutes next before the hour of said ward Meetings.

Passed April 10. 1834

Ward Clerks

An Ordinance fixing the Compensations of Ward Clerks.

Section 1 Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence That the Clerks of each ward in said City shall be entitled to Two dollars, for each ward meeting he shall attend; and the City Treasurer shall pay the same upon the Certificate of the Warden, that such Service was rendered.

Passed April 10 1834

City Marshal

An Ordinance prescribing the duties of the City Marshal

Section 1 Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence That it shall be the duty of the City Marshal from time to time, to pass through the Streets any gangways of the City; to remove all nuisances obstructions and impediments therein, to the end that the same may be removed or prosecuted according to law; It shall also be his duty to receive all Complaints made against any person or persons for any breach of the laws of the State, or ordinance and Orders of the City; and for this purpose he shall attend daily at some stated hours, in one of the public Offices of the City, to be designated by the Mayor. He shall also enforce and Carry into effect, all and every the ordinances which shall be in force within the City; he shall obey and execute the Orders and Commands of the Mayor, and of the board of Aldermen in relation to any matter or thing in which the City may be in any wise Concerned or interested, whenever thereunto required; He shall be vigilant to detect the breach of any law, ordinance or order; He shall prosecute all offenders as soon as may be; and attend in behalf of the City, the trial of all offences which may be prosecuted; And he shall lay before the Mayor a Statement of all Suspicions by him entertained in behalf of the City or in which the City is in any way interested or Concerned, within one week after their final determination respectively

Passed April 12. 1834

Public Watch

An Ordinance providing for the Establishment of a public Watch

Section 1 Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence, that the board of Aldermen be and they are hereby authorized from time to time, to appoint a public Watch to Consist of so many persons as they may deem expedient removable at the pleasure of said Board.

Section 2 that it shall be the duty of said Watch, to patrol the Streets during the night to preserve the peace therein, to give immediate alarm in Case of fire, and to return to the City Marshal every morning the name of every person offending during the night, against any ordinance of the City or law of the state.

Section 3 That in case any person found by said Watch offending against any Ordinance of the City or law of the State during the night shall refuse to give his or her name & place of abode and business to said watch, it shall be the duty of said Watch and they are hereby required to detain such person in Custody, and all riotous and disorderly persons until said Watch make report thereof to the City Marshal.

Section 4 That said watch shall be garnished in all Cases not otherwise provided for by such instructions and directions as may from time to time be given them by said Board of Aldermen.

Passed April 12. 1834



Market Place

An Ordinance describing & Establishing the City Market place.

Section 1 Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence That the City Market place shall Consist of that part of North Main Street that lies South of the North line of Thomas Street; the whole of Steple Street, that part of Canal Street that lies South of the North line of Steple Street, together with all the public gangways leading from said part of North Main Street to said part of Canal Street. that part of South Main Street that lies North of the South line of Hopkins Street, the whole of the gangway leading from South Main Street to South Water Street on the North of & adjoining the Estate now occupied by Peter Grinnell & sons that part of South Water Street that lies North of the South line of said gangway, together with all the public gangways leading from said part of South Main Street to said part of South water street; the whole of Market square & Market Street including Weybosett Bridge & the gas pipe found South of and between said Market Street and Union Buildings; the whole of Hydeavenue Street; that part of Cove Street that lies East of the West line of Hydeavenue Street, including the Bridge at the East end thereof, together with all the public gangways leading from Market Street to said part of Cove Street; The basement & lower story of the Market House, the fish Market and the Bridge intervening between said Fish Market and Canal Street;

Passed April 12. 1834

Regulating City Market & Market Place.

An Ordinance for the regulation of the City Markets and Market Place

Section 1 Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence. That the Clerk of the Market, shall have the Care and superintendance of the City Markets and Market place. It shall be his duty to preserve order therein, and to execute and Carry into effect, all the ordinances and by laws that shall be from time to time established for the regulation thereof, He shall keep said Market place free from every thing which may obstruct its proper use; and prevent or disperse all Collections of disorderly persons therein: He shall Cause the snow to be removed from the side walks adjoining the Market house, and from the foot walks on Weybosett Bridge, as soon as may be, after the same has fallen; and the manure and filth to be scraped up and removed from Market square and Weybosett Bridge, once a week at least during that portion of the year when it is practicable.

Section 2 That no person shall keep standing any wagon or other Carriage, horse or other beast within said Market place, for any longer space of time, no place or range any such wagon or Carriage in any other manner, than such as may be directed or permitted by said Clerk.

Section 3 that no person shall without the permission of the Clerk of the Market take a Stand in that part of said Market place Called Market square, including Weybosett bridge, with any wagon or other Carriage for the purpose of Marketing meat, poultry, fish, vegetables or fruit, unless he or she shall first unharness the horse or other beast attached to such wagon or other Carriage, and remove such horse or other beast, out of and from said Market square.

Section 4 The market house shall be opened by said Clerk of the Market every day Sunday excepted, by sunrise; and shut at four o'clock P.M. except on Saturday, when it shall be shut at Seven o'clock P.M. Before shutting the same, the said Clerk shall see that all fires and lights therein be extinguished.

Section 5 That at all times other than mentioned in the preceding section, said Market house shall be shut up and securely fastened.

Section 6 That it shall be the duty of said Clerk to visit the Market House, at least twice in each day when it is open; to Cause the same to be swept daily, and kept Clean; to provide scales and weights, or balances, sufficient for the use thereof; to preserve Certain Stalls therein for the exclusive use of persons who sell their own produce, and to prevent the said stalls from being otherwise used or occupied.

Section 7 That no person shall throw upon the floor or any part of the Market house, nor into the square or streets adjoining the same, any sheeps heads, offal, nor the heads, feet or hoofs of any other Creature, or any joints or bones thereof; nor any animal or vegetable matter or offal, nor any tainted blood or other liquid whatever, And that every person attending Market for the selling of vegetables or provisions shall keep a basket, barrel, box or other suitable receptacle under the stall, or near the wagon or Cart where he may sell such vegetables or provisions, and deposit therein all such refuse parts and pieces as he may Cut off or over them and Convey the same out of the limits of the Market place, every day.

Section 8 That it shall be the duty of the City Treasurer, annually, on the first Monday in December, by and with the advice of the Clerk of the Market, to lease so many of the stalls in the Market house as he may deem expedient and the said City Treasurer shall in the name of the City execute leases thereof in writing; the rent whereof shall either be paid in advance, the City Treasurer in that Case allowing the discount of three per cent on the amount thereof paid, or shall be secured by promissory notes with an indorser or indorsers to the satisfaction of the City Treasurer payable in six months at bank

Section 9 That no person shall underlet any stall in said Market house without the written permission of the Clerk of the Market on the back of the lease thereof.

Section 10 That no person shall sell any article by weight in said Market house except the same be weighed by the scales & balances provided for that purpose by the Clerk of the Market.

Section 11 That no person shall have in his possession in said City market place nor sell, or offer for sale therein, any stale, tainted or unwholesome provisions of any kind: and if any person shall neglect or refuse to remove from said Market place, any such provisions in his possession, he shall be deemed guilty of a breach of this Ordinance and be subject to the penalty herein after mentioned.

Section 12 That no lessee of any stall shall have at one time, more than three Carts in said Market house, for the purpose of keeping provisions therein; without the permission of the Clerk of the Market.

Section 13 That no person shall erect or occupy any stand or booth within the limits of said City Market place.

Section 14 That it shall be the duty of the Clerk of the Market to visit the Fish Market at least twice every day: To reserve the two North Stalls in said Market for the exclusive use of such persons Fishermen only as shall Catch and bring fish to market for sale.

Section 15 That it shall be the duty of the City Treasurer, on the first monday in January, annually, by and with the advice of the Clerk of the Market, to lease all the stalls in said Fish Market, except the two North ones; and all the stands in front of said Stalls on the platform between said Market and Canal Street excepting only those in front of said two North Stalls; and the said City Treasurer shall in the name of the City execute leases of the same in writing; the rent whereof shall be paid in advance.

Section 16 That no person shall underlet any one of said Stalls or stands without the written permission of said Clerk of the market, on the back of the lease thereof

Section 17 That no person shall own or occupy either of said North stalls, or either of the stands in front thereof, except those persons only for whose use the same are expressly reserved.

Section 18 That no person shall sell or offer for sale, any fish of any kind within the limits of the City Market Place, except as herein before provided; unless by leave in writing first had and obtained from the Clerk of the Market.

Section 19 That no person shall own or occupy any part of said Fish Market or Platform in front of the same, between ten o'clock P.M. and day break.

See 25 that every person who shall violate any provision in this Ordinance, Contained, shall forfeit & pay a sum not less than two dollars nor more than five dollars; to be recovered in an action of the City to be prosecuted in the name of the City Treasurer by the Solicitor with the Costs of the City Treasurer by the Solicitor Court to try the same.

## Dogs



Section 20 That every person on leaving for the day, the stall or stand by him occupied in said Fish Market, or on said Platform, shall remove all fish, shells and offal from said stall or stand, and Carry the same without the limits of the City Market place.

Section 21 That no person riotously intemperate or dissolute, shall resort to any of the stalls in the Fish Market, or any of the benches or tables on the platforms in front of the same; nor shall any such person loiter in or about said Market.

Section 22 That it shall be the duty of the Clerk of the market to Complain to the City Marshal of every breach of this and every other City ordinance Committed within said Market place, to the end that the same may be prosecuted.

Passed April 12. 1834.

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An ordinance in relation to dogs

Section 1 Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence, That no person shall suffer or permit any dog belonging to or kept by him or her, or which shall be under his or her Care or Control, to be at large within said City between the first day of June & the first day of November in each and every year.

Section 2 That whosoever shall violate any provision in the preceding section Contained shall forfeit & pay the sum of five dollars to and for the use of the City to be recovered in an action of debt in the name of the City Treasurer before the proper Court to try the same.

Section 3 That any dog found at large in violation of the first section hereof shall be immediately killed and his body buried at least three feet below the surface of the ground either in the piece of ground belonging to the City Potters Field or adjoining the premises burial ground on the west side of the river or in any part of the North burial ground without the fence.

Section 4 That any person who shall kill any full grown dog, being at large in violation of this Ordinance shall be entitled to the sum of one dollar for each and any such dog so killed & buried in pursuance of this Ordinance; Provided he present and prove his Claim therefor before the Board of Aldermen on the Monday next following the time said Claim shall have accrued.

Passed April 12 1834

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## Bridges

An Ordinance prescribing the duties of the Owners of the public Bridges

Section 1 Be it Ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence That it shall be the duty of the owners of the public Bridges under the advice and direction of the Board of Aldermen, to keep the same at all times in good repair, at the expense of said City

Passed April 12 1834

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## Guns & Pistols

An Ordinance to prevent the firing of Guns & Pistols in the Streets & other public places

Section 1 Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence, That no person shall fire any gun or pistol, in any Street lane or in any public wharf or public lands within said City, after sunrise and before sunset.

Section 2 That any person who shall violate any provision of this ordinance shall forfeit and pay the sum of two dollars, to and for the use of the City; to be sued for and recovered in an action of debt, in the name of the City Treasurer before the proper Court to try the same.

Passed April 12 1834

Town Meetings for Dexter Asylum

An Ordinance appointing Town Meetings in relation to the Dexter Donation

Section 1 Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence. That a Town meeting of the Freemen of the City of Providence shall be annually holden in the Town house, so called, on the last Saturday in June at three o'clock P M for the purpose of transacting business in relation to the property and Estate devised to the Town of Providence by the last will and testament of Edward Knight Dexter denominated the Dexter Donation; and the Asylum and other Town or City property connected therewith.

Section 2. That every such annual meeting shall be notified and warned by notice thereof, under the hand of the City Clerk; which notice shall be published for and during one week next before said meeting, in two of the newspapers of said City.

Section 3. That on the day of every such annual meeting, the City Marshal shall cause three of the bells in the City to be rung, for the space of fifteen minutes next before the hour of said meeting

Passed April 14 1834

North Burial Ground.

An Ordinance in relation to the North Burial Ground.

Section 1 Be it ordained by the City Council of the City Council of Providence That no person shall erect a building or vault or tomb within the limits of the City burial ground; nor inclose any part or portion thereof, without first had and obtained from the City Council.

Section 2 That every person who shall violate any provision of this Ordinance shall forfeit and pay a sum not less than Ten dollars nor more than Fifty dollars, to and for the use of the City to be recovered in an action of the Case in the name of the City Treasurer before the proper Court to try the same.

Section 3 That the owners of said burial ground shall keep the fences around the same in proper repair, and the gates thereof locked, and he shall report to the Mayor any violation of this Ordinance as soon as may be, that the same may be prosecuted.

Passed April 14. 1834

City Officers.

An Ordinance designating the Offices to be appointed annually by the City Council in addition to those specially designated and required to be appointed by the City Charter

Section 1 Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence. That pursuant to the laws of the state, the following Offices shall be annually appointed by the City Council in addition to those specially designated and required by the City Charter, viz, A City Sergeant; City Treasurer, City sealer of Weights and measures; one or more auctioneers, such a number of assessors of taxes and taxes as may be deemed necessary, provided the number be not less than three nor more than thirteen; one or more Collector or Collectors of taxes; one or more packers or packers of Fish; a pound keeper; a sealer of leather; so many Constables, wardens of the poor, surveyors of highways, viewers of fences, and gaugers of Casks, as the said City shall have occasion for; also three or more Presidents of fire wards; such number of fire wards as may from time to time be thought proper; one or more person or persons to superintend the building of Chimneys, and placing of Stoves & Stove pipes; a School Committee to consist of not less than five, nor More than thirty persons, resident inhabitants of the City



and measures or measures (not exceeding two) of grain salt and sea Coal; and Commissioners of sidewalks.

Section 2 That the following Offices in addition to those required as designated in the preceding section, be appointed by the City Council annually until otherwise ordained, to wit, City Auditors, surveyors and Corders of wood, surveyors of hoops, staves and heading; Clerk of the Market; overseer of the Hospital; field drivers, members of the Engine Companies; of the fire hook and ladder Companies; of the Hydraulion Companies; of the fencing Stationary engine Companies; of the furniture and goods fire protection Company; Also one or more City Criers or Criers; Committee to prevent encroachments on Streets; inspectors of pot and pearl ashes; inspectors and measurers of Carpentry, masons and painters work; surveyors and measurers of stone; overseers of public bridges; Committee to advise on repairs of public bridges; overseer of North burial Ground; overseers of the City pumps; inspectors of liquors to ascertain proof; overseer of the Town house (so called); measurers and measurers of Wood; a Committee on Nuisances to Consist of not less than three, nor more than twelve; and a City Marshal.

Passed April 14 1834.

Animal & Vegitable Substances

An Ordinance to prohibit the depositing of animal or vegitable substances in Certain Waters of the City.

Section 1 Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence That no person shall throw Cast or deposit, or Cause to be thrown Cast or deposited into, or upon the Margin of any pond, river, Cove, Canal basin or dock in the City any animal or vegitable matter or substance whatever.

Section 2 That any person so offending shall forfeit and pay a sum not exceeding fifty dollars, nor less than one dollar to and for the use of the City to be recovered in an action of the Case in the name of the City Treasurer, before the proper Court to try the same

Passed April 14. 1834

Encroachments on Streets

An Ordinance prescribing the duties of the Committee to prevent encroachments on Streets

Section 1 Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence, That it shall be the duty of the Committee appointed to prevent encroachment on Streets when there required by any surveyor of Highways or by any person or persons a Corporation about to erect any fence or building on any line of any Street or highway to examine into, & ascertain & shew to such surveyor or person or persons or Corporation so applying the line of such Street or highway, and in Case any person or persons or Corporation shall erect any fence or building, so as to encroach on any line of any Street or highway as shewn to such person or persons or Corporation by said Committee, or so as to encroach on any Street or highway without Calling on said Committee, the person or persons or Corporation so offending shall be reported by said Committee to the Mayor who is hereby authorized & empowered to take such measures on the premises as the interest of the City may in his opinion require.

Section 2 That said Committee shall be paid for their services by the City in Case they are requested by any surveyor of highways to perform the same, but in all other Cases by the person or persons or Corporations requesting said Services to be performed.

Passed April 14. 1834

**Appropriations**

An Ordinance making appropriations for Certain purposes

Section 1 Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence That for the purposes hereinafter mentioned the following sums be and the same are hereby appropriated, to wit,

For the support of the public Watch Seven hundred and fifty dollars

For lighting the Streets Nine hundred dollars

2. that said sums be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated

Passed April 14 1834

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**Abbot Street**

Upon the Petition of Stanford Newell & Company in relation to a portion of Abbot Street, so called, and a gangway leading thereto.

Resolved that the same be repaired to the Mayor and that he be requested to take such measures with regard to the subject as the interest of the City may require

Passed April 14 1834

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**Bells to be rung**

Resolved that the City Marshal be and he is hereby directed to procure three of the bells in the City to be rung for the space of fifteen minutes next before the hour appointed for the several meetings of the firemen on Wednesday next the 16th Inst the same being the day designated by law for the Election of General and City Officers and of representatives to the General Assembly

Passed April 14 1834

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**Cadet Alarm Post**

Upon the petition of the Cadet Company praying for the privilege of occupying a part of the Town house lot for their Armory and upon the report of the Committee of the City Council to whom the same was referred

Voted and Resolved that said petition & report be received, ~~that the prayer of said petition be granted~~ and that said independent Company of Cadets be allowed to occupy the land on which their Armory now stands during the pleasure of the City Council at an annual rent of Twenty dollars said rent to commence on the first day of April one thousand eight hundred & thirty four, and to be paid quarterly to the City Treasurer for the time being

Resolved that whenever the City Council shall order said petitioners to remove said Armory the Commanding Officer of said Company shall be served with a Copy of such order by the City Marshal or City Sergeant and unless said Armory shall be removed within ninety days from the date of said service said Armory shall be forfeited to and for the use of the City

Resolved that the City Treasurer be and he hereby is authorized and directed to enter into and execute in behalf of the City an agreement conforming with said Company embracing the Conditions in the preceding resolutions

Passed April 14 1834

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**Fire Wards**

Resolved By the City Council of the City of Providence that the Fire wards have liberty to use the room of the Common Council for their Meetings when not otherwise occupied and that the City Sergeant be requested to attend said Meetings

Passed April 14 1834

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**Admitted Free**

The Two Boards in Convention April 14 1834

George Paine
Daniel Angell
George B Holmes
David E Mann
Greene Clapp
Ebenezer Cary
Francis Henry
John C Jones
Amos C Geomans
Samuel Gladding
Edward Bare

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**Eldest Sons**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Edward D Peckham | Eldest son of | Thomas Peckham |
| John W Smith | " | William H Smith |
| Robert Manchester 2d | " | Robert Manchester |
| Nathan B Hall | " | David Hall |
| Edward H Arnold | " | George H Arnold |
| Joseph A Barker | " | Cyprus Barker |
| Roscoe Hall | " | Alvira Hall |
| George Hewes Mann | " | David E Mann |
| Charles H Low | " | Charles Low |
| Daniel Martin | " | James Martin |
| George C Earle | " | Thomas Earle |

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**Admitted Free on Certificate**

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|---|---|
| George L Barnes | Deed and Certificate produced |
| George Rice | Do |
| Sylvester Himes | Do |
| James Phillips | Do |

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**Persons Represented**

| | |
|---|---|
| Holland Kinney | deed produced |
| Nathan Tyler | do |
| Simon C Sherman | do |
| Jonathan Sherman | do |
| David Martin | by descent |
| Joseph Martin | do |
| James A Martin | do |
| James A Mann | by devise from Jonny Mann |
| Albyn V Pike | deed produced |
| Sylvester Lewis | do |
| Josiah S Wardwell | do |
| Ezek Tallman | do |
| Benjamin W Gardner | do |
| Philip Luther | do |
| Alexander F Adie | by descent |
| Paschal P Mathewson | do |

Persons Propounded

George Barnby — by descent
William E Hastings — by the Curtesy
Alvas Benson — died produced
Joseph J Comstock — by descent
William H Comstock — do
George Child — by the Curtesy

The Two Boards Seperated

The Two Boards in Convention April 16. 1834.

Admitted Free as Eldest Sons and on Certificate

Jorden Taylor — on Certificate from North Providence
Henry L Price — " " Newport
Ebenezer Cobb jr — Eldest son of — Ebenezer Cobb

Persons Propounded

The following persons were propounded to become freemen, viz,

Asa Newell 2 — died produced
Aaron Barrows — do
Eben Simmons jr — do
John Wanie Field — by descent

The Two Boards Seperated

The Two boards in Convention April 16. 1834 at 5 o'clock P.M.

Admitted Free as Eldest Sons

The following persons are admitted free as Eldest sons of freemen, Viz,

William C Miller — Eldest son of — James S Miller
Adams Foster — " " — James Foster
James G Rawson — " " — Samuel Rawson
Aaron Richardson — " " — Moses Richardson

Admitted Free.

Gardner Vaughan — admitted free having served propounded more than three months
Jepee Southwell — " " — by Certificate from Glocester

Persons Propounded

The following persons are propounded to become freemen

William H Thurber — died produced
Alfred H Pratt — do
Joseph A Carr — do

The Two boards Seperated



Streets & Highways

An Ordinance relative to the Streets & Highways

Section 1 Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence — That no person shall suffer or permit any Cart, Coach, dray, sleigh sled or other Carriage or vehicle of any description belonging to him or her, or in his or her possession, or under his or her Care, to remain or be unharnessed in any one of the Streets or highways of said City, more than two hours at any one time, provided however that this section shall not extend to persons marketing on Market Squares.

Section 2 That no person shall deposit, place or put, nor suffer to be deposited, placed or put by any person or persons in his or her employ any goods, wares, fire wood, Coal, Chattels or merchandize, in any of said Streets or highways except while standing or shipping the same; or actually removing the same into or out of some building or inclosure; or loading the same into or unloading the same out of some vehicle.

Section 3 That the Board of Aldermen, be, and they are hereby empowered, from time to time to take such measures as they may deem expedient for the lighting of said Streets and highways.

Section 4 That no person shall play at ball, nor throw any Stones or other Missiles in any of said Streets or highways.

Section 5 That no person shall slide on any Sled or machine, or in any vehicle whatever for amusement in any of said Streets or highways.

Section 6 That no person shall place or cause to be placed, nor Continue or suffer to be Continued when placed, any sign board or sign and keep the same to be placed against some building parallel therewith, and secured thereto, and not projecting from the building to which the same shall be secured more than six inches into or over any Street, provided however, that nothing herein before Contained, shall extend to the sign of any licensed tavern keeper, nor of the Museum, nor to the Clock in South main Street so long as the owners thereof Conform to the provisions of a resolution passed by the City Council in relation thereto on the twenty fourth day of May A.D 1833.

Section 7 That neither the keeper of the Museum, nor any licensed tavern keeper shall place or Cause or suffer to be placed, nor Continue or suffer to be Continued when placed, any sign of said Museum, or licensed tavern, except in such manner as the Mayor shall direct or permit.

Section 8 That no person shall erect, or Cause to be erected, nor Continue or suffer to be Continued when erected any Staging in any of said Streets or highways for the purpose of repairing or erecting any building unless the same be erected under the personal inspection of the master workman employed to repair or erect such building, and of good stone and sound timber and plank or boards; and be strongly and safely erected.

Section 9 That no person for the purpose of erecting or repairing any building shall erect or Cause to be erected, nor Continue or suffer to be Continued when erected any staging nor deposit any building materials or rubbish or remains of any old building in such manner as to obstruct the passage over more than one half part of the Street or highway in which such staging is erected or such building materials, rubbish or remains of any old building are deposited; nor more than six feet in any Case.

Section 10 That in erecting or repairing any building situate on any Street or highway no person shall place or deposit nor suffer to remain in any part of said Street or highway any lumber or other building materials, nor any rubbish or remains of any old building for any longer period than may be necessary, from time to time for the prosecution of the work in which may be going on; and in Case any lumber or other building material, or any rubbish or remains of any old building must of necessity remain after dark the owner or owners thereof shall Cause a sufficient light to be kept or placed over or near the same throughout the whole of the night, so as to give sufficient notice to all persons passing in or through such Street or highway.

Section 11 That the Master workman and his employer or employers, shall be severally liable for the violation of any provision in either of the three last sections Contained, except that which relates to the placing of a light over or near any lumber building materials or rubbish remaining in the Streets after dark.

brought within the limits of said City during the existance of the quarantine from any vessel on which any of the Crew or passengers have been sickly during the voyage; nor shall any foul or unclean bedding or Clothing be brought within the limits of said City during said time, from any place where any Contagious or Malignant disorder doth, or hath recently prevailed; unless the same as first Carried direct to the Hospital, and there washed and Cleansed. And every person Concerned in the violation of this section, shall incur a penalty not exceeding one hundred dollars, nor less than twenty five dollars, to and for the use of the City to be recovered in an action of the Case, in the name of the City Treasurer, before the proper Court to try the same.

Section 9 That the said Health Officer shall have authority to put such interrogatories and enquiries to the Captain or Commanding Officer, or any other person on board of any vessel arriving at this port and subject to quarantine, as he shall deem proper, respecting the state of the vessel and the health of the people on board; and if such Captain or Commanding Officer or other person shall refuse to answer any or all interrogatories or inquiries put to him by such Health Officer, or shall evade such inquiries, or shall in any way or manner, make or cause to be made to such Health Officer, a false or equivocal statement or report, relative to the Officers, Crew or passengers on board thereof, or of the state of health of all or any of the Officers, Crew or passengers; or shall neglect to report to said Health Officer any death that may have occured on board during the said voyage; or shall refuse to sign his written examination within at the time by said Health Officer, after being requested so to do: such Captain, Commanding Officer or other person so offending, shall forfeit and pay as a penalty to and for the use of the City a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars, nor less than one hundred dollars; to be recovered in an action of the case in the name of the City Treasurer before the proper Court to try the same.

Section 10. That if any person ordered to the Hospital from on board any vessel arriving at this port, or from any part of said City after having so arrived, shall refuse to go thither, or being there shall depart from or leave the limits of said Hospital without permission first obtained from the Board of Aldermen acting ex officio as Board of Health, or from said Health Officer in writing such person shall for such offence, forfeit and pay a sum not exceeding one hundred dollars nor less than twenty five dollars; to and for the use of the City to be recovered in an action of the Case in the name of the City Treasurer, before the proper Court to try the same.

Section 11 That no person during the existance of the quarantine, except by the special permission of the Board of Aldermen acting ex Officio as Board of Health, or of the Health Officer shall go within fifty yards of the Hospital; except those at quarantine, the Health Officer and other Physicians, nurses, and those attached to the family of the Keeper of the Hospital, and those passing on the turnpike road: under a penalty not exceeding twenty dollars, nor less than five dollars; to be recovered to the use of the City, in an action of the Case in the name of the City Treasurer, before the proper Court to try the same. Nor shall Nurses or those attached to the family of said keeper, be allowed to leave the Hospital, without his permission in writing under the like penalty, to be recovered in like manner.

Section 12 That no Stagnant or offensive bilge water shall be pumped out of any vessel at any wharf in said City above Fox point; nor in the Channel or on the flats opposite said wharves, during the existance of the quarantine regulations; unless it be done between the hours of eleven o'clock P.M. and four o'clock A.M. under the penalty of two dollars for the first offence; and for every subsequent offence five dollars; to be recovered of the Captain or Commanding officer of such ship or vessel, or of the owner or owners thereof, to the use of said City; in an action of debt, in the name of the City Treasurer, before the proper Court to try the same.

Section 13 That the following be the rules and regulations to be observed on board all vessels while at quarantine:

1. Every vessel shall during the quarantine wear Colors in the Shrouds.
2. no provisions, Spirituous Liquors or other articles shall be admitted on board of such vessel without permission from the said Health Officer.
3. The said Health Officer shall on all occasions direct what goods shall be delivered from on



board such vessel, the place where, and the manner in which they shall be landed.

4. no person or persons, in any boat or Vessel, shall be permitted to go along side of any such vessel at quarantine without permission of said Health Officer, nor to be at anchor, or remain in any other manner within one hundred yards of any such Vessel.
5. Every such Vessel shall be removed and stationed at such place, as the Health Officer may, from time to time under the directions of the Board of Aldermen acting ex officio as Board of Health, direct and appoint.
6. the bilge water shall be pumped from every such vessel at least twice a day.
7. the directions of the said Health Officer, for Cleansing the vessel, Clothing and other things on board shall be strictly complied with by the Officers and Crew.
8. The Commander of every such vessel, shall be answerable for all irregularities and breaches of these regulations, by the people on board.
9. all permissions and directions of the said Health Officer as aforesaid shall be in writing.

Section 14. That if any person or persons shall be guilty of a breach of any of the rules and regulations Contained in the next preceding section such person or persons so offending, shall forfeit and pay a sum not exceeding twenty dollars, nor less than five dollars; to and for the use of the City to be recovered in an action of the Case in the name of the City Treasurer, before the proper Court to try the same.

Section 15. That the Board of Aldermen acting ex officio as Board of health, be and they hereby are authorized and empowered, from time to time, to fix and assign the house which vessels shall be detained at quarantine, by virtue of this Ordinance; and also to provide from time to time if they deem it necessary, such other posts, places or Counties besides those mentioned in this Ordinance, from which vessels arriving, shall be subject to examination or quarantine.

Section 15 That the board of Aldermen acting ex officio as board of health, be, and they here by are authorized and empowered, to make and Carry into effect, such further rules and regulations respecting quarantine, as to them may appear necessary, to prevent the introduction of Contagious or infectious diseases from other places: and to annex such penalties for the breach thereof as they may think proper, not exceeding two hundred dollars fine or three days imprisonment.

Section 17. That the Board of Aldermen acting ex officio as Board of health, be and they hereby are authorized and empowered, from time to time, to suspend the operation of the whole or any part of this Ordinance in such manner and for such time as they may deem proper; and the same to revive at their discretion.

Passed May 5th 1834

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## Nuisances

An Ordinance in relation to Nuisances.

Section 1 Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence

That it shall be the duty of each and every member of the Committee on nuisances, to examine into the State and Condition of every place and part of the City, whereof he shall be informed that there exists any matter or thing which is or may be prejudicial to the health of the inhabitants thereof. and whenever in the opinion of said Committee or any of them, there shall exist in any place or part of the City any matter or thing prejudicial or which may become prejudicial to the health of the inhabitants thereof, it shall be the duty of said Committee or any of them to report the same in writing to the Mayor, setting forth the particulars of such nuisance as nearly as may be.

Section 2 That whenever any report shall be made to the Mayor as aforesaid he shall forthwith notify the person persons or Corporation who shall have created, Continued or permitted such nuisance, or the person, persons or Corporation on whose premises such nuisance is reported to exist to appear before the board of Aldermen at their next meeting or at such time as the Mayor may appoint, to show Cause why such nuisance shall not be abated and removed by the City authorities at the expence of the party so notified. And upon the appearance or refusal or neglect of such party to appear, the Board of Aldermen are hereby empowered and directed to pass such order relative to the removal of the same and to impose such pecuniary penalty for the breach thereof, as they may adjudge expedient and necessary, not exceeding

the sum of two hundred dollars which penalty, and also all expenses incurred by said City in such removal, may be sued for and recovered to and for the use of the City in an action of the Case in the name of the City Treasurer before the proper Court to try the same.

Passed May 5th 1834

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Fire.

An Ordinance for the prevention of Fire

Section 1 Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence, That in Case the Committee appointed to Superintend the building of Chimneys & placing of Stoves and Stove pipes, or the Major part of them shall deem any Chimney now erected any fire place now built or any grate, stove or stove pipe now placed or any Chimney, fire place, grate, stove or stove pipe which may be hereafter erected, built or placed, to be unsafe in regard to fire it shall and may be lawfull for said Committee or the Major part of them, to order and direct in writing such Chimney fire place, grate, stove or stove pipe to be altered, removed or taken down or shall direct.

Section 2 That if the owner or owners occupant or occupants of any building in said City shall upon or neglect to alter, remove or take down according to the written notice and direction of said Committee or the major part of them, given as aforesaid, any Chimney, fire place, grate, stove or stove pipe now erected built or placed or which may be hereafter erected, built or placed such owner or owners occupant or occupants shall forfeit and pay a sum not exceeding twenty five dollars nor less than five dollars, to and for the use of the City, to be sued for and recovered in an action of the Case in the name of the City Treasurer, before the proper Court to try the same. and every such owner or owners occupant or occupants, who shall permit in such refusal or neglect, after being required by said Committee or the major part of them or writing as aforesaid, to alter, remove or take down any such Chimney fire place grate stove or stove pipe, shall for every ten days during which he she or they shall so persist, be deemed guilty of a new offence and subject to the penalty above prescribed.

Section 3 That no person shall smoke or carry any lighted pipe or segar, in any of the public highways streets or lanes now into any of the public buildings of said City:

Section 4 That no person shall carry into or use in any barn stable hay loft or other place in said City in which hay or straw is kept or used, any lighted Candle or lamp not inclosed in a lantern, nor any lighted pipe or segar, nor shall any person carry any fire in or through any street or highway or other public place in said City except in some Covered vessel.

Section 5 That no person shall leave any shavings or straw or other Combustibles matter in any of the Streets, lanes or gangways in said City, or in any other situation exposed to fire.

Section 6 That it shall be the duty of each tenant of every Carpenter, Cabinet maker, wheel wright, turner and joiner with shops in said City, at least once in every six days, to remove all shavings from his shops to some suitable place and there between sunrise & sun set burn them.

Section 7 That every person who shall violate any provision in the third, fourth, fifth or sixth section of this Ordinance Contained shall forfeit and pay the sum of five dollars to and for the use of the City; to be sued for and recovered in an action of debt in the name of the City, prosecuted before the proper Court to try the same.

Section 8 That whenever any minor or apprentice shall violate any provision of this Ordinance the parent or guardian of such minor, and the Master of such apprentice shall be severally or jointly liable with such minor or apprentice for the penalty aforesaid to be sued for and recovered in the manner in the next preceding section prescribed.

Section 9 That no person shall be prosecuted for the violation of any provision in this Ordinance Contained, unless the suit therefor shall be Commenced within six days after the right of action accrued.

Passed May 5th 1834



Bathing

An Ordinance to prohibit Bathing in Certain places.

Section 1. Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence, That no person shall, for the purpose of swimming or Bathing go into any of the waters of the harbour Cove rivers or Blackstone Canal between the time of sunrising and one hour after sunset within the following limits to wit — Beginning at a point on said Canal, twenty rods above the guard gate near the late Providence Woollen Manufactory, and at a point on the Mosharsuck river twenty rods above the Mills belonging to the United Manufacturing Company and extending on the East side of said waters to, and including Sey point and so far East thereon as the East line of Adams distillery lot; and extending on the west side of said waters from said points on said Canal and Mosharsuck river unto and including the City Hospital lot — Excepting however from the waters West and North of Quat point, so called, and the waters Northerly and westerly of Carpenters point, so called: Nor shall any person for the purpose of swimming or bathing go into any waters of the harbor or Cove, at any time within the following limits, to wit, beginning at, and including the Causeway and Canal Bridge and extending on the East side of the Cove and harbor as far South as Fitch wharf, and on the west side of the Cove and harbor from the North side of Washington Street to the South side of Simmons Wharf.

Section 2 That every person so offending shall forfeit and pay the sum of two dollars, to and for the use of the City to be sued for and recovered in an action of debt in the name of the City Treasurer before the proper Court to try the same.

Passed May 5th 1834

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Writing School

Resolved. That Messrs Tenner, Cady & Cooke with such as the board of Aldermen may add be a Committee to Consider the Expediency of Establishing a Writing School in the Fourth Ward and report to this board at the next meeting.

Alderman Grinnell added

Passed May 5th 1834

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Lighting Streets.

An Ordinance appropriating one hundred and Ninety dollars for lighting the Streets

Be it Ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence, That the sum of one hundred and ninety dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for lighting the Streets, and that said sum be paid out of any Money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated

Passed May 5th 1834

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Town House

On the Petition of Joseph Whipple requesting permission to take the rain water from the Town house and Convey it into his building adjoining said Town house lot, by pipes under ground,

Voted and Resolved that he have permission thereto granted upon closing the pleasure of the City Council and that the same be done under the direction of Messrs Barton, Potter & Stimson, who are hereby appointed a Committee for that purpose

Passed May 5th 1834

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Aquaduct Co.

Upon the Petition of the Providence Aquaduct Co for permission to erect a frame work on the Town bridge to support their pipes for the purpose of Carrying water on the East side of the river,

Voted and Resolved that the same be granted and referred to Messrs Brown Jr Bucklin & Warner

Passed May 5th 1834

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City Treasurer

Resolved that Messrs Tenner, Stimson & Cady with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be a Committee to Examine and settle the account with the City Treasurer

Passed May 5th 1834

Persons Propounded

The Two Boards in Convention May 5th 1834

The following persons were propounded to become freemen, to wit,

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|---|---|
| Samuel Munro | died produced |
| James Arnold | by the Custody |
| Seth Padelford | died produced |
| James D Tucker jr | do |
| William Rogers | do |
| Samuel B Sheppard | do |
| Olney Read | do |
| Josiah Ashley | do |
| John Holmes | by the Custody |
| Green & Barrow Field | by descent |
| Nicholas Sheldon | died produced |
| John W Butts | do. |

The Two Boards Separated.

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Ordinances Take Effect

An Ordinance prescribing the time when Certain Ordinances shall take effect.

Whereas the Committee appointed to revise the Ordinances of the City have reported Certain bills of which those herein after mentioned by their titles have been Carefully examined Considered & passed by this City Council, therefore

Section 1. Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence that the several Ordinances the titles whereof are herein after mentioned shall go into operation & effect from & after the first day of June next to wit,

An Ordinance designating the Officers to be appointed annually by the City Council in addition to those specially designated & required to be appointed by the City Charter

An ordinance appointing the times and places for holding the Municipal and Police Courts.

An Ordinance relative to a Common Seal for the City and seals for the board of Aldermen & the Municipal Court.

An Ordinance prescribing the duties of the City Clerk & the City Sergeant in Certain Cases.

An Ordinance to prohibit bathing in Certain places.

An Ordinance to prohibit the depositing of animal or vegitable substances in Certain waters of the City.

An Ordinance relative to the City pumps & wells.

An Ordinance relative to persons licensed to retail wines & Strong liquors.

An Ordinance relative to the removal of the Contents of privy vaults.

An Ordinance to prevent rowdyism and other disturbances in the public Streets

An Ordinance prescribing the manner of [illegible] wards and meetings for the purpose of Elections.

An Ordinance fixing the Compensation of wards Clerks

An Ordinance in relation to Nuisances

An Ordinance prescribing the duties of the City Marshal.

An Ordinance providing for the Establishment of a public Watch.

An Ordinance describing & establishing the City Market place

An Ordinance for the regulation of the City Markets & Market place

An Ordinance relative to the Streets & highways

An Ordinance in relation to dogs.



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Passed May 19. 1834.

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Persons Propounded

The Two Boards in Convention May 5th 1834

The following persons were propounded to become freemen, to wit,

| | |
|---|---|
| Samuel Munro | duly produced |
| James Arnold | by the Clerk |
| Seth Wadelford | duly produced |
| James D Tucker jr. | do |
| William Rogers | do |
| Samuel B Ruggles | do |
| Olney Read | do |
| Josiah Ashley | do |
| John Holmes | by the Clerk |
| Green Vernon Field | by descent |
| Nicholas Sheldon | duly produced |
| John H Butts | do. |

The Two Boards Separated.

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Ordinances Take Effect

An Ordinance prescribing the time when Certain Ordinances shall take effect.

Whereas the Committee appointed to revise the Ordinances of the City have reported Certain bills of which those herein after mentioned by their titles have been Carefully examined Considered & passed by this City Council, therefore

Section 1. Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence that the several Ordinances the titles whereof are herein after mentioned shall go into operation & effect from & after the first day of June next to wit,

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An Ordinance relative to a Common Seal for the City and seals for the board of Aldermen & the Municipal Court.

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An Ordinance to prohibit the depositing of animal or vegitable substances in Certain waters of the City.

An Ordinance relative to the City pumps & wells.

An Ordinance relative to persons licensed to retail wines & Strong liquors.

An Ordinance relative to the removal of the Contents of privy vaults.

An Ordinance to prevent rowdyism and other disturbances in the public Streets

An Ordinance prescribing the manner of holding wards meetings for the purpose of Elections.

An Ordinance fixing the Compensation of wards Clerks

An Ordinance in relation to Nuisances

An Ordinance prescribing the duties of the City Marshal.

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a Course of action settled which the Committee think it would be injudicious to disturb they have deemed it best to let the matter rest as it is and have Concluded it to report no bill Concerning it.

The Committee have examined the Acts of the General Assembly and selected therefrom all such as peculiarly Concern this City, the titles whereof are set forth in the Schedule here annexed marked A. They have also selected Certain other acts of the General Assembly the titles whereof are set forth in the Schedule here annexed marked B. which altho' general, have a greater bearing upon and more materially affect this City than any other place in the State. All these acts, thus selected, the Committee have examined, tho not so thoroughly as they could have wished. They however, have Come to the Conclusion to recommend them, with one exception to be published as they now are in Connection with the Code of Ordinances of the City whenever the latter shall be published in a Volume without applying to the General Assembly for any alterations of them, altho they are of opinion that if they were now to be Revised anew they would suggest some amendments.

The exception above mentioned Consists of the act entitled "An act providing in Case of fire breaking out in the Town of Providence." In and by the first Section of that act it is provided "That every house Keeper in the Town of Providence shall provide and keep two good Leather buckets, Containing at least two gallons each, with the owner's name painted at large thereon, to be kept in some Convenient place, to be used in Case of fire breaking out in said Town, and for no other purpose, under the penalty of forfeiting the sum of five dollars, to be recovered &c." The second section Provides "That the Town Council of said Town shall annually, within one month after the third Tuesday in August. Cause an examination to be made by the Town Sergeant, or one of the Constables of said Town, of all the house Keepers in said Town, and in pursuance to the said Permit the names of all such House Keepers who are not furnished with buckets as aforesaid, which said Council shall, after having duly examined the same, return a list of persons to be prosecuted under this act, to the said Town's Treasurer, who shall cause said delinquents to be prosecuted in manner herein before provided; Provided that said Town Council, upon application and due examination, may exempt from the penalty aforesaid, any person who, in their opinion, may be unable to furnish themselves with buckets as aforesaid".

The remainder of the act relates chiefly to the duties of Firewards of Firewards and of Firewards in time of Fire.

Since the passage of the act, some of the provisions of which have thereby rendered, great improvements have been made in our apparatus for extinguishing fires, Two hydrauliones and a number of new engines have been procured, and Stationary engines in various parts of the City provided. Water also has been purchased sufficient to enable our prompt and Spirited firemen efficiently to carry on their operations, without the aid of buckets, in every instance, it is believed, which has occured since that mode of Conveying water to fires has been, among us, so generally adopted. For buckets, therefore, there has been of late years but little occasion. Hence the Town Council, it is understood, for a Considerable time before the organization of the City Government, omitted to Cause the annual examination to be made which, it has been seen, the law requires. And the Board of Aldermen have, (followed) in this respect the Course pursued by their immediate predecessors. Under these Circumstances, the Committee, without intending to express any opinion upon the subject, deem it expedient to Call your attention directly thereto. If the City Council think it advisable, in the present State of things, that the act in question should be repealed, the Committee recommend in that Case, that it be printed as it now stands, with the Others. If on the Contrary it be Considered, either that buckets may now be safely dispensed with altogether, or that some mode different from that which the law prescribes should be adopted to provide the diminished number which may, under existing Circumstances, be deemed necessary, then the Committee recommend, if Cause, that an application be made to the General Assembly, with as little delay as may be, for such alteration of the act as will meet the views of the two boards, in order that the same as amended may be ready for publication with the rest.

Passed May 19. 1834.

Samuel W Bridgham
Geo. Curtis
Amherst Everett
T. B Turner
Committee



## A

Acts of the General Assembly exclusively applicable to the City of Providence.

| | | | |
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| No 1. | An act to incorporate the City of Providence | State Laws | 760 |
| No 2. | An act Concerning Dogs. | Ibid. | 397 |
| No 3. | An act to enlarge & explain the Powers of the Town Meetings & Town Council of the Town of Providence. | Ibid | 460 |
| No 4. | An act providing in Case of fire breaking out in the Town of Providence | Ib. | 467 |
| No 5. | An act to prevent erecting wooden buildings in Certain parts of the Town of Providence | Ib. | 469 |
| No 6. | An act regulating the Storage, safe keeping and transportation of Gun powder in the Town of Providence. | Ib | 472 |
| No 7. | An act in addition to an act entitled "an act for laying out highways | Ib. | 478 |
| No 8. | An act Concerning side walks in the Town of Providence | Ib | 478 |
| No 9. | An act for filling up Certain low grounds Covered with Stagnant water in the Compact part of the Town of Providence. | Ib. | 480 |
| No 10. | An act authorising the Town Council of the Town of Providence to prevent the passing of Carriages through the Streets adjacent to the houses of public worship in said Town on Sundays, during the time of Divine service | Ib. | 483 |
| No 11. | An act regulating the Storing of Lime in the Town of Providence | Ib. | 483 |
| No 12. | An act relative to the harbor & public Waters of the Town of Providence | Ib. | 484 |
| No 13. | An act to prevent damage being done to Weybosett Bridge in Providence by fastening ropes to the same. | Ib. | 497 |
| No 14. | An act to prevent improper riding or any of the places therein mentioned | Ib | 498 |
| No 15 | An act to prevent sheep & horses from going at large in the Town of Providence North Providence & goats & Kids in the Town of Providence. | Ib. | 498 |
| No 16 | An act to prevent hogs going at large in the Towns of Providence & Newport. | Ib. | 505. |
| No 17. | An act declaring Certain private Streets & Lanes ways in the Town of Providence in the County of Providence to be public highways. | Ib. | 527. |
| No 18. | An act to prevent Cows from going at large in Certain parts of the Town of Providence. | Ib. | 531. |
| No 19. | An act relative to the Hydraulic Engine in the Town of Providence | Ib. | 535 |
| No 20 | An act in addition to an act entitled "an act Concerning side walks in the Town of Providence". | Ib. | 571. |
| No 21. | An act exempting Certain persons from Military duty & summoning as jurors | Ib | 604. |
| No 22. | An act in amendment of an act entitled "an act to enlarge & explain the powers of the Town Meetings & Town Council of the Town of Providence. | Ib. | 618. |
| No 23. | An act empowering fire Companies in the Town of Providence to inflict penalties. | Ib. | 643 |
| No 24. | An act relative to the Hook & Ladder Company No 2 in the Town of Providence | Ib. | 655. |
| No 25. | An act respecting Slaughter houses in the Town of Providence. | Ib. | 655. |
| No 26. | An act in addition to the act entitled "an act to enlarge & explain the powers of the Town Meetings & Town Council of the Town of Providence | Ib | 678 |
| No 27. | An act to regulate the measuring of grain salt & sea Coal. | Ib. | 674 |
| No 28 | An act to authorize the Town Council of the Town of Providence to appoint a Harbor Master. | Ib. | 731. |
| No 29. | An act to exempt the members of the Hydraulion Engine Company No 2 in the Town of Providence from doing Military duty & serving as Jurymen | Ib. | 732 |
| No 30. | An act to regulate the survey & admeasurement of lumber hereafter brought by water or imported into the Town of Providence | Ib. | 778. |
| No 31. | An act in addition to an act entitled "an act Concerning dogs." | Ib | 756. |

No 32 An act regulating the felling of timber & wood within certain limits in Providence — Ib. 759 ✓
No 33 An act to exempt the Keepers of the Newport & Providence Asylum's from serving on Juries — Ib. 760 ✓
No 34 An act authorizing the City Council of the City of Providence to appoint a larger number of Members of Engine Company No 5. — Ib 799 ✓
No 35. An act authorizing the City Council of the City of Providence to appoint a larger number of Members of Engine Company No 2 — Schedule of June Sess. 1833. page 3. ✓
No 36 An act authorizing the City of Providence to elect an inspector of Beef & pork for said City. — Ib. 53. ✓
No 37. An act to authorize the City of Providence to Establish a house of Correction and for other purposes. — Schedule of Oct. Sess. 1833. page 93. ✓
No 38. An act in amendment of an act entitled "an act regulating the appoing and Collecting of Taxes" — Schedule of June Sess. 1834. page ✓
No 39. An act in amendment of an act entitled "an act to prevent erecting wooden wooden buildings in Certain parts of the Town of Providence — Ib. — ✓

## B

Acts of the General Assembly the general ybt materially affecting the City of Providence.

No 1 An act for the preservation of Oysters within this State. — State Laws. 508. ✓
No 2. An act to exempt firemen from Military duty in this State in Certain Cases. — Ibid 651. ✓
No 3 An act in amendment of an act entitled "an act, for the preservation of Oysters within this State. — Schedule of Oct Sess. 1833. page 43. ✓
No 4 An act to protect Oysters in this State from depredations & damages by persons not inhabitants thereof. — Ibid 44. ✓
No 5 An act relative to the passing of teams & Carriages on the public highways. — State Laws. 439. ✓

**Writing School 4th Ward.**

The Committee to whom was referred the Subject of a Writing School in the fourth ward recommend the passage of the following Resolutions. viz.

Resolved, that this Council recommend to the School Committee the establishment of a writing School to be located in the fourth ward.

Resolved that the City Clerk furnish the said Committee with a Copy of the preceding resolution.

Providence May 19 1834

for the Committee
Thomas B Fenner.

Passed May 19. 1834.

Resolved that this Council recommend to the School Committee the Establishment of a Writing School to be located in the fourth ward if they deem it expedient; and that should said Committee deem it expedient to establish said School they are hereby empowered to hire & prepare a room for that purpose.

Resolved that the City Clerk furnish the said Committee with a Copy of the preceding resolution.

Passed May. 19. 1834.

**Assessors of Taxes to be paid**

Resolved that the assessors of Taxes in and for the City of Providence shall be allowed as a full Compensation for apportioning the City Tax for the ensuing year Three fourths of One per cent, to be paid out of the money appropriated for Contingent expenses.

Passed May 19. 1834



**Cleaning out the Channels.**

Upon the petition of Elisha Dyer Amos A. Mason Daniel Arnold and Many Others in relation to Cleaning out the Channels & the rivers.

Voted and Resolved that the same be received and referred to Messrs Metcalf, Brown, Comstock, Simmons Hunt and Williams with such as the Board of Aldermen may add.

Alderman Pinnebel added

Passed. May 19. 1834.

**William Chace.**

Upon the Petition of William Chace for relief from an Execution of the City against him as endorser for the accommodation of Wm Thorp Voted and resolved that the same be received and referred to Mr Comstock with such as the Board of Aldermen may add to take such order in relation to the same as they may deem Expedient

Alderman Arnold added

**Admitted Free.**

The Two Boards in Convention — May 19. 1834.

The following persons having lived & propounded more than three months are admitted as freemen of this City, to wit.

Fisher Ames
James Humphrey
Redmond B Shepard
Josiah G Comstock.

**Persons Propounded.**

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| Joseph Beauly. | by dount |
| William Bowdly | do |
| Thomas Watson | dual produced |
| John Ward | do |
| Charles Griswold | do |
| Addison Winch | do |
| William Bullas | do |
| Edward R Young | do |
| John Calder | do |
| Ethanant Martin | by the Century |

Voted, that, The Two Boards separate.

## Organization of the City Government for the year 1834. June 2nd

This being the day fixed by law for the annual organization of the Municipal Government of the City of Providence, the following Gentlemen being the Mayor and Aldermen and twenty three of the Common Council men Elect, met in Convention in the Council Chamber at 10 o'clock A.M., to wit,

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Samuel W Bridgham | Mayor | |
| Stanford Newel | Aldermen | 1st ward |
| Charles Holden | " | 2 ward |
| John H Ormsbee | " | 3 ward |
| William S Grinnell | " | 4th ward |
| John Dunwell | " | 5th ward |
| Caleb Williams | " | 6th ward |

### Common Council

First ward
Thomas A Holden
Jepee Metcalf
Peter Daniels
Dexter Angell

Second ward
Joseph Cady
George Curtis
Isaac Brown
Cyrus Fisher

Third ward
Joseph J Cooke
William C Barker
Amherst Cornell
Roger Williams Potter

Fourth ward
Thomas B Fenner
John J Stimson
John L Hughes

Fifth ward
Hezekiah Anthony
Purdon Clarke
William Ham
Daniel Field

Sixth ward
William Pabodie
George Hill
Joseph Grant
Christopher V Spencer.

Samuel Cady Chief Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court of this State, administered the oath required by the Charter to Samuel W Bridgham the Mayor Elect. The Mayor then administered the like oath, to the above named, Aldermen and Common Councilmen Elect, said Common Council men Elect duly returned as such as appeared by their Certificates of Election delivered into the Mayor and Hereupon the Convention balloted for City Clerk, and on Counting the Ballots it appeared that Richard M Field was duly elected to that Office, and was duly engaged by the Mayor.

The Mayor then delivered an address to the City Council

Voted that the two boards now separate and the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber

A Communication was received from the Common Council giving this board that they had Elected George Curtis their President and Albert G Greene their Clerk



## City Council June 2 1834. at 2 o'clock P.M.

Present Samuel W. Bridgham Mayor and
Aldermen. Stanford Newel
Charles Holden
John H Ormsbee
William S Grinnell
John Dunwell
Caleb Williams and the Common Council.

The two Boards met in Convention for the purpose of Election of City Officers.

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|---|---|
| Judge of Municipal Court. | Thomas Burgess. |
| Clerk of Municipal Court | Albert G Greene |
| City Sergeant | Edward Harwood |
| City Treasurer | Stephen Tillinghast |
| City Auditor | Hezekiah Anthony. Thomas A Holden. |
| Overseer of the Poor. | Joshua Rathbun |
| City Constables | Henry G Mumford, Daniel C Mann, Jared C Gould, Avril Hinckley, Asbury Potter. |
| Sealer of Weights & Measures. | Ephraim Jackson |
| Assessors of Taxes. | Henry Franklin, Robert Angell, Nathaniel Bishop, William Sheldon, Randolph Crandall |
| Surveyors & Corders of Wood. | Enoch T Paul, Samuel Barons, William Bradley, James Snow. Thomas J Wardwell, Benjamin S Bony. |
| Surveyor of Highways | Henry G Mumford |
| Surveyors of Roops Stairs & Heading | George S Harwood, Riley S Sherman, Samuel Eastforth. |
| Gaugers of Casks | Enoch Bobby, Daniel Rose, John P Jones, James Burrough, James Shaw. |
| Collector of Taxes | John Hill. |
| Clerk of the Market | Joshua Rathbun |
| Fence Viewers | Purdon Mason, Edward Harwood, Israel Arnold |
| Field Drivers | Purdon Mason, Edward Harwood, Israel Arnold, William Thurber |
| Presidents of Fire Wards. | Elisha Dyer, Dexter Thurber, Richard Jackson Benjamin Abbott, Carlo Monroe, Wilbur Kelly. |
| Inspectors & Packers of Fish Owners of Wharfs | Riley S Sherman. George S Harwood. Mayor & Aldermen. |

Fire Wards.

Ephraim Talbot.
Benjamin Hopkins.
John Andrews.
William Rupell.
Joseph G Metcalf.
Samuel W Wheler.
Caleb Williams.
Joseph Sweet
Roger Williams Potter.

Mapes Babbitt.
Hiram Hill.
Robert Manchester.
Solomon Townsend.
Smith Bosworth.
Duty Greene.
Welcome Congdon.
Sylvanus G Martin.
Philip W Martin.

Samuel Dexter.
Henry G Mumford.
Oliver Pierce.
John O Waterman.
Benjamin Robinson.
Thomas Seekell.
Edward S Underwood
Wheler M Standing.

Hydraulion Company No 1.

Smith Bosworth.
Anthony B Arnold.
Allin C Peck.
George W Taylor.
George Grinnell.
Esek Aldrich.
Charles Cheney.
Robert H Joes.
Thompson Wells.
Amasa Manton.
John Taylor.
David Andrews.
William G Aldrich.
William H Mason.
James G Anthony.
Thomas Aldrich.
Isaac H Cady.
James Arnold.
Jonathan Pike.
John Calder.
Thomas P Bucklin.
Edward F Miller.
Joseph K Angell.
Squire Paine.
Benjamin Robinson.
John R Peck.
R J Peckham.
Peter Pratt.
Moses B Joes.
Silas Paddleford.
Henry C Barney.
Billings Brastow.
Stephen Arnold.
Williams Andrews.
Henry Anthony.

Henry B Fuller.
Charles A Hopkins.
Abel Lincoln jr.
William H Waterman.
Benjamin R Carpenter.
Theodore Taylor.
Thomas Jackson.
William N Hughes.
Francis G Carlile.
John B Angell.
George H Waring.
Amos D Smith.
Timothy Mowry.
Samuel B Wheaton.
Alexander F Adie.
Rufus Phelps.
John Andrews.
Samuel Allen.
Willard W Fairbanks.
Thomas J Thad.
Chester S Wood.
William P Blodgett.
James M Buckley.
George Nightingale.
Robert L Thurston.
William H Foster.
Sibbels Reynolds.
Ebenezer Fuller.
Tillinghast Almy.
George W Benson.
Joseph W Baker.
Stephen Cornell.
Alexander B Chace.
Jas W Waterman.
William Sandford.

William Mumford.
Charles H Hopkins.
Thomas C Smith.
Joseph F B Angell.
Hartford B Billings.
Shubal Hutchins.
Wm R Potter.
Wm H Brown.
Jas H Carpenter.
William C Brown.
Henry Hopkins jr.
Christopher A Brown.
Geo C Clifford.
Charles H Warner.
Earl F Hazlett.
Jeremiah D Card.
A A Gardner.
John W Butts.
Robert C Bartlett.
Wm F Farnsworth.
Wm G Williams.
James A Penance.
Ebenezer Freys.
William W Hopkins.
Elisha Dyer jr.
Geo Paine.
Daniel S Dexter.
H. A Anthony.
Isaac B Cook.
William Foster.
Abel Foster.
Wm G Crumb.
Jacob Munro.
Jam Sipson.
Lewis B Child.
Joseph Carpenter.

Hydraulion Company No 2.

Henry G Mumford.
Hiram Bullock.
Daniel Angell.
George W Taylor 2d.
William Calder.
Allen Baker.

Aniel Kingsley.
Richard W Bush.
Philip Allen jr.
Zach Allen.
Samuel Almy.
Nath W Brown.

Zeeth Brown.
Anthony Clarke.
David F Capron.
Thomas Chamley.
Geo H Davis.
Geo Edgar.



John A Field
Freeman Foster
Isaac J Gyles
Benj Goodwin
Reg Haviland jr
Charles Holden jr
Charles T Gillis
William Lamed
Geo T Man
A. A Mason

Isaac Pierson
Thomas White
Jabez C Wight
Welcome Congdon
Josiah Steere
Geo W Cushing
Wm Whipple Benson
Daniel C Cushing
Sullivan Dorr jr
Jamaliel L Dwight

James B Watkins
James M Sherman
William Valentine
Aaron Simons
David B Blake
Albert G Barton
Benjamin Robinson jr
Barton Miller

Forming Stationary Engine No 1.

Jacob Manchester
Albert H Manchester
James Lusey
Charles J Shelly
James G Smith
Phillip Case
Reuben Brown
William H Murray
Benjamin Dyer
Albert Mesenger
John Wardwell
Henry Haviland
James C Bedlong
Benjamin White
Edward Cory
Rowse W Wilson
Benjamin Bogman
Josiah S Wardwell
John G Pitts
Joseph A Andrews
Benone Parkinson
Henry A Haviland
Dexter Paine
Benjamin S Wardwell
Henry Barton
Levi Lock Webster
James C Bucklin
Thomas R Seamans
Stephen A Davis
George Richard

Francis E Dansforth
A B Phillips
Abijah Thomas
Benjamin F Read
Henry G Luther
William Moon
Earl P Mason
Edward A Mason
John C Cafe
Rhodes G Lockwood
Benjamin Allen
George B Franklin
William P Jaffe
Amos W Snow
Wilsons Andrews
Adnah Sackett
Salma Manton
Bradford S Newcomb
Lewis L Hodges
Edward R Young
William Burnett
Elijah A Young
Malachia R Gardner
Thomas J Gardner
John W Aborn
John L Howland
Isaac Sackett
Job Andrews
Daniel Chase
Joshua Spooner

John P Jaffe
Samuel Foster
Edwin Read
George A Taylor
Joseph A Barker
Clarence Shepard
William Wardwell
Thomas M Coy
John Pierce
James Helme
William Tallman
Artemas Sharp
Oliver A Bedlong
Jefferson Borden
Lloyd Spink
Austin Perry
John C Brown
John W Coy
John R Manton
Charles Allen
Thomas J Barnaby
William Fallon
Samuel B Shepard
Coy Dyer
James Curtis
Benjamin A Jackson
James A Arnold
Theophilus Salsbury
Wm H Hudson

Forming Stationary Engine Co No 2.

Rowse Williams Potter
William Aplin
Samuel Congdon
John H Taylor
Jonathan A Eddy
Edwin Tripp
John B Dexter
Ephraim Brown
John B Chace jr
William Hall

Monzo Draper
William P Bucklin
Munzie Sweet
Burrill Clapp
Micah Chace
Henry D Sheldon
Stephen R Weeden
Allen Dow
George Man
Nicholas H Bradford

William Langley
Henry L Brown
William J Harris
Nathaniel G Helme
Clark Thurman
James W Fordick
Ebenezer H Fowler
Charles L Keene
Andrew Brown
Samuel N Richmond

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| | George M Richmond | Alexander Lake | Major W Shaw |
| | Henry W Bradford | Jeremiah S Ross | Thomas B Updike |
| | George A Humphrey | Richard E Eddy | John C Gladding |
| | Benjamin Hathaway | Edwin M Harris | Lewis M Bradford |
| | Vincent Carr | Nelson Anthony | Stephen G Hobbs 2d |
| | Albert E Harding | Richard E Hamlin | Charles W Olney |
| | Conrad C Ellery | Joseph M Shillman | Alonzo E Jenkins |
| | William M Harding | William M Mann | Thomas R Tripp |
| | William J Cross | Edward Billings | George Adams |
| | William S B Read | Joseph Bradford | Timothy M Temple |
| | Gilbert Sheldon | Edward S Sheldon | Amos S Jenckes |
| | George M Hopkins | Ezra Hubbard | George Earle 2d |
| | Henry Gardner | John S Rice | Thomas B Greene |
| | | William W Comstock | |

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|---|---|---|---|
| Engine Company No 1 | William A Howard | Sprague Barber | John Brunch |
| | Stephen Barker | John Westcott 2d | E W Walker |
| | Maris Nichols | Nathan Bucklin | |
| | Alfred Anthony | Samuel W Brown | |
| | William S Wardwell | Anson Tilley | |

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| Engine Company No 2 | Jesse B Swan | Augustus J Winship | Whiting Metcalf |
| | Luther Angell | David A Cleveland | John Fisher |
| | George E Cleveland | George M Bush | Thomas Stone |
| | Joel Metcalf | John Simmons | Dexter Hall |
| | Thomas Fletcher | Lucius Wood | Parley Batchelor |
| | Peter Church | George Hunt | Nelson Mowry |
| | William N Amsbury | Harvey Brown | Benjamin O Annis |
| | William W Chace | Cyrus Cleveland 2d | James Thurber 2d Clerk |
| | Lewis Brown | William L Hopkins | |

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| Engine Company No 3 | Henry L Hunnewell Capt | E. W. T. Rice | Wilson Jacobs |
| | Joseph M Bosworth | Gardner T Swan | Francis Simmons |
| | Benjamin T Taylor | Olney Read | Zebediah Ingals |
| | Samuel Gould | Winthrop B Williams | James Dolan |
| | Charles Childs | Charles Smith | Ray Clapp |
| | John T Dyer | Ebenezer M Balch | George L Nottage 2d |
| | Henry C Hackaday | John L Noyes | William Dennisford |
| | Thomas Brown 2d | David B Hunt | Hosea Read |
| | John T Paine | Charles White | Albert Cotis |
| | Ward Cheney | Liberty Childs | |
| | William P Dana | David Ellis | |

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| Engine Company No 4 | Wm C Thayer | George W Ormsbee | William T Pullen |
| | Henry B Bickford | Reuben Chace | Thomas Bushee |
| | Benj M Hodgkiss | Caleb W Mitchell | Wm C Miller |
| | George Foster | Caleb Godfrey | Gideon R Swan |
| | Olney Heath | Alvin Munro | Caleb Whitford |
| | John Griffin | Nathan B Luther | Joseph Westcott |
| | W. H. H Stone | Nathan T Tillinghast | John Brown |
| | Wm J Spencer | Randal Holden | Amos M Rhodes |
| | Simon Watson | John Pott | Elijah Ormsbee |



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| | Peter Vaughan | James Miller | George W Luther |
| | | Jeremiah Munro | |

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| Engine Company No 5. | Wm L Thornton | Jonathan T Angell | Alanson Smith |
| | Samuel Greene | Simeon Arnold | Arnold Hopkins |
| | Robert W Briggs | Frederick B Dunbar | Wm Seaver |
| | Morris Childs | Lewis M Dean | Benj Cowell |
| | Nath T Potter | Joseph T Hill | Benj B Wood |
| | John Burton | Jas E Butts | Henry C Matthewson |
| | Stephen W Hunt | Duty Greene | Edward A Nichols |
| | David W Potter | Stephen D Olney | James Sheldon |
| | Edward Williams 3d | Geo B Cook | John M Freeman |
| | W. M Gilmore | Thos Knight | Wm C Gorlin |
| | William W. Arnold | Alvan T Arnold | |

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| Engine Company No 7. | Thomas Barstow | John Sanders | A B Southwick |
| | George B Holmes | Pardon T Paine | James P Eddy |
| | Henry Shubum | Samuel Kilburn | Joseph Davis |
| | Edwin Barstow | Sylvester Salsbury | Levi Salsbury |
| | Edward Salsbury | John Salsbury | Gardner Salsbury |
| | Horatio Bartlett | C. T Tompkins | |
| | Angell Battey 2d | Edward Judd | |

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| Fire Hook & Ladder Company No 1. | Stanton Thurber | Otis Claflin | Henry W Pettis |
| | Joseph Low | Daniel Hull | James Chapman |
| | Thos Tenney 2d | James Wheaton 2d | Charles P Parkhurst |
| | John Freeman | Cyrus Osborn | Lyman Dayton |
| | Geo W. Fox | Obadiah P Osborn | |

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| Fire Hook & Ladder Company No 2. | Sheldon Young | William B Mason | David Jackson |
| | Russell Greene | Gardner Luther | Isaac Tabor |
| | Robert Manchester | Jonathan B Nichols | Isaac Clarke |
| | Caleb C Cook | Seth Butts 2d | Charles G Snow |
| | James W Thurber | Hiram W Chace | Joshua Smith |
| | Daniel W Young | Esek Bowen | Isaac Butts |
| | Dennis Sawyer | Jacob B Thurber | |

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| School Committee | Samuel W Bridgham | Frederick A Tenney | J. A Clarke |
| | Stanford Newel | William Aplin | John Farnam |
| | Charles Holden | George Baker | George Samuel |
| | John H Ormsbee | Alexis Capwell | Thomas W Dorr |
| | John Pennell | Marcellus Church | Caleb Williams |
| | George Curtis | Robert E Patterson | |
| | Moses B Ives | Josiah Chapin | |
| | Robert H Ives | Samuel B Tobey | |
| | Thomas H Webb | Edward B Hall | |

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| Furniture Goods Fire Protection Co. | Richmond Bullock | John W Richmond | William C Barker |
| | Peter Grinnell | John Andrews | William Russell |
| | Edward J Mallett | Nicholas Stillwell | Peter W Snow |
| | Joseph T Cooke | John Church | Isaac Brown |
| | Josiah Kent | Benjamin C Weeden | John Lanphear |
| | Stones Richardson | Simeon Barker | Enoch Stone |
| | Benoni Cobb | William Bucklin | |

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| Sealers of Leather. | Calvin Dean, Joel Metcalf jr. |
| City Crier | John Greene |
| Committee of Encroachments on Streets. | Leonard Blodgett. Samuel B Cushing |
| Inspectors of Pits & Rail Affes. | Smith Borworth, Amasa Manton. |
| Inspectors & Measurers of Carpenters, Masons & Painters work. | William W Bowen, Leonard Blodgett, John H Greene, Negro Carpenter. Robert Manchester, Joseph Bogman, James Brown Pardon Borworth James Lewis, Russell Greene |
| Surveyors and Measurers of Stone | Zachariah Chaffee. Daniel Hale, William Andrews. |
| Overseer of Public Bridges | Mungo Swatt. |
| Advising Committee &c. do, | Mayor & Aldermen. |
| Committee to Superintend building Chimneys & placing Stoves & Stove pipes | Samuel Carlile, John T Jackson, Benoni Cooke. |
| Auctioneers | Sylvester Hartshorne |
| Overseer of North burial ground. | Benjamin Hathaway. |
| Measurers of Grain Salt & Stacoal | John W Jones Hezekiah Jaffe. |
| Overseer of Pump North end | George Cleveland |
| Overseer of Pump South end | Samuel Carlile |
| Overseer of Pump High Street. | Caleb Williams |
| Overseer of Pumps, Pond Street & west end of Westminster Street. | Nicholas Northrop |
| Overseer of Pump Broad Street. | Phinehas Potter |
| Inspectors of Liquor to ascertain Proof. | Daniel C Ross John W Jones. |
| Overseer of Town House. | Joshua Rathbun |
| Commissioners of side walks | Walter Paine Asapa Bassett, Benoni Cooke. |
| Measurers of Brant. | John W Jones Hezekiah Jaffe. |
| City Marshal | Henry G Mumford. |
| Insurance Committee | Henry G Mumford, Asapa Bassett Benjamin Clifford |
| Inspector of Beef & Pork. | Thomas Angell. |
| Pound Keeper | Joshua Rathbun. |



**Persons Reprieved &c.**

The following persons was reprieved &c, to June Session, to wit,

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| George O Bourne | died Insane |
| Edward Dodge | do |
| Thomas Bowen | do |
| Asahel Steere jr. | do |
| Edward Anthony | do. |

**Admitted Free.**

William G Mowry admitted Attorney of William Mowry.

The Two Boards then Seperated.

**Fixing Commencing Compensation of Offices.**

An Ordinance fixing the Compensation of City Officers for the year Ending the first Monday of June one thousand eight hundred and thirty five.

Section 1 Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence that for the year ending the first Monday of June One thousand eight hundred and thirty five, the Compensations to be allowed and paid the several Officers hereinafter mentioned shall be as follows, to wit,

To the City Clerk, Seven hundred dollars
To the City Treasurer Five hundred dollars
To the Overseer of the Poor Two hundred & fifty dollars
To the City Sergeant Three hundred and twelve dollars
To the Surveyor of Highways Five hundred dollars
To the Clerk of the Market Two hundred dollars
To the Judge of the Municipal Court in addetion to the fees allowed by Law, for the transaction of Probate business One hundred dollars
To the City Marshal Two hundred & fifty dollars.

Section 2. That said several sums be paid from the City Treasury in quarterly payments to the Officers respectively entitled thereto.

Section 3 That the fees of the Clerk of the Municipal Court allowed by law for the Probate and other business transacted in said Court shall be in full Compensation for his services as such;

And that the fees allowed by Law to Justices of the Peace shall be in full Compensation to the Justices of the Police Court for their services as such.

Passed June 2d 1834.

**Clerk & Com. Council**

Resolved that the Clerk of the Common Council shall be allowed and paid for his services Three dollars for each and every meeting of the Board he shall attend

Passed June 2d 1834.

**Town House**

Upon the petition of William J Tillinghast & others, Resolved that the use of the Town House be granted to said Petitioners in the afternoon of the 4th of July next and also on the morning of the 9th of June instant under the Superintendance of the overseer of the Town house

Passed June 2d 1834.

**Beef & Pork.**

To the Hon. City Council of the City of Providence.

The Subscriber respectfully presents the following return of Beef & Pork inspected and Branded by him, as inspector for the last year.

359 Bbls Mess Pork
70 do Clear do
49 do prime do
488 Bbls. Providence May 30. 1834.

Renewed. June 2d 1834. Thomas Angell. City Inspector

# Dr City of Providence in account with Stephen Fillinghast City Treasurer Cr

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| 1834 | Feb'y | 4. | To Cash paid Sundry Persons on Field's point Land | | 6 | 36 | 1834 Jan'y 1 | By balance of Appropriation A/c viz. Cash | | 5293 | 64 |
| | | 12 | " Expenses Jan. 13 Brown's apprehending murderer of Geo Erickson | | 397 | 79 | | uncollected Tax of 1833. | | 4611 | 0 |
| | | | | | | | | ditto notes | | 2649 | 90 |
| | | | | | | | | | | 22343 | 54 |
| | | 24 | " Rufus Smith Jail Keepers bill as Cash paid Sundries | | 5 | 42 | | " Wood & Parsons 3 Mo. bill and Tax to date | 47 | 57 | |
| | | | | | | | | E. Quarles 3 Mo. do " | 47 | 57 | |
| | | | | | | | | | | 95 | 0 |
| | March | 22 | " S. Wilmarth Jail Keeper in Case Cary & Whiting in 1830 & 1831 included in Notes & others from them not their Indictment | | 2 | 57 | | Wm. Gibbs 3 Mo. do " | | 47 | 50 |
| | | | | | | | 8 | " Cash of City Clerk on A/c Licenses | | 97 | 0 |
| | | | | | | | | " do of G. S. Packer for Auctioneer Tax as Billiard Table to Apl 1 1833. 35 days. | | 18 | 21 |
| | April | 1 | " Providence Savings Institution 2 Certificates of City debt $400 each | | 800 | 0 | Feb. 21. | " do of Justus Billings for Fines &c | | 9 | 52 |
| | | 3 | " Mr Stoddard Constable selling City Hall Lot in Cary | | 1 | 0 | March 5 | " S. Belcher note at 4 Mo | 10 | 80 | |
| | | | " Cash advanced City Sealer to pay 3 workmen in Case of the City vs Hunt | | 1 | 20 | | D. Lothrop do " | 10 | 55 | 34 |
| | | | | | | | | | | 27 | 35 |
| | | | " Providence Gas Light Co in Case D. Hathaway | | 4 | 36 | 7 | " Cash from the Mayor for fines inflicted on Michael Carey 12/. | | 2 | 0 |
| | May | 22 | " Chas Pearce Clerk to Judge Wickliffe to take depositions in the great mill Case | | 2 | 75 | 21 | " do of Thomas D. Carpenter removed from Mr. Grange's under the Criminal Laws. 114. 93 | | | |
| | | | | | | | | by his Costs & Services in various suits 103. 65 | | 6 | 27 |
| | | 31 | " balances of the following A/cs viz. | | | | | | | | |
| | | | " Notes receivable on hand this day. | | 2503 | 55 | " | " Cash of City Clerk for Licenses. | | 45 | 0 |
| | | | " Interest . . . Apl and that A/c. | | 2646 | 16 | 24 | " Measures sold by Surveyor. | | 9 | 50 |
| | | | " Contingencies do | | 528 | 47 | April 3 | " do of Gibbs & Quarles each 3 Mo. bill and Tax | | 95 | 0 |
| | | | " Support of the Poor do | | 573 | 92 | May 10 | " Dividend at Union Bank 6 Mo on the Selling part Donation to Jan'y 1834. | | 6 | 0 |
| | | | " do in Asylum do | | 905 | 76 | | " balance of prior A/c | | 399 | 1 |
| | | | " Public Bridges do | | 328 | 36 | | " do rec'd of A. Foster | | 26 | 67 |
| | | | " Public Schools do | | 3104 | 90 | | | | | |
| | | | " City Watch do | | 1858 | 69 | 27 | " fine Collected by W. R. Staples of P. Burrows. | | 10 | 0 |
| | | | " Pumps do | | 1550 | 72 | 27. | " Cash of City Clerk on A/c Licenses | | 84 | 0. |
| | | | " Wells & pumps. do | | 50 | 99 | | | | | |
| | | | " Salaries do | | 1091 | 33 | | | | | |
| | | | " Public Buildings do | | 32 | 82 | | | | | |
| | | | " Com to alter M. House Chambers do | | 284 | 75 | | | | | |
| | | | " Cyclone wall do | | 368 | 74 | | | | | |
| | | | " Highways do | | 475 | 4 | | | | | |
| | | | " Fire department do | | 345 | 12 | | | | | |
| | | | " Tax of 1833 uncollected. | | 2400 | 0 | | | | | |
| | | | To Nett A/c for balance due from City Treasurer | | 2325 | 19. | | | | | |
| | | | | | $ 23.322 | 56. | | | $ | 23.322 | 56. |
| | | | | | | | | By balance from Old A/c due the City | | 2325 | 19. |
| | | | | | | | | " Error in Penn's bill twice Charged in Fire department | | 7 | 62 |
| | | | | | | | | | $ | 2333 | 51. |

Errors Excepted

Providence May 31. 1834

Stephen Fillinghast
City Treasurer

Passed June 2. 1834.



City Printing

Resolved that Messrs Anthony & Potter with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to Contract for the City printing the ensuing year — Aldermen Potter added —

Passed June 2. 1834.

School.

To the Hon. City Council of the City of Providence to be Convened on the third Monday of June A.D. 1834.

The School Committee respectfully report that they have given to the important Trusts entrusted to their Charge and Care as much attention as has been in their power; they have regularly visited the Public Schools quarterly as required by Law, and at other times; that the Schools have been during the year past on as Honourable Condition as they have been, and still Continue justly to maintain a good reputation; that they are in the opinion of the Committee as reputable as institutions of the same kind and Class in other places, and that their usefulness to the public is such as must afford a high degree of satisfaction to their patrons and will undoubtedly prove the source of rich and lasting blessings to the Community. Deeply impressed with the value of these institutions the Committee have furnished to the greatest reasonable extent all the accommodations and facilities which they deemed promotive of the important object in view. —

No new expenses have been incurred for fuel during the last than in any previous year. this article was never before wholly supplied at the expense of the City. But for the reasons assigned in the last annual report, the Committee have deemed that Course to be proper and think it ought to be still pursued. the school houses have been kept in suitable repair, and books have been provided for destitute Children. Notwithstanding all these things the whole appropriation has not exceeded the appropriations made for the support of the schools.

The amount appropriated was five thousand dollars besides the sum which the City might receive during the year from the State Treasury, and there has been received from the State Treasury the sum of fifteen hundred and twenty seven dollars and twenty eight cents, making in the whole the sum of six thousand five hundred and twenty seven dollars and twenty eight cents.

The amount expended for instruction is five thousand six hundred and forty seven dollars and fourteen Cents; for repairs of school houses, one hundred and eighty eight dollars & eighty five Cents, for fuel, two hundred and thirty dollars and nineteen Cents; and for incidental Charges, one hundred and forty eight dollars and ninety six Cents making in the whole the sum of six thousand two hundred & fourteen dollars and fourteen Cents, and leaving the sum of three hundred and thirteen dollars and fourteen Cents of the appropriation unexpended.

The Committee are therefore of opinion that the sum of five thousand dollars, in addition to what may be received from the State Treasury will be both a necessary and sufficient appropriation for the year ensuing for the support of the schools already established. Should the Committee however establish a new writing school in the Fourth ward in Conformity to the recommendation of the City Council, which subject is now under Consideration, a further appropriation sufficient to defray the expence of such school will become necessary.

The number of schools including the Asylum has been the same during the year last past as in the year preceding it, namely, twelve; the number of teachers, male and female has been the same, namely, twenty two. The number of Scholars at the Close of the year was eleven hundred and thirty nine, and the whole number of Scholars during the year amounted eleven hundred and thirty seven.

The Committee appointed by your Hon body at the Commencement of the year was Composed of twenty three members, three of whom namely, Lyndon Upton, David Pickering and David Anthony declined serving, and the Committee appointed William R. Bullock J. A. Clarke & John Farnum to fill the vacancies. During the year two other vacancies occurred one by the resignation of Peter Pratt and the other by the resignation of William R. Bullock, and these vacancies the Committee filled by the appointment of George Turner and Thomas A. Doré. Another vacancy has recently occurred by the resignation of William S. Grinnell but this vacancy the Committee have not filled.

The Secretary has kept a record of all the absentees from all the meetings of the Committee during the year, an abstract of which agreeably to one of the by-laws of the Committee is herewith presented.

All which is respectfully submitted for the Committee by

Samuel W. Bridgham
President

Robert H. Ives Secretary

Passed June 2. 1834.

Resolved that the report of the School Committee presented by Samuel W Bridgham their President be received recorded and printed.

Passed June 2d 1834

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**Police Court.**

Resolved that from the Justices appointed to keep the peace within this City Williams A Staples & Thomas White Esquires be and they hereby are selected to compose the Police Court of said Court for the ensuing year.

Passed June 2d 1834.

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**Communication from the Mayor.**

To the Hon. City Council of the City of Providence.

The amount of the appropriations heretofore made for building the wall around the Asylum Estate have been in part transmitted. All the Money appropriated has not been drawn from the treasury yet work has been done sufficient to create demands equal to the whole. This is the season of the year most suitable for prosecuting the business, & it is the opinions of the Commissioners of the Dexter Donation that it is as much as the period is for elapsing within which the work is to be Completed an appropriation ought to be made this year larger than either of the former. They think it would be judicious to appropriate at this time the sum of One thousand dollars.

I therefore respectfully invite your attention to the Subject.

City of Providence June 2 1834. Samuel W Bridgham Mayor

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Read & thereupon resolved that the same be referred to Alds. Brown Cady & Stimson with such as the Board of Aldermen may add.

Alderman Holden Added.

Passed June 2d 1834.

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**Treasurers Bond.**

Resolved that Alds. Brown Cady and Stimson with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be a Committee to procure a Bond of the City Treasurer with sufficient Surety, for the faithfull discharge of the duties of his Office for the ensuing year.

Passed June 2d 1834

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**Mayors Address**

Resolved that his honor the Mayor be requested to furnish a Copy of the address delivered by him this day at the organization of the City Government for the purpose of publication.

Passed June 2d 1834.

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**William Chace**

The Joint Committee to whom was referred the petition of William Chace with power to adopt such measures in relation to the subject matter thereof as they might deem expedient, beg leave to report.

That the Claim against said Chace for which Execution has issued amounted to about One hundred and fifteen dollars, that he represented himself to be without property and wholly unable to pay the same, and that he saw no mode of escaping Commitment upon the execution except that of the interposition of the City Government, under these Circumstances your Committee deemed it advisable that the Execution should be returned for ase alias and gave directions to the City Treasurer accordingly,

All which is respectfully submitted.

Geo Curtis
S Newell
Committee.

Passed June 2d 1834.



**Municipal Clerk.**

Resolved that Mr Holden with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be a Committee to transfer the Books and other property appertaining to the Office of Clerk of the Municipal Court from the former Clerk of said Court to the Clerk Elect. Alderman Dunnell added.

Passed June 2 1834.

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**City Printing**

The Committee appointed to Contract for the printing for the City for the ensuing year, report that they have agreed with Messrs Miller & Paine to publish in the Journals & Index pendent Enquirer for the Current year, all the advertisements of every department of the City Government all of the Ordinances of the City Council and such reports as are ordered by the Board of Aldermen or City Council to be published and to furnish 100 Copies of Documentary regulations for the sum of Sixty dollars for the year to be paid quarterly.

Providence June 4. 1834.

H. Anthony
W. Potter
Charles Waldron
Committee.

Passed June 4th 1834.

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**Municipal Clerk**

The Committee appointed to transfer the Books papers and other property appertaining to the Office of the Municipal Court to Albert G Greene Esq. the Clerk Elect, beg leave to report that they have attended to that duty.

Providence June 3 1834.

Thomas R Holden
John Dunnell.

Received June 4. 1834

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**Treasurers Bond.**

The Committee appointed at the last meeting of the City Council "to procure a Bond from the City treasurer with sufficient surety for the faithfull discharge of his duties for the ensuing year" Report that they have procured from the City Treasurer a Bond Signed by him as principal & William Richmond 2d & Charles G Fillinghast as sureties in the sum of Thirty thousand dollars being in form & amount as it stood the last year & which they herewith present

Providence 3 June 1834.

Isaac P Brown
Joseph Cady
John J Stimson
Caleb Williams

Read and thereupon Resolved that the same be received and that said Bond be lodged in the City Clerks Office for safe keeping.

Passed June 4th 1834

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**Treasury Statement of Receipts**

Statement of Receipts into the Treasury for the year ending May 31st 1834. & the Sources from whence derived.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Balance of tax of 1832 | 2449 | 90 |
| Remainder tax of 1833 | 37100 | 0 |
| Billiard tables | 590 | 60 |
| Licenses | 1830 | 69 |
| City Watch | 10 | 38 |
| Highways for old materials sold | 141 | 77 |
| Interest on "the Fillinghast donation" of $200 | 12 | 0 |
| Rents including fish Market | 703 | 34 |
| Fines | 143 | 0 |
| Feoffee Estate | 83 | 93 |
| Part payment for land in Weybosset Street | 300 | 0 |
| Public Drains for use thereof | 45 | 0 |
| Old Materials from Market house Chambers | 39 | 63 |
| Hospital expenses refunded | 15 | 0 |
| Rents of Market house Stalls | 1873 | 20 |
| Back rents of Old watch house | 16 | 0 |
| $ | 45134 | 94 |

Payments from the Treasury.

## Abstract of Payments from the Treasury for the year ending May 31. 1834. viz.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Interest | 5219 | 90 |
| Lighting Streets | 2019 | 44 |
| City Watch | 4522 | 81 |
| Fire department | 1635 | 68 |
| Contingencies | 2296 | 25 |
| Support of the poor at large | 1193 | 45 |
| Ditto in the Asylum # | 927 | 38 |
| Highways | 3939 | 4 |
| Schools exclusive of amount received from the State $1527.28 | 4765 | 36 |
| Bridges | 1327 | 29 |
| Wells & pumps | 115 | 54 |
| Salaries | 4239 | 0 |
| Alteration of Market Chambers | 3849 | 96 |
| Asylum Wall | 368 | 74 |
| Public buildings | 165 | 24 |
| Paving Canal Street | 1622 | 68 |
| Cholera Appropriation | 4 | 40 |
| President Jackson's visit | 1077 | 54 |
| Funded debt redeemed | 800 | 0 |
| Reward for Murderers of Geo Erickson | 620 | 41 |
| Field Point farm | 58 | 36 |
| Expenses in Case vs Mrs Howell | 23 | 57 |
| Work house Lot | 72 | 19 |
| Weights in Market house | 10 | 84 |
| Town of Providence | 5 | 97 |
| John Hill Cons[r] on tax of 1832 | 1664 | 24 |
| Balance due Treasurer in June 1833 | 10 | 21 |
| $ | 43.112 | 9 |

# this is exclusive of $2905.34 paid from the funds of the Dexter Donation.

Treasurers Office. Providence June 1st 1834.

Stephen Fitzhugh late City Treasurer

City debt.

## Statement of the City debt on 1st June 1834

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Note to the Providence Depositary redeemable, Interest @ 5 P Cent payable quarterly. | 1300 | 0 |
| ditto to trustees of John Wilsons Children redeemable on demand Interest at 6 P Cent payable semiannually | 1333 | 34 |
| Notes to various persons payable July 1. 1834 interest from April 1st @ 6 P Cent. | 7600 | 0 |
| ditto to ditto payable April 1. 1834 interest at 5 P cent pay[e] quarterly | 9000 | 0 |
| Certificates of 5 P Cent Stock redeemable April 1st 1835. | 10.000 | 0 |
| ditto . . . do April 1st 1838 | 15.000 | 0 |
| ditto . . . do do 1840 | 60.000 | 0 |
| $ | 104.333 | 34 |

Treasurers Office
Providence June 1st 1834.
Stephen Fitzhugh
City Treasurer



Real Estate.

## Schedule of Real Estate belonging to the City of Providence

The Brick Market Lot on Market Square.

The Town house Lot commencing on College Street 120 feet, on Benefit Street 125 feet bounding South on a passageway 77 feet in width which extends entirely with the Town house Lot 67 ½ feet from lands of Brown & Sons & others Northerly six feet, making the whole Northerly line 153 ½ feet Westerly on lands of Jesse Whipple & others on which it measures 155 ½ feet

The buildings on said Lot are

1st The Town house measuring 52 feet by 45 feet
2d Firemen's Hall 30 " 20 "
3d Two hooks & ladder house 35 " 9
4th Engine house No 1 18 " 8
5 Shed for Market men's hogs 16 " 10
6 Carriage house 19 " 18
7 City Pound

All the above belong to the City.

8th The Artillery Alarm post 30 feet by 20
9 " Cadet Alarm post 52 by 38.
10 Mess[rs] Watt & Burgess's Office 30 by 15.

Hospital Land, Two acres and 30 poles bounding East on the River & South on Hawkins Cove Called the old Hospital Lands, having been purchased of Martha Field for special use, the City have no power to sell it.

Two and 1/10 acres Called The New Hospital Land on which the large Hospital building is erected bounding on the North which forms the South boundary line of the City & the North boundary line of Cranston, this lot originally formed the old Hospital Lands, but is now separated by the Pawtuxet turnpike, A new building for Hospital uses was erected in 1832 in the vicinity of the other hospital standing upon this lot.

The North Burying ground, originally Comprised 4 ½ acres & in June 1795. the Town purchased of Moses Brown, Eight acres adjoining westerly on the same, after which a turnpike road was made through & leaving part of the Towns land South west of said road, this piece was afterwards sold to J Dorr & others, (The aldermen with my mayor & M[r] John Howland the late Town Treasurer is now speaking) but said that there had been considerable encroachments on different sides of the land & it was thought by some persons that the eight acres bought of M[r] Brown had been formerly Clipped off the original 4 ½ acres, though he had purchased not doubting that the true title was in the persons from whom he made the purchase. There ought to be a survey & as far as possible designated bounds ascertained and monuments of wrought Stone placed at the lines especially as some of the land on the West side of the Pawtuxet turnpike road is now understood to be enclosed by individuals.

The Danforth Lot, lies at the junction of North main & Benefit & Hampers Street & was purchased for the accommodation of this neighbourhood, partly by subscription from individuals & partly by the town, Engine No 2 is located thereon

The Old Brick school House, the Lot whereon it stands is 60 feet by 55 feet & was given to the Town by Ambrose Page in May 1766 for a School house & no other purpose, the whole lot measures 100 feet by 120 feet & extending from Meeting Street to South Court Street.

North School House & Lot first district, the lot bounds 45 feet on Benefit Street & extends Easterly 80 & Can't be applied to no other purpose than its actual one; the Town in 1825 bought an additional lot of 20 feet front & 62 feet in depth making the whole lot 65 feet on Benefit Street.

The Sessions lot runs westerly on North Main Street at its Northern extremity & extending Westerly to a road & Contains about nine & a half acres.

Land on Charles & Smith Street,

The whole work House Lot so Called on the East side of Charles Street & bounding on the Blackstone Canal measures in length on Charles Street about 220 feet, & in width on Smith Street being its South end, is about 100 feet, & its North end about 63 feet, the lot is walled up to the level of Smith's Street & to the level of Charles Street to the length of about 145 feet. The remainder lies open & has in part been used as a public watering place to the great Convenience of the Public, but its source of water has been cut off by the Canal, Hawkins & Collins Savings Co.

the land on the west side of Charles Street measures thereon about 240 feet, its width at the North end measuring westerly to Back Street as called is 96 feet, its width at the South[erly] end which bounds on Smith Street is about 74 feet, this width is exclusive of 40 feet for the entire length of the west line of this lot being the proposed Continuation of Back Street through the City lands by an exchange made the past year and the above lands form a square divided North & South by Charles Street.

Land South of Smith Street & Bridge.

The City is supposed to have Claim to part of the land & Shore South of Smith's Bridge on which the heirs of the Cranston family also pretend to Claim, it is here that this question was settled.

Great Point. To this land bounded were affixed some years since by a Town's Committee the quantity of land is unknown to me no plat thereof being on file.

South a third district School House.

The lot on which the School house stands is 84 feet front on Benefit Street the East front of the lot extends 80 feet north to the Selling post burying ground & 31 feet of the west part extends back to land of J S Clifford. An Engine house stands on part of this Lot.

The Abbot Lot at Snowtown is 40 feet and given to the Town as a Watering place exclusively say 40 feet Square.

## West Side.

The Stone house & Lot.

This lot fronts on Weybosset Street measuring thereon 31 feet 2 ins and depth 70 feet Engine house No 3 stands on the west line of this lot.

The Sessle Estate.

A house and lot at the junction of Weybosset and Dorrance Street now in possession of the City subject to the Claim of said Sessle's heirs.

The Public Square,

Conveyed to the Town "for some public purpose or purposes & for no other use or purposes whatever" is 150 feet Square & bounded on Abbotts Avenue & Bradford Street on two sides by 20 feet gangways, A well has been sunk thereon for public use.

Fourth district School house & Lot.

Is situated on the Southerly side of Richmond Street measuring thereon, one hundred & twelve feet, depth of Lot not given in the deed.

Stone School houses & Lots,

Situate between High and Pavilion & Steuts the deeds do not give dimentions of the Lots.

Thatch Beds.

The north bounds of the lower thatch bed belonging to the City began at the N.E. corner of the house late Davies Number South of Carpenters point thence keeping the Cove to a point a little E of land belonging to the heirs of John Smith. The rights purchased of Wm Barnes & others bound Southerly on the above described rights extending up the Cove to the boundary lines of North Providence & thence across the Cove to Carpenters point. Quantity of land not mentioned in the deeds.

Wyboussion Buildings.

No 1 stands on lot belonging to Thomas Thompson on Wyboussion Street.

No 2 near Canal Basin on land filled in from the Cove.

A Building for the Fire department stands on land of Benjamin as Above. An Engine house on land of Wm Elliot & another on land of D Bowels heirs

Field's Point land Contains about 38 acres, the City has lately purchased Clove Field's right of Dower in part of this land.



## Schedule of Rents.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Part of Town House Lot rented to Battle Bourgeois . . . per an. | 20 | — |
| do do Independent Company of Cadets | 20 | 0 |
| Land on South & Charles Streets, one lot on East side of Charles Street to Roy at Lot to January 1st 1838. | | |
| $290 p an (145 feet on Charles Street. | 290 | 0 |
| 1 lot on West side of Charles Street Let to James Rose from year to year 40 feet front & extending to back street 75 ft p foot. | 30 | 0 |
| 1 do to Daniel Angell 1st January 1837. 30 feet $1 p foot | 30 | 0 |
| 1 do to James Smith to January 1837. 37 feet $1 p foot | 37 | 0 |
| 1 do E B Brown to January 1838. 22 feet | 22 | 0 |
| The Scipions Lot. | | |
| Leased to Warren Batchellor to April 1838 to put thereon yearly 31 tons of Manure | 60 | 0 |
| The Stone House. | | |
| To David Pitts to January 1835 | 86 | 0 |
| The Sessle House. | | |
| To David Martin to January 1835 | 140 | 0 |
| Market House Stalls | | |
| To December 1834 not payable June 1834 | 1885 | 0 |
| Fish Market do | | |
| To January 1st 1835 | 113 | 0 |
| Amount to accrued for Billiard Tables from June 1833. | 390 | 00 |
| the privilege of Mooring the thatch beds in 1833 not let | 12 | 50 |
| | $ 3336 | 10 |

"The Tillinghast Donation" is a bequest of Two hundred dollars made by the late Mr Sydrick Tillinghast "as a fund, the interest, or income thereof to be used for the relief, comfort & support of the poor" of any "or all County & Towns" it is invested in Stock of the Union Bank.

Treasurers Office Providence June 1st 1834

Stephen Tillinghast

City Treasurer.

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Treasurers Office, Providence June 2d 1834.

Sir

I have the honor to enclose you herewith

My account Current

with the City for five months ending May 31. 1834.

An Abstract of receipts into the Treasury & Sources whence derived,

An Abstract of payments from the Treasury and for what purpose

A Statement of the City debt to this date.

A Schedule of Real Estate belonging to the City together with a list of rents.

H the period since the Committee

furnished their examination of the accounts

how to the Board to punctuality making

up this account.

I remain with great respect

Your Obed Servt.

Stephen Tillinghast

City Treasurer.

To

Samuel W Bridgham Esq

Mayor.

Read together with the accompanying documents & thereupon

Resolved that the same be received.

Resolved that the Statements this day submitted by the City Treasurer be referred to Mr Potter, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add; and that said Committee cause to be published in the Providence Daily Journal and in the Manufacturers and Farmers Journal for the information of the public a particular account of the receipts and expenditures, entitled "Schedule of City Property" agreeably to the requirements of the City Charter.

City Treasurer added to the Committee.

Passed June 4th 1834.

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Appropriations

An Ordinance appropriating Twenty three thousand one hundred and twelve dollars for the purposes therein mentioned.

Section 1. Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence that the sums herein after mentioned be and the same are hereby appropriated for the following purposes respectively, to wit,

For the support of the Public Schools for the year ending the first Monday of June next together with and in addition to the sums which the City may receive from the State Treasury, the whole to be expended under the direction of the School Committee, Five thousand Dollars.

For the support of the poor and the removal of paupers, including Asylums Two thousand dollars together with the income of the "Tillinghast fund" so called.

For the Fire department, one thousand dollars

For repairs of Highways & Streets Two thousand dollars

For Support of Public Bridges One thousand dollars

For Support of Public Watch Two thousand dollars

For Lighting the Streets one thousand Dollars.

For Salaries of Mayor & Aldermen for the year ending the first Monday of June next one thousand six hundred dollars.

For the Salaries of Certain Officers as provided in and by an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance fixing the Compensation of Certain Officers for the year ending the first Monday of June One thousand eight hundred and thirty five" two thousand eight hundred and twenty dollars.

For repairs of Public buildings one hundred dollars

For the support of the City hearses & wells one hundred dollars

For interest on Money hired and on funded debt Two thousand five hundred dollars.

For building Asylum Wall, one thousand dollars.

For Contingent expenses, namely, to pay any Claims which may be allowed by the Board of Aldermen or by the City Auditor not included in any of the preceding items, and also to pay the Compensation allowed to Messrs of Taxes to the Clerk of the Common Council and to ward Clerks One thousand dollars.

Section 2. That the several sums appropriated as aforesaid be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed June 4th 1834.

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John W Richmond.

Upon the Petition of John W Richmond for the use of a vacant lot of land adjacent to his new house at Fox point, Resolved that he may have the use of said lot for the purpose of leveling and planting trees, during the pleasure of the City Council Providing he keeps said lot open for a watering place agreeably to the Original deed of said lands to the Town of Providence.

Passed June 4th 1834.



Bathing

An Ordinance in addition to an ordinance entitled "An Ordinance for prohibiting bathing in certain places".

Section 1. Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence that between the time of sunrising and one hour after sunrise no person shall go into the waters of Woonasquatucket river for the purpose of swimming or bathing, at any place between the bridge on the Woonasquatucket turnpike, so called, and the line of the Town of Johnston

Section 2. that any person who shall violate this ordinance shall forfeit and pay the sum of two dollars to and for the use of the City, to be sued for and recovered in an action of debt in the name of the City Treasurer before the Inferior Court to try the same.

Section 3 that this Ordinance be published three weeks successively in the Manufacturers and Farmers Journal and the Independent Inquirer.

Passed June 4. 1834.

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South Main Street.

On the Petition of Daniel & Rose and others praying for repairs on South Main Street from Transit to Wickenden Street, Resolved that the same be received and referred to Messrs Mitchell, Barker and Peabody with such as the board of Aldermen may add.

Aldermen Comstock added.

Passed June 4th 1834.

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Horse Sheds

Resolved that Messrs Wooden and Barker with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to Carry the Horse Sheds standing on the Town house lot to be altered and repaired in manner following viz, To cut the range in two about its Centre and move its North end or North half round facing its front westerly running parallel with the south half making two sheds, with an avenue thro the Centre North & South, with a gate placed at the North end to enclose the whole, provided the expense thereof shall not exceed one hundred and twenty dollars.

2 Resolved that the sum of one hundred and twenty dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose aforesaid and that the same be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Alderman Williams added

Passed June 4th 1834.

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Houses of Correction.

Resolved that a Joint Committee be appointed to take into Consideration the expediency of Establishing a House of Correction.

Resolved that Messrs Metcalf Clarke & Baggies with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be said Committee, and that they make report as soon as circumstances will reasonably admit.

Alderman Newell added.

Passed June 4. 1834

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North Burial ground

Resolved that Messrs Daniels & Angell with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and they hereby are appointed a Committee to inquire into the expediency of Enclosing the piece around the North Burial ground to be repaired, and of Causing said Burial ground to be surveyed and platted.

Alderman Newell added

Passed Jointly June 4th 1834

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Tax $46.000.

An Ordinance providing for the assessment and Collection of a Tax of Forty Thousand dollars.

Section 1. Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence that a Tax of Forty thousand dollars shall be assessed and levied upon the valuable property of the inhabitants and others owning such property in said City, and that said Tax shall be assessed on or before the third Monday of August next, and be Collected and paid into the City Treasury on or before the third Monday of September next.

Sec. 2. That the Collector of said tax shall advertise for three weeks successively in the Manufacturers & Farmers Journal, Republican Herald, Providence Patriot & and Independent Inquirer and for

the same time, and Weekly in the Commercial Advertiser, Calling upon all persons who may be assessed for said tax to make payment at his office within the time herein limited, at which office he shall attend for the purpose of receiving said tax from nine o'clock A.M. until twelve o'clock M. and from two o'clock until five o'clock P.M. for ten days (sundays excepted) including and ending with the said third Monday of September next, on which day he shall attend at his Office, for the purpose aforesaid, until nine o'clock in the evening:

And said Collector shall deduct three per cent from the respective sums assessed upon all those who shall make payment within said ten days.

3. That said Collector shall be allowed four pr cent for Collecting said tax he allowing out of his said Commissions three pr cent to all those who shall pay him the amount of their respective taxes within the time herein before mentioned.

4. That said Collector shall pay into the City Treasury without delay all moneys he shall receive towards said tax by the third Monday of September next, Collecting the residue of said tax, if any, as soon thereafter as may be; and that all persons who shall be delinquent in paying said tax by said third Monday of September next shall pay interest afterwards, for which interest said Collector shall be accountable to said City.

5. That Henry Dr Franklin, Robert Angell, Nathaniel Corbett, William Gladding & James M Warner the assessors of Taxes of said City duly elected, be and they are hereby appointed assessors said tax; and that, Job Hill the Collector of Taxes of said City duly elected, be and he is hereby appointed to Collect the same.

Passed, June 21. 1834

To the Hon. City Council of the City of Providence.

Having received the accompanying request I have deemed it expedient to Call you together and to lay before you the subject therein mentioned for your Consideration and action thereon

Respectfully submitted by

City of Providence June 21. 1834 Samuel W. Bridgham Mayor.

La Fayette

Whereas intelligence has been received of the Death of General Lafayette, who departed this life on the twentieth of May last, and the City Council being desirous to testify their admiration of his exalted Character, their deep sense of the respect which the American people owe his memory, and the gratitude which they have ever felt for the sacrifices which he made and for the generous and disinterested Personal services which he rendered during their protracted struggle for independence, Therefore

Resolved, that we view the death of this true and ardent Patriot and Philanthropist, this great and good man, this illustrious Champion and unwearying defender of the great principals of Civil Liberty and the Equal rights of Man as an event to be mourned not by his own Countrymen only, but by the world; and especially by the people of this free and happy Country, to maintain whose freedom, and to secure whose happiness he has done so much.

Resolved that as a public expression of the feelings which are excited by this melancholy event the Steeples of all the houses of Public worship in this City, be requested to toll their respective bells, this day, one hour Commencing at six o'clock P.M.

That the Commander of the United Train of Artillery be desired to Cause Minute guns to be fired during said time;

That it be requested that the flaggs at the different armouries and alarm posts, and on all the flagg staves in this City and on all the vessels in the harbour be suspended at half Mast, this day from three o'clock P.M. until sunset.

Resolved that Alderman Crannell with such as the Common Council may add to them are hereby appointed a Committee to make suitable arrangements for such further expression



of regret at the death of General Lafayette, and of respect for his Character, as said Committee may deem expedient.

Resolved, that his Honor the Mayor be and he is hereby requested, in the name and behalf of the City Council and of the Citizens of Providence, to transmit to the family of General Lafayette a Copy of these Resolutions Alderman Brown & Thurston added.

Passed June 21. 1834.

Firemen's Association

Resolved that the sum of fifty Cents be paid by the City Treasurer to the Treasurer of the Providence Association of Firemen for Mutual assistance for each of the firemen of the City and ordered to entitle them severally to the benefit of the funds of said association, and that the same be paid on the Certificate of the City Clerk respecting the firemen appointment of said firemen out of the appropriation for the fire department.

Passed June 21. 1834

Lafayette.

Resolved that the expenses incurred under the resolutions this day adopted in reference to the decease of General Lafayette be paid out of the appropriation for Contingent expenses.

Passed June 21. 1834.

Assessors of Taxes.

Resolved that the assessors of Taxes have the liberty of using the City Council Chamber while discharging their Official duties provided they do not interfere with the rights of others in the occupation of the same

Passed July 7. 1834.

Lafayette.

The Committee appointed by the City Council at the Special Meeting holden in Providence on the 21st inst to make suitable arrangements for such further expression of regret at the death of General Lafayette, and of respect for his Character, as said Committee may deem expedient having given due attention to the subject, ask leave to report,

That they requested the Rev E.B. Hall, to pronounce an Eulogy on the 4th inst, agreeably to the wishes of many Citizens: But the health of the Gentleman would not permit his doing it on so short Notice

The Committee however are happy to State, that Mr Hall has Consented to pronounce the Eulogy, as soon as health and other Circumstances will permit, — the Committee have reason to hope, that the time will be Commencement week, in September next; though not authorized to promise it.

Further arrangements that may be made, for paying due honors to the memory of the illustrious Lafayette will be seasonably reported

Respectfully submitted

Providence July 7. 1834. For the Committee

Wm J. Bennett

Received July 7. 1834

Market Square.

The petition of Benjamin Cozzens and others in relation to repairing Market Square with small stones was read, received, and referred to Messrs Metcalf, Benkard & Potter, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon. Alderman Hoblitzell added.

Passed July 7. 1834

South Main Street.

Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby authorized to Cause so much of South Main Street to be repaired as lies between a line ten feet North of the Morgan Estate and a line ten feet South of the Howard Estate; and that he Cause the pavement in said Street South of said line to be repaired

Passed July 7. 1834

North Burial Ground.

Resolved, that Messrs. Daniels & Angell, with such as the board of Aldermen may add, be a Committee authorized to cause the fence around the North Burial ground to be so repaired as to answer the purpose intended, the present season. — " — Owners of North burial Ground added —

Resolved, that the Mayor be requested to take such measures as he may deem effectual, to Ascertain the limits and bounds of said Ground to be appertained, and Monuments to be erected there; and also to cause the vacant parts of said ground to be surveyed and platted; and the plat and doings to be reported to the City Government. —

— Passed July 7th 1834. —

Clearing the Channel.

Resolved, that Messrs Brown and Leavitt with such as the board of Aldermen may add be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to cause the Providence River to be surveyed and platted from Weybosett Bridge to the Cove (so called) giving the width of the river, or Channel and depths of water; provided that the expence thereof shall not exceed Fifty dollars. — " — — Aldeman Owen be added —

Resolved that the expence aforesaid be paid out of the appropriation for Contingent expenses

— Passed July 7. 1834 —

Convention

The two boards having met in Convention, the following named persons were appointed members of the Fire Engine Company No 5. to wit,

Engine Company No 5.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Edward Carlile | Conrad C Ellery | Willard Chace |
| James M Carle | L. D Anthony | Thomas Greene |
| Joseph Bradford | Edward I Sheldon | Charles W Hodges |
| Thomas Jefferson Branch | William H Wilkinson | Edward K Brown |
| John H Richmond | Samuel Almy | Joseph W Sweet |
| Thomas R Holden Jr | Charles C Tillinghast | Charles Holden 2d |
| Jarvis Chace | Wm W. Comstock | Henry Temple |
| John B Chace Jr | Edward W Tingley | George B Jastram |
| John D Jones | George Richardson | Edward Dodge |
| Edward Lewis Peckham | Joseph W Taylor | John H Nickerson |
| Nathan B Hall | William Temple | |
| John H Betts | Dexter Daniels | |

Hydraulion No 1.

Joseph B Sanford
Walter S Burges
were appointed additional members of Hydraulion Company No 1. —

Fire Wards.

It being made known that the resignation of William Russell as first ward assistant engineer was made known to this Council whereupon Henry L Kendall is appointed a first ward assistant engineer. —

Nuisance Committee

Benjamin C Telford having resigned his Office as a member of the Committee on Nuisances Moses Richardson is therefore appointed in his place. —

Admitted Freeman

James Potter Dunwell, Eldest Son of John C Dunwell is admitted a Freeman of the City.

Crier.

Nathaniel G Metcalf is appointed a City Crier by the two boards now Convened —



High Street.

Resolved that the petition of Henry Baker and others praying for Certain repairs on High Street, be referred to the Standing Committee on Highways (Messrs Metcalf, Barker and Peabody), to examine and report thereon. —

— Passed August 4th 1834 —

Brook Street.

Resolved that Messrs Metcalf Barker & Peabody with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and they hereby are appointed a Committee to advise with and direct the surveyor of Highways in regard to the immediate repair of those Streets belonging to the City which Boys Brook Street so called, and which were injured by the rain Storm on the 13th July last. —

" Aldeman Owen be added —

— Passed August 4th 1834 —

Brook Street.

The Petition of Samuel Doyle and others in relation to repairs on Brook Street is Read and it is thereupon ordered that the same with accompanying papers be referred to Messrs Weeden Fisher Potter Wrights Anthony & Spencer, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report on the same. —

— Aldeman Newell added. —

— Passed August 4th 1834 —

Ringing of Bells.

An Ordinance to prevent the ringing of Bells for Meetings, between sun set and one hour after sunrise. —

Section 1. Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence, that no person shall ring the bell of any house of public worship in said City for Lecture or for any meeting whatever, between Sunset and one hour after sunrise; Provided however, that nothing herein Contained shall be Construed to prevent the tolling of any such bell, between the times before mentioned, at a moderate rate. —

Section 2. that every person who shall offend against the provisions of this Ordinance shall forfeit and pay the sum of ten dollars to and for the use of the City, to be recovered in an action of debt in the name of the City Treasurer, before the proper Court to try the same. —

Section 3. that this Ordinance shall take effect from and after the first day of September next and shall be published three weeks successively in the Providence Daily Journal, the Manufacturers and Farmers Journal and the Independent Inquirer. —

— Passed August 4. 1834 —

House Sheds

The Committee appointed to cause the horse Sheds standing on Town house Lot to be altered have attended to that duty, and have with the present the Council with Church and Sweet's bill for Materials and Labour in Completing the same amounting to Seventy six dollars and Seventeen Cents The appropriation made for the above work was one hundred & twenty dollars, leaving an unexpended balance of appropriation in the Treasury of Forty three dollars & Eighty three Cents all of which is submitted by your Committee

Thomas R Holden
Caleb Williams
Wm C Barker —

Read & thereupon Ordered that the same be received.
August 19. 1834. —

High Street.

Resolved, that the surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby authorized to Cause High Street from Perry's Corner to Burnetts hill to be graveled, under the advice of Aldeman Williams and such as the Board of Common Council may add. — " Peabody added —

— Passed August 25th 1834 —

Main Street.

Resolved, that, the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby authorised to cause Main Street from Ventons Corner, so called, to College Street Street, to be graduated and repaved, using such of the Old stones as he may deem suitable

Passed August 25th 1834

City Funds.

Resolved, that Messrs Brown Cady & Stimson with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and they hereby are appointed a Committee to make such arrangement as they may deem advisable with one or more of the Banks in this City for the deposit of the City Funds Alderman Holden added

City Treasurer to hire Money

Resolved, that, the City Treasurer with the advice of Messrs Brown, Cady and Stimson with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and he hereby is authorised to hire from time to time previous to Eighth of September next, such Sums of Money as he may need to meet the demands against the City, provided the whole amount hired does not exceed Five Thousand dollars

John Wilson's Children.

Resolved, that, the City Treasurer be and he hereby is directed to pay to the Trustees of the Fund for the Children of John Wilson the sum of Thirteen hundred thirty three dollars and thirty four Cents and the interest on the same since the 20th April last, being the amount due them from the City. that the sum of thirteen hundred thirty three dollars & thirty four Cents be and the same is hereby appropriated for that purpose out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated

Passed August 25. 1834

Reuben Burke's Petition

Resolved, that the Petition of Reuben Burke (praying that a Certain Note holden against him by the City, may be given up to him) be referred to Messrs Anthony & Grant with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report on the same.

Alderman Dunwell added.

Passed August 25th 1834

Admitted Free.

The two Boards having met in Convention, and the following persons having stood propounded more than three Months are admitted Freemen of this City to wit

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| Holland Vinna | Moses Benson | Olney Read |
| Nathan Tyler | Joseph J Comstock | Josiah Keddy |
| Simon B Sharman | William W Comstock | John Holmes |
| Jonathan Sharman | George Child | Greene Burrows Field |
| David Martin | Asa Newell 2 | Nicholas Sheldon |
| Joseph Martin | Aaron Barrows. | John W Butts |
| James A Martin | Ebn Simmons Jr | Joseph Bowly |
| James A Aborn | John Warner Field | William Bowly |
| Albyn Pike | William H Sumner | Thomas Watson |
| Sylvester Lewis | Alfred W Pratt | John Hart |
| Jonah S Wardwell. | Joseph A Carr | Charles Griswold |
| Ezek Tallman | Samuel Munro | Addison Winch |
| Benjamin W Gardner | James Arnold | William Bullas |
| Philip Luther | Seth Padelford | Edward R Young |
| Alexander Adie | James D Tucker Junr | John Calder |
| George Bowly | William Rogers. | Channan Martin |
| William S Hawkins | Samuel B Shepard. | |



Wm. Charles E. Tillinghast, admitted pro as the Eldest son of Charles W Tillinghast

Persons Propounded.

The following persons are propounded to become Freemen, to wit,

| | |
|---|---|
| Daniel Budlong | dated produced |
| Sullivan Dorr Jr | do |
| Nathan S Morse | do |
| James Barnes | do |
| Lewis Carr | do |
| William Belcher | do |
| Archibald K Douglas | do |
| Stephen A Davis | do |
| Sylvester Brownell | do |

Voted that the two boards now seperate, and the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber

Licenses

An Ordinance relative to persons licensed to keep Ale houses victualing houses, Cook Shops, Oyster houses & Oyster Cellars

Sec 1. Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence, that no person who shall be hereafter licensed by the Board of Aldermen of said City to keep an Ale house, victualing house, Cook Shop, Oyster house, or oyster Cellar shall keep open his or her Ale house victualing house, Cook shop Oyster house or oyster Cellar after the hour of ten O'Clock in the evening nor shall he or she open the same before day light; nor by himself herself, or his or her servant or servants to open his or her said Ale house, victualling house, Cook shop, oyster house or oyster Cellar on Sundays, nor sell any article therein on that day.

Sec 2 That every person who shall violate this Ordinance or any part thereof shall forfeit & pay the sum of twenty dollars, to & for the use of the City, to be recovered in an action of debt in name of the City Treasurer, before the proper Court to try the same: Provided however that nothing herein Contained shall be Construed to prevent the said Board of Aldermen (in addition to the foregoing penalty) from withdrawing & declaring null & void the license granted to such person by virtue of the act of the General Assembly passed 26 October Session A D 1825. entitled "an act in addition to an act enabling the several Towns in this State to grant licenses for retailing Spirituous liquors & for other purposes"

Sec 3 That this Ordinance be published three weeks successively in the Providence Daily Journal, the Manufacturers & Farmers Journal & the Inquirer.

Passed October 6th 1834

Communication from Mayor.

A Communication from the Mayor in relation to State's Prison &c was read. & sent to the Common Council

Market to Paint

Resolved, that the Clerk of the Market be & he hereby is authorised & directed to Cause the inside of both Stories of the City Market to be painted including such part of the Stalls as he may think proper also the railing next to the river on Canal Street between Weybosett Bridge & the Bridge next North of it and that the expence thereof when audited by the City Auditor, be paid by the City Treasurer out of the money appropriated for the repairs of public buildings.

Passed October 6th 1834

**North Burial Ground**

Resolved, that the Communication this day made by the City Treasurer respecting the fence between the Land of Dexter Thurber and the land formerly purchased of Mess Brown by the Town of Providence, be and the same is hereby referred to His Hon a the Mayor, to examine & report thereon

Passed October 6th 1834.

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**City Funds.**

The Committee appointed on the 25 Aug. "to make such arrangements as they deem advisable with one or more of the Banks in this City for the deposit of the City funds," Report that they have Continued the arrangement made the last year with the Merchants Bank, by which the City receive interest on the balance at the Close of each day, at the rate of 5 per cent per Annum.

Providence 1 Oct. 1834

Isaac Brown
Joseph Cady
John J Stimson
Charles Holden. Com.

Accepted. October 6th 1834

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**Channel of the River**

The Committee appointed by the City Council on the 7th July last to Cause a Survey & plat of the river to be made "from Weybosett Bridge to the Creek" giving the width of the river & depth of water, having attended to that duty present herewith a plat of the same, The appropriation made for this Object being deficient the Committee recommend the passage of the subjoined Resolution

Providence Oct 1. 1834. Isaac Brown
Amherst Everett Com.
John H Crosby

Resolved that a further sum of Two dollars 67 Cents be paid out of the fund for Contingent expences for surveying & plotting the Channel of the river the appropriation made on the 7th July for that purpose being deficient by the above mentioned sum.

Passed October 6th 1834

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**Ordinances to be Printed**

The Committee of Conference on the Subject of Printing the City Ordinances recommend the passage of the annexed Resolution

October 6th 1834. T. B Turner
Amherst Everett
John Dunnell.

Accepted October 6th 1834.

Resolved that the Mayor, the President of the Common Council and the Clerk of that Board be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to arrange and Cause to be printed three hundred and fifty Copies of the City Ordinances now in force, together with such of the Statute laws of the State, as said Committee may deem expedient, and that one hundred of said Copies be bound in Cambrick and the remainder stitched and that the expences of the same be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, provided that said expences shall not exceed one hundred & seventy five dollars

Passed October 6th 1834



**State Prison**

Resolved, that Messrs Holden, Brown, Barker, Hughes, Anthony & Spencer, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to confer with the Committee of the Hon General Assembly, respecting a sale of the whole or a portion of the City's land at Goat Point to the State for a location for a State Prison; or respecting a sale of any other land belonging to the City, for that purpose

Passed October 6. 1834 with Aldermen Noyes added

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**Streets Indian Point**

Resolved that the petition of John H Richmond & others, respecting the Streets leading from Jackson Street to Indian Point, and particularly respecting a Certain Street Called "Hill Street, be and the same hereby is referred to Messrs Everett and Cady with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon. Alderman Jones be added.

Passed October 6th 1834.

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**Ward Meetings**

Resolved, that the firemen in each ward of this City, be and they are hereby authorised to use the School house in their Ward for meetings of said firemen at any time previous to any Election of City or State Officers, Provided the Consent of the Alderman in the Ward in which such meetings is to be holden be first obtained.

Passed October 6th 1834

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**Admitted Free.**

The Two Boards now met in Convention

The following persons were admitted firemen having Served probationer more than three Months

George O Bourne
Edward Dodge
Thomas Bowen
Asahel Steere jr.
Edward Anthony
William Jones Hopkins Eldest son of Thomas C Hopkins.

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**Persons Reprimanded**

The following persons were prepounded to become firemen, to wit,

Joseph Jewett ... and produced
James Irvine ... do
David M G Hamilton ... do

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**Clerk of the Market**

A Communication was received from Joshua Rathbun Clerk of the Market containing his resignation of said Office which was accepted Whereupon Henry G Mumford was elected to said Office for the remainder of the Municipal year.

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**Constable**

Sylvester Bowen was elected a Constable for the City for the remainder of the Municipal year.

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The two Boards then Seperated, and the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber

Appropriation

An Ordination making Appropriation for Certain purposes

Section 1 Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence that the following sums, for the purposes herein mentioned be and the same are hereby appropriated

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| For Highways | Three Thousand dollars. |
| Contingencies | Five hundred dollars |
| Fire Department | Fifteen hundred dollars |
| Interest | Two hundred dollars |
| Public Buildings | one hundred dollars |
| City Watch | Twelve hundred dollars |

Section 2 And be it further ordained that the above appropriations be paid out of any Monies in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated

Passed October 8th 1834.

City Seal

Resolved, that Messrs Thomas L Cooke with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to procure and report suitable devices for Seals for the City, the Board of Aldermen and the Municipal Court.

Resolved, that said Committee be authorized to procure a suitable seal press for the use of the City Offices, and that the expense thereof be paid out of the appropriation for Contingent expenses Alderman Hopkins added

Passed October 8th 1834.

City Charter

Resolved, that in the opinion of the City Council, the Alterations in the Charter of this City, which is proposed in the Petition of Stephen Mauran and others to the General Assembly, is not advisable; but in Case the General Assembly shall neglect to pass any act making such Alteration, the representatives of this City in that body, are requested to oppose the passing of such act, unless the same shall Contain a provision for offering such proposed alteration to the freemen of the City, to be approved of or rejected by them and before it shall become a part of said Charter three fifths of the freemen voting shall approve thereof

Resolved, that the City Clerk be and he is hereby directed forthwith to furnish said representatives with a Copy of this resolution

Passed. October 20th 1834

State Prison

Resolved that the City Council will sell and Cause to be Conveyed to the State for the purposes of erecting a State Prison thereon the land belonging to the City at Field point so called, Provided that the State will pay to the City for said Lot the sum of four hundred dollars, and will Cause Cove Street to be Continued through said Lot at the expence of the State as said Street is now platted or in such manner and upon such part of said Lot as shall be prescribed by the Board of Aldermen

Passed October 20th 1834

North Burial Ground

Resolved, that the Owners of the North Burial Ground be furnished by the City Clerk with a Copy of the Ordinance passed by the City Council April 11th 1834 entitled "an ordinance in relation to the North burial Ground"

Passed Oct. 20th 1834



North Burial Ground

On the Petition of Nathaniel Aldrich and Westcott Hemely, stating that they have staked out and located a burying place for their families in the North burial ground in the City measuring about twenty five feet by eighteen feet, making two burying lots with a passage way three feet wide between them, and requesting leave to enclose and fence the same, for the purpose aforesaid; Resolved that the prayer of said petition be granted, and that said petitioners be and they are hereby authorized to fence in and enclose said land for said purpose; provided said fence shall be erected under the direction of the Owners of the North Burial Ground

Passed October 20th 1834

Stationary Engine No 1

Resolved, that the Petition of John W Abbott & others a Committee of Forrening Stationary Engine No 1, be referred to Messrs Abbott, Tucker Cooke, Turner Hall, and Grant with such as the Board of Aldermen may add; to examine and report thereon

Alderman Hopkins added

Passed November 3d 1834

Streets or Highways at Sockwotten

The Committee appointed by the City Council on the petition of Col John W Richmond & others Monday Oct. Report,

That they have examined the records of the Town & the subject of Streets or highways at Sockwotten so Called, and find the subject has at various times been before the Town Council, and that they have spent time to time acted on the same as will appear from the following Copy of records Commencing on March 1795

At a Town Council holden on the 7th day of March 1795. Charles Skelton Nathan Waterman and Joseph Tillinghast was appointed a Committee for the purpose of reviewing the Streets & highways heretofore laid out on Sockwotten by Daniel Abbott, and that the said Committee make any alteration of said Streets as public Convenience may require, On the 15th day of September 1795 in Town Council Messrs Nathan Waterman Christopher Skelton and Samuel Bishop the Committee appointed on the 7th day of March last, to review and relay the Streets heretofore laid out at the place Called Sockwotten by Col Daniel Abbott made their report of their proceedings together with a plat of said Streets to this Council on the first of September and the said report and plat having been referred to this adjournment for further Consideration and determination of this Council thereon and the subject matter being now resumed and maturely deliberated upon, It is therefore ordered, that the said report and plat be and they are hereby recommitted to the aforesaid persons together with Messrs Amos Daggett and Benjamin Reynolds who are added to them as Committee men and they be requested to alter or amend their said report and plat by ascertaining and Marking out as Exactly as possible the true out lines boundaries and dimensions of all the Lots at said Sockwotten and said Committee make report of their proceedings under hand and seal together with a plat of said Lots on the first monday of October next

Citation issued on the 3 day of October 1795 was returned by Henry Bowen Town Sergeant with the following, Notified the within named persons by letting them at leaving word at their houses to appear agreeable to the within, Moses Brown excepted who is not at home

Meeting of the Town Council holden on the 6th day of October 1795. Whereas the Committee on the revision of the Streets at Sockwotten, have previously made report of their proceedings and the said report having been referred to this Council for further Consideration and the same being now resumed and duly deliberated upon, It is voted and resolved that the said report and plat be received and that the Streets therein delineated be accepted as public Streets and as such established

Your Committee will here remark, that they have visited and examined the land with the plat of 1795 and find Wall Street, so Called, is laid and platted in to West Street, Front Street is within a few feet of the Transportation line about 150 feet eastward of West Street

Your Committee will also further remark that the foregoing proceedings of the Town Council is not referred to by Subsequent Town bounds in their proceedings on the same subject.

At a Town Council holden within and for the Town of Providence on the 25th day of October 1836. On the request that a new highway be laid out on the Southerly part of this

Town Commencing at the South East Corner of the Wade Estate on Foxwotton hill and running East Southerly till it Comes to the road leading to Sockal Bridge, It is therefore ordered and Resolved by this Council that it is necessary and that the public Convenience requires that a new highway be laid out and surveyed and opened in the Southerly part of this Town on Foxwotton hill Commencing at the South west Corner of the Wade Estate and running East Southerly to or near the Southwest Corner of the Wanton lot thence to the road and near the Ferry house then turning and running Southerly to the road leading to Sockal Point Bridge thus making the Northerly and Easterly lines of said new highway to be said highway not less than forty feet wide and more if practicable the whole length thereof, and this Council do hereby for purposes aforesaid appoint Isaac Mathewson Benjamin Clifford and Nathaniel Peace a Committee to survey &c

At Subsequent Council November 8th 1830. Joseph S Marten was appointed in the place of Nathaniel Peace declined,

Town Council holden 15th day of June 1831.

Whereas the Committee appointed by the Council on the 25th day of October 1830. to survey bound and mark out a highway in the Southerly part of this Town on Foxwotton hill have made their report and returns of their doings in the premises, said highway runs by although laid Claimed by heirs of Ichabod Wade and Ase Howard, heirs of James B Mason deceased, Thos Thompson Relief Thurber and David Vincent, and it is Ordered that the Consideration of said report be postponed to Monday the 27th instant, and that the persons aforesaid be Cited to appear before this Council at that time if they shall see Cause,

Town Council holden on Monday 27th day of June 1831.

The report of Benjamin Clifford Jos. S Marten and Isaac Mathewson heretofore appointed by this Council a Committee

having been reported to this day for Consideration is taken up. and Relief Thurber and David Vincent appear and object to laying out said highway as reported by said Committee the further Consideration of the subject is therefore postponed to the first Monday of Sept next.

Your Committee Can Trace the subject but to one meeting at which was holden on Monday the 5th day of September 1831. when the Committee's report was taken being the day reported to, and further reported to the first Monday in April 1832.

Thus has your Committee intended to bring into view the proceedings from time to time of the Town Council on the subject of the Foxwotton highways, and to submit the same without further report, but merely add that at present the highway road Continues to run through private land a part of the distance, which is the Cause of the roads as stated in that Section of the City being neglected

Providence November 3 1834.

Amos Atwell Jr for the Committee

Read & it is thereupon Resolved that the same be received.

Passed November 3 1834

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North Burial Ground

On the petition of Eleazer Harwood stating that he is desirous to take up and provide in a lot sufficient for his family in the North Burial ground, and requesting permission therefor it is Resolved that the prayer of the said petition be granted; and that the said petitioner be and he is hereby authorized to provide in and enclose such lot for such purpose provided the same shall be done under the direction of the Owners of the North Burial Ground with the Sanction of the Mayor.

Passed November 3

1834



Ordinance making Appropriations

An Ordinance making appropriations for Certain purposes

Section 1 Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence; that the following Sums, for the purposes herein named, be and the Same are hereby appropriated

For the fire department. One thousand Dollars

For the repairing of Streets and highways, One thousand dollars

For Contingencies Five hundred dollars

For repairs of Public Buildings Five hundred dollars

Section 2 And be it further Ordained that the several Sums hereby appropriated be paid out of any Money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated

Passed November 3

1831

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Bank Walls.

Resolved that Messrs Hodgden & Jewett with such as the Board of Aldermen may add to and they are hereby appointed a Committee to inquire whether it is incumbent on the City to repair and Rebuild the bank wall of North Main Street extending from the Relief Wanton Estate to the Whipple Estate (so called) and also the bank wall of said Street next South of Wm Stephen Randalls Estate, Said Committee are also instructed to Enquire whether it is incumbent on the City to place suitable fences on said walls; And if said Committee shall be of opinion that it is Obligatory on the City to keep up said Walls and erect such fences, the Surveyor of Highways is hereby authorized to repair said walls under the direction of said Committee and to place Suitable Rails thereon, the Expence thereof to be paid out of the appropriation for repairs of highways. Aldermen Newell added

Passed November 3d 1831.

1831

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Drains

Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby authorized under the advice & direction of the Board of Aldermen, to make such arrangements as said Board may deem expedient with all persons whom may desire to Connect their private drains with the public drains, and also with all persons who have already Connected such drains

Passed, December 8th 1831.

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Mayor's Communication

A Communication from the Mayor, on various subjects, is read, and sent to the Common Council, which is now read upon. January 5th 1835.

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Bell ringing

An Ordinance to prevent the ringing of Bells between sunset and one hour after sunrise

Sec 1 Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence, that no person shall, between sunset & one hour after sunrise, ring or Cause to be rung the bell of any house of public worship in said City for any purpose whatever, except on the alarm of fire, except the ringing of the bell of the first Baptist Meeting house for nine O. Clock in the evening & for sunrise. Provided however that nothing herein Contained shall be Construed to prevent the Tolling at a moderate rate of any such bell for Funeral or any other Lawfull meeting between the times herein before mentioned

Sec 2 that every person who shall offend against this ordinance shall forfeit and pay a sum not less than ten Dollars nor more than one hundred dollars to & for the use of said City to be recovered in an action of the Case in the name of the City Treasurer before the proper Court to try the same

Sec 3 that the ordinance passed by the City Council on the fourth day of August A.D. 1834. entitled "An Ordinance to prevent the ringing of bells for meetings between sunrise & one hour after sunrise" be and the same is hereby repealed.

Sec. 4. That this Ordinance be published three weeks successively in the Providence Daily Journal, the Manufacturers and Farmers Journal and the Independent Inquirer.

Passed January 5th 1835.

City Treasurer's Ac.

Resolved that Messrs Babcock & Greene with such as the board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to examine and settle the account of the City Treasurer with the City, up to the 1st day of January A.D. 1835 and that the Communication this day made by the City Treasurer, together with his account accompanying the same, be referred to the same Committee

Alderman Ormsbee added.

Passed January 5th 1835.

Bank Walls

The Committee to whom was referred the Subject matter of Bank walls, erected on lands adjoining Main Street in the Northerly part of the City, to wit, That Commencing at the late Philip Martin's Estate Extending North to the Whipple Estate, so called, and that beginning at Stephen Randall's Estate Extending Southerly to the Ocean house, so called, they Commenced on the Notice assigned them by ascertaining that those walls were originally erected by the owners of the land as a fence or barrier against the Sea, that of Stephen Randalls about one hundred years ago, and they have been Maintained supported and occasionally built upon at their Expence whenever the Sea has been raised. That at Philip Martin's has hitherto had a fence erected on top of the wall, and we understand the present owner contemplates erecting another, Under the above Circumstances your Committee do not think that the City is bound to Maintain the walls or support a fence thereon. Therefore your Committee recommend that no action be had upon the premises.

for the Committee

Providence January the 5th 1835. Thomas A Holden

Received January 5th 1835

Stationary Engine No 1

Resolved that the petition of John W Abern & others, a Committee of Forcing Stationary Engine Company No 1. and the report of the Joint Committee this day made thereon, be referred to the Board of Fire wards of this City; and that said Board be requested to do in the premises whatever they may deem expedient for the interest of the City.

Passed January 5th 1835

City Seals

Resolved, that Messrs Cooke & Stimson with the Clerk of the Common Council with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to procure Seals for the City, the Board of Aldermen and the Municipal Court equally to the devices reported by the Committee appointed on the 6th October last, provided the expence thereof shall not exceed forty five dollars.

Resolved that the sum of forty five dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated to pay the expence of said seals and for the press purchased for the use of the City equally to the use above mentioned to be paid out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Alderman Hoppin added

Passed January 5th

1835.



City Watch.

An Ordinance making appropriation for City Watch.

Sec. 1. Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence that the sum of Eighteen hundred dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the pay of the City Watch.

Sec. 2. Be it further ordained that the said sum of Eighteen hundred dollars be paid out of any monies in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed January 5th 1835.

North Burial Ground.

On the petitions of Willard W Fairbanks

William W Pitman

Betsey Brown and Enos H Briggs & Jonathan B Soper severally

requesting leave to take up and move in lots sufficient for burying places for their respective families in the North Burial Ground;

It is Resolved that the prayers of the said petitioners be severally granted; and that the said petitioners be, and they are hereby severally authorized to remove in and enclose such lots for such purposes; provided the same be done under the direction of the Trustees of the North Burial Ground, with the sanction of the Mayor.

Passed January 5th

1835

Wood on Canal Street.

Resolved, that the petition of Benjamin Peterson and others, respecting the piling of wood on Canal Street & Cove Street be referred to Messrs Bethel Hearn, and Brown, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon.

Alderman Hoteden added

Passed January 5th

1835

Numbering Buildings

Resolved, that the petition of Rhe Grinnell & others, respecting the numbering of the buildings in the City, be referred to Messrs Holden, Barker & Clarke, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon.

Alderman Williams added

Passed January 5th

1835

Alarm of Fire

Resolved, that the petition of Elisha Dyer & others praying for directions from the City Council to the City Watch, in Case of Alarm of Fire, be referred to the Board of Aldermen

Passed January 5th

1835

Great Storm in 1815

Resolved, that so much of the Communication of his Hon the Mayor, this day made to the City Council, as relates to the Great Storm of September 1815 with the documents relating thereto be referred to Messrs J. S Cooke and Isaac Brown with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon.

Alderman Hoppin added

Passed January 5th

1835

Mayor of the City of Boston

Boston November 1. 1834

Sir

I have the honor to send herewith a Copy of the Ordinances of this City for the use of the Corporation of the City of Providence.

I beg to present this Volume in the name of this municipal Corporation with the assurance of the highest respect & most cordial regard for that of Providence.

I Remain, Sir, your most obedient & faithfull Servant
(Signed) Theodore Lyman Junr.
Mayor.

The Honorable
The Mayor
of the City of Providence.

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Providence December 10th 1834.

Dear Sir,

A few days since I received your very polite note of 1st Ult. accompanying a Copy of the Ordinances of the City of Boston for the use of the Corporation of this City.

This truly neat & elegant volume presented by you in the name of the municipal Corporation of the City of Boston is received by me in behalf of this municipal Corporation with the most sincere acknowledgments for the friendly attention & kind feelings manifested by the donation & still further displayed by the very cordial manner in which it was communicated.

I embrace the present opportunity to observe that a reprint of the Ordinances of this City is now in the press & when issued a Copy will, with great pleasure, be forwarded to you.

Accept, Dear Sir for your self & in behalf of the Municipal Corporation of the City of Boston the assurance of the highest respect & most sincere regard entertained for you & them by the Municipal Corporation of this City & by

Your most Obedient & truly faithfull Servant
(Signed) Samuel W Bridgham.
Mayor.

To
The Honorable
The Mayor
of the City of Boston.

The above having been communicated to the City Council by the Mayor as a Copy of a Correspondence between him & the Mayor of Boston the following order was passed thereon, viz.

Read & thereupon Ordered that the Same be accepted.

Passed January 5th
1835

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January 5th 1835

The Board of Aldermen and Common Council met in Convention, when the following persons having been duly propounded more than three months are admitted free. viz.

Admitted Free.

Daniel Budlong.
Sullivan Dorr Jr.
Nathan S Moore
James Barnes
Lewis Carr
William B Isham
Archibald K Douglass
Stephen A Davis
Sylvester Brownell.

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Persons Propounded

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| Gideon Palmer | Deed produced |
| Wilcome Congdon | do |
| William J Pabodie | do |
| Henry C Pabodie | do |
| Nelson Vose | do |
| Thomas Barstow | do |
| Henry Sharpe | do |
| George W Ingalls | do |

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Engine No 6.

The following named persons are added to Engine Company No 6. to wit,

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| Edward Dodge | Nelson Hale | Thomas R Hodden 2d |
| John C Gladding | James H Sabin | John B Read |
| Major W Shaw | Benjamin B Brownell | Wm S B Read |
| Seth S Bennet | Geo B Justram | Wm H Allen |
| James A Jackson | George A Humphry | Alexander B Chace |
| John H Parkis | George Earle 2d | |

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Voted that the two boards now Separate, and the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber.

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Labelling Wards & Streets.

The undersigned Committee appointed to take into Consideration the petition of John Brownell and others in relation to numbering of the Streets Wards & houses & other buildings in the City have attended to that duty, and hereby recommend to the City Council to grant the prayer of said petition and that the same to be carried into effect, by Committee or otherwise as they may deem most advantageous, provided the same shall not cost to Exceed Two hundred dollars.

For the Committee Thomas R Hodden.

Passed, January 19. 1835

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City Treasurer's Acc.

The Committee appointed January 6th 1835. to examine the Treasurers account, Report that they have examined said accounts and vouchers, and find them Correct with the exception of an over Charge of ninety Cents, and two bills amounting to twenty eight dollars and ninety Cents for labor done on Work house lot without appropriation

Wm Pabodie
John H Combs
Committee.

Passed January 19 1835.

**City Bell & Clock**

Resolved, that the Mayor of the City for the time being, be and he is hereby authorised and empowered to Contract with the Sexton of the first Baptist Meeting house for the time being, to ring the Bell of said Meeting house, three times each day, (Sundays excepted) to wit, at Sunrise, at noon, and at nine o'clock in the evening; and on Sundays at nine o'clock in the evening, as heretofore; and also to wind up the Clock in said house daily; for an annual sum not to exceed Twenty five dollars; the bills for which services to be paid by the City Treasurer from the annual appropriation for Contingent expenses, after the same shall have been duly examined and allowed by the City Auditt.

Passed January 19th 1835

**City Shells & Wards**

Resolved, that Messrs Holden, Barker & Clark with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee with power to cause such of the public Shells in the City as may in their Opinion require it, to be labelled with their proper names, agreably to their Registry.

2. Resolved, that said Committee put up or cause to be put up at suitable places signs or Labels designating the several Wards, at their Commencement and termination, at the discretion of said Committee; Provided that the whole expence incured by virtue of this and the preceding Resolution, shall not exceed the sum of Fifty dollars.

3. Resolved, that the sum of Fifty dollars, be and the same is hereby appropriated to carry the above Resolutions into effect.

4. Resolved, that the aforesaid Committee be and they are hereby authorised to draw on the Treasury for the above appropriation and that the Treasurer be and he is hereby authorised and directed to pay the same, out of any Money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated. Alderman Hopkins added.

Passed January 19. 1835.

**Admitted Freem.**

The Two boards met in Common Council January 19th 1835 when the following persons having Stood prepounded more than three months were admitted Freemen, to wit,

Joseph Sewell
James Irvine
Daniel M G. Hammitton

**Persons Prepounded**

The following persons were prepounded to become freemen. to wit,
Seth B Cooke Jun. dead produced
Ethan Southwick do

**Gauger**

Jason Williams is by vote of the City Council appointed one of the City Gaugers.

Voted that the two boards now separate, and the board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber.

**Mayor's Communication**

A Communication from the Mayor on several Subjects is read and sent to the Common Council

March 2d 1835



**Market House Chambers**

Resolved, that it shall be the duty of the City Sergeant for the time being to superintend & take Care of all that part of the Market house building occupied for public Offices including the Entrance thereto, & that he Cause the same to be kept in good order, under the direction of the Mayor for the time being, & that the expences incured by him therein when audited by the City Auditt be paid by the City Treasurer out of the Money appropriated for public buildings.

Passed March 2d 1835

**Books &c in City Clerks Office**

Whereas many ancient & valuable books papers, plats & parchments heretofore belonging to the late Town Clerks Office & now in the City Clerks Office are in bad Condition & require measures to be taken for their preservation, Therefore,

Resolved, That the Mayor & City Clerk with such others as the Common Council may add be and they hereby are appointed a Committee to Cause all the books papers plats & parchments heretofore belonging to the late Town Clerks Office & now in the City Clerks Office, which relate to Town or City affairs to be Carefully examined, collated, arranged & filed & such of them as they may deem necessary & proper to be repaired, bound or rebound in such manner as they may judge most Conducive to their future preservation.

Resolved, further, that the sum of one hundred dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for defraying the expences which may be incured under the preceding resolution & that such expences when audited by the City Auditt be paid by the City Treasurer out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Clerk of the Common Council added

Passed March 2d 1835.

**Watchmen's Petition for Relief**

Resolved, that the petition of Mary Allen, Angell Bathy, and William B Mason City Watchmen, for relief, be received and referred to Messrs Holden, Fisher & Turner, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon. Alderman Hopkins added

Passed March 2d 1835.

**Weights & Measures**

Resolved, that so much of the Communication of his Hon. the Mayor this day Made, as refers to the subject of Weights & Measures be and the same is hereby referred to Messrs Anthony, Hughes & Cooke with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon. Alderman Comstock added.

Passed March 2d 1835

**City Bell &c**

To the Hon. City Council of the City of Providence

By virtue of the resolution passed by the City Council at their last meeting authorising & empowering the Mayor for the time being to Contract with the Sexton of the first Baptist Meeting house for the time being to ring the bell of said Meeting house, three times each day (Sundays excepted), to wit at sunrise, at noon, & at 9 o'clock in the evening & on Sundays at 9 o'clock in the evening, as heretofore, & also to wind up the Clock in said house daily, I have Contracted with George Willis the present Sexton of said Meeting house to perform the services as above described at & after the rate of twenty five dollars per year, Commencing on the first day of January last & to Continue so long as he shall Continue to be the Sexton of said Meeting house & shall faithfully perform the said services at the request & with the assent of the City Council. the annual payment to be made at the end of each year

Respectfully submitted by

City of Providence March 2d 1835 Samuel W Bridgham Mayor

Received March 2d 1835.

**Mayor's Salary.**

Resolved, that the Salary of the Mayor of this City for the ensuing year, Commencing on the first monday of June next, be One thousand dollars, to be paid him for his services, in four equal quarterly payments.

Passed March 2d 1835

Sepion's Lot.

Resolved, that the Communication from the City Treasurer, respecting the wall on the Sepion's Lot (so Called) be received and referred to Messrs Metcalf, Bartlett and Angell with power to Cause the said wall to be rebuilt if necessary.

Passed March 2d 1835.

North Burial Ground

On the petition of Asa & Jonathan Pitts, for leave to erect a Tomb in the North Burial ground

It is Resolved that the prayer of said petition be & the same is hereby granted; and that the said petitioners be & they are hereby authorized to erect a Tomb in said Burial ground, provided the same shall be done under the direction of the owner of the North Burial Ground with the sanction of the Mayor.

Passed March 2d 1835.

Work House Lot.

Resolved that Messrs Holden & Metcalf with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to ascertain the North line of the Work house lot, and to adjust the same with the owner or owners of the adjoining land; and that said Committee be empowered to Cause the Centre of said lot to be filled up, and a fence to be erected on the bank wall of the same, fronting on Charles Street; provided the same shall not exceed the sum of twenty five dollars.

Resolved, that the sum of twenty five dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for defraying the expenses of the said work; and that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and directed to pay the same out of the appropriation for Contingent expenses, to the Order of said Committee.

Alderman Newell added.

Passed March 2d 1835.

City Land

Resolved, that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to lease a lot of land belonging to the City south of Smith Street adjoining the Canal Basins under the direction of the Mayor.

Passed March 2

Appropriation Ordinance

An Ordinance making appropriations for Certain purposes.

Sec 1. Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence that the following sums be and the same are hereby appropriated for the purposes herein named

For Payment of interest on City debt.

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| to April 1. 1835. | 1939.32 |
| for Oil & additional lamps & fixtures | 1150.00 |
| for Contingencies | 250.00 |
| for Highways. | 300.00 |

Sec 2. Be it further ordained that the several sums herein appropriated be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated

Passed March 2d 1835



City Debt.

Resolved, that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and empowered, to renew the whole or any part of that portion of the City debt which falls due on the first day of April, the twenty third day of July, and the eighth day of August next, provided, that the rate of interest to be paid thereon shall not exceed five per cent per annum

Passed March 2d 1835

North Burial Ground.

Resolved that Messrs Daniels, Angell & Peabody with such as the board of Aldermen may add be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to enquire into the expediency of Placing a new fence around the North burial ground; and in Case said Committee shall deem it expedient for a new fence to be erected, that they be and hereby are authorized and empowered to procure suitable Materials and Cause such fence to be erected; and that the City Treasurer by and he is hereby authorized and directed to pay the expence thereof to the order of said Committee.

Resolved, that the sum of Three hundred dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose aforesaid; to be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Alderman Newell added

Passed March 9th 1835

North Burial ground.

On the Petition of John A Townsend requesting leave to fence in and enclose a lot sufficient for a Burying place for his family in the North burial ground, It is

Resolved, that the prayer of said petition be granted; and that the said John A Townsend be and he hereby is authorized to fence in and enclose such lot for such purpose, provided the same be done under the direction of the Owner of the North burial ground with the sanction of the Mayor.

Passed April 6th 1835

City Land South of Smith Street.

The City Treasurer who was authorized by a resolution of the City Council "to lease a lot of land belonging to the City South of Smith Street" adjoining the Canal basin under "direction of the Mayor" reports in part that in October 1798 the Town Council established a portion of the land in question as a public Street by a line Commencing 104 feet west of the Cove line & running South 5 degrees west until it intersects said line embracing an area of 20.318 square feet as will be seen by reference to the plat now the property, the Cove line Commences 12 feet East of the west line of abutment of Smith's bridge, A more detailed Statement is in preparation & will be presented at the next meeting of the City Council.

Passed April 6th 1835.

Canal Street.

Resolved, that the surveyor of highways acting by and with the advice of Messrs Metcalf, Holden, & Peabody with such as the board of Aldermen may add, be and he is hereby authorized and directed to Cause the East side of Canal Street adjoining the side walks, to be paved, twenty feet wide, from Steeple Street, to the South Corner of the Hydraulion house; and to Cause said Street to be paved across it whole width, from said Hydraulion house, to the North Corner of Canal Bridge; and to Cause said Street to be paved twenty feet wide, as far North from said Canal Bridge as said Street is laid out fifty feet wide: provided the owners of the lands on said Street shall annually remit Curb Stones in front of their respective Lands, and fill up the side walks, under the direction of the surveyor of Highways.

Alderman Newell added to the Committee

Passed April 6th

1835.

City Seals &c

An Ordinance establishing the City Seal, and seals for the Board of Aldermen and for the Municipal Court.

Section 1 Be it Ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence, that the following be the device of the Seal of said City; to wit, around the Margin of the same, a raised Circle Containing the words "Seal of the City of Providence"; within which, a narrower Circle, Containing on the upper half thereof the words "Founded 1636:" and on the lower half thereof, the words, "City Incorporated 1832"; within which Circle, a device representing to the Landing of the first settlers in Providence, upon entering a point of land on the Bank of a river, crowned with forest trees, beneath which, a group of Savages are awaiting the approach of a Canoe Containing Roger Williams and his Companions: above which device, and immediately within the inner Circle is engraved, the words "What Cheer."

Section 2 And be it further ordained, that the following be the device of the Seal of the Board of Aldermen of said City; to wit, Around the Margin of the same, a raised Circle, Containing the words "Board of Aldermen Providence" within which Circle a shield bearing the representations of a bee, a goose, and a lamb; as emblematical of Industry, Watchfulness and Peace.

Section 3 And be it further ordained, that the following be the device of the Seal of the Municipal Court of said City; to wit, around the Margin of the same, a raised Circle, Containing the words "Municipal Court of the City of Providence"; within which Circle, an open Book, on which is laid a pair of Scales.

Section 4 And be it further ordained that the City Clerk be, Ex Officio keeper of the City Seal, and of the seal of the Board of Aldermen; and that the Clerk of the Municipal Court, be Ex Officio keeper of the Seal of said Court.

Section 5 And be it further ordained, that this Ordinance shall go into operation and effect from and after the first Monday in June next; and that from and after that time the Ordinances passed by the City Council, on the ninth day of April A.D. 1834, entitled "An Ordinance relative to a Common Seal for the City, and seals for the Board of Aldermen and the Municipal Court" be repealed.

Passed April 6th. 1835

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Weights & Measures.

The Committee to whom was referred the Communication of the Mayor at the Meeting of the City Council on the 2d day of March last past, reporting weights and measures, and the late act of the General Assembly respecting hay scales & platform balances, having carefully attended to their duty, respectfully Report, that on enquiry & examination find that the scales of weights & Measures is wholly unprovided unprepared to carry into effect the act of the Assembly requiring him to buy & seal the hay scales and platform balances for public use, that he has no suitable Seals & Brands to try weights accurately

That with with a suitable seal & brand and a few additional weights with the 56 now in the Market-house belonging to the City, after having been tryed and sealed he will be able to try and seal the hay scales & platform balances according to law. The Committee also find that the City is deficient of some other Measures which the Sealer of Weights & Measures required to enable him faithfully to perform his duty, the Cost of the whole will not exceed one hundred dollars they therefore recommend the passing of the resolution hereunto presented. the list of the weights & Measures belonging to the City and the hands of the Sealer of weights & Measures is herewith annexed.

April 6. 1835.

H. Anthony
Jos S Cooke
I. I. Hughes
John H Barnes
Committee

List of weights and measures belonging to the City in the hands of the sealer of weights & Measures. April 6. 1835 viz

1–56 – 1–28, 1–14, 1–7lb weight, ½ bushel, Peck & ¼ Peck dry measure.

1 Gallon – 1–2 quart, 1–quart, wine Measure.

Passed April 6th. 1835

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Weights & Measures.

Resolved that Messrs Anthony, Cooke & Hughes with such as the Board of Aldermen may add to the and they hereby are appointed a Committee to procure for the City suitable Scales & beams for the purpose of trying & sealing Weights, a set of weights from ½ oz weight up to 28lb weight, and such dry & liquid & long Measures as the City are deficient of. and draw on the City Treasurer for the expense of the same; who is hereby authorized to pay the same out of the appropriation for Contingent expenses. Aldermen Barnes be added to the Committee

Passed April 6th 1835.

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Piling Wood.

Resolved that the report of the Joint Committee to whom on the fifth day of January last was referred the petition of Benjamin Robinson & others respecting the piling of Wood &c on Canal & Cove Street, be received.

Passed April 6th. 1835.

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Appropriation for Public Schools.

An Ordinance making an additional appropriation for the Support of Public Schools.

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence that the sum of two hundred and seventy five dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated in addition to the sum heretofore appropriated for the support of the public Schools of this City, for the present Municipal year; and that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and directed, to pay the same out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to the Order of the School Committee.

Passed April 6th 1835.

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Appropriations for Certain purposes.

An Ordinance, making appropriations for Certain purposes.

Section 1 Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence, that the following sums be and they are hereby appropriated for the purposes herein named, viz.

For Interest on the City debt, being the amount now standing to the Credit of the Interest account

Five hundred and seventy four dollars and eight Cents 574.08

For paving Canal Street one Thousand dollars. 1000.00

Section 2 Be it further ordained that the several sums herein appropriated be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed April 6th 1835

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Admitted Freemen.

The two boards met in Convention April 6th 1835. and the following persons were admitted freemen of the City having lived & inhabited more than three months, to wit.

Gideon Palmer
Welcome Congdon
William J Babcock
Henry C Babcock
Nelson Pearce
Thomas Bannister
Henry Sherburne
George W Ingalls

as Eldest Sons.

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Jonathan S Palmer | Eldest son of | | Gideon Palmer |
| John S Phillips | " | " | John S Phillips |
| Edward Carrington jr | " | " | Edward Carrington |
| Thomas B Bullas | " | " | William Bullas |
| Oliver Kendall jr | " | " | Oliver Kendall |

Persons Propounded.

The following persons were propounded to become Freemen, to wit.

| | |
|---|---|
| Elias E Sabin | Deed produced |
| John H Hart | do |
| George W Taylor 2d | do |
| Seth W Shaw. | do |
| Richmond Brownell | do |
| Samuel W Sabin | do |
| Francis Brinley jr | do |
| Bradford Allen | do |
| Augustus Ellis | do |
| Joseph C Fanning | do |
| Nelson D Hatch | do |
| Hazard C Reynolds | do |

The two boards then seperated and the board of Aldermen attend to their Chamber.

Admitted Free.

The two boards met in Convention April 15th 1835. and the following persons were admitted freemen. to wit at 2 o'clock P M.

| | | | | | | | | | |
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| John H Dawley | on Certificate from Exeter | and on evidence of sufficient freehold Estate in this City | | | | | | | |
| Ray Clapp | " | Warwick | " | " | " | " | " | " | |
| George B Almy | " | Newport | " | " | " | " | " | " | |
| Joseph A Scott | " | Cumberland | " | " | " | " | " | " | |
| Richard Smith | " | Smithfield | " | " | " | " | " | " | |

Admitted pursuant to Elder Sons

| | | | |
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| John T Pitman | Eldest son of | John Pitman | |
| Charles D Greene | " | " | John T Greene |
| Henry C Mathewson | " | " | Henry Mathewson |
| Henry Wahiman | " | " | Richard Wahiman |
| Samuel Chace | " | " | Jonathan Chace |
| Cupell Sutton jr. | " | " | Cupell Sutton |
| James M Holroyd | " | " | William Holroyd |
| Edmund Williams | " | " | Charles Williams |
| Mathias G Snow | " | " | Thomas Snow |
| George Almy | " | " | George B Almy |

Persons Propounded

The following persons were propounded to become freemen, to wit,

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|---|---|---|
| Peter Lisard | deed produced | & Certificate of Naturalization |
| David Sisson | do | |
| Henry E Weskett | do | |
| Isabin Johnson jr | do | |
| Martin H Loving | do | |
| Freeman Foster | Remanded by the Courtesy | |

The two boards then seperated and the board of Aldermen attend to their Chamber.



Admitted Free.

The two Boards met in Convention April 15 1835. at 4 o'clock P.M. when the following persons were admitted freemen to wit

John Phillips on Certificate from Exeter and evidence of sufficient freehold Estate in this City

David Brown " " Warwick " " " " " " "

Eldest Sons.

The following persons were admitted pursuant to the Eldest sons of freemen. to wit.

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| Walcott M Scott | Eldest son of Asa Scott. |
| John T Clarke | " " " John H Clarke |
| Joseph R Brown | " " " David Brown. |

Persons Propounded

The following persons were propounded to become freemen of the City, to wit.

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|---|---|
| Rufus Greene | deed produced |
| Charles T Martin | do |
| David C Knapp | do |
| William C Bowen | do. The two boards then Separated. |

Appropriation for Certain purposes.

An Ordinance making Appropriations for Certain purposes.

Section 1. Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence that the following sums for the purposes herein named be and the same are hereby appropriated. viz.

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|---|---|
| For the Fire department | Three hundred dollars. |
| For Contingencies | Three hundred dollars. |
| For Highways | Five hundred dollars. |

Section 2. Be it further ordained; that the said sums be paid out of any monies in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed May 11th 1835.

Coffin & Clifford.

Resolved that the sum of Thirty dollars and thirty nine Cents be paid out of the City Treasury to Messrs Coffin & Clifford of New Bedford in the State of Massachusetts in full for their account against the City for Costs in the Case "Stephen Tillinghast City Treasurer vs Philip Allen" and that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and directed to pay the same out of the appropriation for Contingent expenses.

Passed May 11th 1835.

Great Storm.

The Committee to whom was referred so much of the Communication of his Honor the Mayor to the City Council on the 5th January last as relates to the great storm and gale on September 1815 with the papers accompanying the same respectfully recommend that a Committee be appointed with full power to Cause a descriptive Statement of said gale and its effects in this City to be written and reported to the City Council aforesaid, and to cause to be erected over some permanent Monument to mark the height of the tide on that occasion one of which to be placed on the Market house, A resolution to the above effect is herewith Submitted by.

Joseph Cooke
Isaac Brown
Thomas C Hoppin
Committee

Providence May 5th 1835.

Received May 11th 1835.

Great Storm.

Resolved, That the President of the Common Council & Mr Cooke with such of the board of Aldermen may add be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to cause a descriptive Statement of the great gale on the 23d September 1815 and its effects in this City, to be written and presented to the City Council and to cause a permanent mark to be affixed on the Market house and at such other places as said Committee may deem proper to denote the heights of the tide on that occasion.

Resolved that the sum of Fifty dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the above named objects to be paid by the City Treasurer out of any Monies not otherwise appropriated, to the order of said Committee.
Alderman Hopkins added. Passed May 11th 1835.

North Burial Ground

On the Petition of George Bailey, William Bailey and James Cavenaugh requesting leave severally to erect and enclose burying lots sufficient for their respective families in the North burial ground

It is Resolved that the prayer of said petitions be granted, and that the said Petitioners be and they hereby are severally authorized to erect and enclose such lots for such purpose; provided the same be done under the direction of the owners of the North burial ground with the sanction of the Mayor.
Passed May 11th 1835.

City Watchmen.

Resolved that the report of the Joint Committee to whom was refered the petition of Leroy Allen Angell & Bailey and William B Mason City Watchmen, for relief; which report has this day been presented be and the same is hereby received.

On the petition of Leroy Allen, Angell & Bailey and William B Mason City Watchmen praying the City Council, to direct the payment from the City Treasury of the amount of a certain judgment recovered against said petitioners, by Daniel Brands. It is Resolved that the Prayer of said petition be granted; and that the amount of said Judgment, recovered at the November term of the Court of Common Pleas within and for the County of Providence & 1834. be paid from the City Treasury; And that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and directed to pay the amount thereof, out of the appropriation for Contingent expenses.
Passed May 11th 1835

Admitted Free.

The two boards met in Convention May 4th 1835. when

Seth B Cook and
Ethan Tourtellot having been propounded more than three months were admitted freemen of this City.

Persons Propounded.

The following persons were propounded to become freemen, to wit,

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| Benjamin C Potter | dwelling house |
| Gamaliel Church | do |
| Arnon Cole | do |
| Thomas P Bucklin | do |
| George J Sherman | do |
| Isaac Wilcox | do |
| George H Hopkins | do |
| Truman Newton | do |
| Morris Tucker | do |
| Stephen S Olney | do |
| Powell H Carpenter | do |
| John S Grime | do |
| Lebbeus J Pitt | do |



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|---|---|
| William L Melvin | dwelling house |
| John H Wood | do |
| William P Bean jr | do |
| Thomas Case | do |
| Stephen H Branch | do |
| Lewis S Hubbard | do |
| Stephen H Andrews | do |
| John K Lester | do |
| Benjamin Cook | do |
| Amos Olney by descent from his father | Mowry Olney. |
| Gardner Burgess " " " " | Benjamin Burgess |
| Henry L Webster | dwelling house |
| Nathan Simmons | do. |

The two boards now Separated.

Ordinance Appropriations for Certain purposes.

An Ordinance making Appropriations for Certain purposes.

Section 1 Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence that the following sums for the purposes herein named be and the same are hereby appropriated.
For the Fire department Three hundred dollars.
For Contingencies Three hundred dollars.
For Highways Two hundred dollars.
Section 2 Be it further ordained that the said sums be paid out of any monies in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed. see page 202

City Land South of Smith's Street.

Resolved That the report of the City Treasurer, who was on the second day of March last authorized to lease a lot of land belonging to the City South of Smith Street adjoining the Canal Basin, under the direction of the Mayor, be received and refered to Aldermen Hopkins with such as the Common Council may add, to examine and report thereon. Passed May 16. 1835. with Messrs Angell and Bailey added.

City Ordinances

Resolved that the report of the Committee who were appointed on the 6th of October last to arrange and Compile & print the Ordinances of the City, with such of the Statute laws as said Committee might deem expedient, which report has been this day made be received.

Resolved that sixty eight Copies of said Ordinances be distributed and disposed of as follows viz

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| To the Mayor. | one Copy. | To the City Watch | one Copy |
| To the Aldermen each | one Copy | To Each of the City Constables | one Copy |
| To the members of the Common Council each | one Copy | To Each of the Visiting Schools in the City | one Copy |
| To the City Clerk | one Copy | To the Secretary of State | one Copy |
| To the Clerk of the Common Council | one Copy | To the Attorney General | one Copy |
| To the Municipal Court | one Copy. | To the Library of Brown University | one Copy |
| To the Police Court | one Copy | To the Library of the R.I. Historical Society | one Copy |
| To the City Treasurer | one Copy | To the Library of the Prov. Association of Mechanics & Manufacturers | four Copies |
| To the Overseers of the poor. | one Copy | To the Providence Athenaeum | four Copies |
| To the Clerk of the Market | one Copy | To the Providence Library | one Copy. |
| To the City Auditor | one Copy | | |
| To the City Marshal | one Copy | | |
| To the Surveyors of Highways. | one Copy | | |
| To the City Sergeant | one Copy | | |
| To the Boards of Firewards | one Copy. | | |

Resolved that twelve Copies of said Ordinances be additionally to his Honor the Mayor, to be by him distributed in such manner as he may deem proper.

Resolved that the remaining Copies of said Ordinances be deposited in the Office of the City Clerk, until further Order shall be made by the City Council respecting the same.

Passed May 18. 1835.

North Burial Ground

On the Petition of Augustus J Winchip requesting leave to erect and enclose a burial Lot in the North Burial ground, sufficient for his family, It is Resolved that the prayer of said petition be granted, and that the said petitioner be and he is hereby authorized to erect and enclose such Lot for said purpose; provided the same be done under the direction of the Overseers of the North burial Ground with the sanction of the Mayor.

Passed May 18. 1835.

Weights and Measures.

The Committee appointed to procure Scales & Beams & some Weights & Measures for the City have purchased of Mr Ames Stevens of Boston the following articles as per his bill of the 15th instant viz

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| 1 Box & Beam with Copper Scales | 25.00 |
| 1 Mahogany Stand for same with fixtures | 10.75 |
| 1 11 inch Box & Beam Mahogany Stand and fixtures & 1 set hay weights from 8 oz. to 7 pounds | 15.00 |
| 1 set Brass weights from 4lbs to 1/2 oz. | 4.50 |
| 1 56lb. Iron weight | 2.25 |
| 1 2 quart & 1 quart Copper Measure | 2.50 |
| 1 yard stick | 1.00 |
| Carting from Boston & postage & drayage | 1.71 |
| total. | 52.71 |

The above articles are now present for the inspection & direction of the City Council.

May 18th 1835 H Anthony for the Committee

Passed May 18th 1835

City Land at Quid Point

Resolved that the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby authorized under the advice of the President of the Common Council together with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to make a Conveyance to the State of Rhode Island & Providence Plantations of the Lot belonging to the City at Quid Point so called, for the purpose of erecting a State Prison thereon agreeably to the resolution of the City Council and on the terms & Conditions therein specified, passed on the 20th day of October last; whenever the General Assembly shall authorize some person to receive such deed, and pay the sum mentioned in said resolution; provided the same be done on or before the first day of August next. Thirk Mayor added.

Passed May 18th 1835

Fourth of July.

Resolved that, Messrs Angell, Fisher, Cooke, Stimson, Clarke and Babcock with such as the board of Aldermen may add, be and they hereby are appointed a Committee of arrangements for the Celebration of the approaching anniversary of American Independence

Resolved that the sum of Three hundred dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated to defray the expenses of said Celebration, to be paid by the City Treasurer out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, by the order of the Chairman of said Committee. Alderman Hoppin added.

Passed May 18. 1835

Admitted Free

The two boards met in Convention May 18. 1835. when the following persons were admitted freemen of this City as Eldest sons of Freemen. to wit.

Henry H Tanner Eldest son of Thomas Tanner

Alexander B Chace " " John B Chace



Persons Propounded

The following persons were propounded to become freemen, to wit.

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| Tobitt Reynolds | and freeholder | William J Cross | do |
| Lucius S Rice | do | William G Garnett | do |
| Carrington Hoppin | do | George W White | do |
| Gardner S Swarts | do | Charles D Cooke | do |
| Tully D Brown | do | James H Carpenter | do |
| Charles H Pope | do | William K Potter | do |
| William B Bourne | do | Nathaniel P Draper | do |
| Hiram Kelly | do | Joseph Carpenter | do |
| Francis Read | do | Benjamin Newton | do |
| Joshua Hunt | do | John D Brown | do |
| Rlag Newton & Jun | do | Thomas Aldrich | do |
| John H Taylor | do | Nathaniel Lang | do |
| William H Greene | do | George W Mason | do |
| John Kingsbury | do | Allen Baker | do |
| Joseph Knowles | do | Charles L Fisher | do |
| John C Gladding | do | Alpheus B Southwick | do |
| Horace M Peck | do | Job H Walton | do |
| James C Anthony | do | Moses Wood | do |
| Samuel Almy | do | Fred W Lewis | do |
| Vincent Carr | do | Edward Hall | do |
| Edward N Mason | do | William Rice | do |
| Martin Robertson | do | Thomas S Hazleton Jun | do |
| William B Cranston | do | Ozias C Willard | do |
| John B Angell | do | Charles G Taft | do |
| John Babcock | do | Daniel A Almy | do |
| Francis G Carlile | do | James L Bullock | do |
| Greg W Packard | do | John A Howland | do |
| William Brown | do | Abraham H Stillwell | do |
| Henry G Gladding | do | Ethelbut A Marshall | do |
| John H Hamblin | do | Daniel W Young | do |
| Billings Brastow | do | George Hunt | do |
| Ephraim A Hathaway | do | Joseph L Gilmore | do |
| Asher Parsons | do | H Brown | do |
| Lucien Draper | do | Mathew Egan | do |
| Joshua Sherman | do | John Wakefield | do |
| John L Pond | do | William Barstow | do |
| Elijah B Thomas | do | William Williamson | do |
| George Andrews | do | John R Wakeman | do |
| Benjamin L Wardwell | do | John Wakeman | do |
| Josiah H Crombie | do | Enos Goss | do |
| James Carpenter | do | Daniel A Cleveland | do |
| Isaac H Bassett | do | Harvey Brown | do |
| William L Burroughs | do | Reuben Brown | do |
| George W Frey | do | John H Chace | do |
| Barker L Gennison | do | Thomas A Richardson | do |
| William Calder | do | George Richardson | do |
| Josiah L Allen | do | William B Wilkinson | do |
| Nathaniel A Fisher | do | George J Adams | do |
| Daniel Howland | do | Samuel B Cushing | do |
| Benjamin White | do | Daniel C Cushing | do 100. |

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|---|---|---|---|
| George Warden | duly qual'd | Stephen Chace | Duly qualified |
| William H Murray | do | Joseph B Chace | do |
| William J Tobey | do | Seth Thayer | do |
| Charles Robin | do | Nathan S Tillinghast by consent for this day for Jos Tillinghast | |
| Edward Bowdy | do | John N Sumner " " " J. N Sumner | |
| Joseph S Winsor | do | Alexis Capell Sworn by the Curtsey | |
| Samuel C Chace | do | Ferdinand Barbe " " " | |

The two boards by vote Seperated.

Abram Shed

Resolved that the Comm'r of the Highways be and he hereby is directed to Cause a foot walk to be laid across Abram Street at its junction with Washington Street.

Resolved that the City Treasurer be authorized to pay the expenses thereof out of the appropriation for Highways.

Passed May 23d 1835.

Lantern Entrance Council Chamber

Resolved that his Hon the Mayor be and he is hereby authorized to purchase for the use of the Entrance to the City Offices, a suitable Lantern, with a Chain and weight thereto and to Cause the same be conveniently placed for Lighting said Entrance provided the expense thereof shall not exceed fifteen dollars.

Resolved that the sum of fifteen dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for said purposes and that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to pay the same, to the order of the Mayor out the appropriation for Contingent expenses.

Passed. May 23d 1835

Com. to Settle Treas. Accounts

Resolved that Messrs Stimson and Grant, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and they hereby are appointed a Committee to examine and settle the accounts of the City Treasurer for the year ending the last day of this present month of May

Alderman Hoppin added. by 15 of Ald.

Passed May 23 1835

Compensation of Appeals of Taxes

Resolved that the appeals of taxes in and for the City of Providence shall be allowed three fourths of one per Cent, as a full Compensation for appertaining the City tax for the ensuing year.

Passed May 23 1835.

Police Court.

Resolved that Robert Knight be and he is hereby selected from the Justices assigned to keep the peace in this City, to Constitute the Police Court of this City until the first Monday of June next.

Passed May 23 1835.

City Land on Charles Street.

Resolved that the Communication of the City Treasurer respecting the Sale of a lot of land belonging to the City situated on Charles Street be and the same is hereby referred to Messrs Barker & Babcock with such as the board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon

Alderman Holden added to Com.

Passed May 23d 1835

Building on Town house Lot.

Resolved that the City Marshall be and he is hereby authorized to repair the building used by the surveyor of Highways on the Town house lot and that the expense thereof, provided the same shall not exceed twenty dollars be paid by the City Treasurer out of the appropriation for Contingent expenses.

Passed May 23. 1835



Persons Propounded.

The Two Boards met in Convention May 23d 1835. and the following persons were propounded, to become Freemen of this City. to wit.

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| John B Dockray Jr. | duly produced. | Harvey Perry. | duly produced |
| Joseph H Borworth. | do. | William Collins | do |
| Jacob Manchester | do | Wilams Angell | do |
| John G Pitts | do | Manning Rawson | do |
| Owen Nichols | do | Walter S Burgess. | do. |
| Otis A Cooley | do | Abraham Studley. | do. |
| Samuel E Wade | do. | Joseph Sisson | do |

The Two boards now Seperated.

## Organization of the City Government for the year 1835 June 1st.

This being the day fixed by law for the Annual Organization of the Municipal Government of the City of Providence the following Gentlemen being the Mayor and Aldermen and twenty two of the Common Council met in Convention in the Council Chamber at 10 o'clock A.M. to wit.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Samuel W Bridgham | Mayor | |
| Silvanus G Martin | Alderman | 1st ward |
| Charles Holden | " | 2 ward |
| John H Ormsbee | " | 3 ward |
| Thomas C Hoppin | " | 4th ward |
| Hezekiah Anthony | " | 5th ward |
| Caleb Williams | " | 6th ward. |

### Common Council.

| First Ward | Second ward |
|---|---|
| Jesse B Hurd | Joseph Cady |
| Stephen Martin | George Curtis |
| Dexter Angell | George W Jackson |
| Edward D Knowles. | Simon Cooke |
| **Third ward** | **Fourth ward** |
| Joseph S Cooke | Thomas B Fenner |
| Amherst Cornell | John J Stimson |
| William C Barker absent. | Simon H Grant |
| Roger Williams Potter | John L Hughes. |
| **Fifth ward** | **Sixth ward** |
| Amasa Mason | William Babcock |
| Pardon Clarke | George Hall absent |
| William Hall | Joseph Grant |
| Daniel Field. | John F Phillips |

Robert Knight one of the Justices of the Peace for the City of Providence administered the oath required by the City Charter to

Samuel W Bridgham Mayor Elect.

The Mayor then administered the like oath to the aforenamed Aldermen, and twenty two of the Common Council Elect, said Common Councilmen Elect duly returned as such, as appeared by their Certificates of Election delivered in to the Mayor, And thereupon the Convention Balloted for City Clerk, and on Counting the Ballots, it appeared that Richard McField was duly Elected to that Office and was duly engaged by the Mayor.

The Mayor then delivered an address to the City Council And the two boards Separated, and the following Ordinances & resolutions were passed by Concurrent vote.

A Communication from the Mayor was read & sent to the Common Council.

Mayors Address

Resolved that His Hon the Mayor be requested to furnish for publication a Copy of the address made by him to the City Council this day.

Passed June 1st 1835.

Ordinance Compensation of Certain Officers

An Ordinance fixing the Compensation of Certain Officers for the year ending the first Monday of June One thousand eight hundred and thirty six.

Section 1. Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence that for the year ending the first monday of June One thousand eight hundred and thirty six the Compensation to be allowed and paid the several Officers herein after mentioned shall be as follows, to wit,

To the City Clerk Seven hundred dollars
To the City Treasurer Five hundred dollars
To the Overseer of the Poor Two hundred and fifty dollars
To the City Sergeant Five hundred and sixty five dollars
To the Surveyor of Highways five hundred dollars
To the Clerk of the Market two hundred dollars.
To the Judges of the Municipal Court in addition to the fees allowed by law for the transaction of Probate business One hundred dollars
To the City Marshal Two hundred and fifty dollars

Section 2 that said several sums be paid out of the City Treasury in quarterly payments to the Officers respectively entitled thereto.

Section 3 that the fees allowed by Law to the Clerk of the Municipal Court for probate and other business transacted in said Court shall be in full Compensation to said Clerk for his services as such; and that the fees allowed by law to Justices of the peace shall be in full Compensation to the Justices of the Police Court for their services as such.

Passed June 1st 1835.

Fire Department

Providence 29th May 1835

To the Mayor and Aldermen and Common Council of the City of Providence. Gentlemen

In Conformity with a Vote of the Board of Fire wards of the City I herewith pass and your Return resolutions passed unanimously on the 19th & 28th instant.

Very Respectfully
Sam W Wheeler Sec'y



At a meeting of the Board of Fire wards May 14th 1835.

On the resignation of Ephraim Talbot by Chairman of this board.

It is voted that the thanks of this board in behalf of themselves and of the City, are due and are hereby tendered to Mr Talbot for the very useful and important services rendered the fire department for the last twelve years, seven years of which he has Officiated as Chairman and one of the Audit, and has decided himself with zeal and perseverance to the interest of the City.

At a meeting of the Board of Fire wards May 28. 1835

Voted, that this board recommend to the City Council to grant some testimonial of respect to Ephraim Talbot Esq. in consideration of his services in the fire department of this City, in the last twelve years and that a Copy of the former vote of this board on the subject of Mr Talbots services, together with this be forwarded by the secretary to the City Council on Monday next.

Copies of Record
Sam W Wheeler Sec'y

Received.
June 1st 1835 and referred to Messrs Potter and J. P Cooke of the Common Council & Alderman Martin to examine and report thereon.

Audit & Ret of Fire dep't

The Audit account of the Board of Fire Wards together with a General Return of that Department Communicated by the Mayor was Read & received by both Boards and ordered on file.

Received June 1st 1835.

School Committee Report.

To the Hon City Council of the City of Providence

The School Committee, as required by law, report, that they have attended to the important duties of their appointment. No measure has been omitted which they deemed necessary & in their power to adopt for the promotion of the good of the institutions of which they have had the superintendence. The time and labor of the Committee have been largely taxed, but they do not complain of the burthen, deeming their efforts to have been made in a good Cause & trusting that their efforts will not prove to have been made in vain. They have visited the schools under their Charge regularly every quarter & usually bi-monthly & at other times according to their own rules, regulations & by-laws. The schools are now in as good Condition & Comply as much with public wishes as at any former period.

The expenses during the year past have somewhat exceeded those of former years the year next preceding it. This has arisen from three sources. viz. the larger repairs of the school houses including an alteration in the interior of the lower story of one of them; Second the appointment of two additional assistant teachers; & third the increase during the last quarter of the Salaries of all the teachers. The expenses however have not exceeded the appropriations, but have fallen very little short of them. The amount of the two appropriations every year Thousand dollars made at the Commencement of the year & the other of two hundred & seventy five dollars monthly made in Four Thousand five hundred & seventy five dollars, besides the amount received from the State which was fifteen hundred & twenty seven dollars & twenty eight Cents making in the whole, six thousand eight hundred & two dollars & twenty eight Cents.

The amount expended for the last year is six thousand & ninety seven dollars & twenty nine Cents for the repairs of School houses three hundred & twenty five dollars & seventy one Cents, for fuel two hundred & seventy dollars & twenty four Cents and for incidental Charges ninety five dollars & five Cents making in the whole six thousand seven hundred & thirty eight dollars & twenty nine Cents & leaving the sum of sixty three dollars & ninety nine Cents of the appropriations unexpended.

The Salaries of the teachers having been raised a Correspondent increase of the annual appropriations for the support of the schools will not hereafter be necessary. The Committee on view of the whole matter are of opinion that the expenses for the ensuing year will require an appropriation of at least of six thousand one hundred dollars in addition to what may be received from the state.

The number of schools including the African has been the same during the year last past as in the year next preceding it namely twelve, the number of teachers, male & female has been twenty three being one more than formerly, the number of scholars at the Close of the year was twelve hundred & eighty nine & the whole number of scholars during the year averaged the same number of twelve hundred & eighty nine, being one hundred & fifty two more than the average number of the year preceding.

The Committee appointed by your Hon Body at the Commencement

of the year was Composed of twenty three members out of whom namely I. A Clarke declined serving During the year four vacancies occured by the resignations of Frederick A Tenley, George Barker Thaddeus Church & John Tennum, three of which the Committee filled by the appointment of Thomas C Hoppin Usher Parsons & Anthony B Arnold, the two vacancies occasioned by Mr Clarke declining to serve & the resignation of Mr Tennum the Committee have not filled.

The secretary has kept a record of all the absentees from all the meetings of the Committee during the year, an abstract of which equally to one of the by laws of the Committee is herewith presented.

All which is respectfully submitted, for the Committee by,

Robert H Gee Secretary — Samuel W Bridgham President

City of Providence May 21st 1835.

Account of absences of the Members of the School Committee for 1834. 35.

| | No of absences |
|---|---|
| Stanford Newell | 1 |
| Charles Holden | 1 |
| John H Cambee | 1 |
| John Quincy | 4 |
| S. H Webb | 2 |
| A Capwell | 3 |
| R E Patterson | 4 |
| I Chapin | 2 |
| S B Tobey | 1 |
| G Turner | 1 |
| S. W Dorr | 1 |
| Usher Parsons | 2 |
| A B. Arnold | 1. |

The above are exclusive of two Meetings when no quorum was formed,

Providence May 21. 1835

Robert H Gee Secretary

Received June 1st 1835

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Clerk of Com. Council.

Resolved that the Clerk of the Common Council be allowed and paid for his services three dollars for each and every meeting of the board he shall attend.

Passed June 1st 1835

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Building on Town house lot.

To the Hon. City Council

The City Marshal who was appointed a Committee to cause the building on the Town house lot occupied by the overseers of highways to be repaired, for which repairs the sum of twenty four dollars was appropriated, respectfully makes report that he has discharged that duty, and that the expense of the same amounts to twelve dollars and one Cent, the bill for which expense is herewith presented.

Providence June 1. 1835. H G. Mumford City Marshal.

Received June 1st 1835.

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Report of Com. on Treasurers Acc.

The undersigned a Joint Committee appointed by the City Council on the 23 ult to examine the Treasurers account passed herewith his account Current for the six months ending May 31. The items and proper vouchers therefor have been examined by your Committee and found Correct.

The balance to the Credit of the City in New Ark is $ 11.466.12 of which $ 8328.01 is in Cash deposited in the Merchants Bank.

Providence June 1. 1835.

John J Stimpson
S. H Gunn
Thomas C Hoppin — Committee

Received June 1st 1835.



Dr. City of Providence in account with Stephen Tillinghast Treasurer. Cr.

| 1835 | | | | 1835 | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Feb. 15. | To Cash paid Asher B Thayer for a dividend on his bill vs Estate of George Brickenbury deceased | | | June 1. | By balance from old account | | | |
| | " Cash paid the Treasury in 1834 from Funds of Providence Bank | 11 | 59 | | Butchers notes due 1st June | 1900. | 0 | |
| | | | | | Wenthrop Phelps note unpaid | 115. | 0 | |
| May 30. | To balances of the following acts viz: | | | | Vernum Saunders do do | 25. | 0 | |
| | Salaries | 1181 | 33 | | Tax of 1833. unpaid | 100. | 0 | |
| | Lighting streets | 1311 | 10 | | ditto of 1834. Asher Hill's Com. not | | | |
| | City watch | 1672 | 2 | | deducted. on $440.000 | 4200 | 0 | |
| | Asylum Wall | 396 | 65 | | Cash now on hand. 19701.32 | 26242 | 32. | |
| | Wells & pumps | 61 | 35 | | Sewers recovered by Com. of highways | | | |
| | Poor in the Asylum in addition to the fund | | | | on Charges $1.00 | | | |
| | arising from the Orphan Donation | 271 | 73 | | Contingencies short Charged 10 cts. | | | 90 |
| | Interest | 2375 | 53. | | Sewer acts settled May 31. 1835 of | | | |
| | Bridges | 157 | 4 | | Wm Brown Victorie Charged | | 7 | 62 |
| | Public Buildings | 116 | 35. | 8 | " Repairment for Town Cart house, formal Acct | | | |
| | Police department | 1125 | 47. | | paid by Overseers of the poor | | 6 | 1 |
| | Contingencies | 628 | 19. | 9 | " Cash of Bartlett for stay on 2 billiard tables | | | |
| | Support of the poor at large | 700 | 75 | | 3 mo Each to Vinton. $47.50 $47.50. | | 95 | 0 |
| | Fire department | 742 | 83. | 11 | Cash of City Clerk for auctioneer license | | 10 | 0 |
| | North burying ground | 25 | 0 | 27 | " do of Wm Gibbs 3 mo stay to Vinton on | | | |
| | Public Schools | 3353 | 9 | | his billiard tables | | 47 | 50 |
| | Highways | 523 | 90 | " | Cash of Asher Hill's for licenses & stamps broke | | " | 66. |
| | " Asher Hill's Commissions on the tax of $40.000 | | | 23 | " do of City Clerk for licenses to retailers | | 75 | 0 |
| | ordered in June 1834 & Apparent | 1600 | 00 | Feb. 21. | do do do | | 40 | 0 |
| | Note a/c for Butchers notes due. | | | Mar 11 | do do do $47.50 $20.00 | | 32 | 0 |
| | 1st June | 1350. 0 | | Apr 10 | do of Bartlett 3 mo. Each stay on 2 billiard | | | |
| | Jos Martin's do 1st. " | 35.37. | | | tables to Vinton. $47.50 $47.50 | | 95 | 0 |
| | Wenthrop Phelps note unpaid 2 | | | 23 | do of City Clerk for licenses to "Vinton" | | 10 | 0 |
| | Considered worthless | 115. 00 | | | do do retailers 30.0 | | | |
| | V Saunders Note ditto. | 25. 0 | | May 5 | do do do 23.0 | | 61 | 0 |
| | Tax of 1833 still due. | 100 0 | | | do of Wm Gibbs 3 mo stay on billiard table | | | |
| | ditto 1834 ditto | 1000 .0. | | | to 1st April | | 47 | 50 |
| | Cash now on hand | 8328. 01 | | | " balance of Patrick Donnahoe Acct | | 69 | 60 |
| | U.C Thurston note dem. | 11. 50 | 11466 12. | | do Peter Fenton do | | 3 | 40 |
| | | | 27448 43 | 22 | Cash of City Clerk for licenses to Circus & | | | |
| | | | | | Conflagration of Museum. $20 $20. | | 40 | — |
| | | | | 25 | Telling boat Donation, above due 2 yrs 50 | | 7 | 0 |
| | | | | | " Rents as balance of that Acct. | | 470 | 25 |
| | | | | | " Heirs of A Tobey for that of that Acct | | 67 | 50 |
| | | $ | 27448 43 | | | $ | 27448 | 43. |

Office of City Treasurer Providence May 30. 1835

Sworn to & subscribed

Stephen Tillinghast.
City Treasurer

Note. The Interest to be received from the Merchants Bank to the 1st June will be about $ 730.

Received June 1st 1835.

Communication of City Treasurer with Documents.

Treasurers Office. Providence June 1st 1835.

Gentlemen

I herewith enclose you

1st A Statement of Receipts & Expenditures for the year Ending May 30th.
2d Schedule of Real Estate belonging to the City
3d Schedule of Rents
4th Statement of City debt.

My account Current from January to May 30th is in the hands of the Examining Committee

Very Respectfully

Stephen Fillingham

City Treasurer

To the City Council

**Statement of Receipts into the Treasury & Sources from whence derived for year ending 31st May.**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| From Tax of 1833 excluding John Wells's Commission of $1000. on $40.000 | 2200 | 00 |
| " ditto tax of 1834 do do | 39000 | 00 |
| Rent of Weybosett Street & Fish Burgess | 169 | 33 |
| Auctioneers | 93 | 83 |
| Sale of City Thatch | 4 | 93 |
| Fines for smoking & riding in Streets | 55 | 00 |
| Tax on billiard Tables | 63 71 | 115 |
| Licenses for Exhibitions 55.00 | | |
| ditto to Retailers 1752.00 | 1817 | 00 |
| Loan from Savings Bank & Individuals | 1093 | 33 |
| Strangers dying without known heirs | 118 | 55 |
| Heirs of Alexis Forte | 110 | 10 |
| Rents of Markets & City Lands | 2647 | 43 |
| Stillingham donation | 14 | 00 |
| Fire department for old Engines | 70 | 00 |
| Highways for manual & repair paving Stone | 113 | 39 |
| Miscellaneous | 12 | 61 |
| Cash on hand May 31 1834 | 2325 | 89 |
| School fund rec'd from Gen'l Treasurer | 1525 | 41 |
| Interest on deposits in Merchants Bank | 543 | 54 |
| | 53677 | 34 |

**Payments from the Treasury for the year ending May 31. 1835**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Water house lot | | | 28 90 |
| Grist Mill vs Mr Howell | | | 11 92 |
| Taxes remitted | | | 20 54 |
| City debt paid | | | 2933 34 |
| Salaries | | | 4545 25 |
| Support of the poor at large | 1335.40 | | |
| ditto in the Asylum beyond the sum of $3325.53 derived from the Dexter donation | 494.5 | | 1830 90 |
| City watch | | | 4504 14 |
| Public Buildings | | | 494 25 |
| Contingencies | | | 2339 56 |
| Highways | | | 5245 13 |
| Fire department | | | 3580 25 |
| Interest | | | 5782 17 |
| Asylum Wall | | | 970 90 |
| Wells & Pumps | | | 80 77 |
| Schools | | | 6121 79 |
| Bridges | | | 396 92 |
| Lighting Streets | | | 1587 94 |
| Police department | | | 114 31 |
| North burying ground | | | 25 00 |
| John Wells Commission on $40.000 tax of 1833. 4 per | 1600.00 | | |
| ditto of 1834. $40000. | 1600.00 | 3200 | 00 |
| Cash now on hand | | 8328 | 01 |
| | $ | 51029 | 93 |
| | | 53677 | 34 |

Office of City Treasurer
Providence May 30th 1835
Stephen Fillingham
City Treasurer



## Schedule of Real Estate belonging to the City.

The Brick Market house & lot on Market Square. The Town house lot measuring on College Street 110 feet on Benefit Street 125 feet & bounding South on a gangway of 17½ feet in width, which is for ever to remain open into the Town house lot 67½ feet, and on lands of Brown & Sons & others 95 feet, making the whole South line 153 feet, Westerly on land of John Whipple & others on which it measures 156½ feet, The buildings on said lot are 1st The Town house measuring 53 feet by 45½ feet. 2d the Firemens Hall 30 feet by 20 feet, 3d Fire Hook & Ladder house 35 feet by 9 feet, 4th Engine house No 1 18½ feet by 6½ feet, 5th 2 Sheds for market men horses 45 by 10 each, 6th Carriage house 19 feet by 14 feet. 7th the City Pound. all the above buildings belonging to the City. 8th Artillery Armes part 30 feet by 20 feet, 9th Cadet Armes part, 52 feet by 32 feet, 10th Bell & Burgess Office 30 by 15.

Hospital land.

Two Acres & 30 rods bounding East on the River and South on Hawkins Cove, called the Old Hospital lot, this lot having been purchased for Spirital purposes, the City has no power to sell it, the building thereon is two Stories high measuring by feet. Ten & ½ acres called the new hospital land on which the large hospital building is erected, bounding on the brook which forms the South boundary line of the City & the North boundary line of Cranston. This lot originally joined the Old Hospital lands but is now separated by the Pawtuxet turnpike. A new building for hospital purposes was erected in 1832. in the vicinity of the other standing upon this lot.

The North burial ground originally Comprised 43 acres & in June 1796. the Town purchased of Moses Brown Esqr 4 acres adjoining easterly on the same & a turnpike road was made through it leaving part of the City's land S & west of said road, this piece was afterwards sold to S Dorr & others. the subject of this ground is now in the hands of a Committee to ascertain its boundaries &c

The Dansforth lot, lies at the Junction of Main Street Benefit & Stampers & was purchased for the accomodation of the neighbourhood, partly by Subscription from individuals & partly by the Town, Engine No 2 is located thereon

The Old Brick School house.

The lot whereon it stands is 60 by 50 feet & was given to the Town by Ambrose Page in May 1765 for a School house purposes exclusively, the whole lot measures 100 feet by 120 feet extending from Meeting Street to South Court Street.

North School house lot

1st district bounds 48 feet on Benefit Street & extends Easterly 60 feet & Can be applied to no other than its actual purpose, In 1828 the Town purchased an additional lot of 20 feet front & 52 feet in depth making the whole lot on Benefit Street 53 feet.

The Sessions lot Fronts westerly on North Main Street at its Junction Northerly & extending Easterly to a road & Contains about 6¼ acres.

Land on Charles & Smith Street.

The work house lot so called lying on the East side of Charles Street & bounding on the Black stone Canal measures in length on Charles Street about 220 feet, its width on Smith Street at its South end is about 100 feet, & at its North End about 63 feet, the lot is walled up to the land of Smith Street & to the land of Charles Street to the length of 145 feet, the remainder does not require to be walled, the land on the west side of Charles Street measures thereon, about 240 feet, its width at the North End measuring westerly to Back Street so Called is 95 feet its width at the South End which bounds on Smith Street is about 74 feet, this width is exclusive of 40 feet for the entire length of the west line of this lot being the proposed Continuation of Back Street through the City lands, by an exchange of lands made in 1833, the above described lands form a square, divided North & South by Charles Street

Land South of Smith Street & Smiths Bridge.

The City is supposed to have a Claim to part of these lands & there

In the year 1798 a part of this land was surveyed & established as a public Street & a Committee from the City Council are now empowered to investigate the subject.

Great Point

To this land bounds were affixed some years since by a Committee, quantity of land unknown to me there being no plat thereof on file.

South or Third district School

The lot on which this school house stands is 80 feet front on Transit Street

The East part of this lot extends 10 feet north to the Telling house burying ground and 31 feet of the West part extends back to the Land of B Clifford Ans Engine house stands on a part of this lot.

The Abbot lot at Tockwotton.

Is 40 feet square & given to the Town as a Watering place for ever.

## West Side

The Rowe house lot

This lot fronts on Weybosset Street measuring thereon 31 feet & is in depth 70 feet Engine house No 3 stands on the westerly part of this lot.

The Testa Estate

A house and lot at the Junction of Parsons & Weybosset Streets now in possession of the City subject to the Claim of said Testa heirs.

The Public Square

Conveyed to the Town "for ever public purposes & purposes & for no other use & purpose whatever" is 150 feet Square & bounded by Atwells Avenue & Bradford Street & on two sides by 20 feet gangways. A well has been sunk thereon for public purposes.

Fourth district School house & lot

Is situated on the Southerly side of Richmond Street measuring thereon 112 feet depth of lot not given in the deed.

Stone School house & lots

Situate between Weybosset & Pawtuxet Streets the deeds do not give dimensions of the lots.

Thatch Beds.

The North Easterly part of the Cove thatch bed belonging to the City begins at the N.E. Corner of the house late Davies Thurber South of Carpenters point, thence Coping the Cove to a point a little East of Lands of John Smith. The right bought of Mrs Barnes & others bounded Southerly on the above described right, extending up the Cove to the boundary line of North Providence & thence across the Cove to Carpenters point quantity of Land not mentioned in the deeds.

Hydraulion Building

No 1 Stands on lot on Hydraulion Street belonging to Thomas Thompson.

No 2 Near the Canal Basin on Land filled in upon the Cove.

The Fields point Farm

Contains about 38 Acres Other Fields right of dower to a portion thereof has been purchased of her by the City.

Providence May 30th 1835

Stephen Tillinghast

City Treasurer

## Schedule of Rents.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Part of Town house lot to Paul & Burgess year to year | 20 | 0 |
| ditto to Cadet Co. at pleasure of City | 20 | 0 |
| Lands on Smith & Charles Street, viz | | |
| one lot Corner of Charles & Smith Street to 313 Feet to | | |
| January 1 1838. 115 feet @ $2 per foot. | 290 | 0. |
| 1 do West side Charles Street year to year to James Page 120 feet at 75 Cents per foot | 30 | 0 |
| 1 do do Daniel Angell to Jan 1 1837. 30 feet @ $1. | 30 | 0 |
| 1 do do James Smith to do 37 feet " | 37 | 0 |
| 1 do Corner Smith & Charles Street to Jan 1. 1838 " 22 feet " | 22 | 0 |
| The Stephens lot, to Warren Bashkiller to April 1. 1838. 40 feet on 31 feet of Manure yearly | 60 | 0 |
| The Rowe house year to year to David Pitt | 26 | 0. |
| The Testa house do to Joseph Martin | 140 | 0. |



| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Stalls in Market house to dumber 1. 1835 1 year | 245 | 0 |
| Stalls & Stands in Fish Market to January 1st 1836. | 162 | 50 |
| Water Cistern at South Corner of Market house | 3 | 0 |
| | $ 3050 | 50 |

Providence May 30th 1838.

Stephen Tillinghast

City Treasurer.

## Statement of the City debt on the 1st June 1835.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| One Note to the Providence Dispensary on demand | 1300 | 0 |
| 1 do to S.W. Bridgham Esq. due July 1st 1835 | 1000 | 0 |
| 1 do to Prov. Inst. for Savings " " 25 " | 3093 | 33. |
| 1 do to R.H. Ives Esq. Trustee Aug. 8th. | 250 | 0 |
| 1 do to Providence Dispensary do do | 250 | 0 |
| Funded debt redeemable April 1. 1836. | 16000 | 0 |
| Sundry Notes to Individuals do do | 2000 | 0 |
| Funded debt due April 1st 1832. | 15000 | 0 |
| ditto " " 1st 1840 | 50000 | 0 |
| $ | 102.493. | 33 |

bearing interest at 5 P Cent.

May 30th. 1835

Stephen Tillinghast

City Treasurer.

Received June 1st 1835.

City Property

Resolved that Messrs Stimson & Greene with such as the board of Aldermen may add to, and they hereby are appointed a Committee to prepare a particular account of receipts and expenditures for the past year and a Schedule of City Property and cause the same to be published in the newspapers employed by the City Council agreeably to the requirements contained in the 4th Section of the City Charter. Alderman Hospital added to the Com.

Passed June 1st 1835

City Printing

Resolved that Messrs Everett & Jackson with such as the board of Aldermen may add, be and they hereby are appointed a Committee to Contract for the City Printing for the ensuing year.

Alderman Anthony added.

Passed June 1st 1835.

Tax 40,000. $

An Ordinance providing for the assessment and Collection of a Tax of Forty Thousand dollars.

Section 1 Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence that a Tax of Forty thousand dollars be assessed and levied upon the ratable property of the inhabitants and others owning such property in said City; and that said Tax be assessed on & before the third Monday of August next, and be Collected and paid in to the City treasury on or before the third Monday of September next

Section 2 that the Collector of said Tax advertise in the Manufacturers and Farmers Journal, Republican Herald & Providence Patriot for three weeks successively, Calling upon all persons who may be assessed for said Tax to make payment at his Office within ten days including and ending on the said third Monday of September next: And during said last mentioned term said Collector shall attend at said Office, for the purpose of receiving said Tax, every day, Sundays excepted, from nine o'clock A.M. until twelve o'clock M. and from two o'clock until five o'clock P.M. and on the said third Monday of September next he shall attend for said purpose until Nine o'clock in the Evening; and said Collector shall deduct three percent from the respective sums, assessed upon all those who shall make payment within said ten days.

Section 3 That said Collector shall be allowed five per Cent for Collecting said Tax, he allowing out of his Commissions three per cent to all those who shall pay into the amount of their respective taxes within the ten days aforesaid

Section 4 that all money's paid Collector shall previous towards said Tax by the aforesaid third Monday of September next he shall pay into the City Treasury without delay, Collecting and paying over the previous (if any) of said Tax as soon thereafter as may be: and that all persons who shall be delinquent in paying said Tax by said third Monday of September next shall pay interest afterwards, for which interest said Collector shall be accountable to the City.

Passed June 1st 1835.

City Ordinances.

Resolved that Copies of the City Ordinances recently printed be distributed as follows. viz
To Each member of the City Council who has not already been furnished with a Copy thereof. — one Copy.
To Each of the Justices of the peace in the City — one Copy
To the Chairman & Secretary of the Board of Five wards each one Copy.

Passed June 1. 1835

Police Court.

Resolved that from the Justices appointed to keep the peace within this City, Robert Knight Albert G Greene & Henry L Bowen Esquires be and they hereby are Selected to Compose the Police Court of the City for the year ensuing.

Passed June 1st 1835

City Land on Charles Street.

On the report of the Joint Committee to whom was referred the Communication of the City Treasurer relative to the lease of a lot of land on the West side of Charles Street belonging to the City, it is

Resolved that the same be received; and that a passage way of twenty feet wide, next North of James Pages Soap house, be left open from Charles Street to Back Street, for public accommodation; and that the remainder of said lot being about thirty two feet front on Charles Street and extending towards Back Street be leased for a term of five years, at the rate of one dollar per front foot per year; and that the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby authorized and empowered to execute a lease thereof accordingly

Passed June 1. 1835

City Treasurer's Bond.

Resolved that Messrs Mason, Carly & Stinson with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to take a bond from the City Treasurer with sufficient Surety or Sureties for the faithfull discharge of the duties of his Office for the year ensuing
Alderman Hopkins added to Com.

Passed June 1. 1835.

Street & Ward Signs

The Committee to whom was referred the subject matter of erecting signs to designate the several wards of the City with authority to draw on the Treasury for a sum not exceeding fifty dollars to defray the Expense attendant thereto) have attended to that duty & herewith report in accordance with the rule of the Common Council) that the erecting of the above said signs Cost forty eight 12/100 dollars which your Committee have drawn on the City Treasury for agreeably to their Instructions, all which is respectfully submitted by your Committee
Providence June the first A.D. 1835.

Thomas R Holden Chr
Pardon Clarke.

Accepted June 1st 1835

Firemen's Appreciation

Resolved that the sum of fifty Cents be paid by the City Treasurer to the Treasurer of the Providence Association of Firemen for Mutual assistance for each of the firemen of the City in order to entitle them annually to the benefit of the funds of said Association; and that the same be paid on the Certificate of the City Clerk ascertaining the appointment of said Firemen, out of the appropriation for the fire department.

Passed June 1st 1835



Great Point

Resolved that the provisions of the Resolution relative to the Conveyance of a lot of land at Great Point to the State, passed by the City Council on the eighteenth day of May A.D. 1835 be and the same are hereby so modified as to authorize Stephen Tilling past Treasurer of said City who is hereby appointed the Special agent of the City for this purpose, to execute in behalf of the City under the advice of the Mayor and the President of the Common Council a warranty deed to the State of the lot of land mentioned in said resolution for the purpose of erecting thereon a State prison or Penitentiary, and the appurtenances thereof and for such other purposes in addition, as the General Assembly may deem expedient; the State paying the City for said lot the sum of five hundred dollars: said deed to be given upon the Condition that if a State prison or Penitentiary shall not be Commenced and so far Completed upon said lot within four years from the first day of June A.D. 1835. as that some part of the same shall be ready for use for the appropriate purposes thereof, then and in that Case said lot shall revert to the City upon the repayment, or tender of repayment by the General Treasurer of the sum of five hundred dollars by the City Treasurer at any time within one year next after the expiration of said four years: And this further Condition to be expressed in said deed that the State at its own expense shall Cause Cove Street to be filled up and Completed upon the side of said lot as said Street is now platted, or upon such other part of said lot as may be prescribed by the Board of Aldermen to be done in either Case at such time and in such manner as shall be satisfactory to said Board: said deed to be executed at such time prior to the first day of August A.D. 1835. and not afterwards, as the General Treasurer of the Commission appointed by the General Assembly upon the subject of a State Prison or Penitentiary, shall be ready to receive the same and pay into the City Treasury the aforesaid sum of five hundred dollars.

Passed June 1st 1835.

North Burial Ground.

Resolved that Mr Martin, be and he is hereby appointed a member of the Committee appointed by the resolution of the City Council of the second of March last, to procure suitable materials, and Cause a fence to be erected around the north burial Ground in the place of Mr Daniels who has ceased to be a member of the Common Council.

Passed June 1st 1835.

Canal Street.

Resolved that, Messrs Sweet and B Cooke be and they are hereby appointed Members of the Committee appointed by the resolution of the sixth of April last, to superintend the paving of Certain parts of Canal Street in the place of Messrs Mitchell & Holden, who have Ceased to be members of the Common Council, and that Alderman Martin be appointed a member of said Committee in stead of Alderman Sweet who declines serving.

Passed June 1st 1835

Ordinances making Appropriations

An Ordinance appropriating Twenty seven Thousand eight hundred & sixty four dollars for the purposes therein mentioned.

Section 1 Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence that the sums herein after mentioned be and the same are hereby appropriated for the following purposes respectively, to wit,
For support of the public Schools for the year ending the first Monday of June A.D. 1836. together with and in addition to the sum which the City may receive for the same purpose from the State Treasury; the expenditures under this appropriation to be made by the order and direction of the School Committee six thousand dollars
For support of the poor and removal of Paupers, including Asylums, nine hundred dollars together with the income of the "Tilling trust fund" so Called.
For the Fire department fourteen hundred dollars.
For the repairs of Highways & Streets, five thousand dollars.
For the support of Public Bridges, four hundred dollars.
For support of the public Watch, twenty five hundred dollars
For lighting the Streets five hundred dollars.
For Salaries of the Mayor and Aldermen for the year ending the first Monday of June A.D. 1836. Sixteen hundred dollars
For the Salaries of Certain Officers as prescribed in and by an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance fixing the Compensation of Certain Officers for the year ending the first monday of June A.D. one thousand eight hundred and thirty six": Two thousand eight hundred and sixty five dollars
For the repairs of public buildings, four hundred dollars.
For support of the City pumps and wells, one hundred dollars.

For interest on Money loaned and outstanding debt Two thousand six hundred dollars.
For building Asylum wall Two thousand dollars
For Contingent expenses viz. any Claims which may be allowed by the Board of Aldermen or by the City Audit not included in any of the preceding items, and also the Compensation allowed to assessors of taxes, to the Clerks of the Common Council, and to wood Clerks, Sixteen hundred dollars

Section 2. That the several sums appropriated as aforesaid be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated

Passed June 1: 1835.

## Election

The two boards met in Convention June 1st 1835. for the purpose of Election of City Officers And the following persons were elected to their several offices, viz.,

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| Judge of Municipal Court | Thomas Burgess |
| Clerk of do | Albert G Greene |
| City Sergeant | Edward Harwood |
| City Treasurer | Stephen Fillinghast |
| City Audit | Amasa Mason. Simon W Greene. |
| Overseers of the Poor | Joshua Matthews |
| City Constables | Henry G Mumford, David C Mann, Jacob C Gould, Merril Kingsley, Jabez J Potter, James Sheldon, Russell Clapp. |
| Sealer of Weights & Measures | Ephraim J Jackson |
| Assessors of Taxes. | Henry L Franklin, Thomas A Holden, Nathaniel Bishop, William Sheldon, James M Warner. Also for the ensuing year. Also a person of this City to be appointed |
| Surveyors & Corders of Wood | Enoch J Paul, Samuel Mowry, William Bradley, James Snow, Thomas J Wardwell, Benjamin J Olney. |
| Surveyor of Highways. | Henry G Mumford |
| Surveyors of Docks, Slips & Wharfing | George J Harwood. Wm J Sharman. Samuel Cathcart. |
| Gaugers of Casks | Ezek Eddy. Daniel Rose, John W Jones. James Burrough, Jason Williams. |
| Collector of Taxes. | John Hill. also Collector of the City Tax this day ordered |
| Packers and Inspectors of Fish | Wm J Sharman, Geo J Harwood |
| Owners of Hospital | Mayor & Aldermen |



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| Clerk of the Market | Henry G Mumford |
| Fence Viewers | Pardon Mason, Edward Harwood, Samuel Carlile. |
| Field Drivers. | |
| Field Drivers | Pardon Mason. Edward Harwood, Samuel Carlile |
| President of Fire Wards. | Elisha Dyer, Dexter Thurber, Richard Jackson, Benjamin Thurber, Carlo Maroni, Wilbur Kelly. Mr Thurber did not accept. A Subsequent Meeting Stephen Martin appointed |
| Fire Wards. | Benjamin Hoppin, Caleb Williams, John Andrews, Smith Borden 4th, Silvanus G Martin, Henry G Mumford, Wilcox Congdon, Sam W Wheeler, Philip W Martin, Joseph G Metcalf, Joseph Swift, Robert Manchester, Abram Hill, Roger W Potter, Chas Pierce, Asapa Bagnell, John C Waterman, Solomon Townsend, Daly Greene, Benjamin Johnson, Henry Randall, George B Holmes, Asa Pike, Samuel C Dexter, Edward S Williams, Samuel Butler, Willard W Bradbury |
| School Committee. | Samuel W Bridgham, Stanford Newel, Charles Holden, John H Combe, George Curtis, Amos B Sears, Robert H Ives, Thomas H Webb, William Sprague, Alexis Caswell, Robert C Pattison, Josiah Chapin, Samuel B Foley, Edward B Hall, George Samuel Thomas, W Dorr, Caleb Williams, Thomas C Hoppin, Anthony B Lowell, Asher Parmenter, Silvanus G Martin, Hezekiah Anthony, Isaac Brown. |
| Sealers of Leather. | Calvin Pearce, Joel Metcalf jr. |
| City Crier. | John Greene. |
| Committee of Encroachments on Streets | Leonard Blodgett, Samuel B. Cushing. |
| Inspectors of Pot & Pearl Ashes. | Smith Borden, Amasa Manton. |
| Inspectors & Measurers of Carpenters Masons & Painters Work. | William W Brown, Leonard Blodgett, John H Grant, Hezekiah Carpenter, Robert Mumford, Joseph Bogman, James Brown, Pardon Borden, James Lewis, Russell Greene |
| Surveyors & Measurers of Stone | Zachariah Chaffee, Daniel Hale, William Andrews, |
| Owners of Public Bridges | Menzies Sweet. |
| Advising Committee on ditto. | Mayor & Aldermen. |
| Committee to Superintend building Chimneys & placing Stoves & Stove Pipes. | Cyrus Fosher, Asapa Bagnell, Robert Angell, Samuel Carlile. |
| Auctioneer | Sylvester Hathaway. |
| Owners of North Burial Ground. | Benjamin Hathaway |
| Measurers of Grain, Salt & Sea Coal. | John W Jones. Hezekiah Sayles. |
| Owner of Pump North End. | Robert Angell. Mr A did not accept. Stephen Martin appointed |
| Owner Pump South End. | Samuel Carlile |
| Owner Pump High Street. | James Sheldon. |

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| Crosser of Pumps Pond Street and west end of Westend of Westminster Street | Nicholas Northrop |
| Crosser of Pumps, Bread Street. | Phinehas Potter |
| Inspectors of Lignum Vitæ Captain Roof. | Daniel V Rose, John P Jones. |
| Owners of Town house. | Joshua Rathbun |
| Commissioners of side walks. | Walter Paine, Maapa Bapell, Cyrus Fisher |
| Measurers of Beam | John P Jones, Hazeltine Sapt. |
| City Marshall | Henry G Mumford |
| Nuisance Committee | Henry G Mumford, Maapa Bapell, Moses Richardson |
| Inspector of Beef & Pork | Thomas Angell |
| Pound Keeper | Joshua Rathbun |

Represented George H Wood. and present

| Hydraulion Company No 1. | | | |
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| | Amos D Smith | Lewis V Child | William N Douglass |
| | James G Anthony | Charles F Blodgett | Billings Burton |
| | Thomas Aldrich | Abel Forte | Pitt Ball |
| | Allen O Peck | William A Greene | Moses B Ives |
| | John Calder | Henry Tamworth | Francis G Carlile |
| | Squire Pierce | Edward A Taft | William Andrews |
| | Willard W Fairbanks | Henry A Cary | Stephen Arnold |
| | Robert L Thurston | Elisha Dyer Jr. | Thomas Jackson |
| | Thomas J Hart | William C Bowen | Rufus Phelps |
| | William L Aldrich | Brintnall Sabin | Charles S Wood |
| | Jonathan D Pike | Nicholas R Arnold | James W Buckley |
| | Alexander B Chace | Joseph A Weeden | Geo Nightingale |
| | Edward S Miller | Charles F Pierson | William H Foster |
| | Charles A Hoppin | William H Taylor | Tillinghast Almy |
| | Amasa Manton | Anthony B Arnold | Ebenezer Fuller |
| | George Grinnell | James Arnold | William W Hoppin |
| | William H Waterman | Henry B Fuller | George Paine |
| | Henry Anthony | George W Taylor | Henry A Anthony |
| | William P Blodget | William H Mason | Isaac B Cook |
| | Alexander F Allen | Joseph K Angell | William Foster |
| | William Sanford | Reuben J Peckham | William G Crump |
| | Hartford B Billings | Timothy Munyan | Jacob Munro |
| | Henry Hoppin | Samuel B Wheaton | Walter S Burgess |
| | James R Doraance | Seth Paddleford | Carrington Hoppin |
| | Joseph B Sanford | Thomas P Bucklin | Francis Bowley Jr. |
| | Tristam Burgess Jr. | Robert H Ives | Edward A Parris |
| | Frederick Burgess | Thompson Wells | C. G. Thompson |
| | William P Allen | John Taylor | James W Smith |



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| | Gabriel C Knight | Joseph W Butler | Jarvis Lapan |
| | Paxton Williams | William C Munro | Jeremiah D Carol |
| | Benjamin Wilcox | Joseph S B Angell | A B Gardner. |
| | Samuel Pitkin | Henry C Smith | John W Butts. |
| | Wm S. D Wolf | James W Carpenter. | |
| | Charles Danforth | Joseph Carpenter, | 100. |
| Hydraulion No 2. | Allen Baker | Charles Bowen | Ebenezer Spink |
| | Richard W Bush | Jerl Bishop | George W White |
| | Daniel Angell | Leonard Blackington | Thomas White |
| | George W Taylor 2d | David S Capron | Rufus Waterman |
| | William Calder | Hamalial L Dwight | Whipple W Brown |
| | George K Davis | John A Field | Daniel C Cushing |
| | Charles S Tuttle | Truman Foster | Sullivan Dorr Jr. |
| | Averil Kingsley | Isaac J Giles | James M Sherman |
| | John C Gray | Riley Haviland Jr. | David B Blake |
| | P. Allen Jr. | Charles Holden Jr. | Barton Miller |
| | Zach Allen | Benjamin Hubbard | Rufus M Sarrel |
| | Samson Almy | George F Man | Nathaniel Earle |
| | Cyrus C Melnick | Alfred A Mason | Albert H Jones |
| | N. S. Bliss | Henry G Mumford | Sabry C White |
| | Nath W Brown | Henry Moore | Wm Congdon |
| | Zeath Brown | James Peck | W. 76 Allen 2d. |
| | John A Burton | Benjamin Atkinson Jr. | |
| Touring Station Engine No 1. | A H Manchester | Henry P Luther | Malachi R Gardner |
| | James G Smith | Benjamin F Wardwell | Thomas J Gardner |
| | James Lovery | Wm Andrews | Elijah A King |
| | Jacob Manchester | Francis L Danforth | Alex H Wilbur |
| | Ridley Case | Benjamin White | Isaac Sackett |
| | Charles J Shelly | James C Bucklin | Job Andrews |
| | Reuben Brown | William A Taft | James Harlin |
| | John W Moore | John G Pitts | Lewis L Hodges |
| | Benjamin Dyer | Salma Manton | John B Taft |
| | Albert Metzger | Edward N Mason | Samuel Foster |
| | Benjamin Bosman | Josiah Sherburne | Henry Chadsey |
| | Rhodes G Lockwood | Thomas R Seaman | Geo A Taylor |
| | James E Budlong | Benjamin Allen | Joseph A Barker |
| | John Price | A. B. Billings | Chauncy Shepard |
| | Edwin Read | George B Franklin | William Moon |
| | Binoni Parkinson | Henry A Haviland | William H Mowry |
| | Thomas M Carr | Nicholas Sackett | John B Martin |
| | Oliver Budlong | George Rickard | Benjamin W Jenkins |
| | Alfred Smith | Abijah Thomas | Daniel Owen |
| | Joseph A Andrews | Thomas P Bosworth | John L Haviland |
| | Dexter Paine | William H Hudson | Joseph W Cory |
| | Henry Barton | Samuel B Shepard | Bradford F Newton 6. |
| | Amos W Snow | William Sutton | William Wardwell |
| | Stephen A Paris | Edward R Young | Ray F Dyer |
| | Levi L Weeks | William Bennett | James A Arnold |
| | Earl P Mason | Joshua Thomas | James B Curtis Absentees Salisbury. 79. |

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| Touring Stationary Engine No 2 | Royal W Pettis | William Langley | William M Redman | |
| | William J Harris | Henry L Bowers | Henry Gardner | |
| | Samuel Congdon | William Aplin | Thomas B Upshikes | |
| | John H Taylor | William Hall | Henry Thurber | |
| | Jonathan A Eddy | Menzo Draper | Amos F Jenks | |
| | Edwin Crapp | Nathaniel G Helme | Jefferson Borden | |
| | John B Dexter | Edwin H Tremblay | Charles W Jenkins | |
| | Ephraim Brown | Charles L Hine | Edward Billings | |
| | Richard C Hamblin | Wolcott C Weeden | Edward F Sheldon | |
| | Richard C Eddy | Samuel N Richmond | John F Rice | |
| | Edwin H Harris | Geo W Richmond | Thomas R Crapp | |
| | William Buckbee | Henry W Bradford | Timothy H Temple | |
| | Menzies Swet | Benjamin Hathaway | William J Cross | |
| | Russell Case | Vincent Carr | Geo H Hopkins | |
| | Alva Chace | Albert E Harding | Alexander Lake | |
| | Henry D Sheldon | William H Harding | Jeremiah F Reis | |
| | Stephen R Weeden | Stacy Carpenter | Nelson Anthony | 55 |
| | Geo Owen | Edward O Lawrence | | |
| | Nicholas H Bradford | Gilbert Sheldon | | |
| | Stanton Thurber | Owen Clapton | Thomas Bullas | |
| | Cyrus Cban | James Wheaton | John C Harwood | |
| Fire hook and Ladder Co. No 1 | Daniel Hull | James Chapman | Thomas M Hutchins | |
| | Joseph Low | Charles D Pinkhurst | G. W. H Burlingame | |
| | Thomas Tanner | Lyman Dayton | Augustus Ellis | |
| | Geo W Fox | O P Cban | John Boyden | 13 |
| Fire hook and Ladder Co No 2 | Sheldon Young | Daniel W Young | Isaac Clarke | |
| | Russell Gunn | William B Mason | Isaac Lake | |
| | Sylvester Hutchins | David Jackins | Jacob B Thurber | |
| | Robert Manchester | Gardner Luther | Theodore Taylor | |
| | Dennis Sweet | Seth Butts Jr | | |
| | Caleb C Cooke | Jonathan B Nichols | | 16. |
| Engine No 1 | Spague Barber | Albert Waterman | Samuel H Hall | |
| | Stephen Barker | Jerome B Anthony | Russell Midland | |
| | William H Howard | Jeremiah Tanner | John Stokes | |
| | Samuel W Brown | Ephraim Whipple | Kimball Aldrich | |
| | Alfred Anthony | Josiah Baxter | James M Potter | |
| | Nathan Bucklin | Thomas Payne | Geo W Dyer | |
| | Hanson Kelly | William Pearson | John Potter | |
| | E W Walker | Stephen Randall | Abner Angell | |
| | George Learns | William Randall | John Hastings | 27. |
| Engine No 2 | Luther Angell | David A Cleveland | Thomas Stone | |
| | Geo E Cleveland | Geo H Bush | Dexter Hall | |
| | Peter Church | John Simmons | Nelson Maury | |
| | William N Amsbury | Geo Hunt | William H Lovell | |
| | Augustus J Winship | Benjamin O Arnold | Richard Salsbury Jr | |



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| | Daniel Joslin | Edwin A Rice | William W Knight | |
| | Henry A Whipple | Gideon Hall | Geo F Thurber | |
| | Charles D Cleveland | Isaac B Allen | James Thurber Jun | |
| | Samuel S Manchester | William Calder | | 26. |
| Engine No 3. | Henry L Kendall | Henry Clarke | Arad Dudley | |
| | John L Noyes | Daniel Pitts | Otis Hicks | |
| | John F Dyer | Josiah Allen | D. H Leonard | |
| | Wm G Gladding | Francis Barton | A W Potter | |
| | Joseph H Bosworth | Francis Read | Hiram Burr | |
| | Benjamin F Taylor | Ray Clapp | Ferdinand C Potter | |
| | Charles H Child | William Springford | Asa F Fletcher | |
| | Samuel Gould | Horace Read | P B Cook | |
| | Thomas Brown Jun | Albert Curtis | David Knapp | |
| | John J Paine | J. G Draper | L. F Hubbard | |
| | William C Dana | Otis A Whitlock | Wm Adams | |
| | E. W. F Rice | Charles Dyer Jun | Edward Harris | |
| | Gardner F Fenner | Charles Smith | Smith Bosworth Jun | 41. |
| | Liberty Child | James Shearburne | | |
| Engine No 4. | Wm P Bickford | Joseph Westcott | Randall Hebden | |
| | Caleb Whitford | Amos Rhodes | Nath[l] J Tillinghast | |
| | N B Luther | Elijah Crombe | Reuben Chace | |
| | Benjamin Hoxsie | Peter Vaughan | Jos H Tillinghast | |
| | Simon Watson | Wm G Cogshall | James Barber | |
| | George Foster | John B Barton | Jeremiah Munro | 22. |
| | Thomas Burke | Wm C Crombe | | |
| | George W Luther | Wm C Miller | | |
| Engine No 5 | William F Thornton | David W Bixby | Elnas H Weeden | |
| | Samuel Gunn | William H Gibson | Duty Gunn | |
| | Stephen W Hunt | William W Arnold | Sabin C Olney | |
| | Benjamin B Wood | Frederick P Dunn | Henry Watchman | |
| | Stephen D Olney | Albert F Arnold | Jerseph C Whaley | |
| | Henry C Matthewson | Marvin Smith | Benjamin F Chadsey | |
| | John M Freeman | William Seaver Jr | Thomas R Tanner | |
| | Edmund Williams | James Sheldon | Nicholas W Johnson | |
| | Jonathan F Angell | Lewis M Dean | Henry C Potter | |
| | Nathaniel F Potter | Gardner M Burgess | | 29. |
| Engine No 6. | Joseph W. Taylor | John H Richmond | Conrad C Ellery | |
| | Joseph Bradford | Charles E Tillinghast | Major W Shaw | |
| | Thomas H Holden Jr | John C Gladding | Wm H Wilkinson | |
| | F Jefferson Branch | Geo A Humphry | John H Butts | |
| | James M Earle | Edward R Brown | Lorenzo D Anthony | |
| | John B Chace Jr | Harvey Brown | Nathan B Hall | |
| | Lewis Chace | Edmund F Tingley | Charles W Hodges | |
| | Willard Chace | James A Jackson | Albert G Barton | |
| | Edward Dodge | William Temple | George Earle 2d | |
| | Geo B Jackson | Henry Temple | Seth F Brown 2d | |
| | Edward L Pitcham | John B Short | John H Parkis | |
| | William W Comstock | James H Sabin | Charles Holden 2d | |

Ballot Boxes.

Resolved that the City Sergeant be and he is hereby authorized and directed to purchase two suitable ballot boxes for the use of the City; and that the expence thereof be paid from the City Treasury, out of the appropriation for Contingent expenses.

Passed July 6th 1835.

North Burial Ground.

On the petition of Abraham Alexander requesting leave to purchase and enclose a burying lot in the North burial ground sufficient for his family, Its Resolved that the prayer of said petition be granted; and that the said petitioner be and he is hereby authorized to purchase and enclose such lot for said purpose; provided the same be done under the direction of the Owners of the North Burial ground with the sanction of the Mayor.

Entry Lanterns.

To the Hon. City Council of the City of Providence.

The Mayor having been authorized by the City Council under their resolution passed on the twenty third day of May last to purchase for the use of the entrance to the City Offices a suitable lantern with a Chain & weights therefor & to cause the same to be conveniently placed for lighting said entrance, the subscriber has attended to that duty. Finding that a Chain with two lanterns, one suspended at each end of the Chain, thereby balancing each other, could be procured & set up with nearly if not quite, as little expence as a single lantern with a Weight & finding also that the whole expence would not exceed the sum appropriated for the purpose, that Course has been adopted as far preferable in the opinion of the subscriber, & he trusts will prove satisfactory to the City Council. the whole Cost is but thirteen dollars & twenty one Cents, being less than the appropriation by the sum of one dollar & seventy nine Cents.

Respectfully submitted
by
Samuel W Bridgham, Mayor.

City of Providence July 6th 1835.

Received July 6th 1835.

Admitted Free

The two boards met in Convention July 6th 1835. and the following persons having been propounded three months, were admitted freemen of the City. viz.

Oliver E Taber
John H Hart.
George W Taylor 2d
Seth W Shaw
Richmond Brownell
Samuel M Taber
Francis Brinley Jr.
Bradford Allen
Augustus Ellis
Joseph C Fanning
Watson D Hatch
Howard D Reynolds.

Propounded

Westcott Handy was propounded to become a freeman. (Deed produced)

Assessors of Taxes.

Henry C Franklin, Nathaniel C Bishop & William Sheldon having assigned to this Convention by written Communication their non acceptance of appointments made on the first of June last, whereupon, Robert Angell was appointed assessor of taxes in place of said H C Franklin, Alfred Bassett in place of said Nathaniel C Bishop, and Cyrus Fisher in place of said William Sheldon, And said Angell, Bassett & Fisher are also appointed to assess the tax ordered on the said first day of June last, with James M Warner & Thomas D Holden, whereon appointed for the same purpose on June last.



President of Two wards.

Dexter Thurber having declined serving as President of Two wards. Stephen Martin was appointed in his place.

Owners of Pump North End.

Robert Angell having declined serving as owners of the pump at the North end of the City Stephen Martin is appointed in his place.

Owners of the Hospitals

The Mayor and Aldermen are appointed owners of the City Hospitals.

The two boards then separated, and the board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber.

July 13th 1835

A Communication from the President Pro tempore, in relation to the appointment of an assessor of taxes in place of Robert Angell who declines serving, was read & sent to the Common Council.

Taxes assessed in 1834 remitted.

Whereas John Hill has represented to the City Council that the taxes assessed upon certain persons in the year 1834 and committed to him to Collect are not Collectable by reason of errors in the assessment thereof &c &c

And whereas the City Council are satisfied that the taxes assessed in said year on the respective amounts following upon the persons herein after named viz.

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| upon Moses Baker | 82.78. |
| Mary S Beckwith | 43.26. |
| Abraham D Bury | 0.61.8. |
| Albert F Evans. | 2.47.2 |
| Ezra W Fletcher | 1.85.4 |
| Sally Gladding | 2.78.1 |
| Gardner C Phillips | 0.92.7 |
| Rowse Potter Jr. | 0.92.1 |
| Mary Turbert | 2.05.3. |
| | $ 37.78.2. |

are not Collectable therefor,

Resolved, that the respective taxes assessed be remitted, and that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized & directed to credit the amount thereof viz Fifty seven dollars, seventy eight Cents & two mills, to the said Hill in account with him as Collector of taxes, together with the interest which has accrued upon the several sums aforesaid

Passed July 13th 1835

City Market Place

An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance describing & establishing the City Market place"

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence that the Ordinance passed on the twelfth day of April A.D. 1834, entitled "An Ordinance describing & establishing the City Market place" be and the same is hereby so amended that the Market place shall extend westerly, as far as to and including Westminster & Weybosset Streets to their junction with Orange Street.

Passed. July 13th 1835.

In Town Council in Convention July 13th 1835.

Appeals of Sayes.

Abel Angell who was on the 6th day of July (A.D. 1835.) elected an assessor of Taxes and who, together with Thomas R. Holden, James M. Warner, Asapa Bassett and Cyrus Fisher, also duly assessors elected assessors of Taxes) was on said day authorized and appointed to assess the tax of Forty Thousand dollars, which tax was ordained by the Ordinances of the City Council passed on the first day of June (A.D. 1835, having declined said Election and appointment, It is Thereupon Voted and Resolved, that said Thomas R. Holden James M. Warner Asapa Bassett and Cyrus Fisher be and they are hereby authorized and appointed to assess the said tax of Forty Thousand dollars.

In Convention of the City Council July 13th 1835 Read and passed.

The Two boards then Separated.

Ordinance making Appropriation for Canal Street & Fire department

An Ordinance making appropriation for the paving of Canal Street and for the Fire department.

Sec 1 Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence, that the sums of fifteen hundred dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated, for the paving of Canal Street, and the sum of Five hundred dollars for the Fire department.

Sec 2 And be it further ordained that said sums amounting in the whole to two Thousand dollars be paid out of any Money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated

Passed August 10th. 1835.

Firemen's Celebration

On the Petition of the Committee of arrangements of the Firemen of the City, it is, Resolved, that the same be received; and that the sum of Two hundred dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated towards defraying the expenses of the Contemplated Celebration by the Firemen of this City on the thirteenth day of August instant: Resolved, that said sum be paid by the City Treasurer out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to the order of the Chairman of the Firemens Committee of arrangements for said Celebration.

Passed August 10th 1835.

Second Centinial Anniversary Celebration

Resolved that the Memorial of the Rhode Island Historical Society in relation to the Celebration of the Second Centennial Anniversary of the Settlement of the City of Providence be referred to a Joint Committee, and that said Committee be authorized to make the necessary arrangements for a suitable Commemoration of said Anniversary. Resolved that the said Committee be authorized should they deem it expedient, to Confer and act with such Committee as is or may be appointed by the said Society. Resolved That Messrs Jenney, Comstock, and Cady with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and they are hereby appointed said Committee Aldermen Holden & Williams added.

Passed August 10. 1835.



North Burying Ground

Upon the Petition of Thomas Symonds, requesting leave to fence in and enclose a burying lot in the North Burial Ground, sufficient for his Family, It is Resolved that the Prayer of said Petition be granted; and that the said Petitioner be, and he is hereby authorized to fence in and enclose such lot for such purpose; provided the same be done under the direction of the Owners of the North Burial ground with the sanction of the Mayor.

Passed August 10. 1835.

Pump in Bassett Street.

On the Petition of Edward Tidd & others praying for Leave to place a pump in the City's well in Bassett Street, It is Resolved, that the same be received, and the prayer thereof granted; and that the said Petitioners be and they are hereby authorized to place a pump in said well; provided the same shall be done without expense to the City, and that the said Petitioners keep said pump in good repair at their own expense; said pump to be removed from said well whenever the City Council or the Board of Aldermen shall direct.

Passed August 10th 1835.

Anson V. Brickley

Upon the Petition of Anson V. Brickley who is now confined in the State's Jail on the County of Providence praying for relief. It is Resolved, that the same be received and that the prayer thereof be granted; and that the Sheriff of said County of Providence be and he is hereby authorized and directed to discharge and liberate said Brickley from his said Confinement, provided the said Brickley shall within twenty four hours after his said Liberation, leave this City, and not return to this City without leave of the City Council.

Passed August 10. 1835.

Cross Walks

Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways, be & he is hereby authorized and directed to Cause a foot walk to be laid across High Street, near the place where Summer Street enters said High Street, and that the expense thereof be paid by the City Treasurer from the appropriation for Highways.

Passed August 24. 1835.

Rail Road.

Whereas it appears by a Notification in the public News papers under the hand of the Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas for the County of Providence, that a report of location has been lodged in her Office locating the New York Providence & Boston Rail Road from the line of the County of Kent through the Town of Cranston & this City, & that the several owners of lands over which the said Rail Road is to pass (among whom the City of Providence is named) are thereby Notified to appear (if they see fit) at a Special term of said Court, to be holden on the first Tuesday in September next & nominate Commissioners to Estimate the damages they may sustain in Consequence of the location and erection of said Rail Road. Therefore Resolved, that Messrs Babcock and Marcy together with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to represent this City in the premises; and to appear for, and act in the behalf of the City in any other & further proceedings which may be had in relation to the location and erection of said Rail Road Alderman Williams added to the Committee

Passed August 24th 1835.

Census.

Resolved that Messrs Simmons & Comstock with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and they are hereby appointed a Committee with Power to Cause a Census of this City to be taken during the present year provided the expense thereof shall not exceed the sum of one hundred one hundred & twenty five dollars Resolved that the sum of one hundred and twenty five dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose aforesaid and that the same be paid out of any Money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated. Alderman Martin added to the Committee.

Passed August 24th 1835.

Fire department Engine No 6. Town house Lot.

On the Petition of a Committee of the Board of Firewards, it is Resolved that the same be received and the prayer thereof granted; and that the said Board of Firewards be and they are hereby authorized to place and erect a new building for Engine Company No 6 on the Town house Lot.

Passed August 24th 1835.

Canal Street

Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways acting by and with the advice of Messrs Babcock, Sweet & B Cooke & Alderman Marten, be and he is hereby authorized and directed to cause the East side of Canal Street adjoining the sidewalk to be paved, twenty five feet wide in all that part of said Street, which said Surveyor was directed to cause to be paved twenty feet wide by the resolution of the City Council of the 6th of April last.

Passed August 24. 1835.

William J Brown.

On the Petition of William J Brown praying for relief from a Judgment of the Police Court of this City against him, for raising a false alarm of fire; It is resolved that the same be received, and the prayer thereof so far granted, that the Costs in said Judgment be, and the same are hereby remitted; and that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and directed to pay said Costs from the appropriation for Contingent expenses.

Passed August 24. 1835

Drains

Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways acting under the advice & direction of Messrs Babcock, Sweet, & B Cooke and Alderman Marten, be and he is hereby authorized and directed to cause such drains or water courses to be made, either above or below the surface of the ground, as will dispose of the water which flows down the Streets leading from Benefit Street to North Main Street and across Canal Street; and that the expense thereof be paid out of the appropriation for Highways.

Passed August 24th 1835.

A Communication from the Mayor was received at the Commencement of this meeting respecting the location of the New York, Providence, & Boston Rail Road, and lands belonging to the City, was read & sent to the Common Council.

The two Boards met in Convention August 24th 1835. when the following named persons were admitted Freemen of this City. to wit

Admitted Free.

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| Peter Linard | Freeman Foster |
| David Sipon | Rufus Greene jr |
| Henry C Wetsell | Charles F Martin |
| Reuben Johnson jr | David C Child |
| Martin K Cowing | William C Brown |
| Benjamin D Pitts | William L Aldrich |
| Gamaliel Church | John H Wood |
| Amos Cole | William P Bran jr |
| Thomas P Bucklin | Thomas Case |
| George J Sherman | Stephen H Branch |
| Isaac Wilcox | Lewis F Hubbard |
| George H Hoppin | Stephen H Andrews |
| Freeman Knowlton | John K Lester |
| Alexis Ladd | Benjamin Oswell |
| Stephen T Olney | Amos W Olney |



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| Powell H Carpenter | Gardner Burges | |
| John S Greene | Henry L Webster | |
| Libbeus J Peck | Nathan Simmons | |
| Tibbitts Reynolds | Samuel Almy | |
| Levi T Rice | Vincent Carr | |
| Carrington Hoppin | Edward N Mason | |
| Gardner T Swarts | Martin Robinson | |
| Tully A Bowen | William B Comstock | |
| Charles H Pope | John B Argall | |
| William B Bourne | John Babcock | |
| Hiram Kelly | Francis G Carlile | |
| Francis Read | George W Packard | |
| Joshua H Hunt | William Brown | |
| Riley Howland jr | Henry G Gladding | |
| John H Taylor | John H Hamlin | |
| William H Greene | Billings Bradbury | |
| John Kingsbury | Ephraim A Hathaway | |
| Joseph Knowles | Asher Parsons | |
| John C Gladding | Lucien Draper | |
| Horace M Peck | Joshua Skinner | |
| James C Anthony | John T Pond | |
| Abijah B Thomas | James T C Pitcher | |
| George Andrews | John A Howland | |
| Benjamin T Wardwell | Abraham H Stillwell | |
| Josiah H Crosbee | Ethelbert A Marshall | |
| James Carpenter | Daniel C Young W. | |
| Isaac H Bapell | George Hunt | |
| William L C Burroughs | Joseph F Gilmore | |
| George W Fox | Eli Brown | |
| Barker T Gerrington | Mathew Egan | |
| William Calder 2d | John Wakefield | |
| Josiah T Allen | William Barstow | |
| Nathaniel A Fisher | William Wilkinson | |
| Daniel Howland | John R Waterman | |
| Benjamin White | John Waterman | |
| William J Cross | Enos Goss | |
| William T Darnell | David A Cleveland | |
| George W White | Harvey Brown | |
| Charles D Cooke | Reuben Brown | |
| James H Carpenter | John H Chace | |
| William K Potter | Thomas A Richardson | |
| Nathaniel P Draper | George Richardson | |
| Joseph Carpenter | William B Wilkinson | |
| Benjamin Newton | George J Adams | |
| John D Brown | Samuel B Cushing | |
| Thomas Aldrich | Daniel C Cushing | |
| Nathaniel Lang | George Weeden | |
| George W Mason | William H Murray | |
| Allen Baker | William J Tilley | |
| Charles L Fisher | Charles Robins | |
| Alpheus B Southwick | Edward Beverly | |
| Ira H Watson | Joseph S Winsor | |

Moses Wood
Peter W Ferris
Edward Hall
William Rea
Thomas R Hobbs jr.
Ozias D Willard
Admitted Free. Charles G Fast
Daniel A Mowry
John B Dockray jr.
Joseph H Bosworth
Jacob Manchester
John G Petty
Oren Nichols
Otis A Eddy
Samuel E Waite

Joseph B Chace
Seth Thayer
Nathan S Tillinghast
John N Sumner
Abyis Capwell
Ferdinand Barber
Harvey Perry
William Collins
Wilcox Angell
Manning Rawson
Walter S Burgess
Abraham B Buddy
Joseph Tyson

Admitted Free as Oldest Sons of Freemen.

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| Amos M Warner | Oldest son of | James M Warner. |
| Silbus C Tourtellot | " " " | Ethan Tourtellot |
| Thomas W Bailey | " " " | Pabodie Bailey |
| Thomas H Stoddard | " " " | Harding W Stoddard |
| Christopher M Carlile | " " " | Samuel Carlile |
| George Wilkinson | " " " | Amaelus Wilkinson |
| George B Dean | " " " | Simon Dean. |
| George Sharman | " " " | Jonathan Sharman. |

Persons admitted on Certificate as Freemen in other Towns & producing deeds of Freehold Estate in this City sufficient to qualify them as Voters — to wit.

Albert C Greene
Joseph A Waite
Stephen Barker
Rowse H Dawley
George A Paine
William J Dewolf
Edward E Manton
Robert W Smith
Amasa Buck
Orson Messitt
Oliver Johnson

Persons Propounded to become Freemen

Nathaniel B Dove — died produced
Elisha Dillingham — do.

The Two Boards then Seperated.



The Two Boards met in Convention Tuesday August 25th 1835 at 3 o'clock P.M.

Admitted Free.

The following persons are admitted Free on producing Certificates of their having been admitted Free in other Towns and also producing evidence of sufficient qualifications in this City — to wit

Darius Chace
Sylvanus Goff.
Rufus Smith
Franklin Greene
Reston Bennett
William H Hopkins
Albro Anthony
Abel Hopkins
Nathaniel Brown
Arnold Potter
John B Taylor
Christopher Johnson
Seth Gates
William J Hunt
James W Winsor
John A Knauls

Persons admitted Free as the Oldest sons of Freemen to wit.

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| John A Knauls jr. | Oldest son of | John A Knauls |
| James Chace | " " " | Darius Chace |
| Thomas Gates | " " " | Seth Gates |
| Otis H Hopkins | " " " | Abel Hopkins |
| Alfred Anthony | " " " | Albro Anthony. |

Propounded — Elias Barstow jr. — Died produced

The two Boards then seperated and the board of Aldermen returned to their Chamber

City Funds

Resolved that Messrs Aldermen Cady & Simson with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to make such arrangements with either of the Banks in the City with respect to the deposits of the City funds, as said Committee may deem most for the interest of the City

Alderman Anthony added.

Passed October 5th 1835.

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City Census

The undersigned a Committee appointed by the City Council to Cause a Census of the City to be taken, respectfully report: that they have made an agreement with Mr Joseph Jewett to perform that duty for a Compensation of Eighty five dollars, that Mr Doyle is now making a book for the purpose which will Cost three Dollars; making the whole expence Eighty eight dollars a written agreement with Mr Jewett & a blank Schedule showing the Style of the work are herewith transmitted

Providence October 5 1835.

John J Simson
Amherst Everett
Silvanus G Martin
Committee

Accepted October 5th 1835.

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An Ordinance for the prevention of Fire

An Ordinance in amendment of an ordinance entitled "An Ordinance for the prevention of Fire."

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence, that so much of the third Section of the ordinance of the City Council passed on the 5th day of May A.D. 1834. Entitled an Ordinance for the prevention of Fires" as prohibits the smoking or carrying any lighted pipe or segar in any of the public highways, lanes or Streets of the City, be, and the same is hereby repealed

Passed October 5th 1835.

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City Bell

To the Honorable City Council of the City of Providence.

Geo. Willis having on the fourteenth Ultimo Caused to be the Sexton of the first Baptist Meeting house the Contract made with him for ringing the bell & winding up the Clock also Caused at the same time. From that period John Ashworth has been and still is the Sexton of said Meeting house. I have therefore by virtue of the resolution passed by the City Council on the subject, entered into a Contract with said Ashworth, similar in every respect to that made with said Willis, that is to say, he is to ring the bell of said Meeting house three times each day (Sundays excepted) to wit, at sunrise, at noon & at 9 o'clock in the evening, on sundays at 9 o'clock in the morning as heretofore & also to wind up the Clock in said house daily & is to receive for those services at & after the rate of Seventy five dollars per year Commencing on the fourteenth Ultimo & to Continue so long as he shall Continue to be the Sexton of said Meeting house & shall faithfully perform the said services at the request & with the assent of the City Council. the annual payment to be made at the end of each year.

Respectfully submitted by

City of Providence October 5th 1835.

Samuel W Bridgham
Mayor.

Received October 5th 1835.

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Canal Street

Resolved that the sum of Five hundred and fifty dollars, be and the same is hereby appropriated for Completing the paving of Canal Shut.

Passed October 5th
1835.



Silas Potter & Ephm Talbot.

To the City Council of the City of Providence.

The Joint Committee appointed on 5th July last for the purpose of procuring a Silver Pitcher with an appropriate Inscription, to be presented to Ephraim Talbot, Esq. as a testimonial of the Estimation of the City Council of the services which have been by him rendered to the City in the Fire Department" Respectfully report that they have attended to the duty assigned them and herewith present a Copy of their Communication to Mr Talbot and his reply.

Providence Octob 5th 1835.

Roger W Potter
Joseph S Cook
Silvanus G Martin
Committee.

Received Passed Oct 5. 1835.

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Canal Shut.

Resolved that the petition of Jeremiah Whipple & others requesting the City Council to direct the paving of Canal Shut, to be Continued from the North End of the paving now laid to Smiths Bridge be received and referred to Messrs Mason, Cady and Pabodie, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add; and that in Case said Committee shall deem it expedient that said unpaved part of said Shut, should be paved or otherwise repaired, that the Surveyor of Highways, acting by & with the advice of said Committee be and he is hereby authorized and directed to Cause such paving to be laid or other repairs to be made.

Passed October 5th
1835.

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Work House Lot

Resolved, that Messrs Martin, Barker and Angell with such as the Board of Aldermen may add & and they are hereby appointed a Committee to ascertain the North Line of the work house lot; and to adjust the same with the owner & owners of the adjoining lands.

Alderman Hobbs added.

Passed October 5th 1835.

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Canal Shut.

Resolved, that in Case the Committee of the City Council, this day appointed to take into Consideration the expediency of Continuing the paving of Canal Shut as far North as Smiths Bridge, shall deem it expedient & Cause said paving to be so, as Continued, then the sum of Five hundred dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for defraying the expence thereof, to be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

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General Lafayette

To the Hon City Council of the City of Providence

In Compliance with the request of the City Council Contained in one of their resolutions passed on the twenty first day of June 1834 in relation to the Death of General Lafayette I soon thereafter transmitted under date of the 23 of the same month a Copy of those resolutions in a letter addressed to his son George Washington Lafayette Esq. in Paris for the Friends of the Aforesaid, I should have made an earlier report on the subject had I not wished in order that I might in the event of an answer, report upon the whole matter at once

But so long a time having now Elapsed without any answer all expectation of receiving any is in my mind at an end. Through the Kindness of a Merchantile house of respectability in New York the Communication was forwarded by way of Havre & I think Could not have miscarried

I herewith transmit to you a Copy of my Letter on the occasion.

Respectfully Submitted by

City of Providence October 5th 1835.

Samuel W Bridgham
Mayor

Received October 5th 1835.

Powers Prepounded

The two Boards met in Convention October 5th 1835. when the following persons were prepounded to become freemen of this City, to wit,

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| Benjamin C Bowen | duly produced |
| Sturgis B Carpenter | do |
| Ebenezer Wade. | do. |

City Crier

Barton Burdick is appointed City Crier, for the remainder of the Municipal year.

The two boards then Separated, & the Board of Aldermen returned to their Chamber.

Town House

Upon the petition of Amos D Smith requesting for himself and a number of other Citizens, the use of the Town house this Evening for the purpose of holding a Public meeting therein

It is Resolved that the same be moved and the prayer there of granted; and that the said Petitioners and the other persons who have Called said meeting have Liberty to use said house accordingly for said purposes.

Resolved that said Smith have Leave to withdraw from the files of the City Council the original list of names presented with his said petition.

Passed November 2 1835.

City Funds

A Committee appointed by the Common Council on Monday the 5th of October with Aldermen Anthony to make such arrangements with either of the Banks in this City for the deposit of the City funds on such terms as they may deem most advisable Report, that they have attended to the duties assigned them and made an arrangement with the Merchants Bank to receive & deposit the funds of the City and to allow and pay therefor at and after rate of five per Ct. per annum for all funds resting in their hands for one year ending on the thirtieth day of September Eighteen hundred and thirty six.

In behalf of the Committee
Amos Bassett.

Providence October 9. 1835.

Received November 2 1835.

Appropriations

Resolved that the sums herein after mentioned be and the same are hereby appropriated for the following purposes respectively, to wit,

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|---|---|
| For the public Watch. | Twelve hundred dollars. |
| For Lighting the Streets | Two hundred & sixty dollars |
| For the Fire department | Two hundred Dollars. |

And that the said several Sums so appropriated be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated

Passed November 2 1835

Cross walk in Charles Street.

Resolved that the Surveyor of Highways, be and he is hereby authorized and directed to cause a Cross walk to be laid across Charles Street.

Passed November 2d 1835.



Bridge Street.

On the petition of Asa Pike and others praying for repairs on Bridge Street, it is Resolved that the same be moved and referred to Messrs Barker, Pabodie & Barton, with such of the Board of Aldermen may add; and that in Case said Committee shall deem it expedient for said Street to be graduated and repaired, that then the surveyor of Highways acting by and with the advice of said Committee be and he is hereby authorized and directed to Cause said Street to be repaired.

Alderman Hopkins added to the Committee.

Passed November 2d 1835

Pump in Knight Street.

Resolved that a pump be placed in the City's Well on Knight Street with a suitable trough for a watering place under the direction of the Committee of the Board of Firewards who are now superintending the location & placing pumps in said wells; & that the expense thereof be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated

Passed November 2
1835

North Burial Ground.

On the petition of Humphrey Sprague, David Tash, Daniel Briggs, Enos Briggs and William Howard jr severally requesting leave to fence in and enclose burying lots for their respective families in the North burial ground

It is Resolved that the prayers of said petitions, be, and the same are severally granted, and that the said petitioners, be, and they are hereby severally authorized to fence in and enclose such lots for such purposes; Provided the same be done under the direction of the Trustees of the North Burial Ground, with the sanction of the Mayor

Passed November 2
1835

Fish Market.

Resolved that the Clerk of the Market be and he is hereby authorized and directed to Cause the Fish Market to be repaired provided the expense thereof shall not exceed one hundred Dollars and that he be and is hereby authorized to draw on the Treasurer for the expense thereof; to be paid out of the appropriation for public buildings

Passed November 2
1835

Ruth Gurney

On the petition of Ruth Gurney who is now Confined in the States Jail in this County under sentence as a disorderly person it is resolved that the same be received and the prayer thereof Granted; and that the Sheriff of said County be and he is hereby authorized and directed to discharge the said Ruth Gurney from her said Confinement provided the said Ruth shall, before such discharge, pay all Costs of the said trial

Passed December 7th 1835

Appropriations

Resolved that the sums herein after mentioned be and the same hereby are appropriated for the following purposes respectively; to wit, For the public Bridges Two hundred dollars
For Contingencies Three hundred dollars

And that the several sums so appropriated be paid out of any Money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated. Passed December 7th 1835.

Fish Market.

On the petition (Report) of the Clerk of the Market, who was on the 5th of November last directed to Cause the Fish Market to be repaired it is Resolved that the same be received.

Resolved that the Clerk of the Market be and he is hereby authorized and directed to Cause the Fish Market to be painted provided the expense thereof shall not exceed Thirty dollars

Passed December 7th 1835.

A Communication from the Mayor in relation to the Establishment of two additional Primary Schools was Read & sent to the Common Council

Dec. 7th 1835

Admitted Freemen

The Two Boards met in Convention December 7th 1835. when the following persons having stood propounded more than three Months were admitted Freemen of this City.

Viz^t George H Wood
Westcott Handy
Nathaniel B Love
Elisha Dillingham
Elias Barstow jun^r.

Eldest Son

William Henry Clarke Eldest son of Pardon Clarke
Charles Holden jun^r. " Charles Holden.

Persons Propounded

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|---|---|
| William N Douglas | Deed produced |
| Wilbur Wheaton | do |
| Charles Lippitt jun^r. | do |
| Isaac H Cady. | do. |

The two Boards Seperated And the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber.

City Treasurers Acc^t.

Resolved that Messr^s Mason & J S Cooke with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to Examine and Settle the account of the City Treasurer with the City up to the first day of January (inst) 1836. Alderman Holden added to the Committee.

Passed January 4th 1836.

Appropriations

Resolved that the several Sums herein after mentioned be and the same hereby are appropriated for the following purposes respectively, to wit,

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|---|---|
| For the Fire department. | One thousand Dollars. |
| For Contingencies | Seven hundred Dollars |
| For Public Bridges | Five hundred Dollars. |
| For the Support of the poor. | Four hundred Dollars. |

and that said several sums so appropriated be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed January 4th 1836.

Public Schools.

Resolved that the School Committee be and they are hereby authorized and empowered to Establish two new Primary Schools; one to be located on or near Federal hill (so Called) and the other at or near Federal Point (so Called).

Passed January 4th 1836.



Fish Market.

Resolved that Messr^s Hughes & Potter with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to enquire into the Expediency of enlarging the Fish Market and that said Committee be directed to Make report at the next meeting of the City Council.

Alderman Anthony added to the Committee

Passed January 4th 1836.

Persons Propounded.

The Two Boards met in Convention January 4th 1836. when the following persons were propounded to become Freemen. to wit.

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| William H Hudson. | deed produced. |
| Ephraim Martin | do |
| Joshua Hathaway | do |
| James G Paggitt | do |
| Nelson C Northup | do |
| Daniel Mimington | do |
| Samuel James | by Parent. |

The two Boards then Seperated & the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber.

North burial ground.

On the petition of Henry Martin requesting leave to purchase and inclose a burying lot for his Family, in the North burial ground. It is Resolved. that the same be granted; and that the said petitioner be and he is hereby authorized to purchase and inclose such lot for such purpose: provided the same be done under the direction of the Overseers of the North burial ground with the sanction of the Mayor.

Passed February 1st 1836

City Treasurers Acc^t.

The subscribers a Committee appointed by the City Council to examine the accounts of the City Treasurer, Report, that they have attended to the duties assigned them by examining his accounts which we find Correctly stated and properly vouched (excepting an error in the account for support of Public Schools of one dollar stood Charged & an error in the account of Contingencies of fifty Cents, being George Willis's bill twice Charged which the Treasurer will Correct on his next account) leaving a balance to be Carried to new account of Twenty nine thousand nine hundred & forty dollars 53/100 by three thousand & six hundred dollars due on Tax assessed June 1835, Two thousand & thirty seven dollars 40/100 in Notes payable to the City for rents, and Twenty four thousand three hundred & two 73/100 dollars in Cash deposited in the Merchants Bank to the Credit of the City Treasurer. It appears there was a request by the Commissioners of the Dexter Donation, to the Treasurer to pay Gideon Palmer the amount of his account for $ 579 42/100 which was allowed by the Commissioners as expended upon the Asylums wall, but in examining the account there appears to have been an error of one hundred dollars too much Charged, the account footing only $ 579.42 which will be Corrected & repended the Treasurer.

Providence January 22 1836. All which is respectfully submitted by

Amasa Mason
Joseph S Cooke Com^e
Charles Holden

Passed February 1st 1836.

**Appropriation**

Resolved, that the sums herein after mentioned be and the same are hereby appropriated for the following purposes, respectively, to wit,

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| For Lighting the Streets | one hundred dollars. |
| For the fire department | one thousand dollars. |
| For Contingencies | Five hundred dollars. |

and that said several sums so appropriated be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed Febuary 1st 1836.

**Census.**

The undersigned Committee appointed on the 24th of August last to Cause a Census of this City to be taken, Respectfully Report, that they have Completed the work, and present herewith 8 Books Containing as they believe an accurate account of the number & description of the inhabitants of the City.

The expense has been for Labour $ 85
Books. 2.50 87.50

The whole number of Inhabitants is 19.277.
of the above 1223 are Coloured; and 1005 foreigners not naturalized.
There are 1456 Children between the ages of 4 & 18. attending the pub schools
2133. attending private Schools; and 1604 that do not attend school at all.

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| There are in the | First ward. | 3154 | On the East side | 9527 |
| " " " " | 2d " | 3126 | West side | 9750 |
| " " " " | 3d " | 3247 | | 19.277. |
| " " " " | 4th " | 3200 | | |
| " " " " | 5th " | 3340 | | |
| " " " " | 6th " | 3210 | | |
| | | 19.277. | | |

There are 52 in the Dexter Asylum & 35 in the County Jail
Providence Febuary 1st 1836.

John J Stimson
for the Committee

Rec'd Febuary 1st 1836

**Admitted Free**

The two boards met in Convention Febuary 1st 1836. when the following persons having stood propounded more than three months were admitted freemen of this City Viz.

Benjamin C Bowen
Sturgis W Carpenter
Ebenezer Wade.

**Propounded**

The following persons were propounded to become freemen. to wit;

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| Elkanah Ingals | dced produced. |
| Leonard C Marble | do |
| William S Dorrance. | do. |

The two boards then separated and the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber.



**Mayor's Communication**

A Communication from the Mayor, relative to several subjects was read in this Board and sent to the Common Council. March 7. 1836.

**Benoni Parkerson.**

On the Memorial of a Committee of the Young Sutimary Engine Company No 1. requesting a donation from the City to the Widow and Children of Benoni Parkerson deceased, late a member of said Company it is

Resolved that the same be received and referred to Messrs Barker, Stimson and Jackson, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon. Alderman Anthony added.

Passed March 7. 1836.

**Town house Lot.**

On the Memorial of Edward J Mallett, respecting Certain land belonging to the City on College Street. It is

Resolved that the same be received and referred to Messrs Mason, J S Brooke and Potter with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon. Alderman Holden added.

Passed March 7th 1836.

**Rail Road.**

On the Memorial of the Agent of the New York Providence and Boston Rail Road Corporation it is.

Resolved that the same be received and placed on file.

Received. March 7th 1836

**Mayors Salary.**

Resolved, that the Salary of the Mayor for the ensuing Municipal year be One Thousand Dollars. payable quarterly.

Passed March 7th 1836.

**African School.**

Resolved that the School Committee be and they are hereby authorized to establish an additional school for Coloured Children, to be located in the westerly part of the City.

Passed March 7th 1836

**Deaf & Dumb.**

Resolved that His Honor the Mayor be and he is hereby authorized to take such measures as may be necessary for ascertaining the number of deaf and dumb persons in this City, and the age, sex and pecuniary circumstances of each person, and such of them (if any) who have been fully & partially Educated, in order that the City Clerk may be enabled to make returns of the same to the Honorable General Assembly at their next June Session, pursuant to a Resolution of the General Assembly passed at the last Session thereof.

Resolved that his Honor the Mayor be and he is hereby authorized to draw upon the City Treasurer for the expense of Carrying the above Resolution into effect, provided such information cannot be obtained by some one of the Municipal Officers without expence.

Passed March 7th 1836

**Appropriations**

Resolved that the sums herein after mentioned be and the same hereby are appropriated for the following purposes respectively, to wit,

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| For the support of the poor | Four hundred dollars. |
| For the Public Bridges. | Two hundred dollars |
| For the Fire department | Five hundred dollars |
| For the City Watch. | Seven hundred and forty dollars. |

For the payment of interest on the City debt Two thousand five hundred and seventy dollars.

And that said several sums so appropriated be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed March 7th 1836.

The Two Boards met in Convention March 7th 1836. and the following persons, having stood propounded Three months were admitted Freemen of this City, to wit.—

William N Douglas
Wilbur Wheaton
Charles Lippitt Junr
Isaac H Cady.

The following persons was propounded, to become Freemen. to wit.

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| Lewis D Hutchins | Deed produced— |
| Richard Lloyd. | do. |
| John D Jenks. | by descent.— |

The Two boards then Separated.—

City Debt.

Resolved that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and directed to pay from any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated on or before the first day of April next to the following named sums being a part of that portion of the City debt which will fall due on that day; viz.

To Daniel Field. Four hundred dollars
To Moses Brown Treasurer of the Rhode Island Yearly Meeting Five hundred dollars
To Cyprus Butler. One Thousand dollars.— together with the interest which may be due on said sum respectively.—

Resolved that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and directed to renew for one year from the first day of April next, the balance of said portion of the City debt which will fall due on that day, amounting to Twenty Six Thousand and ninety three dollars and thirty three Cents, at five per cent interest.—

Passed March 14th 1836.

Market House.

Resolved that the Clerk of the Market be and he is hereby authorized and directed to cause such repairs to be made upon the walls of the second Story of the Market house as are necessary to permit the same from leaking; and that the expense of such repairs be paid out of the appropriation for public Buildings.—

Passed March 14th 1836.



Benoni Parkinson.—

To the City Council

The Committee to whom was refered the petition of Roving Stationary Engine Company No One Soliciting aid for the Widow and Children of the late Benoni Parkinson, have attended to the duty assigned them and offer the following Report, to wit,

Two of the Committee had an interview with Mrs Parkinson, to whom at their request she stated, that she was left destitute of any means of support, except what she could earn with her own hands: that her health was poor, she has two Children the Eldest four years; her Mother lived with her, and that she was poor and in feeble health; her father had been dead a number of years: she knew of no Connexion or friends that were able, or whom she could look for assistance; she was however of opinion that if her health was restored she would be able by industry and economy to obtain a living.—

The Committee also had some Conversation with Mr J W Abbott, who stated that the late Mr Parkinson was a faithful member of the fire department for nearly or quite Ten years, and had attended the City Engine in that Capacity and during the past winter had been employed as a Watchman and in the discharge of his duties as a Watchman he received the wounds which was the Cause of his death; Mr Abbott also confirmed the testimony given by Mrs Parkinson as to her pecuniary situation, and that she was a worthy and respectable woman.—

Your Committee are of opinion, that in Consideration of the long and faithful service of the deceased as a fireman of the City taken in Connexion with the Circumstances of his death and situation of his family, that it is the duty of the City to grant the widow and Children some assistance.—

We therefore recommend that the City Cause to be paid from the Treasury the sum of one dollar per week to the Widow of the late Benoni Parkinson for the term of three years from date.—

March 14th 1836.

Wm C Barton
for the Committee.—

Revised March 14th 1836

Resolved that the City Treasurer be and he hereby is authorized and directed to pay the Widow of the late Benoni Parkinson the sum of one dollar per week, payable weekly for the term of three years from date, And that the same be paid out of the money appropriated for Contingent expenses.—

Passed March 14th 1836.

Town house Lot.

The subscribers a Committee to whom was refered the Petition of E J Mallett respecting a grant under certain Conditions, therein specified of a part of the Town house lot, Report, that they have attended to the duties of their appointment, by going upon the ground examining the premises, and a plat of the land and the buildings thereon, and hearing Mr Mallett on the subject; are of Opinion that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of his petition; but being desirous to meet the views of Mr Mallett, so far as may be expedient & Consistent with the interest of the City, they would suggest the propriety of removing the west line of Stalls erected for the accommodation of Market horses, and attach them to the Southerne of the East line of stalls which will place them all on a line, and remove the Buildings erected for a Carriage and tool house South of the Stalls adjoining the North line of the Burial lot, which will leave sufficient room for the pound, and give an entrance to the Stalls eight feet wide, and the Stalls will be Ten feet deep, which would leave a open Burial feet wide on College Street, bounding the same width & adjoining the line of John Whipples buildings and the East line of the buildings Contemplated to be erected by Mr Mallett, to the South line of the Lot owned by Moses & Browns Sons and would require a good tight strong fence of suitable height from the South line of Browns Sons lot to College Street, which would divide the Lot proposed to be leased to Mr Mallett and the lot occupied by the Stalls and Carriage & tool house, and both may be closed with gates; and would leave a lot fronting on College Street between the Office of Thomas Burgess and the Lot proposed to be leased to Mr Mallett, twenty eight feet wide and sixty feet deep; if these suggestions should meet the views of Mr Mallett your Committee would recommend to lease the Stalls & land aforesaid to him at and after the rate of Sixty dollars per year payable annually in advance for and during the pleasure of the City Council and no longer; and the said E J Mallett to pay all the expenses

of removing, repairing & placing the foundation, stalls, Carriage & tool house in good order and to pay for the same the expence to be carried as aforesaid, and it is accordingly Covenanted and agreed that the City Council in the name and in behalf of the City may enter upon and take possession of, occupy and improve said Lot, Land as aforesaid whenever in their Opinion the interest of the City shall require it, & the said E J Mallett shall pay the rent annually for said Lot as aforesaid, during the time he shall occupy it as aforesaid and no longer, provided nevertheless, that the said E J Mallett shall not erect any building upon said Lot of land Land as aforesaid, but shall have use and occupy it only for Light Said and to pass and repass upon and over the same, and shall keep it in good repair order and Condition during the term of his Lease, and at the expiration of the same as aforesaid shall deliver up quiet and peaceable possession of the premises to the City Council of the City of Providence

To the President of the
Common Council
March 25. 1836.

Which is respectfully submitted
Amasa Mason
Joseph S Cooke
Royal W. Potter
Charles Holden.

Upon the report of the Joint Committee to whom was on the 7th day of March instant refered the Memorial of Edward J Mallett it is Resolved that the same be received and together with the papers accompanying the same recommitted to the same Committee for a further examination and report thereon.

Passed March 28.
1836.

North Burial Ground

Upon the petition of William Thurber 2d Ebenezer C Cook 2d Henry Thurber requesting leave to fence in and enclose burying lots in the North Burial Ground sufficient for their respective families, It is Resolved that the same be received and the prayer thereof granted; and that said petitioners be and they are hereby severally authorized to fence in and enclose such lot, for such purpose; provided the same be done under the direction of the Owner of the North Burial Ground, with the sanction of the Mayor.

Passed April 4th 1836.

Planet Street

Upon the petition of Tristram Burges & others praying for repairs on Planet Street it is Resolved that the same be received and referred to Messrs Barker Babcock & Martin, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, and that said Committee enquire into the expediency of laying a Sewer in said Street and of making other repairs thereon, & that they report on the premises to the City Council as soon as Convenientley may be, and that Alderman Williams be added to the Committee.

Passed April 4th 1836.

Town house Lot

Upon the petition of Edward J Mallett requesting leave to open a passage through the horse shed on the Town house lot during the time of the erection of a Custom building to be by him erected on South Main Street. It is Resolved that the same be received and that the said Mallett be and he is hereby authorized to open such passage at his expense under the direction of the Clerk of the Market and that the same be closed by said Mallett at his expense whenever directed by the Clerk of the Market,

Passed April 4th
1836.



Appropriations

Resolved that the sums hereinafter mentioned be and the same are hereby appropriated for the following purposes respectively, to wit,

For the Fire department One Thousand dollars
For Highways Six hundred dollars
For lighting the Streets one hundred dollars.

And that the said several sums so appropriated be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed April 4th
1836.

City Well.

Upon the petition of John C Bowen requesting that repairs may be made on the Well on the City land adjoining Atwell's Avenue it is

Resolved that the same together with the report this day made by the Committee of the Common Council be refered to the Board of Fire wards.

Passed April 5th
1836.

Bowen Street.

Upon the petition of Ebenezer Kelly and others requesting repairs on Bowen Street It is

Resolved that the same be received and the Surveyor of highways be and he is hereby authorized and directed to Cause the pavement on said Street to be taken up, the gutters to be repaved, and the middle of the Street gravelled; Provided the owners of the lands adjoining said Street shall pave and Curb Stone and Cause the side walks in front of their respective lots to be graduated without expence to the City.

Passed April 4
1836.

The Two Boards met in Convention and the following persons having stood proposed three months were admitted freemen of this City viz. April 4th 1836.

William H Hudson
Ephraim Martin
Joshua Hathaway
James G Daggett
Nelson C Northrop
Daniel Arnington
Samuel James — and
Edward W Tingley Eldest son of Sylvanus Tingley is also admitted a freeman of this City.

The following persons were proposed to become freemen of this City viz
and produced.

Pliny E Capron
Charles Henry
Ezra Dodge.

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do.

The two boards then separated and the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber

Admitted Sons

The two Boards met in Convention April 26th 1836. when the following names, having been propounded more than three months were admitted freemen of this City. to wit,

James L. Eddy. Eldest son of Josiah S. Eddy
John H. Parkis " " " Robert Parkis
Henry W. Rivers " " " Thomas Rivers
Daniel W. Field, " " " Daniel Field.

Admitted Free.

Henry H. Dexter on Certificate from Gloucester Residence sufficient & Estate in this City
Robert H. Crandall " " Exeter " " " " " "
John T. Walker " " North Providence " " " "

Propounded

Voted that the following named persons stand propounded to become freemen of this City. to wit. William Whipple Brown son of Whipple Brown by descent.
Charles Ellis duel proposed
John Winships do
Nathan B. Leonard do.

The two Boards then separated and the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber.

Nathaniel Randall.

On the petition of Nathaniel Randall praying for relief, It is Resolved that the same be received, and that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and directed to remit from said Randall, his Note on interest for the amount recovered against him for a violation of the Laws laws, said note to be in full discharge of said Judgment.

Passed May 2
1836.

Centennial Celebration

Resolved that, the sum of Two hundred Dollars. be appropriated to defray the expenses attending a Celebration of the second Centenial Anniversary of the Settlement of the City of Providence and that the City Treasurer be authorized to pay said sum to the Order of the Committee appointed on that subject out of any Money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed May 2
1836.

Unpaid Taxes.

On the Communication of John Hill Collector of Taxes Exhibiting a list of Taxes reported by him as uncollectable it is.

Resolved That the same be received and referred to Mayor Mason & Greene with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine & report thereon.
Alderman Hoppin added to the Committe

Passed May 2
1836.



Treasurers Account.

Resolved, that Mayor Mason and Sumner with such as the Board of Aldermen may select to be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to audit the accounts of the City Treasurer with the City for the year ending on the last day of the present Month of May, Alderman Morton added to the Committee

Passed May 2
1836.

Appropriations.

Resolved, that, the several sums herein after mentioned, be and the same are hereby appropriated for the following purposes respectively; to wit,

For the support of the poor, One hundred and twenty dollars.
For lighting the Streets. One hundred dollars
For the City Watch Four hundred dollars.
For repairs of Bridge Street, Four hundred dollars. And that said several sums so appropriated be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed May 2
1836

Roman Catholic

On the petition of Constantine Lee, minister of the Catholic Church for the State of Rhode Island it is Resolved, that the Congregation of Roman Catholics in this City be and they are hereby authorized to assemble in the Town House for public worship on the sabbath under the direction of the Overseers of said House during the pleasure of the City Council.

Passed May 2
1836.

Cops walk in Broad Street.

Upon the petition of Henry Cushing and others requesting that a Cops walk may laid across Broad Street at the Southerly termination of Friend Street, it is Resolved, that the prayer thereof be granted, and that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby authorized and directed to Cop such Cops walk to be laid.

Passed May 2
1836.

North Burial Ground.

Upon the petition of James H. Read requesting leave to fence in and enclose a burying lot in the North Burial ground sufficient for his family, it is Resolved, that the same be granted and the prayer thereof granted, and that the said petitioner be and he is hereby authorized to fence in and enclose such lot for such purpose; provided the same be done under the direction of the Overseers of the North Burial ground with the sanction of the Mayor.

Passed May 2
1836.

North Burial Ground.

Upon the petition of John A. M. Dougold and Alfred W. Batt requesting leave to fence in and enclose a burying lot sufficient for their families in the North Burial ground, it is Resolved that the same be received, and the prayer thereof granted and that the said petitioners be and they are hereby authorized to fence in and enclose such lot for such purposes; provided the same be done under the direction of the Overseers of the North Burial Ground, with the sanction of the Mayor.

Passed May 2
1836.

Great Point.

To the City Council of the City of Providence

The undersigned City Treasurer of said City who was by a Resolution of the City Council passed on the first day of June (A) 1835. appointed the Special Agent of said City to execute to the State a Warrantee Deed of Certain Land of the City at Great Point (so called) for the purpose of Erecting thereon a State Prison Penitentiary and the appendages thereof and for such other purposes in addition as the General Assembly may deem

of president hereby makes Report. That on the 16th day of July (A.D.) 1835. he did as the Special Agent of the City execute a deed of said land to the State, conformably to the provisions and terms of said Resolutions; and that the sum of Five hundred dollars, named in said resolutions as the Consideration of such sale has been received by him from the State to and for the use of the City

Stephen Tillinghast
City Treasurer.

Received May 2
1836.

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The two Boards met in Convention May 2d 1836. when the following persons having stood prepounded more than three months are admitted Freemen of this City. to wit,

Admitted Free.

Edward Ingalls
Leonard C Mabb
William S Durand. and the following persons being
eldest sons of freemen were also admitted freemen of this City, to wit,
John Metcalf eldest son of Joel Metcalf
Henry Whipple " " " Jeremiah Whipple

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Prepounded

The following persons were prepounded to become freemen, to wit,
Thomas W. Tarbard and produced, with Certificate of Naturalization
Arnold Peters do.

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Appraisers

The following persons were agreably to the Election have passed by the General Assembly at their last January Session, appointed to appraise Estates of persons, Challenged in Voting.
to wit Nathaniel Bishop
Robert Angell
Henry D Franklin

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The two boards then Separated and the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber.

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A Communication from the Mayor relative to a piece of land at the North Entrance of Randall Street, was read and Sent to the Common Council.

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Randall Street.

On the Communication of Stephen Randall offering to sell to the City a certain piece of land at the junction of North Main and Randall Street. It is Resolved that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and directed to purchase of said Randall, to be forever kept open for a public highway twenty feet of land on North Main Street Commencing at the extreme point at the head of Randall Street and measuring Southerly thereon, the Southerly line to run at right angles with North Main Street, Provided the same can be purchased of the said Randall for a sum not exceeding fifty dollars, and provided said Randall shall duly execute to the City, and deliver to the City Treasurer a Warrantie deed of said land.

Resolved that the sum of fifty dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purchase of said land, to be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated and that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to pay the same to said Randall, on the delivery of such deed. Passed. May 10. 1836.

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Oil for City Lamps.

Resolved that the sum of Eleven hundred & fifty four dollars and sixty five Cents be and the same is hereby appropriated for the payment of the account of Messrs Robinson Brown & Co against the City for Oil furnished by them for the use of the City to the thirtieth day of April last, and that said sum so appropriated, be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed May 10th 1836.



North Burial Ground

On the petition of Rhoda Ann Brown wife of Tolon Brown praying in behalf of her said husband that leave may be granted him to fence in and enclose a burying lot sufficient for his family in the North burial ground, the Reverend that the same be received, and the prayer thereof granted, and that the said Tolon Brown be and he is hereby authorized to fence in and enclose such lot for such purpose, provided the same be done under the direction of the owners of the North burial ground, with the Sanction of the Mayor.

Passed May 10th
1836.

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Police Court.

Resolved that the sum of twenty four dollars be allowed and paid out of the City Treasury to the Justices of the peace of the City for the Payment of one half of the rent of the Justices Court room during the Political year ending in the present month of May, said room having been used by the Police Court of the City during said year; and that the same be paid out of the Appropriation for Contingent expences.

Passed May 10th
1836.

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## *Organization of the City Government for the year 1836. Item 5th

This being the day fixed by law for the Annual Organization of the Municipal Government of the City of Providence, The following Gentlemen being the Mayor and Aldermen and twenty two of the Common Council Elect met in Convention in the Council Chamber at 10 o'clock A.M.

to wit.

Samuel W Bridgham. Mayor
Silvanus G Martin Alderman of the First ward.
Joseph Cady. " " " Second "
Benjamin Clifford " " " Third "
Thomas C Hoppin " " " Fourth "
Hezekiah Anthony " " " Fifth "
Caleb Williams " " " Sixth "

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Common Council

First ward
Jesse B Sweet
Dexter Angell
Edward C Knowles
George W Bowen

Second ward.
Joseph Cady. elected.
George Curtis
George W Jackson
Benoni Cooke

Third ward
Joseph S Cooke
Roger W Potter
Amherst Cornell
Christopher C Godfrey

Fourth ward
Simon H Greene
John L Hughes
James G Anthony
James M Warner.

Fifth ward
Amasa Mason
Pardon Clarke
William Ham
David Andrews

Sixth ward
Duty Greene
Erastus S Knowlton
John Gould
Anson Allen

William R Staples one of the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court of the State of Rhode Island, administered the Oath required by the City Charter to Samuel W Bridgham Mayor Elect.

The Mayor then Administered the like Oath to the above named Aldermen, and Common Council men Elect, said Common Councilmen Elect duly returned as such, as appeared by their Certificates of Election delivered in to the Mayor, and thereupon the Convention then balloted for City Clerk and on Counting the ballots it appeared that Richard M Field was duly elected to that Office, and was duly engaged by the Mayor. —

The Mayor then delivered an address to the City Council. —

Voted that the two boards now Separate, and the board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber. —

A Message came up from the Common Council informing this Board that they had Elected George Curtis Esquire their President and Abel G. Green Esquire their Clerk. —

Mayor's Address. **Resolved** That his Honor the Mayor be requested to furnish the City Council with a Copy of the address this day delivered by him, for publication

Passed June 6.

1836.

Compensation of Certain Offices. An Ordinance fixing the Compensation of Certain Officers for the year ending the first Monday of June (D) one thousand eight hundred and thirty seven. —

**Section 1** Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence, that for the year ending the first Monday of June (D) one thousand eight hundred and thirty seven, the Compensation to be allowed and paid the several Officers hereinafter mentioned shall be as follows, to wit:

To the City Clerk. Seven hundred dollars. —
To the City Treasurer Five hundred dollars. —
To the Overseer of the Poor Two hundred and fifty dollars. —
To the City Sergeant Three hundred and sixty five dollars. —
To the Surveyor of Highways Five hundred dollars. —
To the Clerk of the Market Two hundred dollars. —
To the Judge of the Municipal Court in addition to the fees allowed by law for the transaction of Probate business One hundred dollars. —
To the City Marshal Two hundred and fifty dollars. —

**Section 2.** That said several sums be paid out of the City Treasury in quarterly payments to the Officers respectively entitled thereto. —

**Section 3** That the fees allowed by law to the Clerk of the Municipal Court, for the Probate and other business transacted in said Court shall be in full Compensation to said Clerk for his services as such; and that the fees allowed by law to Justices of the Peace, shall be in full Compensation to the Justices of the Police Court for their services as such. —

Passed June 6th 1836. —



Compensation of Appeal of Taxes. **Resolved** that the Assessors of Taxes in and for this City, shall be allowed Seven eighths of one per Cent, as a full Compensation for apportioning the City Tax for the ensuing year. —

Passed June 6.

1836. —

Treasurers Account.

Dr. City of Providence in account with Stephen Fillingham City Treasurer. Cr. —

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1836. Jan 7 | To Cash paid Thomas B Cole for Stay &c Stand in Chamber | | 4 | 33 | 1835 Dec 31 | By ditto as per Cash on hand this day | 24302 | 73 |
| | " Ditto Charged in Acc settled 31 Dec last viz in 31 orders for Public Schools | 1m 0 | | | | do balance of Tax of June 1835 not paid | 3500 | 0 |
| | Cap George C Miller bills Chairs | 50 | " | 50 | | Butchers notes due 7th June 1836 | 1835 | 0 |
| | | | | | 1836 | Other notes unpaid | 152 | 80 |
| March 15. | " Cash paid Appr Howard for taking deposition in Case vs Mrs Howard in 1833 | | 5 | 0 | Jan 7 11 | " Cash for 3 months taxes on Real and Public Co's | | |
| | | | | | | William Gibbs to 27 Nov 1835 | 47.50 | |
| | | | | | | Clerk Stillman to 1 Jan 1836 | 47.50 | |
| April 1 | " Cash paid part of the Public debt viz, | | | | | Ins Dept J Chumley to 11 do " | 47.50 | 142 50 |
| | to the Rhode Island Peace Society | | 500 | 0 | | Cash of C Clark for Licenses to Playhouse Circus | 10 | 0 |
| | " Cyrus Butler | | 1000 | 0 | | do of R Smith for Jailer for one Day for misd | | |
| | " Daniel Field | | 100 | 0 | | from John Corrigan for Lottery License | 25 | 0 |
| May 19. | " Cash paid Stephen Randall for Stone for Public Street at Junction of N Main & Randall Street | | 50 | 0 | Feb 5 | " Cash of City Clerk on account of Licenses | 50 | 0 |
| | | | | | March 1 | " do do do | 50 | 0 |
| 31 | To balance of the following accounts viz | | | | | " do for Licenses to Circus in New Year | 20 | 0 |
| | " Ass Dept of the Poor as Stay 2 in the Appropriations | | 1254 | 15 | | " do City Marshal for fines from 2 boys for | | |
| | Interest | | 2572 | 50 | | fining guns in the Public Streets &c | 10 | 0 |
| | Bridges | | 208 | 25 | April 5 | " Cash for 3 Months Salary of Jos Cranston Watch | 47 | 50 |
| | Lighting Streets | | 1537 | 84 | | " do " Stillman Clerk to 1st inst | 47 | 50 |
| | Wells & Pumps | | 43 | 25 | | " do " " Wm Gibbs to 27 Feb | 47 | 50 |
| | Watch | | 1871 | 40 | 13 | " Cash of City Clerk for Licenses to retailers | 91 | 0 |
| | Salaries | | 1259 | 58 | | " do for License to Dost Valentine | 22 | 0 |
| | Public buildings | | " | 50 | 23 | " dividend on Stillingham Stock for 3 months | 6 | 0 |
| | Asylum Wall | | 709 | 12 | May 12 | " fines from Lyman Jennings & Complaint of Schools | | |
| | Fire department | | 3198 | 34 | | Jones for breach by him of Watch Warning given | 25 | 0 |
| | Paving Canal Street | | 13 | 65 | | " Bills of Public Stay of Justices Depts from April 5th | | |
| | Highways | | 1329 | 43 | | to May 1st 25 days 50 p 3 Mo 13.88 | | |
| | Public Schools | | 3881 | 77 | | by John Hale Commission 5 p.c 70 | 13 | 18 |
| | Repairs of Bridge Stock | | 12 | 90 | 16 | " Cash of City Clerk for Licenses to Theatre | 50 | 0 |
| | Asylums Building & Walls | | 115 | 3 | | " do do for Licenses to retail Liquors | 55 | 0 |
| | " John Hall's Commission on Taxes Collected viz Jan 1st $2000 . 4 p Cent | | 80 | 0 | | " do do Licenses to Juvenile Exhibition | 10 | 0 |
| | | | | | | " do do for Licenses to Exhibitions of Paintings | 10 | 0 |
| | " Contingencies for Balances of Stock acct | | 925 | 54 | | " do do " Circus Company | 20 | 0 |
| | To misc acct for so much of Pay ordered in June 1835 uncollected | 1520.0 | | | 31 | by grant for balance of Mist account | 533 | 50 |
| | Butchers notes due 7th June next | 1285.0 | | | | " Heirs of A Foote do | 67 | 50 |
| | notes for rent due 31st June | 35.37. | | | | " North Burial Ground do | 27 | 88 |
| | other Notes | 152 80 | | | | | | |
| | Cash on hand this day | 6312. 90 | 10406 | 07 | | | | |
| | | $ | 31421 | 59 | | Errors Excepted Prov. May 31st 1836. | $ | 31421 59 |

Note. The interest on deposits in the Merchants Bank to this date will be about $720.0.

Stephen Fillingham. City Treasurer. —

The undersigned a Committee appointed to examine and settle the accounts of the City Treasurer for the six months ending May 31st 1836. have examined the preceding account and find it Correct, and sanctioned by the proper vouchers. —

Providence June 3. 1836.

Amasa Manton
Thomas B Turner
Silvanus G Morton.

Received June 6. 1836. —

City Treasurers Communication

# Office of City Treasurer

Providence June 6th 1836.

Gentlemen

I herewith hand you.

Firstly A Schedule of Receipts & Expenditures for the year ending May 31st 1836.
Secondly Schedule of Real Estate
Thirdly Statement of City debt.
Fourthly Schedule of Rents, my account Current from January to May inclusive is in the hands of the Examining Committee.

I remain with great respect your Obd't Serv't.

Stephen Tillinghast City Treasurer

To the City Council.

Read with accompanying documents whereupon it is resolved that the same together with said documents be received and recorded. June 6. 1836.

Receipts & Expenditures

Statement of Monies paid into the Treasury and Sources whence derived for the year ending May 31st 1836.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Balance of Sup't of 1833. $100. do of 1834 $1000 | 1100 | 10 |
| Fines for breaches of Municipal Laws. | 74 | 0 |
| Taxes on billiard tables & $200 on stable for 1 year | 660 | 18 |
| Licenses for Theatrical & other exhibitions | 335 | 0 |
| do for Tavern keepers, Retailers, retailers of liquors | 1829 | 0 |
| Dividend on Tillinghast donation of $200. | 12 | 0 |
| Rents of Markets & other City property. | 3067 | 45 |
| Land at Great point sold to the State for State Prison | 500 | 0 |
| Received for right of Cutting Thatch in August | 5 | 0 |
| Rent of the Teste Estate not received 12.8.18 35.37 | 92 | 81 |
| Tax of June 1835 paid by the Collector | 37000 | 0 |
| Auction fees | 47 | 28 |
| Interest for deposit in Bank to Sept 30. 1835. | 766 | 99 |
| Cash of Gen'l Treasurer for City purposes of School funds | 1527 | 28 |
| Received for manure sold & expended amount from the Water Companies for relaying pavements | 138 | 30 |
| Cash on hand May 31st 1835. | 8328 | 01 |
| | $ 55483 | 30 |

Payments from the Treasury for the year ending May 31. 1836.

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|---|---|---|
| Appropriations for 4th July $300 reported 17.32 | 282 | 8 |
| Paid taxes on lands in Cranston | 12 | 73 |
| Abatement in tax of 1834 | 57 | 43 |
| Land bo't of Stephen Rumrill for highway | 50 | 0 |
| Paid in part of City debt | 1900 | 0 |
| Support of the Poor at large & through the System beyond the sum of $3264.5 derived from the Dorrite Donations | 2099 | 38 |
| Police Department | 339 | 46 |
| Contingencies | 2445 | 64 |
| Interest | 4905 | 55 |
| Bridges | 861 | 65 |
| Lighting Streets | 2073 | 0 |
| Wells & Pumps . . repairs made | 69 | 67 |
| North Burial Ground | 314 | 73 |
| City Watch | 4505 | 3 |
| Public Buildings | 153 | 71 |
| Asylum Walls | 1118 | 54 |
| Fire department | 5971 | 7 |
| Paving Canal Street | 3515 | 65 |
| Highways | 5621 | 2 |
| Public Schools | 7463 | 52 |
| Bridge Street | 12 | 90 |
| Asylum Buildings & Wall | 145 | 3 |
| Salaries | 4447 | 87 |
| Cash on hand this day | 6812 | 90 |
| Miscellaneous | 4 | 34 |
| | $ 55483 | 30. |

Treasurers Office
May 31. 1836.
Stephen Tillinghast
City Treasurer.



# Schedule of Real Estate belonging to the City of Providence.

The Brick Market house (excepting the Arsenal hall in the third Story) & lot on Market square.

The Town house lot measuring on College Street one hundred & forty feet, on Benefit Street one hundred and seventy five feet & bounding South on a range way of 17½ feet in width which extends Westerly into the Town House lot 67½ feet and on lands of Brown & Ives & others 95 feet, making the whole Southerly line 163½ feet. Westerly on lands of John Whipple & others on which it measures 156½ feet. The buildings on said lot are 1st The Town house measuring 54 feet by 45½ feet, 2d The Firemens hall 30 feet by 20 feet, 3d Fire hooks & ladder house 25 feet by 9. 4th Engine house No 1 not now used as such & enlarged house having been built on land of Brown & Ives on the opposite side of Benefit Street 5th 2 Sheds for Market mens horses each 50 feet by 10 feet, 6th Carriage house 19 feet by 18, 7th the City Pound all the above described belong to the City, 8th Artillery armory 30 feet by 20, 9th Cadet armory 32 feet by 32. 10th Hose Burgess & Patt's Office 30 feet by 15 feet.

Hospital lands, Two Acres & 30 poles bounding East on the road South on Hawkins Car'd Called the Old Hospital lot it having been purchased of Martha Field for a Special use the City has no power to alienate.

10 10/10 Acres Called the new hospital land on which the large hospital building is erected bounding on the brook which forms the South boundary line of the City & the North line of Cranston this lot originally joined the old hospital lands, but is now severed therefrom by the Pawtuxet turnpike, a new building for hospital uses was erected in 1832 in the vicinity of the other hospital standing on this lot.

The Dampath lot lies at the junction of North Main, Benefit & Pumpkin Street & was purchased for the use of the neighbourhood partly by subscription from individuals & part by by the Town, Engine No 2 is located thereon, The old Brick School house, the lot whereon it stands is 60 feet by 50 & was given to the Town by Ambrose Page in May 1766. for a school house lot & no other purpose, the whole lot attached to this establishment measures 100 feet by 120 extending from Meeting Street to South Court Street,

North School house & lot 1st district, the lot bounds 45 feet on Benefit Street & extends Easterly 80 feet & can be applied to no other purpose than its actual one.

South or third district School, the lot on which the school house stands is 80 feet front on Transit Street the East part thereof extends 80 feet north to the Tillinghast burying ground & 34 feet of the west part extends back to land of Benjamin Clifford, An Engine house occupies part of the lot.

Fourth district school house & lot is situated on the Southerly side of Richmond Street, measuring thereon 112 feet the depth of the lot is not given, the building is two stories & of brick.

* Stone School & lot situate between High & Pawtuxet Streets on Pond Street, Dimentions of lot not given nor the deeds the building is two stories.

The North burial ground Comprises about fifty acres of which about 14 Acres are enclosed as new ones having been carried during the last years.

The Sessions lot, fronting westerly on North Main Street at its Northern extremity & extending Easterly to a public road it Comprises about nine Acres & a half.

Lands on Charles & Smiths Streets, the work house lot so Called with eats on the East side of Charles Street & bounding on the Blackstone Canal measures on Charles Street about 220 feet the width on Smiths Street, being its South End, is about 100 feet & at its North end about 63 feet. the lands on the west side of Charles measure thereon about 220 feet width at the North end measuring westerly to back street is 96 feet at its South End which bounds on Smiths about 79 feet. This width is exclusive of 40 feet for the entire length of its west line being the proposed Continuation of Back Street through the City lands, by a late exchange the above described lands form a square intersected North & South by Charles Street.

Land South of Smiths Street & Smiths bridge, The City is supposed to have a Claim to a portion of the lands & Shaw, In the year 1798 a part of it was surveyed & established as a Public Street, A Committee from the City Council was appointed last year to investigate the subject.

The Abbot lot at Tockwotton is 80 feet square & was ceded to the Town for a public Watering place forever.

The Rope house, Shot house and lot fronts on Weybosett Street & measures thereon 31 feet depth of lot 70 feet, Engine house No 3 stands on the Western side of the lot.

The Teste Estate, Consisting of 2 houses & lot at the Junction of Weybosett & Dorrance Streets now in possession of the City subject to the Claims of said Teste's heirs.

Thatch beds, The North bounds of the Lower beds begin at the N.E. Corner of the late Darius Thurber, South of Carpenters point, thence keeping the Cove to a point a little E. of land of Ichel Smith's heirs, the rights purchased of Mrs Barnes & others bound Southerly on the above described rights extending up the Cove to the line of North Providence & thence across the Cove to Carpenters point quantity of land not mentioned in the deeds, The thatch has before abundant has been diminishing yearly is now next to nothing & probably will not Command any price the present year.

The public squares, Conveyed to the Town "for some public purpose & purposes & for no other use or purposes whatever" is 150 feet square & bounded by Atwells Avenue & Bradford Street & on two sides by 20 feet gangways, & will hereafter be used thereon for public purposes.

The Fields point Farm Contains about 38 Acres Chles Fields right of dower thereon having been purchased by the City.

Hydraulick Buildings. No 1 Stands in Hydraulick Street on land of E. Thompson Heirs
No 2 near the Canal Basin on land lifted in from the Cove

## Schedule of Rents. viz.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Part of the Town house let rented to Pratt and Burgess to June 1. 1836. | 20 | 0 |
| Market house Let to January 1st 1838. 145 feet $2 per Anm | 290 | 0 |
| Lot on Charles Street to January 1. 1837. James Rigs 210 feet | 30 | 0 |
| do to D Argyll & James Smith do 67 feet @ $1. | 67 | 0 |
| do to E & Brown to January 1. 1838 22 feet at $1. | 22 | 0 |
| Stalls The Sepions Let to W Bachelder to April 1. 1837. | 60 | 0 |
| Stalls The Rent house to D Pitts to June 1. 1837. | 86 | 0 |
| " Testa house to I Martin to do | 140 | 0 |
| Stalls in Market house to 1st Monday in December 1836. | 2175 | 0 |
| Ditto in Fish Market to 1st Monday in January 1837. | 292 | 50 |
| Water Cistern South Corner of Market house 1 year | 3 | 0 |
| $ | 3185 | 50 |

"The Tillinghast donation" is a bequest of $200 made by the late Mrs Lydia Tillinghast "as a fund, the interest or income thereof to be used for the relief Comfort & support of the Poor of any or all Society & Colours" It is invested in Stock of the Union Banks.

## Statement of the City debt on the 31st May 1836.

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|---|---|---|
| Note to the Providence Institution of savings due April 1st 1837. | 15093 | 33. |
| ditto to Providence Dispensary due April 1st 1837. | 1530 | 0 |
| ditto to Individuals due April 1st 1837. | 9450 | 0 |
| Loan of $15000 due April 1st 1838. | 15000 | 0 |
| ditto of $50.000 due April 1st 1840. | 50000 | 0. |
| | 101.073 | 33. |

City Debt.

Office of Treasurer
Providence May 31st 1836.
Submitted by. Stephen Tillinghast.
City Treasurer.



Receipts & Expenditures

Resolved that Messrs Mason & Sayles Grume with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and they hereby are appointed a Committee to prepare a particular Account of the receipts and expenditures for the past year, and a Schedule of City Property, and Cause the same to be published in the news papers employed by the City Council; agreeably to the requisitions Contained in the fourth section of the City Charter.

Alderman Martin added to the Committe
Passed June 5th
1835.

Tax
$45.000.

An Ordinance providing for the appointment and Collection of a Tax of Forty Five thousand dollars.

Section 1 Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence that a tax of Forty Five thousand dollars be appointed and levied upon the rateable property of the inhabitants and others owning such property in said City; and that said tax be appointed on or before the third Monday of August next and be Collected and paid into the City Treasury on or before the Third Monday of September next.

Section 2 That the Collector of said tax shall advertise in the Manufacturers and Farmers Journal, the Republican Herald, and the Semi weekly Morning Courier for three weeks successively Calling upon all persons who may be appointed for said tax to make payment at his Office within ten days ending on the said Third Monday of September next and including that day: And during said ten days said Collector shall attend at his said Office for the purpose of receiving said Tax, every day Sundays excepted, from nine o'clock A.M. until twelve o'clock M. and from two o'clock until half past o'clock P.M. and on the said third Monday of September next he shall attend for said purpose until nine o'Clock in the Evening: And said Collector shall deduct three P Cent from the respective sums appointed upon all those who shall make payment within said ten days.

Section 3 That said Collector shall be allowed four P Cent for Collecting said tax, he allowing out of his Commissions three P Cent to all those who shall pay him the Amount of their respective taxes within the ten days aforesaid.

Section 4 That said Collector shall pay into the City Treasury without delay all monies he shall receive towards the Tax aforesaid by the said third Monday of September next, Collecting and paying over the residue of said tax as soon thereafter as may be; and that all persons who shall be delinquent in paying said tax by said third Monday of September next shall pay interest afterwards, for which interest said Collector shall be accountable to the City.

Passed June 5th
1835.

Remission of Certain taxes.

Whereas John Hall has represented to the City Council that the taxes appointed upon Certain persons in the year 1835, and Committed to him to Collect, are not Collectable by reason of errors in the appointment thereof &c &c. and whereas the City Council are satisfied that the taxes in said year, in the respective amounts following upon the persons hereinafter named viz.

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Upon, Albert Aborn | 1 | 20 | Richard Jackson (Colored) | 2 | 40 |
| John V Baxter | 3 | — | James A Jackson (son of Nathan W. | 3 | — |
| Henry Bowen & al Exrs Chas Fox | 1 | 30 | Moses Kinyon | 1 | 20 |
| Francis Bumby Jun. | | 60 | Alexis Lasell | — | 90 |
| George W Cushing | | 30 | Edward N Mason | — | 90 |
| Lucy Ann Davis | 2 | 10 | William S Nichols | — | 30 |
| Mary A Field | 1 | 50 | Catharine and Ashsa Phillips | 1 | 20 |
| John B Hunnewell | — | 60 | William H Russell | 1 | 80 |
| Thomas J Hill | 4 | 80 | Heirs of Ebenezer Thompson | 225 | — |
| Heirs of Henry Hoppin | 9 | — | Thomas White | | 60 |
| John B Howell | 1 | 20 | Samuel Williams | 2 | 70 |
| Henrietta Hutchins | 3 | 60 | Joseph Wilkinson (Smithfield) | 7 | 20 |
| William Howard Jun. | | 60 | | 341 | 40 |
| Amos A Jenkins pauper of Nathan W. | 3 | 60 | are not Collectable, Therefore Resolved | | |

That the respective taxes aforesaid, be remitted; and that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and directed to Credit the amount thereof, viz. Three hundred and forty one dollars and forty Cents to the said John Hill in account with him as Collector of taxes together with the interest which has accrued on the several sums aforesaid. —

Passed June 6th
1836.

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Report of School Committee

To the Hon.ble City Council of the City of Providence to be Convened on the first Monday of June A.D. 1835. —

The School Committee as required by law report, That they have attended to the duties of their appointment & have visited the schools under their Charge At the Close of Each quarter & occasionally during the several terms throughout the year agreably to law & their own rules, regulations & by-laws — The schools maintain as fair standing & promise as much usefulness as heretofore. — Within the year past two new primary schools have, under the authority derived from the City Council, been established by the Committee, one at Indias point and the other on Federal hill — Both of them are deemed important and the Committee think will prove highly useful to those sections of the City. — In the Course of the year it was found that the number of scholars attending the African School from some Cause difficult to be ascertained, was rapidly declining — On the most thorough investigation that could be given to the matter and on full Consideration it was judged expedient to discontinue that school and instead of one school to be taught by a male to establish two schools to be taught by females, one on the East and the other on the West side of the River. This Cause, under Color authority from the City Council was adopted according by but has not yet been fully Carried into effect. — The one on the East side has been established, It is located where the former school was kept and has an increased number of scholars, and the prospect is fair of its proving useful to that Class of our population for whose benefit it is more particularly designed as well as the City generally. — But it has not yet been in the power of the Committee to establish the one on the west side, for the want of a suitable place which they have made every reasonable effort to procure It is to be hoped however that this obstacle will soon be removed and the desired object fully accomplished

Owing to the establishment of the new schools, — to the unusual quantity of fuel used during the uncommonly severe winter and to the increased Salaries of the teachers which for the first time went through the whole year the expenses during the year past have somewhat exceeded those of the year next preceding it. — The expenses however have not exceeded the appropriation. — The amount appropriated was six thousand dollars besides the amount received from the State which was Fifteen hundred and twenty seven dollars and twenty eight Cents, making in the whole Seven thousand five hundred and twenty seven dollars and twenty eight Cents

The amount expended for instruction is Six thousand nine hundred and nineteen dollars & eighty Cents — for the repairs of School houses one hundred & fifty three dollars & sixty three Cents — for fuel Five hundred & sixty two dollars & ninety eight Cents & for incidental Charges one hundred & two dollars & thirty Cents, making in the whole Seven thousand four hundred & thirty eight dollars & seventy one Cents and leaving the sum of Eighty eight dollars & fifty seven Cents. of the Appropriation unexpended. —

The number of schools having been increased a Corresponding increase of the annual appropriation for the support of them will in future be necessary. —

The Committee are of Opinion that it is necessary that the school house in the fourth district should be raised — since that building was erected the Street and there of necessity the school house Lot have been filled up & raised so high that the lower story is lower than the surface of the surrounding Earth.

In this situation the Committee deem it not only uncomfortable & unpleasant but also unhealthy. —

They therefore recommend that such steps be taken as may be requisite to effect that object — From inquiries made by the Committee they are of Opinion that it will Cost about five or six hundred dollars

Should this work be directed to be done a still larger appropriation will of Course be necessary. —

The Committee therefore in view of the whole matter are of Opinion that the expenses of the ensuing year will require an appropriation, at least of Six thousand five hundred dollars in addition to what may be received from the State and in Case the School house should be raised five hundred & fifty dollars more. — — —



The number of schools now established and opened including the African is Fourteen, the number of teachers male and female is twenty five being two more than last year. —

The number of Scholars in actual attendance at the Close of the year was thirteen hundred and fifty three and the whole number of Scholars in actual attendance during the year amounted to two hundred & fifty three

The Committee appointed by the City Council at the Commencement of the year was Composed of twenty three members one of whom, namely Stanford Newel declined serving and the Committee appointed Josiah Mitchell to fill the vacancy — In the Course of the year two vacancies occured by resignation one by that of Thomas H Webb & the other by that of Robert C Patterson both of which the Committee filled by the appointment of Abijah Dyer Jr. in the room of D.r Webb and William B Sweet in the room of Mr Patterson. —

The Secretary has kept a record of all the absentees from all the Meetings of the Committee during the year, an abstract of which agreably to one of the by-laws of the Committee is herewith presented. —

All of which is respectfully submitted for the Committee

Providence May 25th 1835

by
Samuel W Bridgham Recordr. —

Received June 8th
1836.

Account of Absences of Members of the School Committee for 1835 & 36. —

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| John H Ormsbee | 2 | Edward B Hall. | 3 | Charles Holden | 2 |
| Robert H Ives | 1 | George Barnard | 7 | George Curtis | 2 |
| Alexis Caswell | 1 | Thomas W Dorr | 4 | Josiah Mitchell | 2 |
| Robert C Patterson | 9 | Caleb Williams | 2 | Silvanus G Arnold | 5 |
| Josiah Chapin | 1 | Thomas C Hopkins | 4. | Isaac Brown | 9 |
| S. Boyd Tobey | 1 | Usher Parsons | 4. | Elisha Dyer Jr. | 6. |

Read. June 6th 1835.

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Fire Department

Abstract of Expenditures for the Fire department of the City of Providence from June 9th 1835 to May 15th 1836. as far as the bills have been presented to the Audit for said department. —

| | | | | | |
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| For Engine No 1 | | | 27. | 14. | |
| " ditto " 2 (including over Coats) | | | 185 | 32 | |
| " ditto " 3 | | | 79 | 31 | |
| " ditto " 4 | | | 108 | 23 | |
| " ditto " 5 (including over Coats) | | | 234 | 38 | |
| " ditto " 6 (including over coats & new hose | | | 679 | 17 | |
| " ditto " 7 | | | 152 | 07 | |
| " New Engine (including over Coats) | | | 955 | 33. | 2143 57 |
| " Forcing Stationary Engine No 1 including one new forcing pump &c | | | 1203 | 51 | |
| " Forcing Stationary Engine No 2 | | | 130 | 19. | |
| " Hydraulion | | No 1 | 131 | 48 | |
| " Ditto | | No 2 | 130 | 83. | |
| " Rotary Engine | | | 10 | 48 | |
| " Hooks & Ladders | | No 1 | 69 | 95 | |
| " Do | | No 2 | 34 | 66 | |
| " Incidental (including $ 1125 for Watch) | | | 1135 | | 2847 13 |
| | | | | | $ 5.290.70 |

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|---|---|---|
| New Engine, Hose &c | 912.35. | |
| New Engine House No 6. | 300.— | |
| Reservoir & Pump in Knight St. | 915.— | |
| India Rubber Coats | 194.— | |
| Watchmen | 1125.— | |
| | $ 3.677.35 | |
| Ordinary repairs &c | 1613.35 | |
| | | $ 5.290.70 |

At the Steam Factory on Eddy's Point there will probably be a pressure already kept up (by steam power) in the Course of the Month of July, at an expense to the City of not exceeding Six hundred dollars A quantity of new hose has been ordered to be purchased for several Companies, as also five dresses for some of the Companies who are not supplied. A detailed account of the present Fire apparatus of the City will be made out, as soon as returns are received from the Captains of the several Companies

All which is respectfully submitted

by Sam[l] W Wheeler Sec[y] of the Board of Fire wards.

Sam[l] W Bridgham Esq[r]

Mayor of the City of Providence.

Received June 6[th] 1835.

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**Appropriation for Centinial Celebration**

Resolved that a further sum of Three hundred dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated to defray the expenses attending a Celebration of the second Centinial Anniversary of the Settlement of Providence; in addition to the sum of Two hundred dollars which was appropriated for that purpose on the second day of May last; And that the City Treasurer be authorized and directed to pay the same, together with said former appropriation to the Order of the Committee appointed on that subject out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated

Passed June 6[th]
1835.

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**Clerk of Common Council**

Resolved That the Clerk of the Common Council be allowed and paid for his services Three dollars for each and every meeting of the Board which he shall attend.

Passed June 6[th]
1835.

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**Firemen's Association**

Resolved That the sum of Fifty Cents be paid by the City Treasurer to the Treasurer of the Providence Association of Firemen for mutual Assistance for each of the Firemen of the City; in order to entitle them severally to the benefit of the funds of said Association: and that the same be paid, on the Certificate of the City Clerk respecting the appointment of said firemen, out of the appropriation for the Fire Department

Passed June 6[th]
1835.

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**City Printing**

Resolved That Mess[rs] Everett and Allen with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to Contract for the City Printing for the ensuing Year.

Aldermen Curtis added to the Committee

Passed June 6.
1835.



Recapitulation

11 Houses and A number of Sheds.

20 Axes
1 Bell
73 Bills
1 set of Stone Breaks
18 Brushes
2 Brooms
93 Buckets
3 Boilers
3 Cranks
3 Coal sifters
21 Coal hods
35 Cocks
1 Chain
11 Draw Ropes
8 Engines
4915 feet of good hose 2 some may not be good
2 Hydraulions
9 Hose Carriages
14 Hose Bridges
17 hammers
3 hammers for hores
2 Jugs
1 Kettle
1 hose Washer
19 Lamps
54 Lanterns
18 Lamp feeders
18 Oil Cannisters
1 Poker
16 pipes
62 India Rubber over Coats
28 Shams
11 Saw dust
16 Stove 2 pipes
4 Shovels
3 hand shovels 2 tongs
3 trumpets
30 torches
1 tinder box
3 tables
1 Vise
200 Wrenches
14 spring Stationary Engines
58 Ice Crapers
2 Carriages for hooks 2 ladders
13 ladders
13 fire hooks
13 forks
10 Cart Ropes for hooks & ladders &c
3 forks & 1 fork
2 horses for raising ladders.

Estimated at $32,500.

The foregoing Statement is Respectfully Submitted for and on behalf of the Board of Fire Wards.

Caleb Williams, Chairman

Providence June 6[th] 1835.

To the Hon City Council of the City of Providence

Received June 6[th] 1835.

City Treasurers Bond

Resolved That Messrs Mason 2d & Greene with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to take a Bond of the City Treasurer, with sufficient surety or sureties for the faithful discharge of the duties of his Office for the year ensuing.

Alderman Cady added to the Committee.

Passed June 6th 1836.

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Distributing City Ordinances

Resolved That Copies of the City Ordinances be distributed as follows viz. To Each member of the City Council who has not already been furnished with a Copy thereof, one Copy.

Passed June 6th 1836.

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Police Court

Resolved That from the Justices appointed to keep the Peace within this City, Thomas White, William P Ely, and George F Mann be and they are hereby selected to Compose the Police Court of the City for the year ensuing.

Passed June 6th 1836.

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Appropriations for Certain Purposes.

Resolved That the sums hereafter mentioned be and the same are hereby appropriated to the following purposes respectively, to wit,

For the support of the public schools for the year ending on the first monday of June A.D 1837. together with and in addition to the sum which the City may receive for the same purpose, from the State Treasury (the expenditure under this appropriation to be made by the order and direction of the school Committee) ..... Six thousand five hundred dollars

For the support of the Poor, and removal of Paupers including Asylum. Fifteen hundred dollars together with the income of the Tilling fund (so called) .....

For the fire department ..... Four thousand dollars

For the repairs of highways and streets ..... Four thousand dollars.

For the support of Public Bridges ..... Six hundred dollars.

For the support of the Public Watch ..... Three thousand dollars

For lighting the Streets ..... Two thousand four hundred dollars

For the Salaries of the Mayor and Aldermen for the year ending on the first Monday in June A.D 1837. ..... Sixteen hundred dollars

For the Salaries of Certain Officers, as prescribed in and by a Certain Ordinance entitled "an Ordinance fixing Compensation of Certain Officers for the year ending the first Monday in June A.D one thousand eight hundred and thirty seven" ..... Two thousand eight hundred and sixty five dollars

For the repairs of Public Buildings ..... One hundred & sixty dollars

For support of the City Pumps & Wells ..... One hundred dollars

For interest on money hired and on funded debt. ..... Five thousand dollars.

For building Asylum wall. ..... Two thousand dollars

For the payment of so much of the City debt. ..... Five thousand dollars

For Contingent expenses, viz any Claims which may be allowed by the board of Aldermen & by the City Auditor, not included in any of the preceding items & also the Compensation allowed to appraisers of Taxes to the Clerk of the Common Council and Steward Clerks ..... Twenty five hundred dollars.



For repairs of Bridges Sheds ..... Three hundred dollars

For repair of the Asylum Walls & buildings ..... One hundred & fifty dollars.

Resolved That the several sums appropriated as aforesaid be paid out of any money in the Treasury not therein appropriated.

June 6th 1836. Passed June 6th 1836.

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A Message came up from the Common Council informing this board, that they were ready to meet in Convention for the purpose of Election of City Officers. The two boards therefore met for that purpose June 6th 1836. and the following persons were Elected to their several and respective Offices viz.

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|---|---|---|
| Judge | of Municipal Court. | Thomas Burgess. |
| Clerk | of Municipal Court | Albert G Greene. |
| City | Sergeant | Edward Harwood |
| City | Treasurer | Stephen Sillinghast |
| City | Audit | Amasa Mason. Simon H Greene |
| Overseer | of the Poor. | William G Greene |
| City | Constables | David C Mann, Jacob Gould, Asael Kingsley, Sabey J Potter James Shelton, Aspell Clapp, Sylvester Bowers. |
| Sealer | of Weights & Measures. | Ephraim G Jackson |
| Assessors | of Taxes | Henry B Franklin. Nathaniel Bishop. John G B Phillips Robert Angel. also to apply the tax this day ordered. |
| Surveyors & | Cedars of Wood | Enoch G Paul, Samuel Pierson, William C Bradley, James Snow Thomas J Wardwell, Benjamin G Ely |
| Surveyor | of Highways | Henry G Mumford |
| Surveyor of | Hoops Staves & heading | George G Harwood. Peleg G Sherman, Samuel Eaton forth. |
| Gaugers | of Casks | Enoch Cobb. Daniel C. Hoyt, Robert Jones, James Burroughs, Aaron Williams |
| Collector | of Taxes | John Hill, also to Collect the tax this day Ordered. |
| Packers & | Inspectors of Fish | Peleg G Sherman, George G Harwood. |
| Overseers | of Hospital | Mayor and Aldermen. |
| Clerk | of the Market | Henry G Mumford |
| Fence | Viewers | Pardon Mason Edward Harwood Samuel Curtis. |

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| Field Drivers | Pardon Mason, Edward Harwood, Samuel Carlile |
| Residents of Five Wards. | Elisha Dyer, Stephen Martin, Richard Jackson, Benjamin Aborn, Carlo Maurian, Wilbur Kelly. |
| Five Wards. | Benjamin Hoppin, Caleb Williams, Smith Bosworth, Silvanus G Martin, Wilcome Congdon, Samuel W Wheeler, Phillip W Martin, Joseph G Metcalf, Robert Manchester, Hiram Hill, Reger W Potter, Oliver Pierce, Mapes Bagnell, John C Wakeman, Solomon Townsend, Duty Greene, Benjamin Robinson, Henry L Kendall, George B Holmes, Asa Pike, Edward S Williams, James P Bull, Willard W Fairbanks, Earl Carpenter, Allen O Peck, John W Aborn, James G Anthony. |
| School Committee | Samuel W Bridgham, John H Cousins, George Curtis, Moses B Ives, Robert H Ives, William Aplin, Alexis Capwell, Josiah Chapin, Edward B Hall, Thomas W Dorr, Caleb Williams, Thomas C Hoppin, Anthony B Arnold, Usher Parsons, Silvanus G Martin, Hezekiah Anthony, Isaac Metcalf, William B Lewis, Joseph Cady, Benjamin Clifford, Rufus Daggett, Richmond Bullock, Richard E Eddy, Erastus F Knowlton. |
| Sealers of Leather | Calvin Dean, Joel Metcalf |
| City Criers | John Greene, Barton Burdick |
| Committee of Encroachments on Street | Leonard Blodget, Samuel B. Cushing, Benoni Southwood. |
| Inspectors of Pd & Bark Shed | Smith Bosworth, Amasa Manton. |
| Inspectors & Measurers of Carpenter Mason's and Painters Work. | William P R Binion, Leonard Blodget, John H Greene, Hosea Carpenter, Robert Manchester, Joseph Bogman, James Brown, Pardon Bosworth, James Lewis, Aupell Greene, Samuel Hawkins. |
| Surveyors & Measurers of Stone | Zachariah Chaffee, Daniel Hale, William Andrews |
| Owners of Public Bridges | Menzies Street |
| Advising Com^e on Bridges | Mayor and Aldermen |



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| Com^e to Superintend building Chimney & Setting Stoves & Stovepipes. | Cyrus Fisher, Mapes Bagnell, Robert Angell, Samuel Carlile |
| Auctioneer. | Sylvester Markham. |
| Owner of North Burial ground. | Benjamin Hathaway. |
| Measures of Grain Salt & Sea Coal | John B Jones, Hezekiah Sayles. |
| Owner of Pump. South End. | Samuel Carlile |
| Owner of Pump. North End. | Stephen Martin |
| Owners of Pumps. High & Knight St^s | James Sheldon |
| Owners of Pumps. Pond Street and Watered of Westminster Street. | Nicholas Northrop |
| Owner of Pump. Broad Street. | Thinthar Potter. |
| Inspectors of Liquors to Captain Ward | Daniel V Rose, John B Jones. |
| Owners of Town house. | William S Greene. |
| Commissioners of side Walks. | Walter Paine, Mapes Bagnell, Cyrus Fisher. |
| Measures of Bran | John B Jones, Hezekiah Sayles. |
| City Marshall | Henry G Mumford |
| Nuisance Committee | Henry G Mumford, Mapes Bagnell, Moses Richardson. |
| Inspectors of Beef & Pork | Thomas Angell |
| Pound Keeper | William S Greene |
| Appraisers of Estates under the Election Laws. | Nathaniel C Bishop, Robert Angell, Henry W Franklin. |

## Hydraulion No. 1.

Anthony B Arnold
Allen O Peck
George W Taylor
George Grinnell
Robert H Ives
Thompson Wells
Amasa Manton
John Taylor
William L Aldrich
William H Mason
James G Anthony
Thomas Aldrich
James Arnold
Jonathan Pike
John Calder
Thomas V Bucklin
Edward F Miller
Joseph K Angell
Squire Pierce
Peter Pratt
Moses B Ives
Seth Paddleford
Billings Barstow
Stephen Arnold
William Andrews
Henry Anthony
Pliny B Fuller
William H Wakeman
Thomas Jackson
William N Douglas
Francis G Carlile
Amos C Smith
Timothy Monyan
Samuel B Wheaton
Alexander F Adie

Reuben Phelps
Willard W Fairbanks
Thomas J Steel
Chester S Wood
James W Buckley
George Nightingale
Robert L Thurston
William H Foster
Ebenezer Fuller
Tillinghast Almy
Joseph W Baker
Alexander B Chase
William Sandford
William Munro
Henry O Smith
Hartford B Billings
Joseph Carpenter
William C Bowen
Henry Hopkins
Jeremiah D Card
John W Butts
William W Hopkins
Elisha Dyer jr
William Foster
Abel Foster
William G Crumb
Jacob Munro
Jarvis Sipson
Lewis B Child
Tristam Burgess jr
Frederick Burgess
Sabey C Knight
Joseph A Warden
Brentnall Sabin
Nicholas R Arnold

Carrington Hopkins
William Albert Greene
Charles F Blodgett
Edward N Davis
William B Potter
Reuben E Williams
Edward A Tefft
Henry A Cary
James M Smith
Walter S Burgess
Charles Danforth
Benjamin B Wilcox
John B Doriance jr.
Charles H Babcock
Henry F Cooley
Thomas F Hopkins
Charles F Rawson
Benjamin D Potter
Alexander Burgess
Charles Arnold
Henry Nichols
A W Congdon
Joel Hotchkiss jr.
Nearly W Carpenter
Charles Bowles jr
Samuel B Blodgett
Joseph B Sandford
Henry A Anthony
Samuel Pitkham
William S D Wolf

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## Hydraulion No. 2.

Allen Baker
Richard W Bush
Daniel Angell
George W Taylor 2d
William Calder
Charles F Little
Philip Allen jr.
Barton Miller
James M Sherman
Samuel Bishop
W Whipple Browne
Sullivan Dorr jr.
Daniel C Cushing
David B Blake
Wilkins Congdon
Nathaniel Searle
Albert W Snow.

Joseph C Wright
William Valentine
Charles H Simkins
Richard C Hamblin
Daniel W Vaughn
Zach Allen
Samson Almy
Charles Brown
Nelson H Bliss
Nathaniel W Brown
Zach Brown
Robert N Burdick
David F Capron
Gamaliel L Dwight
Arthur Dennis
George Edgar
John A Field

Truman Foster
I. I. Giles
Thomas Greene
Rley Haviland jr
Charles Holden jr
Asael Kingsley
George F Man
A A Mason
Henry G Mumford
Paul Niles
James Peck
Benjamin Robinson jr
George W White
Thomas White
Linden White
Rufus Wakeman.

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## Forcing Stationary Engine No. 1.

Albert H Manchester
James G Smith
James Livesey
Jacob Manchester
Charles J Shelly
Philip Case
Reuben Brown
William H Hudson
Benjamin Dyer
Albert Mpenger
Henry Haviland
James E Budlong
Benjamin White
Oliver K Wilbur
Benjamin B Bogman
Jonath S Wardwell
John G Potter
Henry A Haviland
Dexter Prance
Benjamin F Wardwell
Henry Barton
John W Cary
Levi L Webster
James C Bucklin
Thomas R Seamans

Stephen A Davis
George Richard
Abijah B Thomas
Earl P Mason
Edward N Mason
Rhodes G Lockwood
Benjamin Allen
George B Franklin
William P Taft
Amer W Snow
William Andrews
Joseph A Andrews
Adonah Sackett
Silvna Manton
Lewis L Hodges
Edward R Young
William Brownell
Malichi R Gardner
Thomas J Gardner
John W Mason
John L Haviland
Isaac Sackett
Job Andrews
Daniel C Mason
Joshua Spooner

Samuel Foster
Edwin Read
George A Taylor
Joseph A Barker
William F Wardwell
Thomas M Coy
William H Murray
James Hebert
Oliver A Budlong
Alfred Spink
John E Brown
John R Manton
Thomas F Bonnesth
Samuel B Shepard
Ray Dyer
James B Carter
James A Arnold
Henry J Luther
Frederick Clarke
Theophilus Salisbury
William Fulton
George A Hopkins
Henry B Hazleding
Joseph F Jones
Marcus Read. 75

## Forcing Stationary Engine No. 2.

William J Harris
Jefferson Borden
William J Cross
John H Taylor
Jonathan A Eddy
Edwin Tripp
John B Dexter
Samuel Congdon
Ephraim Brown
Richard E Eddy
Edwin H Harris
William Bucklin
Mowry Smith
Rupert Clapp
Henry D Sheldon
Stephen R Warden
George Owen

Nicholas H Bradford
Henry F Brown
William E Cutting
Roger W Potter
William Aplin
William Hull
William W Bailey
Alonzo Draper
Nathaniel G Helme
Eleazer H Crandall
Charles L Keene
Samuel N Richmond
George M Richmond
Henry W Bradford
Benjamin Hathaway
Vincent Carr
Sturges P Carpenter

Gilbert Sheldon
William M Richman
Henry Gardner
Amos S Jencks
Joseph H Stillman
Charles L Fisher
Randall H Greene
Ogden Dyer
Reuben J Pitkham
Edward S Sheldon
John S Rice
Thomas H Tripp
Alexander Sales
Jeremiah S Reps
Daniel Haviland

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## Fire Hook & Ladder Co. No. 1

Stanton Thurber
Joseph Low
Thomas Simmons jr.
Owen Chaffin
James Wheaton
Ogden Osborn
Charles J Olney
Lyman Dayton

James Chapman
Thomas Butler
John C Harwood
Augustus Ellis
John Boyden
Jesse H Giles
Andrew Allard
Orlin Allard

Geo. Cook
Ebenezer Kingsbury
William R Robinson
Samuel S Hartwell
Horace Robbins
Daniel Hall
Solomon Townsend
Geo W Fox. 24.

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| Fire Work & Ladder Co. No 2 | Sheldon Young | William B Mason | Theodore Taylor | |
| | Rupell Greene | David Jaskins | Christopher G Dodge | |
| | Sylvester Hartshorn | Gardner Luther | Wm Henry Greene | |
| | Robert Manchester | Seth Bull jr. | Simeon Briggs | |
| | Dennis Sawyer | I. B Nichols | Robert Manchester jr | |
| | Caleb C Cook | Isaac Clarke | John Tourtellot | |
| | Daniel W Young | Jacob B Thurber | | 20 |
| Engine Co No 1 | Albert Waterman | Josiah Baxter | Israel S Carpenter | |
| | Stephen Barker | Thomas Paine | Silvester C Kelly | |
| | Samuel W Brown | Stephen Randall | Thomas W Latham | |
| | Alfred Anthony | Samuel H Vial | Jarvis Phillips | |
| | Nathan Buckelin | Rupell Millard | Ezra N Sampson | |
| | Amos Kelly | Kimble Merrick | Josiah Rann | |
| | Ebenezer Walker | John Hastings | John Williams | |
| | George Lawton | Otis L Smith | Jeremiah Hawkins | |
| | Jerome Anthony | George W Lovell | Smith Phillips | |
| | Jeremiah Tanner | Simon Pall | Nathaniel Brown | 30 |
| Engine Co No 2 | James Thurber jr | Daniel Joslin | Asa W Davis | |
| | Wm N Anthony | Henry A Whipple | Thomas M Hawkins | |
| | Richard Salisbury jr | Charles I Cleveland | C Cleveland jr | |
| | Augustus J Winship | Samuel S Manchester | George Payton | |
| | George E Cleveland | Gideon Hull | Edgar H Winship | |
| | Peter Church | Isaac B Allen | J. W Tripp | |
| | David A Cleveland | William Calder | Edward Burr | |
| | George H Bush | William W Knight | E O Laurence | |
| | John Simmons | George J Thurber | Wm W Chase | |
| | George Hunt | Henry M Anthony | Andrew G Salsbury | 30 |
| Engine Co No 3 | Henry L Kendall | Joseph H Bosworth | Smith Bosworth jr | |
| | James W Simmons | John L Noyes | Edward H Adams | |
| | Charles Child | Samuel Guild | Albert H Draper | |
| | Thomas Brown jr | Liberty Childs | David Pitts | |
| | John J Paine | Henry Clark | Augustus M Tower | |
| | Wm P Dana | Francis Read | John H Greene | |
| | Charles Smith | Horace Read | Benjamin Hill | |
| | D H Leonard | Otis P Hicks | John Crandall | |
| | Otis A Whitcomb | Amos H Potter | Pliney Paine | |
| | Henry G Gladding | Ferdinand Potter | | |
| | I G Draper | Edward Harris | | 31 |
| Engine No 4. | | | | |



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|---|---|---|---|---|
| Engine No 5. | Jonathan S Angell | William H Gilmore | Enos H Warden | |
| | Edmund Williams | Stephen W Hunt | Joseph C Whiting | |
| | Samuel Greene | Nathaniel S Potter | Isbey C Olney | |
| | Benjamin B Wood | David W Petty | Henry Waterman | |
| | James Sheldon | Manson Smith | Benjamin S Chedel | |
| | Henry C Matthewson | William Greene jr. | Thomas R Tenner | |
| | Nicholas W Johnson | Lewis M Dean | Henry C Potter | 23. |
| | John M Truman | Gardner M Burgess | | |
| Engine No 6. | Joseph W Taylor | Nathan B Hall | John D Jones | |
| | Thomas R Holden jr | A G Barton | Harvey Brown | |
| | Edward Dodge | George Earle 2 | Henry E Barney | |
| | George B Jastram | Seth S Bennett | John B Angell | |
| | C L Peckham | John B Sweet | John A Rowland | |
| | Wm W Comstock | John H Butler | Elisha Hall | |
| | John H Richmond | Henry Temple | Edward Billings | |
| | Charles E Tillinghast | Charles Holden 2 | John F B Flagg | |
| | John C Gladding | Samuel Almy | Thomas M Coy | |
| | George A Humphrey | John J Ormsbee | Moulton | |
| | C W Tingley | Nelson Hall | Joseph Bradford | |
| | C C Ellery | Dexter Daniels | Henry Thurber | |
| | M W Shaw | Edward Lewis | George Richardson | |
| | Wm Temple | Wm E Hambler | L D Anthony | |
| | Willard Chase | Benjamin B Burnett | J O. Potter | |
| | Wm H Wilkinson | William Simons jr | William H Bogman | |
| | John H Butts | Nathaniel B Bartlett | John Hill | 57 |
| Engine No 7. | Purton S Pierce | Edwin Barton | Richard Saunders | |
| | Edward Salsbury | Spencer Peace | Joshua R Brown | |
| | Joseph Davis | Isaac W Lake | Horace Gray | |
| | Alpheus B Southwick | Angell Bailey | Ozias D Willard | |
| | George B Holmes | Sylvester Salsbury | Edward Field | |
| | Gardner Salsbury | Thomas Tabor | Aaron Cole | |
| | Otis Tabor | John Saunders | Hiram R Watkins | |
| | George Briggs Holmes | Francis B Read | Horatio L Holmes | |
| | Edward H. Auld | Thomas J Sprague | Thomas Jackson | |
| | James B Cobby | Henry S Carter | Nathaniel F Winslow | |
| | John Salsbury | Samuel W Kilburn | William Hopkins | |
| | Horace M Peck | Henry Sherburne | Nehemiah Wilson | |
| | Leonard J Bradford | Willard Johnson | Ezra J Fenner | |
| | Thomas Barton | Allen Shaw | Samuel Heath | 42 |

Drain acrs Benefit Street

On the petition of Asa Pike and others requesting the drain acrs Benefit Street
It is Resolved that the same be received, and referred to Messrs Potter, B Cooke & D Greene
with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon.

Alderman Clifford added to the Committee

Passed July 11th 1836.

Crop Walk in Chesnut Street.

Resolved that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to cause
a Crop walk to be laid in Chesnut Street acrs Elbow Street.

Passed July 11th
1836.

North Burial Ground.

Upon the petitions of Jacob Steer
John Eddy Brown
James Smith 2
John Aylsworth requesting Lots to fence in and enclose
burying lots in the North Burial Ground sufficient for their families respectively. It is
Resolved that the same be severally received and the prayers thereof granted; And that
the said petitioners be and they are hereby severally authorized to fence in and enclose such
lots for such purpose; Provided the same be done under the direction of the Owners of the North
Burial ground with the sanction of the Mayor; And Provided also that the several privileges
hereby granted, shall be subject to all future regulations of the City Council in relation thereto
and shall severally Continue during the pleasure of the City Council and no longer.

Passed July 11th
1836.

Rone House Lot.

Resolved that Messrs Mason & Warner with such as the Board of Aldermen may
add be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to ascertain the bounds of the Rone lot so called,
and to cause the house thereon, to be repaired, and said lot to be fenced.

Resolved that the sum of one hundred dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated
to defray the expense of said repairs, and that the same be paid out of any Money in the
Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Alderman Anthony added to said Committee

Passed July 11.
1836.

Resignation Joseph L Tillinghast Esq.

To the Honorable the Mayor & City Council of the City of Providence
Gentlemen

As my arrangements to make it now quite doubtful whether I should
be able to attend to the duties of a Representative in the General Assembly during the residue of the
term for which I was last Elected, should any such duties be hereafter Called for before the expiration
of that term, which however, is hardly probable, and as previous to the last session, I made known my
intention not to be a Candidate for re-election I beg you to receive this as my resignation to my fellow
Citizens of this City of my seat in the General Assembly as their Representative; with my Appreciation
of the profound & Cordial gratitude which I shall Cherish to the end of my life, for the kindness
& Confidence which for ten years past I have in that situation experienced at their hands.

Most respectfully I am your Obedient Servant &
fellow Citizen
Joseph L Tillinghast

Providence July 11. 1836.

In City Council July 11th 1836
Read



Ex President James Madison.

Whereas since the last meeting of the City Council intelligence has been received of the Death of
James Madison, the able defender of our National Constitution, a patriot and a Statesman
who after having worthily and honorably performed the duties of various important and responsible public
Offices both in the Government of his native State and of the United States, was twice called by the voice
of the American People to discharge the high trust of the Chief Magistracy of this Nation.
It is therefore Resolved that in testimony of regret for the loss and respect for the Character and public
services of the deceased, the bells of all the Churches in this City be tolled on wednesday next from half past six
O'clock A.M. until sunset, and that Col. Morton of the United States Corps of Artillery be requested to cause
minute guns to be fired during said time; and that it be recommended to the Masters of all the shipping
in the harbour to the several Military Companies and the superintendents of the several Flag staves in
this City to Suspend their flags at half mast from noon until sunset.

Resolved that the City Marshal be and he is hereby directed to cause such notice to be given
of the foregoing resolution as may induce a due observance of the same.

Passed July 11th
1836.

Westminster & High Streets

On the petition of Thomas C Hopkins & others requesting that Curbs & pavements may be made
in Westminster Street It is Resolved that the same be received and referred to Messrs Potter
B Cooke & D Greene with such as the Board of Aldermen may add to examine and Report thereon;
and that the said Committee be and they are hereby directed to enquire respecting the relative
expense of Stone and wooden pavements, and respecting the expediency of having the parts of said Street
named in said Petition with wood instead of Stone; and that said Committee be and they are hereby authorized
and directed to cause the lines of Westminster Street to be ascertained and run from Walter
from the new Market to the Junction of Broad
Street to the Junction of Westminster and High Streets, and also the lines of Broad Street & High Street;
and also the lines of High Street from the Junction of the same with Broad Street, to the Hoyle Tavern

And that said Committee be and they are hereby directed to report on the subject contained in this
Resolution at the next meeting of the City Council.

Aldermen Williams added to the Committee

Passed July 11th
1836.

Ariel Sayles Petition

Upon the Petition of Ariel Sayles praying for relief from a Judgment of Court against him
in favor of the City, It is Resolved that the prayer thereof be granted and that the City Treasurer
be and he is hereby authorized and directed to remit from the said Sayles, one half of the amount of said
Judgment, in full thereof, and on the receipt thereof, to give the said Sayles a discharge for the other
half of the amount of said Judgment.

Passed July 11
1836.

Friendship Street.

Resolved that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby authorized and directed to Cause
the gutters in Friendship Street from Richmond Street to Chesnut Street to be relaid, provided
the owners of the lands adjoining said Street shall cause Curb Stones to be erected in front of their
respective lands.

Passed July 11th
1836.

# To the Hon City Council of the City of Providence.—



Having been authorized by a resolution of the City Council passed at the same the day of March to take such measures as might be necessary for ascertaining the number of deaf and dumb persons in this City & the age, sex and pecuniary circumstances of each person and such of them (if any) who have been fully or partially educated in order that the City Clerk might be enabled to make a return of the same to the General Assembly at their last June Session pursuant to a resolution of said Assembly passed at their last January Session I have attended to that service and now report my doings in the premises as follows;— I caused public notice of the Mother to be given by advertising in the name of the City Clerk in the Newspapers in which the City printing is done and therein at the same time requested all the persons embraced in the said resolution of the General Assembly at their friends to come forward and give all the necessary information on the subject. I also caused like notice with like request to be given through the City Sergeant in all the public Schools; and that no reasonable pains should be spared fully and effectually to accomplish the object the City Sergeant by my direction passed through any part of the City and inquired in every neighbourhood for information.— The City Council will therefore I presume be satisfied that all "necessary measures" have been taken to ascertain all the persons about whom inquiry was required to be made.— Having thus ascertained them I held an interview with them, or their friends, severally and thereby procured the necessary information in relation to them; all which appears in the following Statement of their respective Cases;— to wit,

| Names and Descriptions of the Persons. | Age | Sex | Pecuniary Condition | Education. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Sally Smith single woman Benn Street | Seventy six years | Female | No Property | None |
| Desire Winslow daughter of Henry Winslow South Street. (entirely dumb from her birth but not deaf) | Sixteen years. | Female | Her father has no property | None |
| Cynthia Smith daughter of John Smith at Central Bridge (was sick when five years old, since which she has been entirely deaf. but can speak some words so as to be able to talk a little with the family). | Ten years | Female | Her father has no property | None |
| Susan Patterson (person of Colour) daughter of Susan Patterson Widow Pannel Street | Eight years | Female | Her mother has no property | None |
| Silas Hall son of Silas Hall Charles Street (dumb from his birth but not deaf) | Five & an half years | Male | His father has but little if any property | None |
| Charles B. Hall Mathewson Street. | Thirty years | Male | Has no property but works at Segar making & just gets a living for himself & wife, has no Children | Has been Educated at the Hartford System was there six years.— |
| Aliena Hall wife of the above named Charles B. Hall. | Thirty two years. | Female | No property | Has been educated at the Hartford System was there six years.— |
| John Rome (person of Colour) No 116 South Main Street servant in General Greene's family | Twenty one years | Male | No property | None |
| Hammond Wilson, works for Mr Curtis but makes Way to get to Street.— | forty Eight years | Male | worth $2500 in real Estate lying in Mapachusetts | None |

The work having been thus accomplished a Statement similar to the above dated September agreably to the resolution of that body herein before mentioned.—

I was also authorized by the City Council to draw upon the City Treasurer for the be obtained by some one of the Municipal Officers without expense.— The City Sergeant the necessary except for the hire of a horse & Carriage for the sergeant while engaged in was furnished to the City Clerk who made his return accordingly to the General Assembly at their expense of carrying their resolution above mentioned into effect provided the information required could not and myself having done the whole work as above mentioned no expense to the City has been incurred in the same amounting to Three dollars & seventy five Cents.—

Respectfully submitted by
Samuel W Bridgham
Mayor.—

Provd July 11th 1836.—

July 11th 1836.—

Plank Street

On the Report of the Joint Committee to whom on the 21st day of April last was referred the Petition of Tristam Burges and others requesting that certain repairs may be made on Plank Street, It is Resolved that the same be secured; and that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby authorized and directed to cause a sewer to be laid in said Street, from Benefit Street, to the west side of South Main Street, under the advice and direction of Messrs Potter, B Cook, and D Grunn, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add.

Alderman Cady added to the Committee

Passed July 11th 1836.

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City Printing

The Committee to whom was referred Contracting for the City Printing. Report

That a Contract was made on the 9th of June with the Proprietor of the daily Journal and the Manufacturers & Farmers Journal for the printing the City Ordinances together with all the printing & publishing required by the City Offices in the two above named news papers for the ensuing year for the sum of Fifty dollars.

A Everett

for the Committee

It is understood that the Contract above is similar & includes what was performed by Messrs Miller & Paine for the City the past year.

Providence 9th June 1836.

Geo W Jackson

Accepted July 11th

1836.

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Dogs

Resolved That the Remonstrance of Geo G Clarke and others respecting the Ordinance in relation to Dogs be received and referred to Messrs Godfrey & Jackson with such as the Board of Aldermen may add to examine & report thereon; and that said Committee be directed to report thereon at the next meeting of the City Council

Alderman Clifford added to the Committee

Passed July 11th 1836.

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Public Square on Federal Hill

Resolved that the Surveyor of Highways acting under the advice of Messrs Viall Sutton & Allen with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be directed to Curb the Public Square on Federal Hill belonging to the City, to be put in such order as may be necessary to prevent accidents which are now liable to occur, owing to the present Condition of said Square.

Alderman Williams added to the Committee

Passed July 11th

1836.

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Markets & Market place"

An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance for the regulation of the City Markets and Market Place"

Be it Ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence that the eighteenth section of the Ordinance passed by the City Council on the twenty fifth day of April A.D. 1834 entitled "An Ordinance for the regulation of the City Market place" be and the same is hereby repealed.

Passed July 11th

1836.



Thomas Street.

On the Petition of Richard Jackson and others praying that Thomas Street may be repaired and graduated, It is Resolved that the Surveyor of Highways acting by and with the advice and direction of Messrs Potter, B Cooke and D Grunn, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and he is hereby authorized and directed to remove the pavement from said Street and to cause the same to be graduated; Provided the owners of the lands adjoining thereon shall erect Curb Stones in front of their respective lands.

Alderman Marston added to the Committee

Passed July 11th

1836.

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Appropriations

Resolved that the several sums hereinafter mentioned be and the same are hereby appropriated to the following purposes respectively, to wit,

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| For repairs on Bridge Street | Eighteen dollars. |
| For defraying the expenses of suit in favor of the City against W Howell | Two hundred & fifty dollars |
| For repairs of Asylum, Wall and buildings | One hundred & fifty dollars. |

And that said several sums so appropriated be paid out of any Money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed August 8. 1836.

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Cross Walk Randall Street.

On the Petition of Samuel Thurber and others, It is Resolved that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby authorized and directed to Cause a Cross walk across Randall Street at its junction with North Main Street, to be laid whenever the owners of the lands adjoining said Randall Street on the North and South sides thereof shall have graduated their side walks and have erected their Curb Stones on North Main Street in Conformity with such directions as may be given by the Commissioners of side walks.

Passed August 8th

1836

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Drain across Benefit Street.

On the Petition of Asa Pike and others, It is Resolved that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby authorized and directed under the advice and direction of Messrs Potter, B Cooke and D Grunn, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add to enlarge and properly secure the Drain in Benefit Street at Hope Point provided the owners of lands adjoining said Street shall Continue the said drain and remove all obstructions thereto agreeable to such directions as shall be given them respecting the same by said Committee.

Alderman Clifford added to the Committee

Passed August 8th

1836

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Star Street

Resolved that the Petition of Nehemiah Dodge and Others for repairs on Star Street be and the same is hereby received and that the same be referred to Messrs Potter B Cooke and D Grunn, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add to examine and report thereon.

Alderman Marston added to the Committee

Passed August 8th

1836.

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Grist Mill.

Whereas The Town of Providence at the November term of the Court of Common Pleas recovered a verdict of $3187. against the Proprietors of the Ancient Grist Mill on Moshassuck river, for damages sustained in Consequence of the Neglect of the proprietors to keep said Mill in order to grind the grain of the inhabitants and whereas the sole Object of said Town was the enforcement of the original Contract entered into between the proprietors of the Mill and the Town of Providence.

It is therefore in accordance with said Object, Voted, that Stephen Fillingham & Lemuel H Arnold and Robert Angell a Committee with full power to relinquish in behalf of the City, the sum named in said Verdict, whenever the Proprietors of said Mill puts the same in operation for grinding the grain of the inhabitants in accordance with the terms of the original Contract and reimburse to said City all expenses which have been incurred in the prosecution of the suit; and whenever the said proprietors shall make and execute sufficient Covenants to the City to keep said Mill in repair and operation according to the terms of said Original Contract.

Passed August 8th
1836.

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Public Square Federal Hill.

Resolved That the sum of Ninety dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for defraying the expenses which have been incurred for repairs on the public square on Federal Hill in pursuance of the resolution of the City Council of the 11th of July last; to be paid out of any Money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed August 8th
1836.

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The Two Boards met in Convention August 8th 1836. when the following named persons having stood propounded more than three months were admitted freemen of this City. viz.

Lewis D Hutchins
Richard Lloyd
John D Jencks
Winey E Capron
Charles Henry
Ezra Dodge
William Whipple Brown
Charles Ellis
John Winthrop
Nathan B Leonard
Thomas McFarland
Arnold Rhys.

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The following persons were propounded to become freemen viz.
Enos A Cooke — dwd produced
Joseph B Harris — do
George W Wheeler — do
Gardner Phillips — do.

Voted That Edward Harwood be and he is hereby appointed overseer of the pump at the North End.

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The two boards then Separated and the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber

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Hospital Lot.

On the Communication of Isaac Field and others respecting the new Hospital lot. It is Resolved that the same be received and referred to Messrs Warner and Jackson, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add to Examine and report thereon. Alderman Williams added to the Committee.

Passed August 29. 1836

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School for Colored persons.

On the Communication from the School Committee requesting the City Council to provide for said Committee a Suitable room for the Establishment of a School for Colored persons on the West side of the River, It is Resolved that the same be received and referred to Messrs Knowlton & Grime with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon.

Alderman Hoppin added to the Committee.

Passed
August 29. 1836.

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Thomas Shut.

The Committee appointed July 11th 1836. to Cause Thomas Shut to be repaired and graded &c. Report that they have Caused the same to be done agreable to the Resolution

For the Committee
N W Keller

Read, and it is thereupon Resolved that the same be received.

Received
August 29th 1836.

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City Funds.

Resolved that Messrs Mason & Tillinghast Grime with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be appointed a Committee to make such arrangements with any of the Banks in the City to receive and allow interest for such monies as may come into the Treasury as said Committee may deem most for the interest of the City

Alderman Anthony added to the Committee
Passed
August 29th 1836.

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Shut leading to India Point

On the Petition of a Committee of the Board of directors of the Boston and Providence Rail Road and Transportation Company requesting repairs on the Shut leading from East Shut to India Shut, It is Resolved that the same be received and referred to Messrs Potter B Cooke and Grime, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add to examine and report thereon

Alderman Clifford Added to the Committee
Passed August 29th
1836

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Street to State Prison

Upon the Communication of the Commissioners appointed by the Hon Genl Assembly, for the Erection of a State Penitentiary, It is Resolved that the same be received and referred to Messrs Potter B Cooke & Grime, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon.

Alderman Morton Added to the Committee
Passed
August 29th 1836.

Westminster Street.

Resolved that the Surveyor of Highways acting under the direction of Alps Potter, B Cooke & D Greene with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and he is hereby authorized and directed to Cause the pavement in Westminster Street from Walnut Street to the junction of Westminster and Hope Street, to be relaid; and also to Cause a Crop walk to be laid across said Westminster Street opposite the residence of Orray Taft, Esq.

Resolved that the sum of Twelve hundred dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for defraying the expenses of relaying such pavement and laying such Crop walk to be paid out of any Money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Alderman Williams added to the Committee

Passed

August 29th 1836.

North Burial Ground

Upon the Petition of Henry D Gilmans and Amos D Gilmans and of Abraham Shilvell for himself and the heirs of John Davis deceased requesting leave to fence in and enclose burying lots sufficient for their respective families in the North Burial ground, It is Resolved that the same be severally received and the prayers thereof granted; and that the said petitioners be and they are hereby severally authorized to fence in and enclose such lots for such purpose provided the same be done under direction of the Trustees of the North Burial ground with the sanction of the Mayor And provided also that the several privileges hereby granted, shall be subject to all future regulations of the City Council or ordinances thereto, and shall severally continue during the pleasure of the City Council, and no longer.

Passed August 29.

1836.

Star Street.

On the Petition & Report of the Joint Committee to whom was referred the petition of Nehemiah Dodge and others praying for repairs on Star Street It is Resolved that the same be received.

Received August 29th

1836.

Planet Street.

Resolved that Messrs. Potter, B Cooke and D Greene with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee with power to direct the Surveyor of Highways (if they deem it expedient) to Cause the pavement to be removed from Planet Street the gutters relaid, and the Middle of the Street graduated and gravelled; Provided the owners of lands adjoining said Street shall erect Curb Stones and graduate the side walks in front of their respective lots.

Alderman Cady added to the Committe

Passed

August 29th 1836.

Admitted Free

The two Boards met in Convention August 29th 1836. when Caleb Cook was admitted a Freeman of this City on a Certificate from the Town of Johnson and on producing Evidence of Sufficient freehold Estate in this City.

George Ormsbee admitted a freeman as the Eldest son of Joseph Ormsbee



Propounded

The following named persons were propounded to become freemen, to wit,

Davis Wilson . . . . . Deed produced

Robert I Burroughs Jr . . . . . do

Henry Wetsell . . . . . do

The two Boards then separated and the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber.

Cops Walk Chesnut Street.

Upon the Petition of P W Gardner and others It is Resolved that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby authorized and directed to Cause a Cops walk to be laid across Chesnut Street,

Passed October 3

1836.

Planet Street.

The Committee appointed July 11th 1836 to Cause a drain to be laid under Planet Street to the west side of South Main Street and on the 27th August was directed to make other repairs on said Street if in their Opinion it was Expedient,

Report that the Surveyor of Highways has had said drain removed the pavement to from said Street, repaved the gutter, and graduated and gravelled the Middle of the Street, under the advice and direction of your Committe.

Providence October 3 1836. Roger W Potter for the Committee

Received October 3 1836.

School for Colored persons.

Resolved that the Communication from the School Committee respecting the Establishment of a school for Colored persons on the west side of the River together with the report of the joint Committee this day made thereon be referred to Messrs Newell Tew & J S Cooke with such as the Board of Aldermen may add to make further examination and report in relation to the subject of said Communication

Aldermen Williams added to the Committe

Passed October 3

1836.

Artillery

Upon the petition of the United Train of Artillery, It is Resolved that the same be received and referred to Messrs. Warner and Allen with such as the Board of Aldermen may add to examine and report thereon.

Alderman Cady added to the Committe

Passed Octr 3

1836

Street from East Street to India Street.

Upon the petition of a Committee of the Board of Directors of the Boston & Providence Rail Road and Locomotion Company, It is Resolved that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby authorized and directed to Cause the Street leading from East Street to India Street to be graduated and gravelled; and that the said Surveyor be and he is also hereby authorized and directed to Cause the gutters on said Street to be paved on one or both sides thereof wherever the owners of the lands adjoining the same shall have erected Curb stones in front of their respective lots; the whole to be done under the advice and direction of Messrs B W Potter, B Cooke & D Greene with such as the Board of Aldermen may add.

Alderman Olney added to the Committe

Passed Octr 3 1836.

Anthracite Coal.

Resolved that Messrs Bowen, B. Cooke, J. S. Cooke, James G. Anthony, Mason and Knowlton, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and they are hereby appointed a Committee with power to cause such examination to be made by boring or otherwise as they may deem expedient, of the lot belonging to the City which was purchased of Mr. Thomas Lippens, for the purpose of ascertaining whether Anthracite Coal may not be found in that location; provided that the expense thereof shall not exceed two thousand dollars.

Resolved that the sum of two thousand dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for said purpose; to be paid to the order of said Committee, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Aldermen Hopkins and Williams added to the Committee.

Passed October 3
1836

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Stove for Municipal Court room.

Resolved that the Clerk of the Municipal Court be and he is hereby appointed a Committee with power to procure a new Stove for the Clerks Office of said Court.

Passed October 3
1836.

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Hospital Lot.

The Committee to whom was referred the Communication of Isaac Field & others

Report

That they have had the Subject under Consideration, and that they do not Recommend the granting the prayer thereof.

Providence Oct. 3. 1836.

For the Committee
James M. Warner.

Received October 3
1836.

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The Two boards met in Convention October 3 1836. — and the following names were propounded.

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| George C. Negtingale | duly produced — |
| Welcome S. Sheaman | do |
| Darius Morton | do |
| William S. Brown | do |

John H. Grund was elected Fireward in place of Solomon Sammond, resigned.

The Two Boards then Separated and the Board of Aldermen returned to their Chamber.



Great Storm.

Resolved that the Clerk of the Common Council be and he is hereby added to the Committee appointed by the City Council on the fourth day of May A.D. 1835. to cause a descriptive Statement of the Great Gale on the 23 of September 1815 to be written and deposited in the City Council, and to cause a Monument to be erected denoting the height of the tide on that occasion.

Passed October 31
1836.

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Court of the River.

Resolved that the Clerk of the Common Council with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and he is hereby appointed a Committee to cause the Chart of the Providence River made under the direction of a Committee of the City Council, to be properly varnished and framed.

Alderman Hopkins added to the Committee.

Passed November 7. 1836.

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Appropriations for Bridges

Resolved that the sum of Twelve hundred dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for repairs of the Public Bridges; and that said Sum so appropriated be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed November 7th
1836.

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Dogs.

The Committee to whom was referred the Petition of George T. Clarke & others praying for the repeal of the Ordinance Concerning Dogs.

Respectfully Report.

That in their Opinion it is inexpedient to grant the prayer thereof.

Providence Nov. 7. 1836.

George W. Jackson
Benj. Clifford
Committee

Received Nov. 7. 1836.

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City Funds to Deposit

Amasa Mason & H. Grund & Hezekiah Anthony having been appointed by the City Council a Committee to agree with some Bank to receive the monies belonging to the City on deposit and to allow interest thereon; Report, that they have agreed with the Merchants Bank in this City to receive all Monies in deposit from the Treasurer, subject to his order, for one year from the first of October 1836 and to allow and pay interest for the same at the rate of five P. Cent. per Annum, for the time such Monies may remain in their hands.

Providence Nov. 7. 1836.

In behalf of the Committee
Amasa Mason

Received November 7.
1836.

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State Prison

The Committee appointed August 29th 1836. on the petition of the Commissioners of the State Penitentiary, Report that in their Opinion it is inexpedient to take any order on the subject of said Petition.

Providence November 7. 1836.

Roger W. Potter
for the Committee.

Received November 7th
1836.

William Higgins

Upon the Petition of William Higgins now Confined in the States Jail in the County of Providence upon Complaint of the City Treasurer for a Violation of the Ordinance of the City against revelling in the Streets, It is Resolved that the same be received and the prayer thereof so far granted, that the Sheriff of the County of Providence be and he is hereby authorized and directed to Liberate said Higgins from his said Commitment, on payment of the Cost of said Prosecution, and that the fine imposed upon said Higgins be and the same is hereby remitted.

Passed Nov. 7
1836.

Anthracite Coal

Resolved that the Joint Committee who were appointed on the 3 day of October last to Cause examination to be made by boring or otherwise for Anthracite Coal on the lot of Land purchased by the City of Thomas Pitpions, be and they are hereby authorized to Cause such examination to be made by boring or otherwise for such purpose on any lands belonging to the City.

Passed Nov. 7
1836.

North Burial Ground

Upon the Petition of Thomas & William Fletcher respecting Leave to fence in and enclose a burying lot in the North burial ground sufficient for their families, It is Resolved that the same be received and the prayer thereof granted; And that the said petitioners be and they are hereby authorized to fence in and enclose such lot for such purpose Provided the same be done under the direction of the Owners of the North burial ground with the sanction of the Mayor; and provided also that the several privileges hereby granted shall be subject to all future regulations of the City Council in relation thereto and shall Continue during the pleasure of the City Council, and no longer.

Passed Novemb 7.
1836.

Old Grist Mill Case

Upon the report of the Committee to whom was refered the report of the Committee of the Town of Providence in relation to the Ancient Grist Mill in Moshassuck River and the documents accompanying the same, it is Resolved that the same be received; And that the accounts of John Whipple and Richard W Greene for Services as Counsel for the City in the Cases in favor of the City against the proprietor of said Mill be refered to Messrs Everett, Ives and J W Grant with such as the Board of Aldermen may add; who are hereby authorized to settle said account at their discretion, and that said Committee be and they are hereby authorized to draw upon the City Treasury for whatever sum of Money they may deem necessary for the payment of said Accounts, whenever the same shall have been settled and the amount to be paid in full thereof shall have been agreed upon by them with said Whipple and Greene. When this resolution came up from the Common Council, The Mayor having heretofore been Counsel for one of the Parties in said Grist mill Case, retired from the Chair & Alderman Anthony was appointed President Pro tempore. Passed Novemb 7
1836.



The two boards met in Convention November 7th 1836.

Admitted Free.

Philip Allen jr. Colored son of Philip Allen, was admitted a freeman of this City.

Persons Propounded.

The following persons were propounded to become freemen, to wit,

James F Adams, — died produced.
John B Adams — do.

The two Boards then seperated and the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber.

Town house Lot.

Upon the petition of the 2nd regimental Company of the United train of Artillery requesting Leave to erect an Armory for the use of said Company on a part of the Town house lot (so called) It is Resolved that the prayer of said petition be and the same is hereby so far granted that the said Company be and they are hereby authorized to use and occupy as a location for an Armory for said Company upon the terms and Conditions Contained and set forth in a vote of the Town of Providence passed on the twentieth day of April A. D. 1803 a part of the said Town house Lot in lieu of the Lot heretofore and now used and occupied by said Company under the said vote of the Town; bounded & described as follows, to wit, beginning at the Southwesterly Corner of the Town house; thence running Southerly on a line with the westerly side of the Town house twenty Eight feet; thence turning and running Easterly, parallel with the Southerly side of said Town house forty two feet; thence turning and running Northerly twenty eight feet to said Town house thence turning and running Westerly by the line of said Town house forty two feet to the first mentioned bound; Provided however, that no building shall be erected or placed thereon within two feet of said Town house.

Artillery

Passed November 15th
1836.

Old Grist Mill

Upon the Report of the Joint Committee to whom on the 7th day of November instant was refered the Accounts of John Whipple and Richard W Greene Esquires for their Services as Counsel for the City in the Cases in favour of the City against the proprietor of the Ancient Grist mill on Moshassuck River it is Resolved that the same be received, and that the sum of Thirteen Hundred dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the payment in full of said Accounts, to be paid out of any Money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed November 16th 1836.

Stove. to sell.

Resolved that Alderman Cady be and he is hereby appointed a Committee with power to Sell the Stove recently removed from the Office of the Clerk of the Municipal Court.

Passed November 16
1836.

Appropriation to Highways.

Resolved that the sum of Five Hundred dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the repair of Highways; and that the said sum so appropriated be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed November 16
1836.

Crops walk

Resolved that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby authorized and directed to Cause a Crops walk to be laid across South Main Street Opposite the buildings occupied by the Blackstone Canal Bank.

Passed November 16
1836.

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Admitted Free.

The two Boards met in Convention November 16. 1836. the following named persons were admitted free to wit

Enos A Cooke
Joseph B Harris
George W Waterman
Gardner Phillips

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| Robert S Knight | Eldest | Son | of. Robert Knight |
| Horace Naval | do | do | Stanford Naval |
| William Albert Gaunt | do | do | Albert C Gaunt |

Samuel A Pearce is admitted free on Certificate from North Providence and evidence of a freehold Estate in this City.

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Unpounded

James W Paine was impounded to become a pauper. By demand.

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Stove in M C Room.

To the Hon[d] City Council

Your Committee, appointed to sell or dispose of the Stove formerly used in the Municipal Court Room, Report that he has sold the same for three dollars & Seventy five Cents, and paid over the money to the City Treasurer

Joseph Cady Committee.

Received December 5th
1836.

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Appropriation

Resolved that the several sums herein after mentioned be and the same are hereby appropriated for the following purposes respectively to wit,

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| For Contingencies | Five hundred dollars |
| For the City Watch | Five hundred dollars |
| For Pumps and Wells | Fifty dollars |
| For the support of the Poor | Five hundred dollars |

And that said sums so appropriated be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed December 5th
1836.

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Fisk Market

Upon the petition of Octavian Rice & others tenants of Stalls in the Fisk Market setting forth &c it is Resolved that the same be received and referred to Alderm[n] Hughes Everett and Bowen, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add to examine and report thereon And that said Committee be and they are hereby directed to make report thereon at the next meeting of the City Council. Alderman Cady added to the Committee

Passed December 5th
1836.

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Files and Records in City Clerks & Clerk of the M. C. Office

Upon the petition of William R Staples who is engaged in preparing for publication "a History of Providence" requesting permission to take from the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of the Municipal Court, such of the files and records in said Offices as he may think desirable for said purpose to examine and make Copies therefrom, It is ordered that said petition be received, and referred to Alderm[n] Jackson James & Anthony & J. S Cooke with such as the Board of Aldermen may add to examine and report thereon, And that said Committee be and they are hereby directed to make report thereon at the next meeting of the City Council Alderman Anthony added to the Committee

Passed December 5th
1836.

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Fanny Lippitt for Relief.

Upon the petition of Fanny Lippitt woman of Colour now Confined in the State Jail in the County of Providence, under Sentence as a disorderly person It is Resolved that the same be received; And that the prayer thereof be granted, upon Condition that the said Fanny Lippitt shall within three days next after her Liberation leave this City, and not return to the City without leave first obtained from the City Council. And the Sheriff of the County of Providence be and he is hereby authorized and directed to liberate the said Fanny Lippitt from her said Commitment whenever the said Fanny shall have Complied with the Conditions aforesaid and the Costs of the said prosecution and Conviction to be paid.

Passed December 5th
1836.

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Great Gale.

Resolved that Mr Everett be and he is hereby added to the Committee appointed by the City Council on the 2[d] day of May 1835. to Cause a descriptive Statement of the Great Gale of September 23 1815, to be written and reported to the City Council, and to Cause Monuments to be erected denoting the height of the tide on that occasion.

Passed December 5.
1836.

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North Burial Ground

Upon the Petition of Jonathan Tiffany Jr. requesting leave to fence in and inclose a burying lot sufficient for his family in the North burial ground, It is Resolved that the same be received and the prayer thereof granted: And that the said petitioner be and he is hereby authorized to fence in and enclose such lot for such purpose; provided the same be done under the direction of the Overseer of the North burial ground with the sanction of the Mayor: and provided also that the privilege hereby granted shall be subject to all future regulations of the City Council in relation thereto and shall Continue during the pleasure of the City Council and no longer.

Passed December 5th
1836.

Admitted Free.

The two Boards met in Convention December 5th 1836. and the following named persons having stood propounded more than three Months are admitted freemen of the City to wit,

Davis Wilson
Robt S Burroughs Jun.
Henry Westcott.

Propounded

The following named persons are propounded to become freemen. to wit.

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| George C Blake | read propounded |
| Alfred Lewis | do |
| John A Townsend | do |
| Robt K Briggs | do. |

Engine No 9.

The following named persons are Elected members of Engine Company. No 9. to wit.

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| Stephen C Kinyon | Malcolm Paine Jun. |
| Sylvester Mims | Benjamin C Bowen |
| Albert J Sprague | Jonathan Brown |
| Samuel B Shepard | Nathan Simmons |
| William S Amy | Nathaniel J Cheney |
| Daniel Matthewson | Darius Norton. |
| Thomas W Sprague | Paul B Healy |
| Stephen Cornell | Job C Eldridge |
| George W Ingalls | Job Tarmum Knight |
| Charles H Pine | John A B Douglas |
| Thomas Case | Verany Pine |
| Wilbur Wheaton | Augustus Allen |
| Charles T Mauran | James H Shaw |
| John Hopkins | Geo C Sherman |
| Seth B Cooke | Alfred Lewis |
| Seth B Cooke Jun. | Thomas P Sherman |
| James E Brown | Joseph Luther. |

The two Boards then Separated and the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber.

January 2. 1837.

A Communication from the Mayor in relation to encroachments on the Harbour of was read in the Board of Aldermen and sent to the Common Council



Bell & Clock.

Upon the petition of John Aylworth praying for an increase of Compensation for winding Bell and winding up Clock the following resolution was passed and entered upon the book thereof.

In Common Council January 2 1837.

Read, and it is thereupon Resolved that the same be received and referred to his Hon the Mayor who is hereby authorized to increase the Compensation within named for the present year to such sum as he may deem expedient.

Passed January 2
1837.

Weights & Measures.

Resolved. that so much of the Communication of his Hon the Mayor this day made to the City Council, as relates to Weights measures and balances be and the same is hereby referred to Messrs Anthony, Knowlton & Warner with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon. Alderman Williams added to the Committee

Passed January 2
1837.

Harbour

Resolved that so much of the Communication of his Hon the Mayor, this day made to the City Council as relates to Obstructions in the Harbour of this City, together with the draft of an Act accompanying the same, be and the same are hereby referred to Messrs Mason, Potter & Everett, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add to examine and report thereon; and that said Committee be directed to report thereon at the next meeting of the City Council

Alderman Williams added to the Committee

Passed January 2
1837.

Sepion's Lot.

Resolved that the Committee who were on the 13th day of October last appointed to examine the Sepions lot (so called) to be made for the purpose of ascertaining whether Anthracite Coal may be found in that location, be and they are hereby authorized and empowered to dispose of the Stone found on said lot, on such terms as they may deem proper; and to credit such sums as may be received from the sale of said Stone to the appropriation made on said 13th day of October 1836 for the purpose of such examination, and that said Committee be and they are hereby authorized to draw on the City Treasury from time to time for the payment of the Expenses of quarrying said Stone; the said expenses to be Charged by the City Treasurer to the said Appropriation.

Passed January 2
1837.

St Johns Lodge Entrance

Resolved that the City Treasurer acting under the advice and direction of Messrs Mason Potter and Warner, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and he is hereby authorized and empowered as the Special Agent of the City, to enter into an agreement in writing with the Wardens and Brethren of St Johns Lodge of Free and accepted Masons No 1 in the Town of Providence; for the use by the Proprietors of St Johns Hall (so called) for the time being of the present entrance to the Market house; on the terms and Conditions specified and set forth in the report made to the Common Council of the City by a Committee of said Common Council on the second day of January A.D. 1837.

Alderman Hopkins added to the Committee

Passed January 2
1837.

Records & Old papers loaned to W R Staples

Upon the report of the Joint Committee to whom was refered the Petition of William R Staples for leave to take from the Offices of the City Clerk and Clerk of the Municipal Court, for examination such of the files and records in those Offices as may be necessary for preparing a History of Providence and to make Copies therefrom; It is Resolved that said report be received.

Resolved that the prayer of the petition aforesaid be so far granted, that the said William R Staples be and he is hereby authorized to take from the Office of the City Clerk for the purposes aforesaid such of the records and files as are Specified in a List furnished by him to said Committee and annexed to their said report; and to carry the same either to his Office, No 53 in the Arcade or to his dwelling house in Benefit Street, provided that no record or file shall be so taken from said Office until the said Staples shall have given to the City Clerk a receipt therefor, Conditioned to return the same in the same good order and Condition as when so taken, within thirty days from the date thereof.

Passed January 2
1837.

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Appropriations

Resolved that the several Sums herein after mentioned be and the same are hereby appropriated for the following purposes respectively, to wit,

For the Fire department — Two thousand six hundred dollars
For the City Watch — one thousand dollars
For the support of the poor — Eight hundred dollars

And that said sums so appropriated be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed January 2
1837.

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Crop Walks

Resolved that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby authorized and directed to Cause a Crop walk to be laid across Elm Street; And also to Cause a Crop walk to be laid across Eddy Street on the South side of Elm Street.

Passed January 2
1837.

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High School.

Upon the Resolutions of the School Committee passed by said Committee on the 7th day of December 1836 this day Communicated to the City Council respecting the proposed Establishment of a High School in this City it is Resolved that the same be received and refered to Messrs Angell H Anthony, Everett Warner & Aaron and Vendoston, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add to examine and report thereon.

Resolved that said Committee be and they are hereby directed also to take into Consideration, and report upon the expediency of Establishing a new writing School in the Fourth ward; and also to take into Consideration and report upon the expediency of a petition to the Honorable General Assembly at the present Session thereof, for such an amendment of the act entitled "An act to establish Public Schools" as will authorize the Election of the School Committee to be made by the persons of this City in their Ward Meetings; And that said Committee be and they are hereby directed to make report on the several subjects herein mentioned, at the next meeting of the City Council. Aldermen Cady & Anthony added to the Committee.

Passed January 2
1837.



Responded,

The two Boards met in Convention January 2d 1837.

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Nurses Claggett was responded to, became a person and produced.

The two boards then Separated and the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber.

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Harbour

To the City Council

The undersigned a Committee appointed by the City Council to whom was refered a Communication of his Hon the Mayor accompanied with a bill drawn by him to protect the public Waters in the Harbour against encroachments & obstructions

Report, that they have met and examined the Communication and the draft of an act accompanying the same, and propose to strike out the words "not therein filled out" in the fifteenth line from the top; and add at the end of the first Section the words "and said work shall be done and finished in such manner and Composed of such Materials, as the Board of Aldermen of this City shall direct and approve," and your Committee have made a draft of an Act in Conformity with these amendments which is accompanied with this report.

Providence January 5th 1837.

Amasa Mason
Roger Wm Potter
Amherst Everett
Caleb Williams

Received January 5th
1837.

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Harbour

Resolved that the Representatives of this City in the General Assembly be and they hereby are requested to use their best endeavours to procure to be passed into a law the subjoined draft of an act in addition to the act entitled "An Act relative to the harbour and public waters of the Town of Providence"

Resolved that the City Clerk be and he is hereby directed to transmit a Copy of these resolutions together with a Copy of the said draft of an act to the Representatives aforesaid.

Passed January 5th
1837.

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An Act in addition to an act entitled "An Act relative to the Harbour and public Waters of the Town of Providence"

Be it enacted by the General Assembly as follows,

Sec 1 No person or persons Corporation or Corporations shall fill out or Cause or procure to be filled out, with any material whatever, any flat, shoal or piece of land Covered with tide waters at ordinary tides, within the limits of the City of Providence unless he, she or they shall before the Commencement of a proceeding upon such work, build erect or place or Cause to be built erected or placed upon the outer line of the flat shoal or piece of land intended by him, her or them to be filled out, and also upon so much of the lines on both sides thereof as may adjoin any flat, shoal or piece of land Covered with tide waters as aforesaid, a good permanent stone wall of proper depth, width, height and Compactness, and well and sufficiently secured to prevent the mud or any other material within said lines from being washed or projected outward into or towards any part of the harbour of said City, of the Cove above the Bridge, or of any other public waters thereof, and said work shall be done and finished in such manner and Composed of such materials as the Board of Aldermen of the City shall direct & approve.

Sec 2. If any person or persons Corporation or Corporations shall violate the preceding Section of this act or shall neglect to keep in good repair any such wall as shall have been

built erected or placed as aforesaid, he she or they so offending shall forfeit and pay to and for the use of said City of Providence, a sum not less than Five hundred dollars, nor more than Ten thousand dollars to be recovered by action of the Case in the name of the City Treasurer of said City, before any Court proper to try the same.

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High School &c

The undersigned a Committee appointed by the City Council, to whom was referred the Resolutions of the School Committee upon the Subject of establishing a high School in this City. Report, that they have met and Considered the subject of their appointment, and upon mature deliberation Come to the Conclusion that high Schools established in this City for the better education of boys to fit them for the various Occupations of life would be beneficial if established upon proper principals giving to all who may be qualified to receive the benefits of such a School an equal advantage in the benefits to be derived from it, your Committee are of opinion that these advantages Could not be enjoyed equally as this City is situated spread over a wide and extensive ground, divided by the river running through it, and dividing nearly equally the population, short of the Establishment of two high Schools, one on the East and one on the west side of the river, so located as to render them most Central and Convenient for the people generally; and supposing that two such schools may be established as aforesaid at no very distant period, your Committee have gone into an estimation of the expences of establishing and Maintaining them, and are of opinion that two suitable lots of land for these Schools would Cost. $4000. that the materials and labour to erect them would Cost $6000 the furniture and Books $1000 and the tuition salaries &c. for both Schools would Cost $6000 annually. upon a full and deliberate Consideration of the subject, taking into view the present situation of the writing Schools, and the prospect of establishing a writing School in the fourth ward which is very much wanted, together with a belief that the writing schools already established in the other wards may be very much improved; your Committee are of opinion that it is inexpedient to establish any high school in this City at present at public expence.

Your Committee having been directed, also to take into Consideration and report upon the expediency of establishing a new writing school in the fourth ward, Report that they have fully and deliberately Considered the subject and are unanimously of opinion that it is expedient and highly necessary that a Writing School should be established in the Fourth ward as early as may be.

Your Committee having been directed also to take into Consideration and report upon the expediency of a petition to the Hon.ble General Assembly at the present Session thereof for such an amendment of the act entitled "an Act to establish public schools" as will authorize the Elections of the School Committee to be made by the Freemen of this City in their ward meetings; they have fully Considered this subject and are unanimously of Opinion that the General interest of the schools will be promoted and advanced by Changing the Manner of Electing the Members of the School Committee, in authorising the Freemen of this City in their ward Meetings to be holden Annually on the third Wednesday in April, to elect three resident inhabitants of each ward to be members of the school Committee, and in Case of any vacancy in the Course of the year such vacancy shall be filled by the Election of another resident inhabitant in the ward where such vacancy takes place to serve for the remainder of the year, and a ward meeting for the purpose aforesaid shall be Convened according to law, and the Mayor & Board of Aldermen shall be Ex-Officio Members of the School Committee.

Providence January 5th 1837.

Received January 5. 1837.

Dexter Angell
Amherst Everett
James M. Warner
Amasa Mason
Erastus Hawkins
Joseph Cady. Nezekiah Anthony.

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School Committee Fourth Ward.

Resolved that a writing School be established in the Fourth Ward and that Messrs Warner Mason and P.W. Gruno, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add to a Committee to ascertain a location for said School in Conjunction with the School Committee; and make Report to the City Council, together with such other matter appertaining to the Establishment of said School, as they may deem necessary.

Resolved that the City Clerk be directed to Transmit a Copy of the preceding Resolution to the School Committee. Alderman Hopkins added to the Committee.

Passed January 5. 1837.

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School Committee

Resolved that the Representatives of this City in the General Assembly be and they are hereby requested to use their best endeavours to procure to be passed into a law the subjoined draft of an act entitled "An Act prescribing the manner of appointing the School Committee in the City of Providence"

Resolved that the City Clerk be and he is hereby directed to transmit a Copy of these Resolutions together with a Copy of said draft of an Act to the Representatives aforesaid.

Passed January 5th 1837.

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An Act prescribing the manner of appointing the School Committee in the City of Providence.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows,

Section 1. The Freemen in each ward in the City of Providence, in their respective ward meetings holden on the third Wednesday of April shall annually elect by ballot (the polls thereof to be kept open until the close of such meetings) three persons resident inhabitants of such ward to be members of the School Committee; which persons so Elected shall together with the Mayor and Aldermen of said City for the time being Constitute the School Committee of said City.

Section 2. In Case of the failure of the Freemen of either of the wards in said City to Elect the number of members of the School Committee which said Freemen are by the first Section of this act required annually to Elect, and in Cases of vacancy in said number by death resignation removal from the ward, or refusal to serve, the Common Council of said City may order new elections.

Section 3 So much of the act passed at the January Session A.D. 1828 entitled "An Act to Establish public Schools" as relates to the manner of appointing School Committee, be and the same is hereby repealed, so far as the same relates or applies to the manner of appointing the School Committee in said City of Providence.

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Admitted Free.

The two Board met in Convention January 5. 1837. when the following named persons having stood propounded more than three Months. are admitted Freemen of this City, to wit.

George C. Nightingale
Philip S. Sharman
Darius Weston
William S. Brown

The two Boards then separated and the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber.

City Treasurers Act.

Resolved that Messrs Jackson and J G Anthony with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to examine and settle the account of the City Treasurer with the City up to the first day of January A D 1837.

Alderman Cady added to the Committee.

Passed January 23 1837.

Town house Lot.

Upon the petition of Edward J Mallett praying for a lease of a part of the Town house Lot (so called) for the purposes named in said petition It is Resolved that the same be removed, and the prayer thereof so far granted, that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and directed in the name and as the special agent of the City, to make execute and deliver unto the said Mallett, a lease of a part of the City's land bounding Northerly on College Street, called the "Town house Lot," which part of said lot to be so leased is bounded and described as follows; to wit, Beginning on the Westerly line of said Town house Lot, at the Southeast Corner of Whipples building thence running Easterly on the direction of the Southerly line of Whipples building two feet, thence turning and running Southerly parallel with the Westerly line of said Lot to a point one hundred and twenty two feet from the Southerly line of College Street" thence turning and running Westerly, at right angles with said last mentioned line, about twenty four feet to the Westerly line of said lot, thence turning and running Northerly on said Westerly line about fifteen feet to the end of said line thence turning and running Easterly fourteen feet, thence turning and running Northerly on the Westerly line of said Lot, to the place of begining"

Which said lease is to be made upon the following terms and Conditions, to be Contained therein; namely,

That the said Mallett his heirs and assigns shall hold, use, and injoy, said strips of land extending Southerly from the line first above described to a line parallel therewith at the distance of one hundred and twenty two feet Southerly from the Southerly line of College Street, and holding throughout the width of two feet, for the sole purposes of a gangway to be used in Common by the said Lessee and the City, for the purpose of taping and repaping to and from their respective estates;

And that on the remaining part of the premises so to be leased, being a small piece of land westerly of the Southerly part of said gangway, and equal in quantity to about twelve feet square, the said Lessee is to have a privilege of erecting or placing privies for the Convenience of his adjoining estate;

That the said Mallett, his heirs and assigns shall pay to the City as rent for such use and occupation of said premises, the sum of Thirty six dollars, each and every year during the Continuance of said lease, in equal quarterly payments of nine dollars each;

That said Mallett, shall at his own expence, and under the direction of the City Marshal, Cause the shed and tool house now standing on said premises to be removed to such other part of said Town house lot as shall be designated by the City Marshal; and shall also at his own expence Cause a close picket fence to be erected, not less than ten feet in height along the whole of the Easterly line of said premises; and shall also at his own expence Cause to be done all and whatever things may be necessary to restore the said premises and the buildings and fences which may be removed therefrom to good order and Condition and that the whole of said removals and repairs, and the erection of said fence shall be done under the direction and to the satisfaction of the City Marshal.

And that said lease shall be and Continue in force during the pleasure of the City Council & no longer; And may and shall at any time be made void & determined by such resolution to that effect as may be made and passed by the City Council. Passed February 7th 1837.



Ringing the Bell

To the Hon. City Council of the City of Providence

Having been authorized by the City Council under their resolution passed on the second Ult, upon the petition of John Aylesworth, to increase his Compensation for ringing the bell and winding up the Clock on the first Baptist meeting house for the present year to such sum as I might deem expedient. I have Conferred with the said Aylesworth and on full Consideration of the Matter have deemed it expedient to increase said Compensation for the present year ending on the fourteenth day of September next, to the sum of Eighty five dollars, being ten dollars more for that period than his present Contract would entitle him to receive

Respectfully Submitted by,
Samuel W Bridgham Mayor

February 6th 1837.

Received February 7th 1837.

Appropriations

Resolved that the several sums herein after named be and the same are hereby appropriated to the following purposes respectively, to wit,

For Contingencies - Four hundred Dollars
For repairs of the Hydrant walls & buildings One hundred dollars
For the Fire department Fifteen hundred dollars.

And that said sums so appropriated be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed February 7th 1837.

North Burial Ground

Upon the petition of William Aplin Stephen A Aplin Francis Aplin and Elizabeth Seldon requesting leave to move over and enclose burying lots sufficient for the respective families in the North burial Ground, It is resolved that the same be received and the prayers thereof granted and that the said petitioners be and they are hereby authorized severally to move over and enclose such lots for such purposes; provided the same be done under the direction of the Trustees of the North Burial Ground, with the sanction of the Mayor; and provided also that the several privilege hereby granted shall be subject to all future regulations of the City Council, in relation thereto; and shall Continue during the pleasure of the City Council and no longer

Passed February 7th 1837

City Treasurers Acc.

We the undersigned, a Committee appointed by the City Council, to examine the City Treasurers account with the City from the first of June to the 31st of December 1835

Respectfully report

That we have attended to the duty & find that all the Money Charged as expended is properly Vouched, as per vouchers exhibited to us by the Treasurer and which appeared to be Correct; Cash Balance on January 1st 1837. is $ 20.970.86
Uncollected Taxes 1232.00
Bills receivable unpaid 2122.17
$ 27.351 03

which amount is debited to the Treasurer in new acc

all which is respectfully submitted by

Received February 7. 1837.

George Jackson
Joseph Cady
Committee

Fish Market

Resolved that Messrs Hughes Jackson and Potter with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and they are hereby appointed a Committee with full power to cause such addition or additions to be made to the fish Market building as they may deem necessary and expedient provided the expense thereof shall not exceed the sum of Three hundred dollars.

Resolved that the sum of three hundred dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for defraying the expense of such addition or additions, to be taken out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Alderman Anthony added to the Committee

Passed February 7th
1837

Public Schools

Resolved that the memorial of the Providence Association of Mechanics and Manufacturers in relation to the public Schools in this City be received and referred to Messrs Knowles Jackson Potter Hughes Mason and D Gaun with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon.

And that said Committee be and they are hereby directed to report at the next meeting of the City Council such improvements in the system of public School education in this City as they may deem expedient.

Aldermen Martin & Clifford added to the Committee.

Passed February 7th
1837.

Admitted Free

The Two Boards met in Convention February 7th 1837. and the following persons having stood propounded three months were admitted freemen of this City. to wit

James F Adams
John B Adams

Persons Propounded

The following persons were propounded to become freemen viz.

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|---|---|
| William F Grinnell | by direction |
| Zoeth Brown | and produced |
| Thomas R Seamans | do. |

Scales of Weights & Measures

John F Jackson is appointed Scales of Weights and Measures in room of E C Jackson who declines serving.

Fire Ward

Henry G Mumford is appointed fire ward for the remainder of the year.

The Two Boards then Separated and the Board of Aldermen returned to their Chamber.

Coal on Sepions Lot.



Resolved that the Committee appointed to examine the City's lands for Anthracite Coal be and they are hereby authorized (if they think advisable) to procure the services one or more persons skilled in the Science of Geology, to make an examination of the shaft now opened on the Sepions lot (so called) with a view to ascertain whether there are sufficient indications of the existence of Anthracite Coal in that location, to warrant said Committee in pursuing their researches upon the plan hitherto pursued.

Passed February 10th
1837.

Compensation City Treasurer

Resolved that the Memorial of the City Treasurer requesting an increase of Compensation be received and referred to Messrs Jackson Warner and Potter with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon; and that said Committee be and they are hereby directed to make report thereon at the next meeting of the City Council.

Alderman Cady added to the Committee

Passed February 16th
1837.

Clerk of Common Council

Resolved that the Clerk of the Common Council be allowed and paid for his services as such the sum of one hundred dollars, for the present Municipal year in lieu of the Compensation allowed him by the resolution on the subject passed by the City Council on the 29th day of June last deducting from said sum of one hundred dollars the amount he may have received under said resolution.

Passed February 20th
1837.

Appropriation

Resolved that the several sums herein after mentioned be and the same are hereby appropriated for the following purposes respectively, to wit,

For expenses of the suit in favor of the City against Martha Howell one hundred and twenty five dollars

For the Fire department Three hundred dollars.

And that the said sums so appropriated be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed February 20th
1837.

City Treasurers Salary.

Resolved that the City Treasurer be allowed and paid for his services as such during the present Municipal year, the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars in addition to the sum of Five hundred dollars appropriated for that purpose in and by the Ordinance passed on the eighth day of June AD 1836 entitled "An Ordinance fixing the Compensation of Certain Officers for the year ending the first Monday of June AD 1837.

Passed February 20
1837.

Fish Market

Resolved that Mess^rs Hughes Jackson and Potter with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and they are hereby appointed a Committee with full power to cause such addition or additions to be made to the fish Market building as they may deem necessary and expedient provided the expense thereof shall not exceed the sum of Three hundred dollars.

Resolved that the sum of three hundred dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for defraying the expense of such addition or additions, to be taken out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Alderman Anthony added to the Committee

Passed February 7th
1837

Public Schools

Resolved that the memorial of the Providence Association of Mechanics and Manufacturers in relation to the public Schools in this City be received and refered to Mess^rs Venables Jackson Potter Hughes Mason and D Green with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon.

And that said Committee be and they are hereby directed to report at the next meeting of the City Council a plan for such improvements in the system of public School education in this City as they may deem expedient.

Aldermen Martin & Clifford added to the Committee.

Passed February 7th
1837.

Admitted Free

The Two Boards met in Convention February 7th 1837. and the following persons having stood propounded three months were admitted freemen of this City. to wit

James F Adams
John B Adams

Person Propounded

The following persons were propounded to become freemen viz.
William F Grinnell — by divers
Zoeth Brown — duly propounded
Thomas R Seamans — do.

Scales of Weights & Measures.

John F Jackson is appointed Scales of Weights and Measures in room of E C Jackson who declines serving.

Fire Ward

Henry G Mumford is appointed fire ward for the remainder of the year.

The Two Boards then Separated and the Board of Aldermen returned to their Chamber.

Coal on Sepions Lot.



Resolved that the Committee appointed to examine the City's lands for Anthracite Coal be and they are hereby authorized (if they think advisable) to procure the services one or more persons skilled in the Science of Geology, to make an examination of the shaft now opened on the Sepions lot (so called) with a view to ascertain whether there are sufficient indications of the existence of Anthracite Coal on that location, to warrant said Committee in pursuing their researches upon the plan hitherto pursued.

Passed February 10th
1837.

Compensation City Treasurer

Resolved that the Memorial of the City Treasurer requesting an increase of Compensation be received and referred to Mess^rs Jackson Warner and Potter with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon; and that said Committee be and they are hereby directed to make report thereon at the next meeting of the City Council.

Alderman Cuddy added to the Committee

Passed February 10th
1837.

Clerk of Common Council

Resolved that the Clerk of the Common Council be allowed and paid for his services as such the sum of one hundred dollars, for the present Municipal year instead of the Compensation allowed him by the resolution on the subject passed by the City Council on the sixth day of June last deducting from said sum of one hundred dollars the amount he may have received under said resolution.

Passed February 20th
1837.

Appropriation

Resolved that the several sums herein after mentioned be and the same are hereby appropriated for the following purposes respectively, to wit,

For expenses of the suit in favor of the City against Martha Howell one hundred and twenty five dollars

For the Fire department Three hundred dollars.

And that the said sums so appropriated be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed February 20th
1837.

City Treasurers Salary.

Resolved that the City Treasurer be allowed and paid for his services as such during the present Municipal year, the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars in addition to the sum of Five hundred dollars appropriated for that purpose in and by the Ordinance passed on the sixth day of June A D 1836 entitled "An Ordinance fixing the Compensation of Certain Officers for the year ending the first Monday of June A D 1837."

Passed February 20
1837.

Admitted Free.

The two Boards met in Convention Febuary 20. 1837. when

James W Paine was admitted a freeman of this City and

Ephraim C Thurber was also admitted a freeman as the Eldest son of

William Thurber.

Propounded.

Percy Simmons was propounded to become a freeman of this City, and produced

Engine Co. No 8.

The following persons were elected members of Engine Company No 8. to wit

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| William Aplin | Pardon M Hale | Hugh H. Hutchins |
| Samuel B Bullock | Silas Talbot | Asbel B Dike |
| Jeremiah S Rose | Mathew Wilmington | Stephen G Mason |
| Henry W Sawyer | Benjamin W Comstock | Benjamin Thomas |
| Joseph L Hale | John Church | Percy S Chace |
| Yungsley P Studley | Henry Richardson | George W Church |
| John Babcock | Williams H Knowles | Caleb Whitford |
| Charles W Jenkins | Geo W Paine | John W Shearman |
| Edward Billings | Percy S Manchester | Nathan B Luther |
| William Earle | Morris Denning Jun. | Samuel A Larkin |
| Samuel S Stillwell | William H Carder | John S Gruno |
| Samuel H Thomas | Alexander G Nye | Jerome A Shearman |
| John M Shaw | Salsbury Peck | Charles Clarke |
| Sturgis P Carpenter | Isra D Goff | William H Harris |
| Seth W Shaw | Benjamin Davis | Philip Luther |
| Henry D Bickford | Percy W Reuben | William B Gould |

Engine Co. No 6.

The following named persons were elected in addition to Engine Company No 6. to wit.

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| James Potter | Percy Simmons | Harvey Pinkham |
| Robert Perkins jun. | Henry A Kendall | Moris C Humphrey |
| Samuel S Hartwell | Stephen Smith | Edward Custard |

The two Boards then Separated and the Board of Aldermen returned to their Chamber.



Report of Committee Public Schools.

The Committee to whom was referred the memorial of the Providence Association of Mechanics & Manufacturers and who were directed to report to the City Council a plan for such improvements in the System of Public education as they might deem expedient, respectfully submit the following as a basis of Instruction for the Free Schools in this City.

They recommend that the number of Schools be encreased to twenty four, and be of the following description viz. Four Upper Schools, eight intermediate schools and twelve Primary schools; no Child to be admitted into the primary Schools at a less age than five years; into the intermediate schools at a less age than eight years; nor into the Upper schools at a less age than twelve years.

No pupil is to be allowed to remain in the primary schools for a longer period than three years; into the intermediate schools longer than four years; nor into the Upper Schools longer than three years; Provided nevertheless the School Committee may in such manner as they shall designate admit pupils at other ages than those above specified, as permit them to remain in the respective schools, excepting the Upper Schools, and in them when said Schools are not full, for a longer term than is herein stated whenever in their judgment the peculiarity of the Case is such as to require it.

The number of scholars in each of the primary schools shall not exceed one hundred, in each of the other schools sixty, each of the primary schools is to be under the Charge of a principal and assistant, Each of the Others under a single Teacher.

They also recommend that such an additional appropriation be made as will enable the school Committee to pay to Each principal of the primary School a salary of five hundred and twenty five dollars per annum; to each of the Assistants one hundred and seventy five dollars per annum; to each of the teachers of the intermediate schools Eight hundred dollars per annum; and to Each of the teachers of the Upper schools Nine hundred dollars per annum.

The Committee do not deem it necessary at this time to go into any investigation of the expenses to be incurred for the erection of School houses &c.

If the system recommended be adopted, the details will remain to be carried out in such manner as the City Council determine.

Your Committee feel a confidence that the plan herewith submitted is one that will meet the wants of this Community and receive the general approbation of its Citizens

For the Committee

George W Jackson.

Received March 2 1837.

College Street.

Upon the Petition of Henry L Bowen & others, for repairs on College Street it is

Resolved that the same be received and referred to Messrs Potter B Cooke & O Gruno with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon.

Alderman Marston added to the Committee

Passed March 6th.

1837.

Historical Society & Athenaeum

Resolved That the petitions of the Board of Trustees of the Rhode Island Historical Society for leave to take Stone from the City's quarry on the North part of the City for the Erection of their Contemplated building. and the petition of the Providence Athenaeum for leave to take Stone from said quarry for the Erection of their Contemplated building, and for the grading of Benefit and College Street be severally received and referred to Messrs Jackson & Mason with such as the Board of Aldermen may add to examine and report thereon.

Alderman Cady added to the Committee

Passed March 6th

1837.

Appropriations

Resolved that the several Sums herein after named be and the same are hereby appropriated for the following purposes respectively, to wit.

For the Fire department Three hundred dollars
For the City Watch Six hundred dollars
For the payment of a portion of the City debt, Three Thousand dollars.

And that said sums so appropriated be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed March 6th
1837.

Mayor's Salary.

Resolved That the Salary of the Mayor for the ensuing Municipal Year, be One Thousand Dollars payable quarterly.

Passed March 6th 1837.

Fish Market.

Resolved That the petition of David M Giles & Daniel Greene tenants of Stalls in the Fish Market for relief be received and referred to Messrs Hughes, Barrett and Bowen with such as the board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon.

Aldermen Anthony added to the Committee.

Passed March 6th
1837.

The Two Boards met in Convention March 6th 1837. when the following named persons were admitted Freemen of this City.

Admitted Free.

George E Blake ..
Alfred Lewis ..
John A Townsend ..
Robert K Briggs ..

Theodore D. Tenner .. Elected a son of Thomas Tenner.

Propounded

The following named persons were propounded to become Freemen, to wit,

Gardner M Burgess. dead produced
Thomas G Northrop do.

The Two Boards then separated and the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber.



A Communication from the Mayor in relation to the distribution of Copies of the address delivered by Judge Pitman at the 2d Centrial Celebration of the Settlement of this City was in Board of Aldermen, read.

March 20th 1837.

Centrial Celebration.

The Committee appointed to make arrangements for the Celebration of the second Centrial Anniversary of the Settlement of Providence respectfully ask for an appropriation of Sixty six 31/100 dollars, that sum being necessary to defray the expenses attending said Celebration

The Committe have received
from the City Treasurer . . $ 500
from Subscription by individuals 323.25. $ 823.25.

They have paid sundry bills amounting to. 889.56.
Deficit 65.31.

Providence March 20. 1837. For the Committe
Thomas B Tenner

Received March 20th 1837.

Resolved that the sum of sixty six dollars and thirty one Cents be and the same is hereby appropriated for the payment of the balance now unpaid of the expenses incurred by the Committe of Arrangements for the Celebration of the second Centrial anniversary of the Settlement of Providence; And that said sum so appropriated be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to the order of the Chairman of said Committe.

Passed March 20th
1837.

Weights & Measures

Resolved, that the report of the Joint Committe to whom was refered so much of the Communication of His Hon the Mayor made on the 2 day of January last, as refers to the subject of Weights and Measures be received; and that the same be refered to the same Committe, and that said Committe be and they are hereby directed to make report by bill.

Passed March 20th
1837

City Debt.

Resolved that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and empowered to renew for one year, that portion of the City debt which falls due on the first day of April A.D. 1837. amounting to Eighteen thousand six hundred and Ninety three dollars & thirty three Cents at a rate of interest not exceeding five Per Cent per Annum.

Passed March 20
1837

Addresps. at Centinicial Anniversary

Resolved that the one hundred Copies of the Address delivered by Hon. John Putnam at the recent Celebration of the second Centinicial Anniversary of the Settlement of Providence, which Copies were on the 21st day of March instant presented to the City Government by the Committee of Arrangements for that Anniversary be distributed as follows, one Copy to each of the Member of the City Council and the residue to such other persons as the Mayor may think proper.

Passed March 22
1837.

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City Quarry

The Committee to whom was refered the petition of the R.I. Historical Society and the Providence Athenaeum, asking permission to take from the City's quarry Stone for the erection of their Contemplated buildings, beg leave respectfully Report,

That in the opinion of the Majority of the Committee it is inexpedient to grant the same, in which Opinion the undersigned does not personally Concur.

All which is respectfully Submitted

Georg W Jackson
for the Committee

Prov. March 22. 1837.

Received March 22
1837.

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William Street

Resolved that the petition of William Aston and others for repairs on William Street &c. be received and refered to Alderm D Evans & Everill, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add to examine and report thereon.

Alderman Hopkins added to the Committee
Passed March 22.
1837.

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Appropriations

Resolved that the several sums herein after named be and the same are hereby appropriated for the following purposes respectively, to wit,

For Highways one thousand Dollars
For the City Watch Three hundred Dollars

And that said sums so appropriated be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed April 3
1837.

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Privy Vaults

An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance entitled "An Ordenance relative to the removal of the Contents of Privy Vaults."

Be it Ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence that it shall be Lawful for any person or persons to Carry into or through any public Street of said City the Contents of Privy Vaults between the first day of April and the first day of May in any year, any thing in the Ordenance entitled "An Ordenance relative to the removal of the Contents of Privy Vaults" to the Contrary notwithstanding; such persons Conforming in other respects however to the provisions of said Ordenance.

Passed April 3 1837.

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American Independence

Resolved that Messrs Jackson, Warner & Knowlton with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and they are hereby appointed a Committee of arrangements for the Celebration of the approaching Anniversary of American Independence.

Resolved that the sum of Five hundred dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated to defray the expenses of said Celebration to be paid by the City Treasurer to the Order of the Chairman of said Committee out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated,

Passed April 3, 1837 with Alderman Anthony added to the Committee.

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Admitted Pract.

The two Boards met in Convention April 3 1837 and

Cyprus Baggett having stood prepounded more than three months was admitted a Freeman of this City.

Prepounded.

Amos W. Young was prepounded to become a Freeman, producing a deed of sufficient freehold Estate for that purpose.

The two Boards then separated, and the Board of Aldermen returned to their Chamber.

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Engine House No 6.

Resolved that the Board of Fire wards, be and they are hereby authorized to remove the Engine house now occupied by Engine Company No 5 from its present location, and to place the same upon that part of the Town house lot from which the Armory of the United States of Artillery has recently been removed.

Passed April 10.
1837.

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North Burial Ground

Upon the petition of Thomas Phillips requesting leave to move and enlarge a burying lot sufficient for his family in the North Burial ground it was Resolved that the same be received, and the prayer thereof granted; And that the said petitioner be and he is hereby authorized to remove and enlarge such lot for such purpose Provided the same be done under the direction of the owner of the North burial ground with the sanction of the Mayor, and provided also that the premises hereby granted shall be subject to all future regulations of the City Council, and shall Continue during the pleasure of the City Council and no longer.

Passed April 10"
1837.

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To raise Money by Loan.

Resolved that the City Treasurer acting under the Advice of Messrs Allenton and D. H. Evans with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and he is hereby authorized to raise by temporary loan or loans such sum or sums of Money as the Necessities of the City may require, provided the same shall not exceed in all the sum of Four thousand dollars.

Alderman Hopkins added to the Committee
Passed April 10
1837.

Dr Jackson's Report on Geological examination

Resolved that the Joint Committee heretofore appointed to explore the City's land for Anthracite Coal be and they are hereby authorized to Cause the Geological Report recently made to them by Dr. Charles Jackson to be published in such manner as they may deem expedient

Passed April 10th
1837

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Bank Walls

Resolved that Messrs Bethel D Grume with such as the Board of Aldermen be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to enquire and report in relation to the liability of the City or of individuals to keep up bank walls on the lines of Public Streets and that said Committee be and they are hereby authorized to Consult legal Counsel in relation to the same if they may deem it expedient.

Alderman Anthony added to the Committee
Passed April 10
1837

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Admitted Freemen

The two Boards met in Convention April 19th 1837. when the following named persons were admitted freemen as the Eldest sons of Freemen, to wit.

John H Richmond 2d Eldest son of John W Richmond
Gideon Hall " " " Joseph Hall

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Persons Propounded

The following named person was propounded to become Freemen of this City, to wit,

William C Barker 2 — Deed produced
Samuel W Pitcham — do
David W Petty — do.

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The two boards then Separated and the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber

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Aqueduct

Upon the petition of Earl Carpenter and G L Skinner proprietors of a Spring of Water in the ground between Fountain Street & Carpenter Street and Earl of Dean Street praying for leave to lay an aqueduct through several of the public Streets of the City therein mentioned, It is Resolved that the same be granted and the prayer thereof granted; and that the said petitioners be and they are hereby authorized to lay an aqueduct through such of the public Streets of the City as lie upon the following route from the present Easterly termination of their aqueduct near Holmes Brewery to Cove Street, to wit down Fountain Street to Matthewson Street; Southerly through Matthewson Street to Washington Street; Easterly through Washington Street to North Union Street; Southerly through North Union Street to the West end of Sutton Street; Easterly through Sutton Street to Cove Street; and through Cove Street to the Public Bridge; provided the same shall be done under the direction of the Surveyor of Highways

Passed May 1st 1837.



Appropriations

Resolved that the several sums hereinafter mentioned be and the same are hereby appropriated for the following purposes respectively, to wit,

For the support of the Public Schools Two hundred and fifty dollars
For the Fire department Three hundred & Sixty dollars
For building Asylum Wall Four hundred dollars
For Contingencies, Three hundred dollars
For support of the City watch Three hundred & fifty dollars

And that said sums so appropriated be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated &c.

Passed May 1st
1837.

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Fountain Street.

Upon the petition of George Grinnell Executor of the last will and testament of Wm Grinnell deceased praying that measures may be taken by the City Council to remove a nuisance caused by the stream of water flowing in Fountain Street which he represents to be a source of injury to the Estate in his charge bounding Southerly on said Street &c. It is Resolved that said petition be received; and that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to Cause the nuisance Complained of in said petition to be abated &c.

Passed May 1st
1837.

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Fish Market

Resolved that the sum of Two hundred and fifty dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for defraying the expense of Making improvements in the Fish Market in addition to the sum appropriated by the resolution of the City Council of the 7th of February last to be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated. &c.

Passed May 1st
1837.

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Providence River

Resolved That Messrs Perrott, Marsom & Booth with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and they are appointed a Committee to enquire and report what action of the City Council (if any) is necessary in relation to the subject of the unloading of Vessels in Certain part of Providence River; and that said Committee be and they are hereby directed to report by bill or otherwise at the next meeting of the City Council. Alderman Clifford added to the Committee

Passed May 1st
1837.

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Drain in Meeting Street

On the petition of John Oldfield & Others for a drain in the Street running from North Main Street to Canal Street being a Continuation of Meeting Street, It is Resolved that the prayer of the same be granted; and that the surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to Cause such drain to be laid; and Also to Cause the buildings now standing on said Street to be removed therefrom

Passed May 8th
1837

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## Organization of the City Government for the year 1837. June 5th.

This being the day fixed by law for the Annual organization of the City Government of the City of Providence, the following Gentlemen, being the Mayor and Aldermen and members of the Common Council Elect, met in Convention, in the Council Chamber at 10 o'clock A.M. Present.

Samuel W Bridgham Mayor

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| Thomas R Holden | Alderman | of the | first Ward |
| Joseph Cady | " | " | Second " |
| William C Barker | " | " | Third " |
| Thomas C Hoppin | " | " | Fourth " |
| Hezekiah Anthony | " | " | Fifth " |
| Caleb Williams | " | " | Sixth " |

### Common Council

First Ward
Dexter Angell
Edward R Knowles
Martin V Cowing
Stephen S Olney

Second Ward
George Curtis
George W Jackson
John Sarchar
Henry Anthony

Third Ward
Joseph S Cooke
Amherst Everill
Enoch Sturtevant
Nathan Mason

Fourth Ward
John L Hughes
Simon H Greene
James G Anthony
James M Warner

Fifth Ward
David Andrews
John S Eddy
Seth Padelford
Rhinehus Potter

Sixth Ward
Martin G Hudson
Henry Trumbull
John R Burrows
James E Butts

William R Staples one of the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court of the State of Rhode Island, administered the Oath required by the City Charter to

Samuel W Bridgham Mayor Elect.

The Mayor then administered the like oath to the above named Aldermen and Common Councilmen Elect and Common Council Elect duly returned as such, as appeared by their Certificates of Election delivered in to the Mayor. And thereupon the Convention then balloted for City Clerk and on counting the Ballots it appeared that Richard M Field was duly Elected to that Office, and was duly engaged by the Mayor.

The Mayor then delivered and Address to the City Council

Voted, that the two Boards now separate, and the Board of Aldermen retire to their Chamber



A Message came up from the Common Council informing this Board that they had Elected George W Jackson Esq. President of that Board, and Albert G Greene Esq. their Clerk.

Sepion's Lot.

Resolved. that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to cause the Night to work the City of building Stone recently opened upon the Sepions lot (so called) and that such Caps or Cases be made with the address and under the direction of the Committee appointed by the City Council to examine the City's lands for Anthracite Coal.

Passed June 5th 1837.

Weights & Measures.

An Ordinance in relation to weights & Measures Scales and Balances.

Section 1. Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence, that it shall be the duty of every person using any weight measure, yard stick, platform or other scales steel yard, or other balance of whatever description, for the purpose of selling or vending any articles of goods, wares merchandize liquors or provisions thereby, in said City, to cause the same to be examined and sealed by the City Sealer of Weights and Measures, between the first day of July and the thirty first day of December in each and any year.

Sec 2 that every person who, from and after the thirty first day of December A.D. 1837. shall use or permit to be used for him or her, any weight, measure yard stick platform or other scales steel yard ~~platform~~ or other balance, of whatever description, in weighing or measuring thereunto for sale, any articles of goods, wares, merchandize, liquors or provisions in said City, unless the same shall have been duly sealed in Conformity with the provisions Contained in the first Section of this Ordinance shall forfeit and pay for each Offence the sum of twenty dollars, to and for the use of the City, to be recovered in an action of debt in the name of the City Treasurer, before the proper Court to try the same.

Sec 3. that it shall be the duty of the City Sealer of Weights and Measures to send on or before the first day of August in each and every year, to every person or partnership firm in said City, selling any goods, wares, merchandize, liquors or provisions therein a Copy of this Ordinance Certified by said Sealer of Weights and Measures; and it shall also be the duty of said Sealer of Weights and Measures to make and keep in a Book to be by him provided for that purpose, a true record of the names of every person and partnership firm in said City, selling goods wares Merchandize, liquors or provisions therein; and to report in writing, to the City Treasurer, between the first day of January and the first day of June in each and every year, the name of every person and partnership firm who shall have violated the provisions Contained in the first section of this Ordinance; and it shall be the duty of the City Treasurer, within twenty days after such report shall have been made to him, to Commence and prosecute suits, before the proper Court to try the same, for the recovery to the use of said City, of the amount of all penalties which shall have been incurred by violation of the provisions Contained in said first Section.

Sec 4. that there shall be annually appropriated by the City Council, and paid out of the City Treasury to the City Sealer of Weights and Measures, a stated Salary, which shall be in full Compensation for the discharge and performance of all the duties required of him by this Ordinance.

Sec 5. that there shall annually be appointed by the City Council a sufficient number of Public Weighers of Coal; and that all Anthracite or other Coal, sold by weight in any quantity not exceeding fifteen tons and not less than one half of a ton shall, previous to the delivery thereof to the purchaser, be weighed by some one of such public weighers, who shall immediately make and deliver to the Carrier thereof, or to the driver of the wain or vehicle in which the same shall have been placed for delivery, a Certificate of the weight thereof which Certificate shall be by such Carrier or driver

delivered with such Coal to the purchaser thereof; and such public weigher shall be entitled to demand and receive for weighing each load of such Coal and Certifying the weight of the same as aforesaid, the sum of Ten Cents, one half of which sum shall be paid by the seller and the other half by the purchaser thereof; Provided however that in no Case, shall any public Weigher demand or receive a greater sum than one dollar and fifty Cents for the weighing and Certifying of any quantity of such Coal not exceeding fifteen tons, which shall have been purchased at the same time.

Sec 6th. That any person who shall sell and deliver by weight, or permit to be sold and delivered for him, by weight, any anthracite or other Coal which shall not have been weighed and the weight thereof Certified as required by the fifth section of this Ordinance, shall forfeit and pay for each offence, the sum of Twenty dollars, to and for the use of the City, to be recovered in an action of debt, in the name of the City Treasurer before the proper Court to try the same.

Sec. 7. That this Ordinance shall be published semi weekly in the Daily Journal the Republican Herald and the Morning Courier for three successive Weeks.

Passed June 5th 1837.

Suspending operation of 5th Section

Resolved that the fifth section of the ordinance this day made and passed by the City Council entitled "An Ordinance in relation to Weights Measures, Scales and Balances" shall not go into effect until the first Monday in July next.

Passed June 5th
1837.

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Anthracite Coal.

Resolved that the sum of One Thousand dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose of applying the City's lands for Anthracite Coal, in addition to the appropriations made for the same purpose, on the 3d day of October A.D. 1836. and that said sum so appropriated be paid out of any money in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated to the order of the Chairman of the Committee of the City Council hereinafter appointed to cause the City's lands to be applied for Anthracite Coal.

Passed June 5th
1837.

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Celebration of the 4th July.

Resolved that the Committee appointed to make arrangements for a Celebration of the ensuing Anniversary of American Independence be and they are hereby instructed to procure fire works for that occasion, Provided that the expense of said Celebration shall not exceed one hundred dollars over the appropriation already made for that purpose.

Passed June 5th
1837.

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Assessors of Taxes.

Resolved that each Assessor of Taxes in and for the City of Providence shall be allowed one fifth of one percent upon the amount of the tax, as a full Compensation for apportioning the City tax for the ensuing year, Provided the whole number of Assessors shall not exceed four, but if more than four the whole number shall be allowed four fifths of one per Cent upon the amount of said tax as a full Compensation for apportioning the same.

Passed June 5th
1837.

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Mayor's Address.

Resolved that his Hon the Mayor be and he is hereby requested to furnish the City Council with a Copy of the address this day delivered by him for publication.

Passed June 5th
1837.

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City Printing.

Resolved that Messrs Cooke & Sprague with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to Contract for the City Printing for the present Municipal year.

Alderman Cady added to the Committee

Passed June 5th
1837.

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Tax. $45.000.

An Ordinance providing for the Assessment and Collection of a tax of Forty five thousand dollars.

Section 1

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence, that a tax of forty five thousand dollars be assessed and levied upon the ratable property of the inhabitants and others owning such property in said City; and that said tax be assessed on or before the 3d Monday in August next, and Collected and paid into the City Treasury on or before the 3d Monday in September next.

Sec 2 That the Collector of said Tax shall advertise in the Manufacturers Journal the Republican Herald and the semi weekly Morning Courier for three weeks successively, Calling on all persons who may be assessed for said Tax to make payment at his Office within Ten days ending on said 3d Monday of September next, and including that day; and during said Ten days said Collector shall attend at his said Office, for the purpose of receiving said Tax every day (Sundays excepted) from nine O Clock A.M. until twelve o'clock M. and from two o'clock P.M. until five o'clock P.M. and on the said 3d Monday in September next, he shall attend, for said purpose until nine o'clock in the evening And said Collector shall deduct three per cent from the respective sums assessed upon all those who shall make payment within said Ten days.

Sec 3. That said Collector shall be allowed 4 per cent for Collecting said Tax; he allowing out of his Commissions three per cent to all those who shall pay him the amount of their respective taxes within the Ten days aforesaid.

Sec 4. That said Collector shall pay into the City Treasury without delay all monies he shall receive towards the tax assessed by the said 3d Monday in September next, Collecting and paying over the residue, if any of said Tax, as soon thereafter as may be; and that all persons who shall be delinquent in paying said tax by said third Monday in September next shall pay interest afterwards; for which interest said Collector shall be accountable to said City.

Passed June 5th
1837.

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Police Court.

Resolved that from the Justices Assigned to keep the peace within this City. Thomas White William P Carey and George H Mann be and they are hereby selected to Compose the Police Court of this City for the present Municipal year.

Passed June 5th
1837.

Compensation to Officers.

An Ordinance fixing the Compensation of Certain Officers for the year ending on the first Monday in June (A. one thousand eight hundred and thirty eight.

Section 1 Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence that for the year ending on the first Monday in June (A. one thousand eight hundred and thirty eight the Compensation to be allowed and paid the several Officers herein after mentioned shall be as follows, to wit.

To the City Clerk Seven hundred dollars.
To the City Treasurer Six hundred dollars
To the Overseer of the Poor Two hundred & fifty dollars
To the City Sergeant, Three hundred & Sixty five dollars,
To the surveyor of Highways Five hundred dollars.
To the Clerk of the Market. Two hundred dollars.
To the Judge of the Municipal Court (in addition to the fees allowed by law for the transaction of Probate business) One hundred dollars
To the City Marshal, Two hundred & Fifty dollars.

Sec 2. that said Annual sums be paid out of the City Treasury in quarterly payments to the Officers respectively intitled thereto.

Section 3. that the fees allowed by law. to the Clerk of the Municipal Court for the probate and other business transacted in said Court shall be in full Compensation to said Clerk for his services as such; And that the fees allowed by law, to Justices of the peace shall be in full Compensation to the Justices of the Police Court for their services as such.

Passed June 5th
1837.

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Clerk of the Com. Council

Resolved that the Clerk of the Common Council be allowed and paid for his services as such, for the present Municipal year the sum of One hundred dollars, payable quarterly

Passed June 5th 1837.

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Copies of Book of Ordinances

Resolved that Copies of the Book of City Ordinances published A. 1835. be distributed as follows: viz.

To each member of the City Council who has not already been furnished with a Copy there of One Copy,

To each of the Justices of the peace in the City who has not been furnished with a Copy. one Copy.

Passed June 5th
1837.

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Bond of City Treasurer.

Resolved that Messrs Curtis and Cook with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to take a Bond of the City Treasurer with sufficient surety or sureties, for the faithfull discharge of the duties of his Office for the present Municipal year, and that said Bond be for the sum of Thirty Thousand dollars.

Alderman Cady added to the Committee
Passed June 5th
1837.



Statement of Receipts & Expenditures & City Property

Resolved that Messrs Wm. Anthony & Sanford with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to prepare a particular account of the receipts and expenditures for the last year, and a Schedule of the property of the City; and to cause the same to be published in the newspapers employed by the City Council agreably to the requisition contained in the fourth section of the City Charter.

Alderman Barker added to the Committee.
Passed June 5th
1837.

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Remission of Certain Taxes.

Whereas John Hall has represented to the City Council that taxes assessed upon certain persons in the year 1836, are not Collectable by reason of errors in the assessment thereof &c. and whereas the City Council are satisfied that the taxes in said year in the respective amounts following upon the following named persons, to wit

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|---|---|---|
| upon Jonathan Cady | for | 2.53 |
| James M. Carpenter | for | .95 |
| Jarvis Chace | for | 1.25 |
| Albert Davis | for | 2.53 |
| Abial Fox | for | 3.17 |
| John P. Hall | for | 1.58 |
| Sylvester Haynes (in part) | for | 3.81 |
| John P. Hunkoff | for | .63 |
| Benj.a Joy. | for | 4.75 |
| Edward McConnaghy | for | 1.25 |
| Mathias Nelson | for | .95 |
| Charles Peck | for | .95 |
| Manning Rawson | for | .63 |
| Laurence Richards | for | .63 |
| Thomas Shrieve | for | .95 |
| Uriah Walker | for | 3.17 |
| Robert R Jones | for | .95 |
| | | $ 30.70 |

are not Collectable: It is therefore Resolved that the respective Taxes aforesaid be and the same hereby are remitted; And that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and directed to credit the Amount thereof, to wit, Thirty dollars and Seventy Cents to the said John Hall in account with him as Collector of Taxes, together with the interest which has accrued on the several sums aforesaid.

Passed June 5th
1837.

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Office of City Treasurer
Providence June 5th 1837.

Gentlemen I have the honor of enclosing herewith A Schedule of Real Estate belonging to the City, " Schedule of Rents " Statement of City debt, together with my account Current for the year ending May 31. last. I Remain with great Respect

Your Obt Servant
Stephen Fellows Jr City Treasr.

Read with accompanying documents whereupon it is Resolved that the same together with said documents be received and recorded.

Statement of City finances

# Schedule of Real Estate &c belonging to the City of Providence

The Brick Market house (excepting the Masonic Hall in the third story) & lot on Market Square.

The Town house lot measuring on College Street one hundred and forty feet; on Benefit Street one hundred and twenty five feet and bounded South on a gangway of 17½ feet in width on which it extends westerly into the Town house lot 67½ feet and on lands of Brown & Sons and others 96 feet, making the whole Southerly line 163½ feet: westerly on lands of John Whipple and others on which it measures 156½ feet. The buildings on said lot are 1st the Town house measuring 58 feet by 45½ feet, 2d the firemen hall 30 feet by 20 feet, 3d Fire hooks and ladder house 35 feet by 9 feet 4th Engine house No 6. 38 feet by 20 feet, 5th 2 sheds for market men's horses each 50 feet by 10 feet, 6th a building now occupied by Surveyor of Highways for a tool house. 7th the City pound, All the above described belong to the City. 8th the Arbitary alum[s] pest 64 feet by 36 feet Cadet alum[s] pest 52 feet by 38 feet 10th Messrs Burgess & Pratts Office 30 by 16 feet.

Hospital lands two acres & thirty poles bounding East on the harbor & South on Hawkins Cove, Called the Old Hospital lot: It having been purchased of Matthew Field for a Special use the City has no power to alienate. Ten and two acres Called the new hospital land on which the large Hospital building is erected bounding on the East which forms the South boundary line of the City and the North line of the Town of Cranston this lot originally joined the Old Hospital lands, but is now severed therefrom by the Cranston turnpike. A new building for hospital purposes was erected in 1832 in the vicinity of the other Hospital standing on this lot.

The Dexter lot so Called is situate at the Junction of North Main, Benefit and Thompson Streets and was purchased for the use of the neighborhood partly by individual subscription and partly by the Town, Engine No 3 is located thereon.

The Old Brick School, the lot whereon it stands is sixty feet by fifty feet, and was given to the Town of Providence by Capt Ambrose Page in May 1766 for a School house lot and for no other purpose, the lot in addition to the above donation belonging to this Establishment measures 100 feet by 120 extending from meeting street, to South Court Street.

North School house & lot 1st district, the lot bounds 45 feet on Benefit Street and extends Easterly 80 feet and Can be applied to no other purpose than for a School.

South or third district School, the lot on which the school house stands is 80 feet front on Town it Street the East part thereof extends 80 feet North to the Sillinghast burial ground and 38 feet of the west part extends back to the land of Mr Clifford Engine house No  occupies part of the lot.

Fourth district school house and lot is situated on the Southerly side of Richmond Street measuring thereon 112 feet, the depth of the lot is not given the building is of two stories & Brick.

Stow School house & lots situate between High Street and Pawtuxet Street dimentions of lots not given in the deeds, the building is of two Stories.

The North Burial ground Comprises about fifty acres of which about 16 acres are inclosed a new fence having been erected in 1835.

The Sepions lot so Called fronts westerly on North Main Street at its Northern extremity extending Easterly to a public road, It Comprises about nine and a half acres

Lands on Charles and Smiths Streets, the work house lot situate on the East side of Charles Street & boundery on the Blackstone Canal measures on Charles Street about 220 feet, it width on Smiths Street being it South end is about 100 feet and at its North end about 63 feet, the lands on the West side of Charles Street measures thereon about 240 feet: the width at the North end measuring westerly to back Street is 96 feet: at the South end, which bounds on Smiths Street about 79 feet, this width is exclusive of 40 feet, for the entire length of its west line being the proposed Continuation of Back Street through the City lands, by a late exchange, the above described lands form a square intersected North



and South by Charles Street.

Land South of Smiths ~~Land~~ Bridge, the City is supposed to have a Claim to a portion of the land and shore, In the year 1748 a part of it was surveyed and Established as a public Street, A Committee from the City Council was last year appointed to investigate the subject.

The Abbott lot at Fox Hill is 40 feet square and was deeded to the Town for a public watering place forever.

The Stone house fronts on Weybosett Street north side, the lot measuring thereon 31 feet and extending back 70 feet Engine No 3 stands on the western line of the lot.

The Foster Estate Consists of a house and lot situate at the Junction of Weybosett and Penrance Streets and is now in possession of the City subject to the Claim of the heirs of said Foster at present unknown.

The Hawkins lots. the North bounds of the lower lot begin at the N. E. Corner of the late Dennis Thurbers house South of Carpenters point, thence Coping the Cove to a point a little E. of land of John Smiths heirs, the right purchased of Mrs Barnes and others bounds Southerly on the above described right extending up the Cove to the North Providence line and thence across the Cove to Carpenters point the quantity of land not mentioned in the deeds. The Hawkins herbage abundant, has been yearly diminishing and is now next to nothing, and will not probably Command any price the present year.

The public square on Fox Hill was Conveyed to the Town for some public purpose or purposes and for no "other use or purpose whatever" is 150 feet square and bounded by Atwells Avenue & Bradford Street and on two sides by 20 feet gangways, A well has been sunk thereon for public purposes.

The Field's point Farm Contains about 38 acres, Chloe Field's right of Dower thereon having been purchased lately by the City.

# Schedule of Yearly Rents viz:

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Part of the Town house lot to Messrs Burgess & Pratt | $ 20 | 0 |
| do Work house lot on Cove to expire January 1st 1838 to Jesse B Sweet 145 ft @ $2 | 290 | 0 |
| Lot on Charles Street to James Page to January 1st 1838 40 feet @ 4/6 per foot. | 30 | 0 |
| Ditto to Daniel Angell to January 1st 1839. 30 feet | 30 | 0 |
| Ditto to Benjamin Newton & Boswell Shedley to 1st Jany 1838, 37 ft $1. per foot | 37 | 0 |
| Ditto to Ebenezer P Brown to Jany 1. 1838, 22 feet $1 | 22 | 0 |
| The Sepions lot to Warren Batchelder to April 1. 1838. | 60 | 0 |
| The Town house to David Pitts to January 1. 1838. | 86 | 0 |
| The Foster house to John Warner to January 1. 1838. | 140 | 0 |
| Stalls in Market house to December 1st 1837 | 2175 | 0 |
| Ditto in Fish Market to January 1st 1838 | 74 | 0 |
| Water Carton Co Corner of Market house 1 year to July | 3 | 0 |
| $ | 2967 | 0 |

Note. the rents of the Fish Market for the year ending January 1st 1837 were $292.50 the Choice of stalls having been put up at auction & producing beyond their appraised value $218.50, but this mode having produced much Dissatisfaction in minions as was Conceived to the interest of the City, the Stalls were rented this year at private Sale on a appraised valuation of each one.

"The Sillinghast donation" is a bequest of $200 made by the late Mrs Sybella Sillinghast "as a fund, the interest of which income thereof to be applied for the relief Comfort and support of the Poor of any, or all County and Colors" It is invested in Stock of the Union Bank.

# Statement of the City Debt on the 31st day of May 1837. viz:

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|---|---|---|
| Note to the Providence Institution of Savings due April 1st 1838. | 15093 | 33. |
| ditto to Samuel W Bridgham due April 1st 1838. | 3000 | 0. |
| ditto to Martin Page due April 1st 1838. | 600 | 0. |
| Note to Merchants Bank due 15/16 September 1837. | 4000 | 0 |
| Loan of $15.000 due April 1st 1838. | 15000 | 0 |
| Debt of $60.000 due April 1st 1840. | 60000 | 0. |
| $ | 97.693. | 33. |

Office of City Treasurer
Providence May 31. 1837.
Respectfully Submitted by Stephen Fillinghast
City Treasurer

1837.

April 1 — To the following portions of the City debt paid this day in virtue of an Ordinance of the City Council viz:

| | | | |
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| Note to Nicholas Brown Junr. | 500. 0 | | |
| do Richmond Bullock | 600. 0 | | |
| do Abigail Goddard | 1000. 0 | | |
| do C A Goddard | 3000. 0 | | |
| do Providence Dispensary | 1550. 0 | | |
| do R H Ives, Trustee | 750. 0 | 7400 | 0 |

May 31. — To balances of the following accounts from the first of January last viz:

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Interest | 2011. 4 | Support of the poor | | 857 | 37. |
| Bridges | 61. 1 | do in Asylum | | 402 | 28 |
| Asylum Building | 46. 79. | Lighting Streets | | 1476 | 61 |
| Wells & pumps | 59. 12 | City Watch | | 2161 | 51 |
| Asylum Walls | 8074. 0 | Public buildings | | 13 | 71 |
| Public Schools | 4229. 611 | Fire department | | 3113 | 31. |
| Highways | 989. 32 | Salaries | | 1244 | 58. |
| Digging for Coal | 295. 110 | Contingencies | | 1042 | 33. |
| | 9096. 92 | | | 9096 | 92. |

Josiah Hill for his Commissions on so much of the Tax of 1836. as he has Collected to this date viz to 31. Dec. 1836. 39200. 0
do to this date 2500. 0
Cr Changed do 31. 1836. $ 41.700. 0 4 p.ct. 1668.
1568
100 0

To new account for notes on hand viz:

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| Butchers Notes due 5/8 June next | | 1800. 0 | |
| Winthrop Pidge | 115 | | |
| Varnum Saunders | 26 | | |
| Ephraim Thurber | 11. 20 | all over due | 152. 0 |
| Balance of Tax uncollected | | 1632. 0 | |
| Cash on hand | | 2106. 53. | 5691 33. |
| $ | | 32.597 | 114 |

Errors Excepted



1837.

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| January 1. | By Balances from account viz: | | | |
| | Cash on hand | 20.960. 56. | | |
| | Tax uncollected | 4232. 0 | | |
| | Notes unpaid | 2123. 17 | 27380. | 73. |
| | " Street Credit in favour to the Theatre July 7. 1836. | 10. 00 | | |
| | our Charge in order for S Metcalf July 7. | 30 | 10 | 30. |
| 17 | Cash of City Marshal for fines received of B. Robbins & Geo Fuller for breach of Sunday law | | 50 | 00 |
| 19. | " 3 Mo tax to 1st instant on Stillmans Clarks Billiard Table | 47.50 | | |
| | " 3 Mo do Wm Gibbs to Nov. 27th 1836. | 47.50 | | |
| 27 | " 3 Mo do Benedict Brown to 15th instant | 47.50 | 142 | 50. |
| Feb. 3 | " 3 Mo do Anthony Dexter do to 1st inst | | 47 | 50 |
| 6 | " Cash of City Clerk for Auction dues from B S Sheldon | | 3 | 36. |
| | " do " " do Licence to retailer | | 25 | 0 |
| 16 | " do of S Hartshorn sales of Sails Harness Clothes | | 1 | 0 |
| April 1 | " do of City Clerk for Licence to retailer | | 70 | 0 |
| | " 3 Mo tax to 1st inst on Stillman Clarks billiard table | | 47 | 50 |
| 20 | " Cash of City Clerk for Licence to the Circus | | 40 | 00 |
| 26 | " do do do to retailer | | 90 | 00 |
| May 1 | " do for 3 Mo billiard tax to 27 Inst. of Wm Gibbs | | 47 | 50. |
| | " do 3 Mo do to 1st inst of Anthony Dexter | | 47 | 50. |
| 24 | " do of Caleb Williams Committee to Settle for S. Pratt farm with Esquimaux Thurber | | 30 | 00. |
| 27 | " do of City Clerk for Licence to Theatre | | 60 | 00 |
| 31 | " balance of Rent account to date | | 425 | 5 |
| | do Heirs of A Foster " | | 67 | 50 |
| | " Cash for semi annual dividend to January last on "Fillinghast donation" stock of $200 | | 7 | 00 |
| | Loan negotiated with Merchants Bank due 15/16 September next | | 4000 | 00. |
| | $ | | 32.597 | 44 |

Providence May 31. 1837.
Stephen Fillinghast
City Treasurer.

Appropriations

Resolved that the several sums herein after mentioned be and the same are hereby appropriated to the following purposes respectively, to wit,

For the support of the Public Schools for the year ending on the first Monday in June A.D. 1838 together with and in addition to the sum which the City may receive for the same purpose from the State Treasury: (the expenditures under this appropriation to be made by the order and direction of the School Committee) Seven Thousand dollars.

For the support of the poor, and removal of Paupers (including Asylum) Twenty five hundred dollars, together with the income of the Tillinghast Fund (so Called)

For the Fire department Three Thousand dollars.

For repairs of Highways and Streets Four Thousand dollars.

For the support of Public Bridges One Thousand dollars

For the support of the Public Watch Five Thousand dollars.

For lighting the Streets Twenty four hundred dollars.

For the Salaries of the Mayor and Aldermen for the year ending on the first Monday in June A.D. 1838. Sixteen hundred dollars.

For the Salaries of Certain Officers as provided in and by a Certain Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance fixing the Compensation of Certain Officers for the year ending on the first Monday in June A.D. 1838" Two Thousand nine hundred & sixty five dollars.

For the repairs of Public [illegible] Buildings, One hundred & Fifty dollars

For the support of the City pumps and wells, One hundred & Fifty dollars

For the payment of interest on Money hired, and on funded debt Five Thousand dollars

For building Asylum Wall. Twenty Five hundred dollars.

For Contingent Expenses viz. any Claims which may be allowed by the Board of Aldermen or by the City auditor not included in any of the preceding items, and also the Compensation allowed to assessors of Taxes, to the Clerk of the Common Council, to Ward Clerks, and to the City Sealer of Weights & Measures, Three Thousand dollars.

For the repairs of the Asylum Walls and Buildings Three hundred dollars.

For arrears of Salaries ending the 31st May 1837. one hundred & nine 70/100 dollars.

For arrears of interest ending the 31st May 1837. One hundred & forty two 14/100 dollars.

Resolved. that the several sums appropriated as aforesaid be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed June 5th
1837.



Fire Department

Resolved that the sum of one hundred dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose of enabling the Fire Department of the City to assist and take part in the Municipal Celebration of the approaching Anniversary of American Independence; And that said sum so appropriated be paid out of any Money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated to the Order of the Chairman of the Committee appointed to make arrangements for that occasion.

Passed June 5th
1837.

Fire men's Association

Resolved that the sum of Fifty Cents be paid by the City Treasurer to the Treasurer of the Providence Association of Firemen for Mutual assistance, for each of the firemen of the City, in order to entitle them severally to the Benefit of the Funds of said Association, and that the same be paid on the Certificate of the City Clerk respecting the appointment of said firemen out of the appropriation for the Fire department.

Passed June 5th
1837.

School Committee Report.

To the Hon. City Council of the City of Providence

The School Committee as required by law report that they have attended during the year last to the important duties of the Trust Committed to their Charge. Much time has been spent and much labor bestowed by them in that service they have visited and examined all the schools at the Close of each quarter and also at other times, during the several quarters agreeably to law and their own rules regulations and by-laws. have kept the school houses in repair have furnished fuel and all other things which they deemed necessary and proper for the accommodation and comfort of the schools and have supplied destitute Children with books. An additional School for Colored Children has been established within the past year, located on the west side of the river. The number of pupils in this School is small but in other respects it is respectable. The other school of that description located on the East side was at the Commencement of the year, under the Charge of a Female teacher and appeared promising but it soon after fell short of the expectations of the Committee, whereupon they Changed their plans and instead of a female appointed a Male teacher, they were so fortunate as to procure the services of a Colored Man fully Competent for the place, and under his Charge the school has flourished and is now in a prosperous Condition. The number of pupils averages about Sixty.

All the Common branches of Education are taught in this School and many of the Scholars are well advanced therein.

The Committee deeming it as useful & economical to employ two female assistants in each of the writing Schools instead of one Male Usher have recently established that Course as vacancies occured and the Change has been made in three of the schools and has proved an experiment highly satisfactory to the Committee. the instruction in all the schools are deemed Competent to teach the Branches required to be taught, are good disciplinarians industrious and faithful to their Calling and exemplary in all their Conduct.

The Committee Cannot in justice to themselves, to the teachers and to the Public withhold the expression of their honest Convictions that they maintain a fair and respectable standing, are highly useful to the Community at large and are a special Blessing to that Class of our population who are destitute of the means of other wise procuring instruction.

The number of schools having increased and the exigencies of the times having unexpectedly Created Considerable Calls for expenditures the Cost for their support during the year past has exceeded that of any former year, But the City Council having been Careful to anticipate and timely to provide for their support by suitable appropriations from the public Treasury the expenses have all been promptly discharged. The amount appropriated was six Thousand seven hundred & fifty dollars, besides the sum received from the State, which was Fifteen hundred and twenty seven dollars

and twenty eight Cents making in the whole Eight Thousand two hundred and seventy seven dollars and twenty Eight Cents. — The amount expended for instruction is Seven thousand two hundred and seventy eight dollars and sixty one Cents, for the repairs of School houses, two hundred and fifty Eight dollars and thirty six Cents, for fuel Four hundred and forty one dollars and one Cent, and for incidental Charges two hundred and twenty dollars and sixty four Cents, making in the whole Eight thousand one hundred and ninety Eight dollars and sixty two Cents and leaving the sum of Seventy eight dollars and sixty six Cents of the appropriations unexpended. —

As the expenses for the support of the schools owing to their increase in number and other Causes, are unavoidably increasing a Corresponding increase of the appropriations by the City Council for that object will from time to time be required. — The Committee are therefore of opinion that an appropriation of at least Seven thousand dollars besides what may be rec'd from the State will be necessary for the ensuing year for the support of the schools now Established. —

The number of Schools now established and opened is fifteen, namely Eight primary, Five Writing and two for Colored Children, the number of teachers, male and female is Thirty. — the number of Scholars in actual attendance at the quarterly visitation of the Committee in February last was Fourteen hundred and twenty nine, and at the quarterly visitation last month it was fifteen hundred and forty.

The whole number of scholars in actual attendance during the year amount fourteen hundred and ninety six. — The Committee appointed for the year now Closing was Composed of twenty four members, two of whom namely Richmond Paddock and John H Crosby declined serving. the Committee have appointed no one in the room of Mr Paddock. — In the room of Mr Crosby they appointed Henry R Crane, but he having been absent from the City most of the time since his appointment has neither served nor declined serving. — there have therefore been but twenty two efficient members during the year. —

The Secretary has kept a record of all the absentees from all the meetings of the Committee during the year, an abstract of which agreeably to one of the by-laws of the Committee is herewith presented.

All which is respectfully submitted, for the Committee by

Providence May 25th 1837. —

Samuel W. Bridgham
President. —

There has been 11 meetings of the School Committee the last year.

Samuel W Bridgham
William Aplin
Alexr Caswell
Edward B Hall and
Rufus Claggett have been present at every meeting.

Josiah Mitchell has been absent 9 meetings
Silvanus G Martin " " 8 "
Josiah Chapin " " 7 "
Thomas C Hopkins 2
Erastus F Hamilton 2 " " 6 " each
Henry Curtis
William B Lewis 2
Anthony B Arnold 2 " " 4 each
Asher Parmly
Benj[a] Clifford 2
Richard E Eddy 2 " " 3 each.

Thomas W Dorr
Caleb Williams
Alexr B Ives 2
Joseph Cady. } absent 2 meetings. Each
Wayland Anthony 2
Robert H Ives. " 1 each. —

Received June 5th 1837.

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Westminster Street.

Resolved that the surveyor of Highways acting under the advice and direction of Messrs Warner Sanford and Potter, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and he is hereby authorized and directed to cause the ~~[illegible]~~ pavements in Westminster Street, from Walkers Street to the junction of Westminster and High Streets to be relaid, and also to cause a Crosswalk to be laid across said Westminster Street opposite the residence of Percy Safft Esq.

Resolved that the sum of twelve hundred dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for defraying the expenses of relaying said pavements and laying said Crosswalks, to be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated. —

Resolved that said Committee be and they are hereby fully authorized and empowered to adjust the Southerly line of Westminster Street with Josiah Butler who is the owner of land bounding thereon; and if they deem it advisable, to cause such adjustment to be made by Arbitrators to be Chosen by said Committee and said Butler, and to agree on the part of the City that a report and award of such Arbitrators shall be final and Conclusive in the premises; and that said Committee be and they hereby are directed not to cause the aforesaid repairs to be made, until said Street lines shall be adjusted

Alderman Williams added to the Committee

Passed June 5th
1837.

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Butchers Notes for Stalls

Resolved that the City Treasurer acting under the advice and direction of Messrs Custis, Gunn & Cooke with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and he is hereby authorized to renew for the term of sixty days, one half of the respective sums due on Notes given by the occupants of Stalls in the Market house for rent of their Stalls, which notes are payable on the 5th day of June A.D. 1837 the Makers of said Notes giving Satisfactory security by endorsement for the payment of the amount so renewed. —

Alderman Cady added to said Committee

Passed June 5th
1837.

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Recapitulation of Fire Apparatus

## Recapitulation of Fire Apparatus belonging to the City of Providence.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 9 Engines | 17 Stove with pipes | 12 brushes |
| 2 Hydrauliones | 15 Shovels tongs & Pokers | 5 Sables |
| 16 Stationary forcing Pumps | 4 Apparatus for drying hose | 74 Bells |
| 2 Rotary ditto | 2 washing Machines | 22 Axes |
| 5 Reservoirs | 3 horse harnesses | 13 hammers |
| 12 Hose Carriages | 9 Coal hods & sifters | 5 Spare Engine Bars |
| 141 Hooks | 54 Chairs and benches | Spare ropes leather boxes boxes for Coal &c Jugs Wash Basins Spit boxes |
| 1631 feet suction hose | 29 Fire Coats & Caupers | dippers, Sieves Anvil one, 30 oars and about 20 old trumpets for fire wards &c &c |
| 6291 do leading hose | 16 discharge pipes | |
| 2 Carriages with 15 hooks | 5 extra pipe nozzels | |
| 13 Ladders & 5 Carts | 7 Brooms and hails | |
| 300 feet Chain rope | 3 wheel Jacks | |
| 2 Horses for raising hooks | 6 fire boilers | |
| 72 large & small Lanterns & Lamps | 13 drag ropes | |
| 274 large & small Wrenches. | 86 fire buckets | |
| 118 Oil Cannisters & trimmers | 10 Hose bridges | |
| 38 large & small Tenches | 4 Screw drivers | |
| 97 Rubber fire Coats. | 6 Trumpets. | |

Read & thereupon Resolved that the same be received & recorded.
Received June 5th 1837.

**City Treasurer to hire Money.**

Resolved that the City Treasurer acting under the Advice of Messrs Curtis Greene & Cooke with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and he is hereby authorized to raise by temporary loan or loans such sum or sums of Money as the necessities of the City may require, provided the sums shall not exceed in the whole the sum of Five Thousand dollars. — Alderman Hoppin added to the Committee

Passed June 5th.
1837.

**Certain Accounts Allowed.**

Resolved that the following sums be allowed and paid out of any Money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated to the following named persons respectively, to wit,
To Thomas White Justice of the Peace for the payment of the rent of the Room occupied by the Police Court during the past year, Twenty Five Dollars
To Jesse B Sweet for dirt for filling up Wash house lot, Twelve dollars & fifty Cents.

Passed June 5th
1837.

The two Boards Met in Convention Monday June 5th. 1837. at half past 2 o'clock PM. When the following City Officers were Elected. —

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| Judge of Municipal Court | Thomas Burgess. |
| Clerk of Municipal Court | Albert G Greene |
| City Sergeant | Edward Harwood |
| City Treasurer | Stephen Fillinghast |
| City Auditor | Simon H Greene John Sanborn |
| Coroner of the Peace | William G Greene. |
| City Constables | David E Mann Jacob C Gould Sabin S Potter Rufus Clapp Sylvester Bowers Daniel K Chaffee, Seth Howard Wm Johnson Edwin Potter. |
| Sealer of Weights & Measures | John S Jackson. |
| Assessors of Taxes | John S Phillips Nathaniel Bishop. Robert Angell William Sheldon also to assess the tax this day ordered. — |
| Surveyors & Corder of Wood. | Enoch S Paul. William Bradley. James Snow Thomas J Wardwell Benjamin S Viney Asa Ames |
| Surveyor of Highways | Henry G Mumford |
| Surveyors of Hoops Staves & Heading | George S Harwood. Wm S Shannan Samuel Cathcart. |
| Gaugers of Casks | Caleb Eddy Daniel Rose. John P Jones. James Burrough Jason Williams. — |



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| Collector of Taxes. | John Hill. also to Collect the tax this day ordered — |
| Packers & Inspectors of Fish | Wm S Shearman George S Harwood. |
| Overseers of Hospital | Mayor & Aldermen |
| Clerk of the Market. | Henry G Mumford |
| Fence Viewers | Pardon Mason, Edward Harwood. Samuel Carlile |
| Field Drivers | Pardon Mason. Edward Harwood Samuel Carlile |
| Residents of Fire Wards. | Elisha Dyer. Richard Jackson Benjamin Aborn Carlo Manrara. John S Eddy. Charles Holden — |
| Fire Wards. — | Benjamin Hoppin, Caleb Williams. Smith Bosworth Silvanus G Manton Welcome Congdon Samuel W Wheeler Joseph G Mitchell Robert Manchester, Wm Hall Roger W Potter Oliver Pierce John O Waterman, John H Greene Duty Greene Benjamin Robinson Henry L Kendall. Edward S Williams James B Bullock Willard W Fairbanks Earl Carpenter Allen O Peck Henry G Mumford Horatio Bassett, Thomas Aldrich. — |
| School Committee | Samuel W Bridgham Geo. Curtis Moses B Ives, Robert H Ives William Atlin Alexis Caswell, Josiah Chapin, Edward B Hall Thomas W Dorr, Caleb Williams, Thomas C Hoppin Anthony B Arnold Usher Parsons, Hezekiah Anthony Ezekiel Metcalf William B Lewis, Joseph Cady, Cyprus Chaffee Richard E Eddy Thomas R Holden, William C Barker John Ames Joseph Wanzer Amherst Carrill, Amasa Mason, John S Eddy, Edward C Knowles, John S Hughes, Seth Padelford, Arnold Bishop. — |
| Sealers of Leather | Calvin Dean, Joel Metcalf Junr |
| City Crier | Barton Burdick |
| Committee of Encroachments on Shore | Leonard Blodget. Samuel B Cushing Benoni Lockwood. — |
| Inspectors of Pot & Pearl Ash | Smith Bosworth Amasa Manton. |
| Inspectors & Measurers of Carpenter, Masons & Painters Work. | William R Benson, Leonard Blodget John H Greene Hezekiah Carpenter Robert Manchester, Joseph Bogman, James Bowen Pardon Bosworth James Lewis, Russell Greene, Samuel Hawkins, Robert Manchester Jr. — |
| Surveyors & Measurers of Stone | Zachariah Chaffee, William Andrews, Leonard Blodget, |
| Overseer of Public Bridges | Menzies Swift |
| Advising Committee on Bridges | Mayor & Aldermen. |
| Committee to Superintend building Chimneys & placing Stoves & Stove pipes | Cyprus Fisher, Major Bassett, Robert Angell, Samuel Carlile — |

## Auctioneer

Sylvester Hawthorn

Owner of the North Burial Ground — Benjamin Hathaway

Measurers of Grain, Salt & Sea Coal — John P. Jones, Hezekiah Tufts

Owner of Pump South End — Samuel Carlile

Owner of Pump North End — Edward Harwood

Owner of Pumps Hughes Knight St. — Seth Baker

Owner of Pumps Pond St. & West end of Westminster St. — Nicholas Matthews

Owner of Pump Broad St. — Phinehas Adler

Inspectors of Liquors to ascertain proof — Daniel Rogers, John P. Jones

Owner of Town House — William S. Greene

Commissioners of Sidewalks — Alanson Bartlett, Cyrus Fisher, Asa Pierce

Measurers of Bran — John P. Jones, Hezekiah Tufts

City Marshal — Henry G. Mumford

Fairmans Committee — Henry G. Mumford, Alanson Bartlett, Moses Richardson

Inspector of Beef & Pork — Thomas Argell

Pound Keeper — William S. Greene

Appraisers of Estates under Statute Law — Nathaniel C. Bishop, Henry P. Franklin, Edward P. Knowles

Weighers of Anthracite & other Coal — John P. Jones, Asa W. Armington, Job L. Pratt, James Burrough, Simeon Baskin



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| Hydraulion No. 1 | Anthony B. Arnold | Robert L. Thurston | B. D. Potter |
| | Allen C. Peck | William H. Forter | Alexander Burgess |
| | George W. Taylor | Ebenezer Fuller | Charles Arnold |
| | Robert H. Ives | Tillinghast Almy | Harvey Nichols |
| | Amasa Manton | Alexander B. Chace | Joel P. Hotchkiss jr. |
| | William L. Aldrich | William Sanford | Pearly W. Carpenter |
| | William H. Mason | Joseph W. Baker | Amos M. Warner |
| | James G. Anthony | William Munro | Charles L. Border jr. |
| | Thomas Aldrich | Henry C. Smith | George W. Gladding |
| | Jonathan Pike | Joseph Carpenter | Samuel C. Blodget |
| | John Calder | Henry Hopkins | Joseph Sanford |
| | Thomas P. Bucklin | Jeremiah O. Card | Benjamin Hall |
| | Edward S. Miller | John W. Butts | Samuel Peckham |
| | Joseph K. Angell | William W. Hopkins | James E. Hudson |
| | Squire Pierce | Edesha Dyer jr. | James L. Holmes |
| | Peter Butts | Henry A. Anthony | Jacob Converse |
| | Moses B. Ives | William Forter | George H. Dodge |
| | Seth Padelford | Abel Forter | Charles C. Shaw |
| | Stephen Arnold | William G. Crumpe | John A. Taft |
| | William Andrews | Jacob Munro | Nesbit J. Brown |
| | Henry Anthony | Jarvis Lipon | Jeremiah Williams |
| | William H. Watterman | Lewis B. Child | Henry J. Jenckes |
| | Perry B. Fuller | Tristam Burgess jr. | Benjamin H. Gladding |
| | Thomas Jackson | Joseph A. Warden | Samuel H. Arnold 2nd |
| | William N. Douglas | William A. Greene | William Tibbets |
| | Francis G. Carlile | Charles F. Blodget | John Gammell |
| | Samuel B. Wheaton | William P. Potter | Rufus H. Samuel |
| | Alexander F. Adler | Edward N. Davis | Charles F. Robinson |
| | Rufus Phelps | Edward A. Taft | George W. Snow |
| | Willard W. Fairbanks | Henry A. Coy | |
| | Thomas J. Steel | James A. Smith | |
| | Chester S. Wood | Walter S. Burgess | |
| | James A. Buckley | John B. Dorrance jr. | |
| | William P. Blodget | Charles H. Dabney | |
| | George Nightingale | Thomas F. Hopkins | |
| Hydraulion No. 2 | Allen Baker | Nath[l] Searle | Geo A. Allen |
| | Richard W. Bush | Albert W. Snow | Monroe Brown |
| | Daniel Angell | Dan[l] W. Vaughn | Nath[l] W. Brown |
| | Wm Calder | Thos Greene | Nelson T. Bliss |
| | Chs T. Little | David B. Blake | Rob[t] N. Burdick |
| | Barton Miller | James Sullivan | John T. Cotton |
| | Cornelius Miller | Rufus Waterman | David T. Capron |
| | Henry Webb | Daniel Winsor | G. L. Dwight |
| | Warren P. Taylor | Otis Tingley | George Edgar |
| | Wm Whipple Brown | I. B. Wilkinson | John A. Field |
| | Sullivan Dorr jr. | Thos Foley | Truman Foster |
| | Daniel C. Cushing | Clark Albro | Isaac T. Eyles |
| | George W. Cushing | Philip Allen 2nd | John C. Gray |
| | Frank Cushing | Zach Allen | Philip Evans |

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| | D C Grunwood | Henry G Mumford | J B Salsbury |
| | Reig Rowland jr | A R Mason | Ye B Salsbury |
| | Chs Holden jr | Henry Morse | Thos White |
| | Samuel Holmes | Frank Newel | Benj T White |
| | Geo T Mann | Alfred Packard | |
| | | | 36 |
| Foreing Stationary Engine No 2 | Wm J Harris | Wm E Cutting | Charles L Fisher |
| | Wm J Cross | Edwin Tripp | Cyrus Dyer |
| | John H Taylor | Wm Hull | Reuben J Pitcham |
| | Jonathan A Eddy | Nathaniel G Holmes | William A Munro |
| | John B Dexter | Charles L Hume | Henry L Bowen |
| | Samuel Congdon | Samuel N Richmond | Amos T Jenks |
| | Richard E Eddy | George M Richmond | Edward T Sheldon |
| | Edwin H Harris | Henry W Bradford | John T Rice |
| | Wm Bucklin | Benjamin Hathaway | Thomas R Tripp |
| | Russell Clapp | Vincent Carr | Daniel M Sweetland |
| | Stephen A Wheden | Gilbert Sheldon | Wm M Bailey |
| | George Owen | Henry Gardner | Wm M Redman |
| | Gilbert S Aldrich | Joseph D Stillman | Roger W Potter 39 |
| Fire Wards Ladder Co No 1 | Stanton Thurber | Lyman Dayton | Ebenezer Youngsbury |
| | Joseph Lowe | Obadiah P Osborn | Wm R Robinson |
| | Otis Hoffler | Augustus Ellis | Daniel Hull |
| | James Chesman | John Boynton | Cyrus Osborn |
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| Fire Wards Ladder Co No 2. | Sheldon Young | Gardner Luther | John Tourtellot |
| | Caleb C Cook | Isaac Clark | Samuel S Townsend |
| | Robert Manchester jr | Theodore Taylor | James Manchester |
| | Robert Manchester | Christopher G Dodge | Theodore Wyer |
| | Russell Greene | Wm H Greene | Isaac Saba 17 |
| | Wm B Mason | Isaac Butts | |
| Engine Co No 1 | Albert Waterman | Josiah Baxter | Josiah Paine |
| | Stephen Barker | Thomas Paine | John William |
| | Samuel W Brown | Stephen Randall C | Jeremiah Hawkins |
| | Alfred Anthony | Russell Midland | Smith Phillips |
| | Nathan Bucklin | Wimbell Aldrich | Nathaniel Bowen |
| | Anson Kelly | Henry L Smith | George Williams |
| | Ebenezer Walker | Lark S Carpenter | Benjamin Anthony |
| | George Seavens | Thomas W Latham | |
| | Jerome Anthony | Jarvis Phillips | |
| | Jeremiah Tanner | Ezra N Sampson 27 | |



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| Engine Co No 3. | John J Paine | Liberty Child | Samuel G Rawson |
| | Bentsall Sabin | Henry Clarke | George G Brown |
| | Charles H Child | Francis Read | Thomas Clarke jr |
| | Thomas Brown 2d | Jas W Simmons | Ferdinand V Potter |
| | Wm P Dana | Amon H Potter | Alvaz H Coy |
| | D H Leonard | Edward Harris | Wm H Potter |
| | Otis A Whelock | David Pitts | E G Farmer |
| | E W F Rice | Jno H Greene | Arthur Simmons |
| | Otis B Hoxie | Jno Crandall | Nathaniel Gladding |
| | Henry G Gladding | Wm F Grinnell | Jas G Chumley |
| | Jonathan G Draper | Wm F Grant | Wm H Cahee |
| | Jas H Borwell | C C Ellery | Samuel Holmes |
| | Augustus M Lowe | Emerson Clarke | Jno C Valentine |
| | Benj B Paine | Allen Greene | |
| | Smith Borwell jr | Wm Whitaker | |
| | John L Noyes | Wm B Read 45 | |
| Engine Co No 4 | Henry Richardson | Benj F Manchester | Benj Davis |
| | Edward W Shearman | Laban Easterbrooks | Chs Lake |
| | Wm H Venables | Ye B Hadley | Giles Pitcham |
| | John Greene | Wm H Butts | Edwin Johnson |
| | Jerome Shearman | Chas Fannie | |
| | Wm Eddy | Chs B Butts | |
| | Wm Pike | I B Mason 18 | |
| Engine Co No 5 | Jonathan S Angell | David W Bethy | Henry Waterman |
| | Benjamin B Wood | Joseph C Whiting | Reuben H N Bates |
| | Samuel Greene | Edmund Williams | Caleb Greene |
| | Henry C Matthewson | Jabez C Clary | Samuel Potter |
| | Nicholas W Johnson | Thomas R Simmons | |
| | John M Sherman | Henry C Potter | |
| | Manson Smith | | |
| | William H Gilmore 18 | | |
| Engine Co No 6 | Thomas J Branch | Albert G Barton | John A Haviland |
| | John B Chace jr | George Earle 2d | Wlg Hall |
| | Edw[d] L Pitcham | Seth S Bennett | John S B Flagg 77 |
| | Wm W Comstock | John H Parkis | Thos M Coy |
| | John H Richmond | Henry Temple | Henry Thurber |
| | Chs E Tillinghast | Chs Holden 2d | Richard O Moulton |
| | John C Gladding | Thos R Holden jr | Josiah Bradford |
| | Edmund W Tingley | John S Combs | George Richardson |
| | Joseph W Taylor | Edw[d] D Lewis | Charles N Pond |
| | Mayo W Shaw | Benjamin B Beaumont | Lorenzo D Anthony |
| | Wm Temple | Nath[l] P Bartlett | John O Potter |
| | Willard Chace | John D Jones | Robert Parkis jr |
| | Wm H Wilkinson | Henry Brown | Samuel S Hartwell |
| | John H Butts | Henry E Barney | Perez Simmons |
| | Nathan B Hall | John B Angell | Stephen Smith |

Henry A Kendall
Edes D Carland
Harvey Pinkham
Henry F Tingley
James Gibbs
Abraham C Dicker
Samuel Bosworth
Peter Smith

George W Simpson
Benj^a Robinson
John W Hill
Sullivan Moulton
James M Bradford
Wm G. Rawal
John H Bradford
Samuel D Langley

Isaac Comstock
Edmund G Barney
Wm Hall
Geo. M Kendall
John Sprague
Isaac Bullock

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Engine Co No 8.

William Aplin
Samuel B Babcock
Jeremiah S Rose
Henry W Thayer
Thomas A Richardson
Josiah S Hale
Tingley P Studley
John Babcock
Charles W Jenkins
Edward W Billings
Samuel S Stillwell
Samuel H Thomas
John M Shaw
Sturges P Carpenter
Seth W Shaw
Henry C Bickford
Pardon M Hale
Silas Talbot

M W Armington
John Church
Geo W Paine
Perry S Manchester
Wm H Cudworth
Alexander G Nye
Salisbury Pike
Isaac D Goff
Benjamin Davis
Perry W Faubert
Hugh H Hawkins
A B Dike
Stephen G Mason
Benjamin Thomas
Perry S Shaw
Geo W Church
Caleb Whitford
Nathan B Luther

Samuel A Larkin
Charles Clarke
Wm H Harris
Philip Luther
William B Gould
John N Child
Nehemiah W Lee
Thomas W Bailey
Laban Cartwright
Ephraim Brown
Henry W Redman
Mathew A Chase
Allen Tillinghast
Edward H Thurston
William Gunn
Albert A Cooke

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Admitted Free

The following persons having stood propounded more than three Months are admitted Freemen of this City to wit.

William S Grinnell
Thomas R Simmons
Percy Simmons

Propounded

The following persons are propounded to become Freemen to wit,

| | |
|---|---|
| George Mason | died produced |
| Zelotes W Holden | do |
| Jeremiah Annibal | do |
| John W Arnold | do |
| Samuel S Cooke | do |
| Henry W Thayer | do |

The two Boards then Separated and the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber



Owner of the Poor's Compensation

Resolved That the Owner of the Poor be allowed and paid for his services as such during the present Municipal year, the sum of One hundred dollars in addition to the sum appropriated for that purpose in and by the Ordinance passed on the 5th day of June A D 1837. entitled "An Ordinance fixing the Compensation of Certain Officers for the Year ending on the first Monday in June A D 1838."

Passed June 26th
1837.

Celebration of 4th July.

Providence June 26th 1837.

Samuel H Bridgham Esq:

Mayor of Providence

Sir

The Committee appointed to make arrangements for the Celebration of the ensuing 4th July respectfully invite the City Council to dine with the Officers & Soldiers of the revolution on that day at the Franklin House

In behalf of the Committee

I am very respectfully
Your Obt Servt
George H Jackson

Resolved that the invitation therein Contained be accepted. June 26.
1837.

City Treasurers Bond.

The Committee appointed to take a Bond from the City Treasurer, respectfully report, That they have discharged the duty appropriate them, and they herewith submit a bond signed by Stephen Tillinghast as principal and Charles D Tillinghast and William Richmond 2d as sureties for the sum of Thirty Thousand dollars with the usual Condition. And the Committee recommend the adoption of the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Bond of the City Treasurer for the present year be deposited for safe keeping with the City Clerk

Received & Passed June 26.
1837.

City Printing

Providence June 15th 1837.

I will publish in the Daily and Semi Weekly Morning Courier all notices Ordinances &c. that shall be required by the City authorities and also to print and furnish all the hand bills which may be ordered by the said City Authorities for the sum of forty dollars for the year Commencing on the first Monday in the present Month of June 1837.

Wm G Lamed

The Committee appointed by the City Council at their Annual meeting in June to Contract for the City Printing respectfully report the above made with Mr William G Lamed proprietor of the Morning Courier.

Providence June 26. 1837.

Joseph S Clarke
Seth Sweet
Joseph Cady

Resolved that the same be received
June 26.
1837.

City Treasurer's A/c.

Resolved That Messrs Carter & Mc. Anthony with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to Audit and Settle the account of the City Treasurer with the City, up to the first Monday in June (A.D. 1837.)

Alderman Hodkins added to the Committee

Passed June 26. 1837.

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William Steel.

The Committee to whom was referred the petition of Wm Ashton and others respecting William Steel.

Report. That they find no Evidence of said Steel ever Benefit went to Main having been laid and received according to Law.

By the testimony of the inhabitants, in the vicinity, that it has been repaired from time to time by the Town your Committee cannot doubt

Under the Circumstances ask to be discharged.

For the Committee
Amherst Everett

Providence June 5 1837.

Resolved that the same be accepted and that the Committee be discharged.

Passed June 26. 1837.

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Public Schools

Resolved That Messrs Olney, Mc Anthony, Everett, Hughes, Pabodie and Butts with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be a Committee, to take into Consideration the Expediency of a New Organization of the public Schools; and that said Committee be, and they are hereby directed to report, at the next meeting of the City Council, a plan for such improvements in the System of public School Education in this City as they may deem expedient.

Alderman Cady added to the Committee
Passed June 26th
1837.

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Harbor Master

Resolved, that Messrs Everett, Eddy & Angell with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are appointed a Committee to enquire and report what Action of the City Council (if any) is necessary in relation to the subject of Harbor Master, and that said Committee be and they are hereby directed to report by bill or otherwise at the next meeting of the City Council.

Alderman Hopkins added to the Committee
Passed June 26.
1837.

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North Burial Ground

Upon the petition of Oliver Angell & others and in behalf of Deborah Mosher requesting Leave to purchase in and enclose a burying lot in the North burial ground sufficient for their families &c. Resolved that the same be received & the prayer thereof granted; And that the said petitioners be and they are hereby authorized to purchase in and enclose such lot for such purpose, provided the same be done under the direction of the owners of the North burial ground, with the sanction of the Mayor.

And provided the privilege hereby granted be subject to all future regulations of the City Council and continue during the pleasure of the City Council and no longer.

Passed June 26.
1837.



Compensation of Sealer of Weights & Measures.

Resolved, That the City Sealer of Weights and Measures, be allowed and paid for his services as such the sum of Two hundred and fifty dollars for the present Municipal year payable quarterly.

Passed June 26. 1837.

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Westminster Steet.

Resolved That the surveyor of Highways acting under the advice and direction of Messrs Warner, Lanphear, and Potter, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and he is hereby authorized and directed to Cause the pavement in Westminster Steet from Walter Steel to the Junction of Westminster and High Streets to be relayed; and also to Cause a Crosswalk to be laid across Westminster Steet opposite the residence of Bray Foster Esq.

And that the same be done whether the Southerly line of said Westminster Steet shall be adjusted by said Committee with Jeremiah Butler as Contemplated by the resolution passed on the 5th day of June instant or not,

Alderman Williams added to the Committee
Passed June 26.
1837.

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Admitted Free.

The Two Boards met in Convention June 26. 1837. when the following named persons were admitted freemen of this City, viz,

Gardner Mc Burgess
Thomas G Northrop

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Represented.

The following named persons were represented to become freemen of this City, to wit.

John A Wadsworth. died produced
Russell Clapp do.

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Forcing Stationary Engine No 1

The following named persons were Elected members of Forcing Stationary Engine Company No 1

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| James G Smith | Stephen A Davis | Earl R Mason |
| Charles I Shelly | Benjamin Dyer | Edward N Mason |
| Reuben Brown | Ray Dyer | John R Martin |
| Benjamin Bagman | Benjamin B Dyer | Albert Mpenger |
| John W Cory | Wm S Davis | William H Murray |
| Levi L Webster | Samuel S Foster | Charles H Mann |
| John G Potter | George B Foster | Daniel Martin |
| Oliver A Budlong | William Sutton | Dexter Keene |
| Alfred Spink | Malachi R Gardner | Cyrus W Butt |
| William H Hudson | George H Hopkins | Asbah Sackett |
| James A Arnold | Henry A Howland | Stephen Salisbury |
| James C Buckbee | John L Howland | Lemuel B Shepard |
| Benjamin Allen | Richard B Hamlin | Amos W Snow |
| Job Andrews | Samuel Hamlin | Joshua Sherman |
| William Andrews | Joseph W Jones | William P Tefft |
| Joseph A Barker | Rhoden Lockwood | George A Taylor |
| Henry Barton | James Livesey | Abijah B Thomas |
| John E Brown | Benoni Lockwood | Edward A Talbot |
| William Brownell | Terence Mc Guire | Benjamin White |
| James E Budlong | Albert H Manchester | Oliver K W Albee |
| Philip Carr | Jacob Manchester | Edward R Young |
| Daniel Chace | Salma Manton | Jonathan Wardwell |

Engine Co No 2.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| James Thurber jr | Geo H Burt | Jonathan Brown |
| George E Cleveland | Asa W Davis | Isaac B Allen |
| William Calder | William N Amsbury | Geo J Thurber |
| Daniel Joslin | Charles S Cleveland | Willis C Lyg. |
| William W Chace | Joshua W Tripp | Gideon Hall |
| Augustus J. Winship | Daniel B Sherman | John McDougald |
| Peter Church | Alonzo Chace | John Simmons |
| Henry M Amsbury | Henry A Whipple | John Hadley |
| Cyrus Cleveland jr | Asa Cushman | Jesse Calder |
| David A Cleveland | Ambrose Jenkins | Geo James |

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Engine Co No 9.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Sylvester Himes | John Smith | Obadiah Arnold |
| Stephen C Vaughn | Jason Henry | Aaron Atwell |
| A P Sprague | Henry B Fone | Thos Bailey |
| Thos W Sprague | Lewis Warden | Seth B Cook jr |
| Samuel B Shepard | Wm H Sprague | James E Brown |
| Charles H Paine | Lewis Negatt jr | Nath[l] J Cheney |
| Thomas Case | Stephen Comb | Paul B Healy |
| Wilbur Wheaton | Christopher Negus | Augustus Allen |
| John Hopkins | Darius Horton | James H Shaw |
| Seth B Cook | Francis G Cummings | Wm Monroe |
| Joseph Luther | C H Remington | |
| Geo Warden | Denison P Healy. | |

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Collector of Taxes

John Hill who was on the 5th instant appointed Collector of Taxes and to Collect the Tax ordered on that day declines serving, whereupon Robert Knight is appointed Collector of Taxes and also to Collect the Tax ordered on the 5th day of June 1837. in his place

The two Boards then separated and the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber.

Drain from Hopkins Street

Resolved that the Surveyor of Highways be directed to cause the drain leading from Hopkins Street, to be relaid from South to Main Street to the river

Passed July 31st 1837.

Hospital Lot

Upon the petition of the Bowen Bleaching & Calendering Company requesting leave to lay logs for the Conveyance of Water through the Hospital Lot (so Called) to their new Bleachery it is Resolved that the same be granted and the Prayer thereof granted and that the said petitioners be and they are hereby authorized to Cause such logs to be laid through said Lot provided the same be done under the direction of the Surveyor of Highways; And provided the privilege hereby granted shall Continue during the Pleasure of the City Council and no longer

Passed July 31. 1837.



Sewed

North Burial Ground.

Upon the petitions of Morris Deming, Charles C Mowry and Edward Billings, requesting leave to fence in and enclose burying lots sufficient for their respective families in the North Burial Ground, Its Resolved that the same be granted and the Prayer thereof granted; and that the said petitioners be and they are hereby severally authorized to fence in and enclose such lots for such purposes provided the same be done under the direction of the Trustees of the North Burial Ground with the Sanction of the Mayor; And Provided the several privileges hereby granted shall be subject to all future regulations of the City Council and shall Continue during the pleasure of the City Council and no longer

Passed July 31 1837.

Fourth of July.

Resolved that the sum of One hundred and fifty dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated, for the payment of the expenses incurred for the recent Celebration of the Anniversary of American Independence in addition to the appropriations heretofore made for that purpose; and that the same be paid by the City Treasurer to the Chairman of the Committee of Arrangements for that occasion out of any Money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed July 31st 1837.

Admitted Freemen.

The two Boards met in Convention July 31. 1837. when the following named persons, having stood propounded more than three Months were admitted freemen of this City, to wit

.. Amos W Young.
.. William C Barker 2
.. Samuel W Peckham
.. David W Petty

And .. George W Gladding 2 as Adoptd sons of John J Gladding
Also .. Sylvester Knight was admitted a freeman of this City on Certificate from Warwick, and producing legal evidence of sufficient personal Estate in this City

Propounded

The following persons were propounded to become freemen. to wit,

| | |
|---|---|
| Edward A Hopkins, | by descent and dead produced |
| Gideon Garnett | dead produced |
| Samuel Burr | do |
| Benjamin B Brownell | do. |

Engine No 7.

The following named persons were elected members of Engine Company No 7, to wit

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Alpheus B Southwick | Spencer Peirce | Augustus Tallman |
| Benjamin W Ware | James W Sanders | James A Eddy |
| Gardner Salsbury | Joseph Davis | Edwin Barstow |
| Allen Shaw | Thomas Barstow | Thomas J Sprague |
| Sylvester Salsbury | Horace M Peck | Edward Salsbury |
| Henry Sherburne | Otis Tabor | John Sanders |
| Benjamin G Tallman | B. A Sprague | Lewis Field |
| John Eddy | Henry Battey | Joseph Belcher. |

S. D Walker
Richard S Dawley
Samuel Spooner
Geo C James
Benjamin Thurston
Pardon S Pierce

Amasa Potter
James Salsbury
Edward K Fuller
D. E Carpenter
John Henly
Jos K Allen

Enoch Talbman
Francis Curtis
Joseph W Sanders
Joshua Matthewson.

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The Two Boards then Separated and the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber

Public Schools

Resolved, that the Committee appointed to take into Consideration the expediency of a new organization of the public Schools be empowered to raise a sub Committee of Two. to visit the public Schools in Boston, Salem, Lowell and New Bedford.

Passed August 29th
1837.

Centinial Celebration

To the City Council of the City of Providence

Gentlemen

A demand of Ten dollars in favor of Mr E R Hanson for service rendered by him at the "Second Centinnial Celebration" remains unpaid, This demand I find was omitted at the time the application was made for an additional appropriation to defray the expenses of said Celebration. having been Called upon to pay said sum, having Settled my account with the City and having no funds of the City in my hands, I have taken the liberty to refer the Applicant to your honorable Body.

Very Respectfully yr
Thomas B Jenne late
Chairman of the S. C. C Committee

Monday
August 29th 1837.

Read: whereupon it is

Resolved that the sum of Ten dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the payment of the above named account of E. R Hanson, to be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated

Passed August 29th 1837.

Temporary Loan.

Resolved that the City Treasurer acting under the Advice of Messrs Curtis, Greene & Everett with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and he is hereby authorized to raise by temporary loan or loans such sum or sums of Money as the Circumstances of the City may require, provided the same shall not exceed in the whole, the sum of Three Thousand Eight hundred Dollars.

Alderman Hopkins added to the Committee

Passed August 29th
1837.



Old Grist Mill

Resolved that the sum of one hundred and fifty Dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the suit now pending in favor of the City against Mrs Martha Howell in addition to the appropriations already made: And that the same be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed August 29th
1837.

North Burial Ground.

Truman Bickwith, Allen Brown. B W Comstock J. J Comstock. W W Comstock Ann Comstock, Edward Harwood, Edward Harwood Jun. and Benjamin C Curtis having petitioned for leave to fence in and enclose burying lots sufficient for their respective families in the North Burial ground.

Resolved that each of the several petitioners be and they hereby are authorized to fence and enclose such lots for such purposes provided the same be done under the direction of the Owners of the North Burial ground with the Sanction of the Mayor and provided the several privileges hereby granted shall be subject to all future regulations of the City Council, and shall Continue during the pleasure of the City Council and no longer.

Passed August 29.
1837

Admitted Free.

The two Boards met in Convention August 29. 1837 when the following persons were admitted Freemen of this City

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| to wit, | James G Whitaker | Eldest | son of | Josiah Whitaker |
| | Otis A Wheelock | " | " | Joseph Wheelock |
| | John Eddy. | " | " | John S Eddy. |
| | William O Fillion | " | " | Pardon S Fillion |
| | Jabez C Olney | " | " | Benjamin S Olney |
| | John Greene | " | " | Isaac Greene |
| | William G Brown | " | " | James Brown |
| | Henry Clarke | " | " | Thomas Clarke |
| | William H Chandler | " | " | Randolph Chandler |
| | Daniel S Dexter | " | " | Samuel Dexter |
| | Nehemiah Knight | " | " | Sylvester Knight |
| | William B Shaw | " | " | Samuel Shaw |
| | William Chapin | " | " | Josiah Chapin |
| | George T Gladding | " | " | George W Gladding |
| | Nicholas Angell jun | " | " | Nicholas Angell |
| | John G Burnough | " | " | John Burnough |
| | Joseph H Tillinghast | " | " | Joseph Tillinghast |
| | Elijah H Williams | " | " | Jason Williams |
| | Henry Whitman | " | " | Benjamin H Whitman |
| | Albert Gerald | " | " | Samuel A Gerald |
| | Joseph W Spencer | " | " | Dexter Spencer |
| | Holden Pearce jun | " | " | Holden Pearce. |
| | Edward D Vaughan | " | " | Gardner Vaughan. |

Edward C Gardner, on Petition & evidence of payment for Real Estate in this City
Isaac Ellis do do
Zelotes W Holden do do
Horatio Burke do do.

Repounded

The following persons were repounded to become freemen, to wit,

| | |
|---|---|
| Francis Tallman | By device |
| Joseph Potter | do |
| Otis Chace | do |
| Reuben Parsons | deed produced |
| John B Earle | do |
| Josiah Simmons | do |
| James Chambers | do |
| Asa Cushman | do |
| Daniel W Vaughan | do |
| George L Nottage | do |
| Obadiah P Osborn | do |
| William P Shaw | do |
| Albert S Field | By device |
| Albert Mespinger | deed not produced but satisfactory evidence given of the loss of Original deed |

The two Boards then separated and the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber.

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Admitted Free.

The two Boards met in Convention August 29. 1837 at 5 o'clock P.M. and the following persons were admitted Free

William H West 2d on Certificate and Evidence of a Freehold Estate in this City

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| William J Smith | Eldest son of | Joseph Smith |
| Albert H Draper | " " | Henry S Draper |
| George W Lippitt | " " | Warren Lippitt |
| James Hudson | " " | Thomas Hudson |

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Repounded

The following named persons are repounded to become freemen of the City, to wit,

Lewis Leveck — tenant by Courtesy
William Osborn. — deed produced.

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The two Boards then separated and the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber.

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City Funds.

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred a Communication from the City Treasurer respecting an arrangement with some Bank in the City to receive the City's funds, respectfully report the following Resolution, the adoption of which they recommend.

George Curtis for the Committee

Resolved that the City Treasurer be authorized to continue the arrangement now existing between the City and the Merchants Bank for the reception of the funds of the City for one year, and until the further order of the City Council, upon the same terms and conditions as were stipulated for the last year.

Passed September 4th
1837.



Cross walks Chesnut Street.

Resolved that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to cause a Cross walk to be laid across Clifford Street on the North side of Chesnut Street; And also one across Chesnut Street near the North line of the Methodist Meeting House lot.

Passed September 4th
1837

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South Water Street

Resolved that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to cause the pavement at the North end of South Water Street to be repaired; and pavement laid as far South as Leonard Street.

Passed Sept 4
1837.

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City Treasurers Account

The Committee appointed to examine the accounts of the City Treasurer from the 1st June last respectfully

Report, that they have discharged the duty appointed them and found the accounts Carefully Stated and well vouched. The following items were Carried to new account on the last mentioned day viz:

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| Butchers notes due 5th June | 1800. |
| Sundry notes over due | 152.80 |
| Balance of Tax uncollected | 1632. |
| Cash on hand | 2.106.53 |
| | 5.691.33 |

Sept 4 1837.

George Curtis for the Committee

Accepted September 4th
1837.

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Quarantine Fine &c.

Upon the petition of Samuel S Baker for the remission of a fine for a Violation of the quarantine regulations, It is Resolved, that the same be received and referred to Messrs James G Anthony, Erving L Mason, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon.

Alderman Williams added to the Committee
Passed September 25
1837.

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Appropriations

Resolved that the several sums hereinafter mentioned be and the same are hereby appropriated for the following purposes respectively, to wit,

For the Fire department — Two hundred and fifty dollars
For Highways — Five hundred dollars.

And that said sums so appropriated be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed September 25
1837.

Crops Walks.

Resolved that the Surveyor of Highways be directed to Cause a Crop walk to be laid in Rhode Island at it Intersection in Pine Street.

Passed September 25th
1837.

Public Schools.

Resolved that the sum of Forty eight dollars and sixty six Cents be and the same is hereby appropriated for the payment of the expenses incurred by the sub Committee appointed by the Committee on visiting & new organization of the Public Schools of this City; and that the same be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to the order of the Chairman of said sub Committee.

Passed September 25th
1837.

Public Schools.

Resolved. Upon the several reports of the joint Committee appointed on the 26th day of June last to take into Consideration the Expediency of a new Organization of the Public Schools of this City, — and of the sub committee, appointed by said Committee, — It is Resolved that said Reports be received, and that the same be printed for the use of the City Council, and for distribution among the freemen of the City, — under the direction of said joint named Committee; and that the same be printed and distributed in such manner as said Committee may deem expedient.

Passed September 25th
1837.

Admitted Freemen

The Two Boards met in Convention September 25th 1837. when the following named persons were admitted Freemen, to wit,

George Mason.
Jeremiah Annibal
John W Arnold
Samuel S Foster
Henry W Thayer
William B Mann on Certificate from Smithfield and a duel sufficient freehold Estate in this City

Prepounded

The following named persons were prepounded to become freemen of this City viz.

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|---|---|
| Edward T Clarke | duel produced |
| Christopher B Pierce | do |
| Henry B Anthony | do. |

The two Boards then Separated and the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber.



Rail Road

Resolved that Messrs James G Anthony and Warner with such of the Board of Aldermen may add be and they hereby are appointed a Committee to appear and act in behalf of the City in any proceedings relative to the location or Construction of the New York Providence and Boston Rail Road, with power to employ Counsel if they deem it necessary. Alderman Holden added to the Committee.

Passed October 23
1837.

Ariel Sayles.

Resolved that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to make no further deposit of money in the hands of the Keeper of the State Jail in the County of Providence for the purpose pertaining Ariel Sayles in Confinement in said Jail on the Claims now existing in favor of the City against him; and that said Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to withdraw from the hands of said Jailor, whatever sums of money have been deposited, which may remain unexpended for said purposes.

Passed October 23
1837.

Third District School H.

Upon the Petition of William Aplin &c Resolved, that the same be received, and that the prayer thereof be granted; and that Rev Dr Crocker and Rev W Vinton and their Associates be and they are hereby authorized to use one of the School rooms in the third district School house, one evening in each week for the purpose of holding religious meetings therein during the pleasure of the City Council.

Passed October 23
1837.

Sepions Lot.

Resolved that Messrs Cowing & Hudson with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby ~~appropriated~~ appointed a Committee to Cause the walls & fence around the "Sepions lot", so called, to be repaired, provided the expense thereof shall not exceed Seventy five Dollars.

See Resolution in relation to same lot

Resolved that the sum of Seventy five dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose aforesaid, to be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated

Alderman Holden added to the Committee

Passed October 23.
1837

Warren Batchellor.

Resolved that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and directed to endorse and allow to Warren Batchellor the sum of twenty dollars from the amount of rent agreed to be paid by said Batchellor to the City for the use of the Sepions lot, so called, for the last year, said deduction being made as an equivalent for damages sustained by said Batchellor by reason of the excavations made upon said lot for anthracite Coal by order of the City Council.

Passed October 23.
1837.

Printing Report of School Com.t

Resolved that the sum of forty five dollars be & the same is hereby appropriated for the payment of the expenses of printing & distributing the reports in relation to a new Organization of the Public Schools of the City pursuant to the resolution of the City Council of September 25th 1837. to be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated to the order of the Chairman of the Committee by whom said reports were made.

Passed October 23 1837

Westminster Street.

Resolved that the sum of two hundred dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose of Completing the paving of the west end of Westminster Street and that said sum so appropriated be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed October 23
1837.

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North Burial Ground.

Upon the several petitions of Thomas J Griffin and Alfred G Richardson requesting leave to fence in and enclose burying lots sufficient for their respective families in the North Burial ground

It is Resolved that the same be severally granted and the prayers thereof granted; and that said petitioners be and they are hereby severally authorized to fence in and enclose such lots for such purposes; provided the same be done under the direction of the Overseers of the North Burial ground with the sanction of the Mayor; and provided the several privileges hereby granted shall be subject to all future regulations of the City Council; and shall Continue during the pleasure of the City Council and no longer.

Passed October 23.
1837.

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Third District School house

Upon the petition of Thomas J Potter & others. It is ordered that the same be received and the prayer thereof granted; and that the said petitioners and their associates be and they are hereby authorized to use one of the school rooms in the third district School house any one evening in each week excepting Thursday Evening, for the purpose of holding religious meetings therein; during the pleasure of the City Council and no longer.

Passed October 26th
1837.

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Will near the North burial Ground.

Resolved. that Samuel Whidden be and he is hereby authorized to dig a Well at the junction of Sexton Street and the Douglas Branch Turnpike in the public Highway, provided however that the public shall at all times have the use of said well for a watering place & for extinguishing fires.

Passed October 26th
1837.

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Cadet Company.

Upon the petition of George O Bourn & others a Committee of the Cadet Company

Ordered that the same be received and referred to Messrs Eddy Cowing & Everett with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon.

Alderman Cady added to the Committee.

Passed October 26.
1837

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Appropriation for Highways

Resolved that the sum of Five hundred dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for repairs of Highways; and that said sum so appropriated be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed October 26.
1837.

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Upon the Several Petitions of Seth Thayer
Seth W. Thayer
Isaac Brown and
Nathaniel W Brown. requesting

North Burial Ground.

leave to fence in and enclose burying lots sufficient for their respective families in the North Burial ground, it is Resolved that the same be received and the prayers thereof severally granted, and that the said petitioners be and they are hereby severally authorized to fence in and enclose such lots for such purposes; provided the same be done under the direction of the Overseers of the North Burial Ground, with the sanction of the Mayor; And provided also that the several privileges hereby granted shall be subject to all future regulations of the City Council and shall Continue during the pleasure of the City Council and no longer.

Passed November 27th 1837

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Appropriations

Resolved that the Several Sums hereinafter named be and the same are hereby appropriated for the following purposes respectively; to wit,

| | |
|---|---|
| For the Support of the Poor. | Five hundred Dollars |
| For the Fire department | Two hundred & fifty dollars |
| For repairs of Highways | One thousand dollars. |

And that said sums so appropriated be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed November 27th
1837.

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Admitted Free

The two Boards met in Convention November 27th 1837. when the following named persons were admitted freemen of this City, to wit.

John A Wadsworth
Rufus Clapp
Edward A Hopkins
Gideon Gurnett
Samuel Burr
Benjamin B Bowditch
Samuel Warner jr Eldest Son of Samuel Warner.
John I Ambrose " " " John H Ambrose.

Prefounded

The following named persons were prefounded to become freemen, to wit,

| | |
|---|---|
| John I Parkis | duly produced |
| Daniel A Taylor | do |
| James A Tolle | do |
| Ellis Hooper | do |
| John W Vose | do |
| John Crocker | do |
| William P Dana | do |
| Edward M Brown. | do |

The two Boards then separated and the Board of Aldermen returned to their Chamber.

**Appropriation**

Resolved that the several sums herein after named be and the same are hereby appropriated for the following purposes respectively, to wit, —.

| | |
|---|---|
| For the Fire department | Five hundred dollars. |
| For repairs of Highways. | Five hundred dollars |
| For the support of the poor | Five hundred dollars |
| For repairs of public buildings | Two hundred dollars — and that said |

sums so appropriated be paid out of any Money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated

Passed December 25
1837. —.

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**Work House Lot.**

Resolved that the City Treasurer acting under the advice and direction of Messrs S. H. Grant & H. Anthony with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and he is hereby authorized to Lease the work house Lot for one year from and after the first day of January A.D. 1838. — Mr. Holden added to the Committee —.

Passed December 25
1837.

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**Treasurers &c.**

Resolved that — Messrs Curtis & H. Anthony with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and they hereby are Appointed a Committee to examine and Settle the accounts of the City Treasurer with the City up to the first day of January A.D. 1838 —

Alderman Barker added to the Committee

Passed December 25
1837.

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**Weights & Measures**

Resolved that the time in which persons using weights measures, yardsticks platforms or other scales Steelyards or other balances of whatever description for the purpose of selling or vending any articles of goods, wares, merchandize, liquors or provisions thereby in this City are required by the first section of the Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance in relation to weights, Measures, scales and Balances" to have the same to be examined and sealed, be extended for the period one, three months from the thirty first day of December instant; — And that the time named in the second section of said Ordinance from and after which no person by the provisions of said second section, shall use or permit to be used for him or her, any weight, measure, yardstick, platform or other scales, steelyards or other balances, in weighing or measuring therewith any article for sale in this City, until the same shall have been examined and sealed as provided in said Ordinance — be extended three months from said thirty first day of December instant —

Passed December 25
— 1837. —



**Admitted Free.**

The Two Boards met in Convention December 25. 1837. when the following named persons were admitted Freemen of this City, to wit. —

Francis Tallman
Joseph Potter
Ebr Chace
Reuben Parsons
John B Earle
Josiah Simmons
James Chambers
Asa Eastman
Daniel W Vaughan
George L Nottage
Obediah V Brown
William B Shaw
Albert S Dodd
Albert Upsurge
Lewis Leweck
William Brown
Edward S Clark
Christopher B Rice
Henry B Anthony

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**Propounded**

The following named persons were propounded to become Freemen, to wit,

| | |
|---|---|
| Ezra Gowing | Deed produced |
| Samuel Whilden Jr. | do |
| Samuel Whilden | do |
| Jeremiah Penno | do |
| Elisha S Evans | do |
| Ephraim S Jackson | do |
| James B Watkins | do |
| Henry Kelly | do |
| John Barstow | by the Curtesy. — |

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**Fire Ward**

John Babcock is duly appointed Fire Ward

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The two Boards then Separated and the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber —

Public Schools

Resolved 1st that it is expedient that the number of Public Schools in this City be increased to Fourteen not including the Schools for Children of Color.

2d that it is expedient that said Schools be of the following description viz.—

One High School
Six Grammar and writing schools
Ten Primary Schools.

3d that in the Opinion of the City Council no Child ought to be admitted into the primary schools at a less age than four years; into the grammar and writing schools at a less age than seven years; nor into the High school at a less age than twelve years unless by special permission of the School Committee.

4th that in the Opinion of the City Council no pupil ought to remain in the High School longer than three years, unless by special permission of the school Committee; and in no case unless the same is not full.

5th that in the Opinion of the City Council the principal of the High School should be paid twelve hundred and fifty dollars per Annum; the Assistant Teacher, Seven hundred and fifty dollars per Annum; the Masters of the Grammar and writing schools Eight hundred dollars, each per annum; two assistant Female Teachers to each of the Grammar and writing schools two hundred and twenty five dollars each per Annum. the principals of the primary schools, two hundred and fifty dollars each per Annum, the Assistant Teacher, two hundred dollars each per Annum,

6th that in the Opinion of the City Council it is expedient to establish a Superintendant of the Public Schools, who together with the School Committee shall have the entire Control of the System of instruction and discipline of the public Schools; and that the duties of said Superintendant be discharged under the advice and direction of the School Committee.

7th that in the Opinion of the City Council the Superintendant of the Public schools should be paid a Salary of twelve hundred and fifty dollars per Annum.

8th that the High School should be instituted for the purpose of fitting young men for College; and for perfecting those who are not intended for a Collegiate Course of Study in all the Branches of a good English Education.

9th that it is expedient that the High School shall be open for Candidates from all the grammar and writing Schools in the City once a year; viz, on the Monday next succeeding the Annual Exhibition of the public Schools; which Exhibition is to be held on the Monday next preceding the first Wednesday in September; and that for admission into the High School, Candidates from the public Schools shall have preference over all others.

10th That Messrs. Henry. H. Anthony, Everett, Hughes, Paddelford, and Butts, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to draw up and report to the City Council an Ordinance for a new Organization, and for the future government of the Public Schools in Conformity with the preceding Resolutions. Alderman Holden added to the Committee. Passed January 8. 1838.

Work house Lot.



Resolved that Messrs Harding & Angell with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to ascertain the North line of the work house Lot, and to adjust the same with the owners or owners of the adjoining land. Alderman Holden added to the Committee. Passed January 15th 1838.

Appropriations

Resolved that the sum of Three hundred dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated, for Contingencies; and that said sum so appropriated be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated. Passed January 15 1838.

North Burial Ground.

Upon the petition of Joseph A Chedel, requesting leave to fence in and make a burying lot sufficient for his family on the North Burial ground it is Resolved that the same be granted and the prayer thereof granted; and that said petitioner be and he is hereby authorized to fence in and make such lot for such purpose, Provided the same be done under the direction of the Overseer of the North Burial Ground, with the sanction of the Mayor; and Provided the privilege hereby granted shall be subject to all future regulations of the City Council and shall Continue during the pleasure of the City Council and no longer. Passed January 15th 1838.

Propounded

The two Boards met in Convention January 15. 1838 when the following named persons were propounded to become Freemen viz.—

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|---|---|
| Charles I Shelly. | read propounded |
| William Hall | do |
| Allen Brown | do |
| Robert Curtis Jr. | do |
| Lucius Manran 2d | do |
| George Rivers | do |
| Benjamin McEatherson | do |
| George Hawkins | do |
| Edward H Thurston | do. |

The two Boards then separated and the Board of Aldermen returned to their Chamber.

Work house Lot drain.

Resolved that the Surveyor of Highways acting under the advice and direction of Messrs Harding & Angell with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and he is hereby directed to cause a drain to be sunk from the East side of Charles Street across the work house lot to the Blackstone Canal, Alderman Holden added to the Committee. Passed January 15 1838.

The two Boards met in Convention January 18th 1838. when the following named persons were propounded to become freemen. to wit, —

Propounded.

| | |
|---|---|
| William H Dart | and produced |
| Horace Read | do |
| Herman A Peck | do |
| William Dabney. | do |
| Benjamin Cornell | by the Century. |

Engine Co. No 5.

The following named persons were appointed an additional number of Engine Company No 5. to wit.

Benjn F Dustin
Francis Brickley
Stephen P Henry
Benjamin F Jones
Henry Branch
Charles F Harris
Albion N Olney.

~~I. H. Bowerman~~
~~H. G. Thorbrow~~
~~James E Butts.~~

James A Brown
John Barton Junr
Charles Williams Jnr
David Carey Jnr
Stephen Robinson. —

The two Boards then separated and the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber. —

Appropriations

Resolved that the several sums herein after named be and the same are hereby appropriated for the following purposes respectively, to wit. —

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| For the support of the poor | , | Twelve hundred dollars. — |
| For the Fire department | | Eight hundred dollars. |
| For the City Watch. | | Seven hundred dollars. |
| For repairs of Public buildings | | Three hundred dollars. |
| For Contingencies | | Five hundred dollars. |
| For building the Asylum Walls | | Six hundred dollars. |

And that said sums so appropriated be paid out of any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated. —

Passed February 26th
— 1838. —

City Debt.

Resolved that the City Treasurer be authorized to renew the Obligations of the City for such portion of the City debt as will become due on the first day of April next, at the same rate of interest they now bear. —

Resolved that the City Treasurer acting under the advice of Messrs Curtis Gerard & Merritt with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be authorized to obtain on temporary loans, upon the best terms practicable, such sums of money as may be necessary to pay so much of the City debt due the first day of April next as may then be required to be paid by the holders thereof. —

Alderman Hopkins added to the Committee. —

Passed February 26
1838.



Fire Department.

Upon the Communication from a Committee of the Board of Five Wards respecting the purchase of a lot of land belonging to William A Howard as a location for an Engine house for Engine Company No 9. it is

Resolved that the same be received and referred to Messrs Lanehar Hudson and Stillwell, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add; and that said Committee be and they are hereby authorized in case they may deem it advisable to purchase from said Howard for the City, said lot of land measuring twenty feet on Carpenter Street, and of extending back Southerly keeping that width about sixty feet, provided the same can be purchased and a Clear title thereto obtained for a sum not exceeding one hundred and twenty dollars. —

Resolved that the sum of one hundred and twenty dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purchase of said Lot, to be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated to the order of the Chairman of said Committee

Alderman Williams added to the Committee
Passed February 26.
1838. —

The Two Boards met in Convention February 26th 1838 when the following named persons were propounded to become Freemen of this City to wit. —

| | |
|---|---|
| Daniel Matthewson | and produced |
| Christopher G Dodge | do |
| Martin Bailey | do |
| William B Bowen | do |
| David Winsh | do |
| George W Carter | do |
| Benjamin G Seal | do. |
| Samuel Sawed | do. |
| Ephraim Richmond | do |
| William Shaw. | do |

The two Boards then separated and the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber.

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## City of Providence in account

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1837. June 7. | To amount of taxes uncollected by John Mills Committed by order of City Council | | 30 | 70 |
| August 12 | " John Mills Commissions on tax of 1836. not kept as Collector himself $3300. at 4 per cent | 132 0. | | |
| | do. on interest on taxes $ 160 .. 16. 4 p. ct. | 6 41 | | |
| | | 138 .. 41 | | |
| | Less Commissions on taxes as above abated $30.70 4 p. ct | 1 .. 23 | 137 | 18. |
| 29 | " paid Jacob C Gould for summoning witnesses in Grist mill case | 53 .. 33 | | |
| | Robert Angells bill going to newport | 4 72 | | |
| | Wm Arnolds bill do. | 4 . 80 | | |
| | addl allow[ance] to Thos Sykes | 0 . 60 | | |
| | | 63 . 65 | | |
| | Less attended by S Nowell as Charged in J C Gould's a/c the having gone to Newport. | 4 : 10 | 59 | 65. |
| Sept 15 | To paid Merchants Bank for a loan negotiated May 5th pay[able] 12/15 Sept. amt of which was Credited City May 5th. — | | 4000 | 00 |
| Dec. 8. | " paid William Sayles for taxes on lands in Cumston | | 9 | 95. |
| 21 | " paid Samuel H Arnold as one of the Comm[rs] on the Grist mill Case pursuant Session | | 20 | 00 |
| 30 | " to the following accounts for balances Rents &c. — | | | |
| | Digging for Coal | 10 . 39. | | |
| | Contingencies including police | 2655 .. 46. | | |
| | City Watch | 2936 .. 39. | | |
| | Lighting Streets | 638 .. 93. | 6240 | 27 |
| | Interest | 2146 .. 42 | | |
| | Salaries | 3153 .. 78. | | |
| | Repairing Westm[r] Street | 1356 .. 57. | | |
| | Public Schools | 2855 .. 0. | | |
| | Wells & pumps | 71 .. 32. | | |
| | Asylum Wall | 1580 .. 13. | | |
| | Support of Poor in Asylum | 1919 .. 15 | | |
| | do do at large | 964 .. 36. | | |
| | Highways | 5713 .. 64. | | |
| | Fire department | 3553 .. 05 | | |
| | Public buildings | 800 .. 07 | 24013 | 26. |
| 31 | To new 6p[er] c[en]t notes on hand viz Wenthrop Ridge | 115 .. 00 | | |
| | Vanum Saunders | 26 .. 00 | | |
| | Ephraim Thurber | 11 .. 80 | | |
| | John A Foster | 160 .. 00. | 312 | 80 |
| " | 12 Butlers notes due 4/7 June 1838. | | 1830 | 00 |
| " | so much of tax of 1837 uncollected | | 5820 | 00 |
| " | Cash on hand this day. | | 12267 | 11 |
| | | $ | 54740 | 92 |

Providence Sept. 21. 1838. we the undersigned a Committee appointed by the City Council to examine & settle the Treasurers accounts have performed that duty and find the within to be Correct with this exception that the amount debited Highways should be $ 5713 .. 54 instead of $ 5713.64 leaving a balance in the Treasurers hands on the 1st June 1838. as follows Notes receivable. 312.80

1830 — 2142 .. 80

balance of tax uncollected. 5820 —

Cash 12.267 11

add for error above mentioned 10 12267.21

$ 20.230 .. 01

Geo Curtis
Wm C Barker
Henry Anthony
Committee



with

## Stephen Tillinghast City Treasurer

Cr.

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1837. May 31 | By old account for Cash on hand this day | 2106 .. 53. | | |
| | Balance of tax of 1836. not paid | 1632 .. 00 | | |
| | Butlers notes due 4/7 June | 1800 .. 00 | | |
| | Wenthrop Ridge notes due 2 unp[d] | 115 .. 00 | | |
| | Vanum Saunders do | 26 .. 00 | | |
| | Ephraim Thurber do | 11 .. 80 | 5691 | 33. |
| June 7. | " Cash of City Clerk for Auctioneers dues | | 66 | 58. |
| | " Cash of do for Licenses to Menagerie | 45 .. 00 | | |
| | do " "Singing" | 10 .. 00 | | |
| | do " Juvenile Theatre | 10 .. 00 | | |
| | do " Licenses to retailers | 18 .. 00 | 83 | 00 |
| July 1 | " 3 months Tax to date on S. Charles billiard table | | 47 | 50 |
| 14 | " Cash of City Clerk for Licenses to retailers | | 33 | 00 |
| Aug 2 | " S. Wentworth for sale of City Thatch | | 11 | 00 |
| | " 3m[o] tax to 1st on A Dexters billiard table | | 47 | 50 |
| 12 | " Cash of John Griffin for violations of State laws relating to Oysters | | 10 | 00 |
| 19 | " Cash of S Baker & D Baxter for breach of quarantine regulations $ 25. each | | 50 | 00 |
| 29 | " 3m[o] tax to 27th May on Williams Gibbs billiard table | | 47 | 50 |
| Sept 11 | " 3m[o] do to 27th August " Wm Gibbs | | 47 | 50 |
| | " breach of quarantine laws hand over by City Clerk | 25 .. 00 | | |
| | " Various Exhibitions $10 $10 $10 | 30 .. 00 | 55 | 00 |
| Octob 2 | " 3m[o] tax to 1st inst on S Charles billiard table | | 47 | 50 |
| 4 | " Cash of City Clerk for Licenses to retailers | | 353 | 00 |
| 10 | " do do do " | | 305 | 00 |
| 23 | " do do do " | | 164 | 00 |
| Nov. 1 | " 3m[o] tax to date on A Dexters billiard table | | 47 | 50 |
| 25 | " Cash of City Clerk on a/c Licenses | | 193 | 00 |
| Dec. 17 | " 3 m[o] tax to 14th inst on J Chambers billiard table | | 47 | 50 |
| 30 | " balances of the following a/cts viz. Rents | 2126 .. 55 | | |
| | " Fines of A Foster | 59 .. 96. | | |
| | " Tillinghast donation | 7 .. 00 | 2193 | 51. |
| | By City tax ordered in June last & payable in September | | 45000 | 00. |
| | | $ | 54740 | 92 |
| | By Balance from Old a/c[t] | | 20229 | 91. |

Errors Excepted. Providence Dec. 31 1837.

Stephen Tillinghast
City Treasurer.

Resolved that the same be received and recorded

Passed Febuary 26th 1838

Town house Lot.

Resolved that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to cause the Earth which has been thrown out upon the Town house lot by the Cadet Company during the raising of their Armory to be removed from said lot at the expense of the City. —

Passed March 12th 1838. —

Jail Lot.

Resolved that the Communication from George Curtis a Committee of the General Assembly respecting a transfer to the State of the City's interest in the Jail Lot (so called) be received and referred to Messrs Larcher and Warner with such as the Board of Aldermen may add to examine and report thereon. — Alderman Holden added to the Committee

Passed March 12th 1838.

Appropriation

Resolved that the sum of Three hundred dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the fire department, and that said sum so appropriated be paid out of any Money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated. —

Passed March 12th 1838.

Public Schools

The Report of the Joint Committee appointed to report a bill for a new organization of the public Schools is read, Whereupon it is Resolved that the same be received and together with the Bill reported by said Committee be printed in the Morning Courier, and that two hundred Copies thereof be printed for the use of the City Council. —

Passed March 12th 1838. —

Town House

Resolved that the use of the Town House be granted to the Firemen's Association for mutual Assistance for the purpose of holding a meeting therein on the Evening of the 27th day of March instant. —

Passed March 12th 1838.

Admitted Free

The Two Boards met in Convention March 12th 1838. when the following named persons having stood Prepounded three months were admitted Firemen of this City, to wit,

John S Parkis
Daniel A Taylor
James A Isle
Ellis Hooper
John W Vose
John Crocker
William W Dana
Edward M Brown

Prepounded

Thomas M Hawkins was prepounded to become a Fireman, by docket. —

The two Boards then separated & the Board of Aldermen returned to their Chamber. —



City debt.

Resolved that the City Treasurer be authorized to issue for one year the Obligations of the City for such portion of the City debt as will become due on the first day of April next at a rate of interest not exceeding 5 p% per annum. —

Resolved that the City Treasurer acting under the advice of Messrs Curtis Grunes & Emmett with such as the Board of Aldermen may added be authorized to obtain from time to time on the best terms practicable such sums of money on loan from any Bank as may be necessary for the use of the City not exceeding in the whole the sum of Six thousand dollars. —

Alderman Hoppin added to the Committee

Passed March 26 1838. —

Measure of Cotton Cloth.

Upon the petition of Zachariah Allen and others it is Resolved that the same be received and referred to Messrs J G Anthony, S H Grunes and Waddell with such as the Board of Aldermen may add to examine and report thereon. —

Alderman Hoppin added to the Committee

Passed March 26th 1838.

Town House Lot.

Upon the petition of Robert H Ives & others it is Resolved that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to cause the horse sheds now standing on the Town house lot to be removed therefrom, and to dispose of the same on the best terms he can obtain therefor and to pay over the proceeds thereof into the City Treasury.

Passed March 26th 1838.

Mayor's Salary.

Resolved that the Salary of the Mayor for the ensuing Municipal year be One Thousand Dollars. payable quarterly

Passed March 26th 1838.

Engine No nine

The Committee to whom were referred the petition of the fire department requesting the purchase of a lot for Engine number nine, Report, that they have purchased a lot of Mr William A Howard measuring twenty feet by fifty feet and have drawn on the City Treasurer for one hundred and twenty dollars in payment for the same. —

For the Committee

Howard March 26th 1838. — Solomon Larcher —

Town house Lot.

Resolved that the resolution which passed February 7th 1837 granting a Lease to E J Mallett of part of the City Land with directions to erect a fence in a particular place be so altered that a fence be erected at any time hereafter in a proper place under the direction of the City Marshal, and that the City Treasurer be authorized to execute the lease and collect the rent quarterly from said Mallett until further orders from the City Council

Passed March 29th 1838.

Celebration of 4th July.

Resolved that Majr Everett Messrs Hudson with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and they are hereby appointed a Committee of Arrangements for the Celebration of the approaching anniversary of American Independence.

Resolved that the Sum of Five hundred dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated to defray the expenses of said Celebration, to be paid by the City Treasurer to the order of the Chairman of said Committee out of any Monies in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated

Alderman Williams added to the Committee

Passed March 29.
1838.

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Fire Department

Resolved that the sum of Five hundred Dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the Fire department; and that said sum so appropriated be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed March 30th
1838.

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Admitted Free.

The two Boards met in Convention March 30th 1838. when the following named persons having resided in this City more than three months are admitted freemen of this City to wit

Ezra Sawing
Samuel Whitden 2d
Samuel Whitden
Jeremiah Penno
Elisha S Evans
Ephraim S Jackson
James B Hawkins
Henry Villy
John Burtow.

Eldest Sons.

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Isaiah Whitden. | Eldest son of | | Samuel Whitden |
| William Batchelder | " | " " | Warren Batchelder |
| Pitt Smith | " | " " | Richard Smith |
| Preston E Williams | " | " " | Henry Williams. |

Propounded. Isaac Saunders

Dead, produced.

The two Boards then Separated and the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber

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Public Schools.

An Ordinance in Relation to the Public Schools.

Number and denomination of Schools

Section 1. Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence that from and after the seventh day of September A.D. 1838 the number of Public Schools in said City shall be Seventeen (not including Schools for Colored Children;) and that said Schools shall be of the following descriptions, to wit.

One High School
Six Grammar and Writing Schools
Ten Primary Schools.

And that free instruction shall be therein given to the Children of all the inhabitants of said City who may resort to and avail themselves thereof, subject only to the rules and regulations herein after Contained and provided for.

Number of Teachers.

Section 2. That each primary School shall be under the Care of a Principal and one assistant teacher, and the rudiments of an English education shall be taught therein:
That each Grammar and Writing School shall be under under the Care of a Master and at least two female assistant Teachers, or one Male assistant Teacher at the discretion of the School Committee, and the ordinary branches of an English education shall be taught therein
That the High School shall be under the Care of a preceptor and one or more assistant Teachers and thorough instruction shall be given therein in all the branches of a good English education and instruction shall also be given therein to all the pupils whose parents or guardians may desire it, in all the preparatory branches of a Classical education.

Number of Pupils in each School.

Section 3. the High School shall not at any time Contain more than two hundred pupils; of which number not more than one hundred shall be females, except when the number of male pupils shall be less than one hundred; in which Case, an additional number of females may be admitted, until the School shall be filled, under such Conditions as the School Committee may prescribe.

Requisites for admission to the Lower Schools

Section 4. That no Child who shall not have attained the age of four years shall be admitted as a pupil into a Primary School:
That no Child who shall not have attained the age of seven years shall be admitted as a pupil into a grammar and Writing School, nor unless qualified immediately to enter upon the Course of studies pursued therein:

Admission to the High School

That no Child who shall not have attained the age of twelve years shall be admitted as a pupil into the High School, nor unless qualified immediately to enter upon the Course of Studies pursued therein:
That no pupil shall remain in the High School more than three years.
No Child who shall not have attended a Grammar and Writing School for at least three years shall be admitted to the High School, when when there is a sufficient number of Candidates in the Grammar and Writing Schools qualified for admission therein; but whenever there shall not be a sufficient number of such Candidates, any Child over the age of twelve years, may if qualified, be admitted for such time as the School Committee may determine

Superintendent

Section 5. That the School Committee be and they are hereby authorized and required to appoint annually a Superintendent of the public Schools, who shall perform such duties in relation to the Public Schools, as said Committee may from time to time prescribe: said Superintendent to be subject to removal at any time by the School Committee in Case of inability or mismanagement.

Annual Exhibitions

Section 6. That there shall be a Public Exhibition in the last week of each School year in some place to be designated by the School Committee, by so many pupils of the highest

Class of each of the Grammar and Writing Schools, as may be selected in such manner as the School Committee shall prescribe, there shall also be an Annual Public Exhibition by the graduating Class and such other pupils of the High School as may be selected by the School Committee or under their direction which Exhibition shall take place on the Monday next preceding the first Wednesday in September.

School year. Section 7. That the first regular term of all the Schools in each School year shall Commence on the Monday next succeeding the second Wednesday in September.

Schools for Colored Children. Section 8. That there shall be two public schools maintained exclusively for the instruction of Colored Children, each of which shall be under the Care of a Principal: and also of an Assistant Teacher, whenever in the opinion of the School Committee the services of such Assistant may be necessary; and that the instruction shall be therein given in the Ordinary branches of an English education, to the Children of all the Colored inhabitants of the City, who may subject to avail themselves thereof, subject only to the rules and regulations herein Contained and provided for.

Salaries of Teachers &c. Section 9. That the following annual salaries shall be paid to the Superintendent and Instructors of the Schools respectively, in equal quarterly payments, to wit:

To the Superintendent Twelve hundred and fifty dollars;
To the Preceptor of the High School, Twelve hundred and fifty dollars;
To each male Assistant Teacher of the High School, Seven hundred and fifty dollars;
To each female Assistant Teacher of the High School, Five hundred dollars;
To each Master of a Grammar and Writing School Eight hundred dollars;
To each Male Assistant Teacher of a Grammar and Writing School Four hundred dollars;
To each female Assistant Teacher of a Grammar and Writing School Two hundred & twenty five dollars
To each Principal of a Primary School Two hundred and fifty dollars;
To each Assistant Teacher of a Primary School Two hundred dollars;
To each male Principal of a School for Colored Children Two hundred dollars;
To each female Principal of a School for Colored Children Two hundred dollars;
To each male Assistant Teacher of a School for Colored Children Two hundred and fifty dollars;
To each female Assistant Teacher of a School for Colored Children one hundred and fifty dollars;

Section 10. That all moneys appropriated for the support of the Public Schools shall be subject to the exclusive Control of the School Committee, who shall have full power to Cause the same or any part thereof, to be expended in any manner which they may deem most advisable for the benefit and welfare of the Schools; excepting so much thereof as will be from time to time required for the payment of the Salaries established by this Ordinance and excepting also all such appropriations as may be made for a specific purpose or purposes. Said Committee shall also have full power and authority to alter from time to time, as they deem expedient, the bounds of the several School Districts in order to provide suitable locations for such new Schools as may hereafter be established by the City Council, & to make more equal apportionment of pupils to the several Schools. It shall be their duty to see that the School houses and estates are kept in proper repair, to select and designate the best text books and to provide all such apparatus and all other means of instruction for all the Schools, as may be necessary for keeping the same in efficient operation and for enabling the pupils to receive all the advantages than for which it is the intention of this Ordinance to provide and secure. Said Committee shall have and exercise a general discretionary power in all matters and things relating to the public Schools, which are not Specially provided for by this Ordinance or by the laws of this State, and not inconsistent with said laws or to the provisions of this Ordinance.



Duty of the Members of the City Council. Section 11. That it shall be the duty of the Aldermen and members of the Common Council from each of the Wards in the City, on or before the first Monday in May in each year to recommend to the City Council, Three Candidates for election as members of the School Committee for the ensuing municipal year; which recommendation shall be made by filing a list of the names of such Candidates in the Office of the City Clerk.

Section 12. That this Ordinance be published three weeks Successively in the semi-weekly Morning Courier, Manufacturer and Farmers Journal and Republican Herald.

Passed April 9th
1838.

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Appropriations. Resolved. That the Several sums herein after named be and the same are hereby appropriated for the following purposes respectively, to wit:

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|---|---|
| For the Support of the Poor | Five hundred dollars |
| For the Fire department | Five hundred dollars |
| For the City watch | Five hundred dollars |
| For Contingencies | Three hundred dollars |

And that said sums so appropriated be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed April 9th
1838.

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Old Jail Lot.

The undersigned Joint Committee appointed by the City Council in relation to a Communication made by Geo. Curtis Esq. purporting that he had been appointed a Committee by the Hon. General Assembly of this State at their March Session holden in this City to treat with & assure the relinquishment of any Claim which the City of Providence might have or Claim to have to the Lot whereon the County Jail now stands,

Beg Commenced on that duty by examining the Town records and find that the Freemen in legal Town Meeting assembled at the Town House October the 1st A.D. 1828 passed a resolution authorising their Treasurer John Howland Esq. to execute a release and deliver to the General Treasurer for the use of the State a Deed relinquishing all right title & interest in and unto the aforesaid County Jail Lot for the use of the State provided however that the Town Council should deem the same expedient and when the Council should direct.

The undersigned would here report that they have sought out other information as in their Judgment the duty of their appointment required, and would here with recommend a relinquishment of said Claim by the City to the above said Lot to the State Provided however that the said Lot shall in no wise be occupied as a site for the County Jail or as a Prison

John Gardner
James M Warner } Committee
Thomas R Hazelton

Received April 9th
1838.

Jail Lot

Resolved that Stephen Tilling hast be and he is hereby authorized to execute acknowledge and deliver to the Committee appointed by the General Assembly to receive the same a good and sufficient deed Conveying to the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations all the right title and interest of the City of Providence in and to the lot of land Called the Jail lot, on which the Jail of the County of Providence now stands, which deed shall be upon the Condition that said lot shall at no time after the first day of June 1839. be used as a site for a County Jail or public Prison.

Passed April 9th 1838.

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Jail Lot.

Resolved that the representatives of this City in the General Assembly be requested to use their exertions to procure the Assent of the Legislature to allow the Old Jail lot (so Called) to remain open for the use of the public

Passed April 9th
1838.

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North Burial Ground

Upon the Petition of Hannah Hunter requesting leave to purchase and enclose a burying lot sufficient for her family in the North Burial ground, it is

Resolved that the same be received and the prayer thereof granted: and that the said petitioner be and she is hereby authorized to purchase and enclose such lot for such purpose; provided the same be done under the direction of the Trustees of the North Burial Ground with the sanction of the Mayor: And provided also that the privilege hereby granted shall be subject to all future regulations of the City Council and shall Continue during the pleasure of the City Council and no longer

Passed April 9th
1838.

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Mrs Harris Tax.

Resolved that the annexed Certificate of the Assessors of Taxes, in relation to the Tax assessed upon the personal Estate appraised upon the of the widow of Charles T. Harris deceased, be received and referred to the City Auditor who are hereby authorized to remit the same or to make such abatement thereof as justice may require

We Certify that the Tax Assessed upon the personal Estate of Mrs Harris widow of Charles T Harris was Erroneous, we being Satisfied that she removed from this City and had become an inhabitant of Pawtucket before the Tax of 1837 was Assessed

Providence February 1838.

John T. Rathbone
William Sheldon
Robert Angell
Nathaniel Bishop
} Assessors

Passed April 18th
1838.



Admitted Free.

The two Boards met in Convention April 18. 1838. at 9 o'clock A.M. and the following named persons were admitted free having stood Prehounded more than three months, to wit,

Charles I Shelly
William Hall
Allen Brown
Robert Curtis jr
Ezekiel Mauran 2
George Rivers
Benjamin W Jackson
George Hawkins
Edward H Thurston
William H Dart
Horace Read
Herman A Peck
William Dabney
Benjamin Cornell
Albert Fuller, on Certificate from Cranston 2 deed produced
& is published in the City

The following named persons were admitted Free as the Eldest sons of Freemen to wit,

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| Crawford Nightingale, | Eldest son of | Samuel Nightingale |
| James H Eames | " " " | James Eames |
| Charles Arnold | " " " | James Arnold |
| Leonard M Blodgett | " " " | Leonard Blodgett |
| Charles H Dabney | " " " | William Dabney |
| Benjamin C Simmons | " " " | Ezekiel Simmons |
| Edwin Gorham | " " " | John Gorham |
| Charles E Newell | " " " | Asa Newell |
| William C Chapin | " " " | Josiah Chapin |
| Caleb G Burrows | " " " | Joseph Burrows jr |
| Aaron H Burt | " " " | David Burt |
| Theodore S Angell | " " " | William Angell |

The two Boards then adjourned and the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber.

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Prehounded

The two Boards met in Convention. April 18th 1838 at 11 o'clock P.M when the following named persons were prehounded to become freemen, to wit,

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| John Innes | by descent from Asa Innes |
| Aaron Atwell | deed produced |
| Thomas Cory. | do |
| Silas Talbot jr | do |

Admitted Free

The following named persons were admitted freemen of this City, to wit,
Nicholas Carr, on Certificate from James Town & a deed of Sufficient freehold Estate in the City
Charles F. Manchester on Certificate from North Providence and by Custom
James H Stow Eldest son of Samuel Stow,

The two Boards then adjourned & the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber

Fish Market

The Committee appointed to make sundry alterations in the Fish Market by leave to Report, that they have attended to the duties of said Appointment; have made such alterations and additions to said Market as was deemed to be necessary.

Amount expended

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| Church & Swords bill | $ 498.39. |
| Painters bill | 55.05 |
| | 553.44. |

Providence July 31. 1837.

for the Committee

I L Hughes.

Read whereupon it is Resolved that the same be received

Received May 14

1838.

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Compensation to Clerk of Com. Council

Resolved that the sum of Twenty five dollars be and the same is hereby allowed to Albert G Greene for his Services as Clerk of the Joint Committee of the City Council appointed to draw up an Ordinance in relation to a new Organization of the Public Schools of the City.

Passed May 14

1838

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City Charter

Upon the Petition of Benjamin Clifford & others praying the City Council to make application to the General Assembly for an amendment of the City Charter it is

Resolved, that the same be received & referred to Messrs Hughes, Sanford & Cowing with such as the Board of Aldermen may add to examine and report thereon

Alderman Williams added to the Committee

Passed May 14

1838

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Police Court

Resolved that from the Justices assigned to keep the peace in this City

Robert Knight

Stephen Martin and

Henry L Bowen Esquires be and they are hereby

Selected to Compose the police Court for the remainder of the present Municipal year

Passed May 14

1838.

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Appropriations

Resolved, that the several sums herein after named be and the same are hereby appropriated for the following purposes respectively: to wit,

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| For the Fire department | Two hundred dollars. |
| For the Public Schools | Six hundred dollars |
| For the City Watch | Four hundred dollars |
| For the Support of the Poor | Five hundred & fifty dollars |

and that said sums so appropriated be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed May 14

1838.



Hospital Lot.

Resolved that so much of the Communication of His Hon the Mayor as relates to a proposed Exchange of part of the new hospital lot (so called) with Messrs A Tew & Co Aluminator for other land be and the same is hereby referred to Messrs Greene, H Anthony & Paddleford with such as the Board of Aldermen may add to examine & report thereon.

Alderman Hopkins added to the Committee.

Passed May 14.

1838.

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Prepounded.

The two Boards met in Convention May 14th 1838 and the following named persons were prepounded to become Freemen, to wit

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| George W Arnold | deed produced |
| Geo A Simmons | do |
| Daniel Paine | do |
| Caleb W Miller | do |

The two Boards then separated and the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber.

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Drain in Star Street.

Resolved that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to cause a drain to be laid from the East side of Benefit Street to the East side of North Main Street through Star Street; and that he cause a gutter to be paved on the North side of Star Street; provided the owners of the respective lots adjoining the same, furnish & set up Curb stones opposite their respective lots; and provided also that the expense to the City shall not exceed three hundred dollars.

Passed May 14

1838.

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## Organization of the City Government for the year 1838 June 4th

This being the day fixed by law for the Annual Organization of the Municipal Government of the City of Providence, the following Gentlemen being the Mayor and Aldermen and members of the Common Council Elect, met in Convention in the Council Chamber at 10 o'clock A.M., to wit.

Samuel W Bridgham Mayor

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| Thomas C Hobden | Alderman | of the | 1st Ward |
| Joseph Cady | " | " " | 2 " |
| James Wheaton | " | " " | 3 " |
| Thomas C Hopkins | " | " " | 4th " |
| Phinehas Potter | " | " " | 5th " |
| Caleb Williams | " | " " | 6 " |

Common Council

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| 1 ward. | Dexter Angell | 2 ward. | George W Jackson |
| | Edward Knowles | | John Sanford |
| | Martin K Cowing | | Henry Anthony |
| | Daniel Angell | | Thomas B Greene. |

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| 3d Ward | Amherst Everett | 4th Ward | John L Hughes |
| | Austin Gurney | | Simon H Greene |
| | Edward R Young | | William W Hoppin |
| | Nathan Mason | | Daniel S Goodhue |
| 5th Ward | David Andrews | 6th Ward | Erastus F Knowlton |
| | John S Eddy | | John Gould |
| | Seth Padelford | | Israel G Manchester |
| | Ebenezer Carpenter | | William Miller |

William R Staples one of the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court of the State of Rhode Island, administered the oath required by the City Charter, to

Samuel W Bridgham Mayor Elect.

The Mayor then administered the like Oath to the above named Aldermen and Common Councilmen Elect, except Martin K Young not present, said Common Councilmen Elect, duly returned as such as appeared by their Certificates of Election delivered to the Mayor, and thereupon the Convention balloted for City Clerk, and on Counting the ballots it appeared that Richard M Field was duly Elected to that Office, and was duly engaged by the Mayor.

The Mayor then delivered an address to the City Council

The two Boards then Separated and the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber

The two Boards met in Convention June 4th 1838 at 3 o'clock PM when the following City Officers were elected.

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| Judge of | Municipal Court | Thomas Burgess. |
| Clerk of | Municipal Court. | Albert G Greene |
| City | Sergeant | Edward Harwood |
| City | Treasurer | Stephen Tillinghast |
| City | Audit | John Larchar William W Hoppin |
| Overseer of | the Poor | William T Greene |
| City | Constables | Jacob C Gould, Isaby T Potter, Russell Clapp, Sylvester Bowen, Daniel K Chaffee, Seth Howard, Peleg Johnson Edwin Potter. |
| Sealer of | Weights & Measures | John T Jackson. |



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| Appers of Taxes also Appers of the tax ordered this day. | John T Phillips, Robert Angell, William Sheldon, Benjamin C Harris. |
| Surveyors & Corders of Wood | Enoch T Paul, William Bradley James Snow Thomas T Wardwell Benjamin T Olney. |
| Surveyor of Highways | Henry G Mumford |
| Surveyors of Hoops Staves & Heading | George T Harwood, Peleg T Sherman, Samuel Cathcarth. |
| Gaugers of Casks. | Enoch Eddy, Daniel V Rose, John B Jones James Burrough, Jonas Williams, |
| Collector of Taxes also Collector of the tax ordered this day. | Robert Knight. |
| Packers & Inspectors of Fish | Peleg T Sherman George T Harwood. |
| Cursers of Hospital | Mayor & Aldermen |
| Clerk of the Market | Henry G Mumford |
| Fence Viewers | Pardon Mason Edward Harwood, Samuel Carlile |
| Field Drivers | Pardon Mason Edward Harwood Samuel Carlile |
| Residents of Four Wards. | Elisha Dyer, Benjamin Aborn, Carlo Mannan, John T Eddy, Chas. Holden |
| Five Wards. | Benjamin Hoppin, Caleb Williams, Smith Borden, Joseph G Metcalf, Robert Manchester, Hiram Hill Roger Williams Potter, John C Wakeman, John W Greene, Duty Greene, Benjamin Robinson Henry L Kendall Edward T Williams James C Butts Willard W Faulkner Allen C Peck, Henry G Mumford, Horatio Bagnell Thomas Aldrich, John Babcock, Ebenezer Carpenter Joseph W Taylor Philip Cary, Peter Church Thomas Brown Jun. James Sabbury, |
| School Committee | Samuel W Bridgham, Moses B Ives, William Updike Edward B Hall, Thomas M Weir, Caleb Williams, Thomas C Hoppin, Asher Paine, Joseph K Cady, Rufus Daggett, Richard S Eddy, Thomas A Holden, William C Bucklin John Innes, Amherst Everett John L Hughes, Seth Padelford, John T Phillips, William G Goddard, Mark Tucker, William B Staples Alexis Caswell, William Hazen, John T Simson Thomas B Tinner James Wheaton Phinehas Potter, Erastus F Knowlton George W Jackson David Andrews. |
| Sealers of Leather | Calvin Dean Joel Metcalf. |
| City Crier | Barton Burdett |
| Inspectors of Pot & Pearl Ashes | Smith Borden. Amasa Manton |
| Committee of Encouragement on Fruit. | Leonard Woodruff. Benoni Lockwood James Scott. |

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| Inspectors & Measurers of Carpenter, Masons & Painters work. | William P. Bowers, Leonard Blodgett, John H. Gruno, Hoyes Carpenter, Robert Manchester, Joseph Bogman, James Bowers James Lewis, Rufus H. Gruno, Samuel Hawkins, Robert Manchester 2nd. |
| Surveyors & Measurers of Stone | Zachariah Chaffee, William Andrews Leonard Blodgett |
| Overseers of Public Bridges. | Menzies Swett. |
| Advising Committee on Bridges | Mayor & Aldermen |
| Committee to superintend building Chimnies & placing Stoves & Stove pipes | Cyrus Fisher Moses Bassett, Robert Angell, Samuel Carlile. |
| Auctioneer | Sylvester Waltham |
| Overseer of North Burial Ground | Benjamin Wattawaay |
| Measurers of Grain, Salt & Sea Coal | John P. Jones Hazeltine Taft. |
| Overseer of Pump South End | Samuel Carlile |
| Overseer of Pump North End | Edward Harwood |
| Overseer of Pumps High & Knight Street | Seth Baker |
| Overseer of Pumps in Pond Street, west End of Westminster Street. | Nicholas Nathrop |
| Overseer of Pump Broad Street. | Pinckas Potter |
| Inspectors of Lights Captain Prof | Daniel V. Rose, John P. Jones. |
| Overseer of Town house | William T. Greene. |
| Commissioners of Side walks | Moses Bassett, Cyrus Fisher, Asa Pierce |
| Measurer of Bran | John P. Jones Hazelton Taft. |
| City Marshal | Henry G. Mumford |
| Firemans Committee | Henry G. Mumford Moses Bassett Moses Richardson. |
| Inspector of Beef & Pork. | Thomas Angell |
| Pound Keeper | William T. Greene |
| Appraisers of Estates under the Election Laws. | Henry P. Franklin John T. Phillips, Robert Angell. |
| Weighers of Anthracite & other Coal. | John P. Jones, Gennes Burrough |

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| Hydraulion Co No 1 | Thomas Aldrich | Lewis P. Child | Allen C. Peck |
| | Edward F. Miller | Henry A. Coy | Peter Pratt |
| | William P. Blodgett | Pearley W. Carpenter | Reuben Phelps |
| | Joseph A. Weeden | Ira M. Chace | William P. Potter |
| | Thomas J. Stead | Edward Carrington 2nd | Joseph Payson |
| | John Calder | Franklin Chace | Samuel Potter 2nd |
| | Squier Peirce | Edward N. Davis | Charles F. Robinson |
| | Robert D. Thurston | Charles H. Dabney | Jeremiah S. Rose |
| | Moses B. Jones | Elisha Dyer 2nd | Hiram J. Read |
| | Anthony B. Arnold | Ebenezer Fuller | Charles P. Richmond |
| | Joseph W. Angell | William Foster | Henry C. Smith |
| | Stephen Arnold | Abel Foster | James M. Smith |
| | Alex F. Adie | Benjamin Franklin | Charles C. Shaw |
| | Tillinghast Almy | Willard W. Fairbanks | George W. Snow |
| | Charles Arnold | Wm Albert Greene | Samuel Salsbury |
| | Samuel H. Arnold 2nd | George W. Gladding | George W. Taylor |
| | Billings Burton | Benjamin H. Gladding | Edward A. Taft |
| | James M. Brickley | George Graham | John A. Taft |
| | Joseph W. Baker | William Gardner | William W. Talbott |
| | William C. Bowen | Henry Hopkins | Charles Thurber |
| | John W. Butts | William W. Hopkins | William H. Watchman |
| | Tristam Burges 2nd | James L. Holmes | Samuel B. Wheaton |
| | Frederick Burgess | Ezra W. Howard | Amos M. Warner |
| | Walter S. Burges | Henry Hall | Jeremiah Williams |
| | Charles L. Bowler 2nd | Robert H. Ives | George W. White |
| | Alexander Burgess | Thomas Jackson | Charles H. Wright |
| | Nisbet J. Brown | Henry Jacobs | Wm B. Wilcox |
| | Samuel A. Bowler | Sylvester R. Knight | Henry T. Cooley |
| | Tristam M. Briggs | Ruphil M. Larned | William Andrews |
| | Charles L. Blodgett | Amasa Manton | Jeremiah D. Cand |
| | Edward J. Bicknell | William H. Mason | Charles S. Wood |
| | Ephraim R. Barton | William Munro | Jarvis Lyon |
| | Henry T. Butterworth | Michael M. Sweeney | |
| | Francis G. Carlile | Edward E. Manton | 100. |
| Hydraulion Co No 2 | Allen Baker | J. Pethick | Wm B. Hunter |
| | Geo W. Taylor 2d | Geo F. Cambell | J. A. Kennedy |
| | Thomas Greene | James H. Creighton | Wm G. Langley |
| | John C. Gray | Henry Chace | David B. Lee |
| | Henry A. Webb | G. Lyman Dwight | Samuel Sewell |
| | Wm Whipple Brown | George Edgar | Thomas W. Foley |
| | Sullivan Dorr 2nd | Elisha Carter | Henry G. Mumford |
| | D. Brainard Blake | John A. Field | Geo F. Man |
| | Philip Allen 2nd | Barton Greene | Alfred A. Mason |
| | Geo Allen | Isaac Giles | Henry Mowry |
| | Richd W. Burk | Alfred R. Gardner | Barton C. Miller |
| | Monroe Brown | Daniel C. Greenwood | Cornelius Miller |
| | Nathaniel W. Brown | Lewis Holmes | Frank Newell |
| | Robert N. Burdick | Stephen Holmes | Albert Packard |
| | Wm T. Chapman | Cyrus Johnson | Ormond W. Pierce |
| | Hiram F. Chace | Edwin L. Johnson | Horatio N. Pierce |
| | John S. Cotton | J. M. Johnson | J. C. Perry |

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| | Manellus Robinson | Wm Smith | I. Clark Wright | |
| | James P. Salisbury | Nathaniel Searle | B. F. White | |
| | H. B. Salisbury | James P. Sullivan | Linden White | |
| | Albert W. Snow | Henry H. Trueman | F. K. Warner | |
| | Geo Stanley | Otis R. Tingley | Tuspa Waterman | |
| | Warren P. Taylor | W. L. Tingley | | 63 |
| Fr. Stationary Engine Co. No 1 | Philip Carr | Reuben Brown | Earl P. Mason | |
| | John W. Cary | Benjamin Begman | John R. Martin | |
| | Richard E. Hamblin | Daniel Chase | William H. Munsey | |
| | Charles H. Mason | Stephen A. Davis | Terrance McGraw | |
| | Charles J. Wheeler | Benjamin Dyer | Cyrus W. Butts | |
| | Jacob Manchester | William S. Davis | John G. Pitts | |
| | Oliver A. Budlong | Samuel Foster | Adonah Sackett | |
| | Alfred Spink | Richard M. Tuttle 2d | Joshua Sprowe | |
| | James C. Bucklin | Malachi P. Gardner | Charles J. Shelly | |
| | James A. Arnold | Charles Gardner | James M. Shelly | |
| | Joseph A. Barker | John H. Gladding | George A. Taylor | |
| | Benjamin B. Dyer | William H. Hudson | Edward A. Talbot | |
| | Benjamin Allen | George H. Hopkins | Benjamin White | |
| | Henry Barton | Henry A. Haviland | Oliver K. Wilbur | |
| | John E. Brown | Samuel Hamlin | William Wood | |
| | William Brownell | James N. Hopkins | Henry M. Wightman | |
| | James E. Budlong | Seth Lee | | 50 |
| Fr. Stationary Engine Co. No 2 | John H. Taylor | Tupell Clapp | Albert G. Burton | |
| | Wm I. Harris | Stephen R. Warden | Vincent Carr | |
| | Henry Gardner | Gilbert S. Aldrich | Chas L. Fisher | |
| | W. M. Redman | Wm E. Cutting | Amos S. Jenks | |
| | Gilbert Sheldon | R. W. Potter | Reuben J. Pekham | |
| | N. G. Hebner | Wm Hall | Wm M. Bailey | |
| | Samuel Congdon | Charles L. Vaun | Henry L. Bowen | |
| | S. R. Tripp | Samuel N. Richmond | E. F. Sheldon | |
| | J. B. Dexter | George M. Richmond | Danl. Swetland | |
| | Richard E. Eddy | Henry W. Bradford | Munyes Smith | |
| | Edwin H. Harris | Benj. Hathaway | Edwin Tripp | |
| | Wm Bucklin | Darius Miller | Wm Aplin | |
| | Gilbert Congdon | Wilcome Congdon | | 38 |
| Fire North 2 Ladder Co No 1 | Stanton Thurber | Lyman Dayton | Abraham Nebby | |
| | Cren Claffin | Obadiah P. Osborn | James Pitts | |
| | Augustus Ellis | John Boyden | Daniel Hull | |
| | Joseph Low | Ebenezer Kingsbury | Cyrus Osborn | 11 |
| | James Chapman | Wm R. Robinson | | |
| Fire North 2 Ladder Co No 2 | Robert Manchester Jr. | Christopher G. Dodge | Willard D. Munro | |
| | Erik Brown | William H. Greene | Ezekiel Adams | |
| | Samuel J. Townsend | Isaac Lapha | Peirce S. Cornell | |
| | Robert Manchester | John Tourtellot | William Dodge | |
| | Sheldon Young | Isaac Butts | Herbert Dodge | 19 |
| | Caleb C. Cooke | James Manchester | | |
| | William B. Mason | Theodore Wenn | | |



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| Engine Co No 2. | James Trumbull | Peter Church | Hiram Cole | |
| | Asa W. Davis | Daniel G. Sherman | Charles E. Nevil | |
| | George E. Cleveland | John A. McDougall | Wm H. Lovett | |
| | Wm N. Salisbury | Darwin R. Merry | Smith Owen | |
| | Wm W. Chase | Saml S. Cooke | Charles S. Capron | |
| | Augustus S. Winship | Edwin Paze | Edwin S. Bradford | |
| | David A. Cleveland | Mau A. Vinzman | Ezekiel Owen | |
| | Geo H. Burk | Albert W. Paze | Joshua L. Guy | |
| | John Simmons | Alonzo Chase | Nelson C. Northup | |
| | Daniel Joslin | Willis C. Legg | Stephen Smith | |
| | Henry A. Whipple | Ambrose A. Turner | Francis P. Haynes | |
| | Charles S. Cleveland | Isaac Calder | Wilcome Angell | |
| | Gideon Hull | Henry Mitchell | Joshua W. Tripp | |
| | Wm Calder 2d | W. D. P. Bigelow | Benjamin C. Anthony | |
| | G. I. Thurber | Wm M. Hubbard | Theodore S. Angell | |
| | Isaac B. Allen | John McDaid | Wm H. Hopkins | 43 |
| Engine Co No 3. | John I. Paine | Charles H. Childs | Henry G. Gladding | |
| | Wm P. Dana | E. W. F. Rice | Francis Read | |
| | Thomas Brown 1st | Ferdinand Potter | Samuel G. Rawson | |
| | Edward G. Farmer | Otis B. Hicks | William H. Chandler | |
| | Joseph H. Borworth | Alexander H. Coy | William H. Clarke | |
| | Charles P. Dyer | John Crandall | Thomas E. Hudson | |
| | Wm H. Whitaker | Brintnall Sabin | Cornelius B. Brownell | |
| | Nathaniel Gladding | Jonathan W. Paine | Charles F. Harris | |
| | Henry I. Cushing | George W. Robinson | Asa C. Brownell | |
| | D. H. Leonard | Samuel D. Allen | I. G. Draper | |
| | Pliny P. Paine | William I. Cross | William F. Brownell | |
| | Anson H. Potter | Benjamin W. Paine | John H. Greene | |
| | Conrad C. Eddy | Silas Sutcliff | David Potter | |
| | Joseph G. Chantley | Henry H. Farmer | Joseph Potter | |
| | Edward Burr | George Bundy | | 114 |
| Engine Co No 4. | Henry Richardson | John Greene | John C. Taylor | |
| | Matthew Armington | William Eddy | Redman Gardner | |
| | William H. Swift | William H. Butts | Arnold Brown | |
| | Thomas Harris | Benj F. Manchester | Anthony Barton | |
| | George D. West | Joseph B. Mason | Thomas C. Peckham | |
| | Laban Batterworth | Henry Gatewood | Eban Allen | |
| | William Vaughn | Edward R. Armington | Daniel Rose | |
| | Joshua Bicknell | Joseph Hammett | William Franks | |
| | George Hindley | Daniel Bucklin | Benjamin Thomas | |
| | Allen Tillinghast | William H. Venerables | James Thompson | 30 |
| Engine Co No 5 | Samuel Greene | Alanson Smith | Francis Brickley | |
| | Henry C. Matthewson | David W. Petty | Stephen W. Henry | |
| | Albion N. Olney | John C. Whiting | Benjamin F. Jones | |
| | Edmund Williams | Thomas R. Tanner | Henry Branch | |
| | Nicholas W. Johnson | Henry Waterman | James A. Brown | |
| | Jonathan S. Angell | Reuben H. N. Bates | John Barton 2nd | |
| | Henry C. Potter | Caleb Greene | Charles Williams 2nd | |
| | Charles F. Harris | Benjamin F. Durfee | David Cady 2nd | |

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| | Stephen H Robinson | George Burgess | William Hill | |
| | James O Farnum | Charles Ellis | Isaac C Olney | |
| | Nehemiah Knight | Allen Taylor | Philip Wheeler | 33 |
| Engine Co No 5 | Thomas R Holden Jr | Seth S Bennett | Robert Parkis 3d | |
| | John H Richmond | John H Parkis | Samuel S Hartwell | |
| | John S Ormsbee | Henry Temple | Ruf Simmons | |
| | Jefferson Branch | Charles Holden 2d | Stephen Smith | |
| | Edward L Pitkham | Edward D Lewis | Henry A Kimball | |
| | William W Comstock | Benjamin B Brownell | Henry F Tingley | |
| | Charles E Tillinghast | John D Jones | James Gibbs | |
| | John C Gladding | Henry Brown | Samuel Bishop | |
| | Joseph W Taylor | Henry E Barney | Benjamin Robinson 2d | |
| | Major W Shaw | Thomas M Coy | John W Hill | |
| | William Temple | Henry Trumbo | Sullivan Moulton | |
| | Willard Chace | Richard C Moulton | James M Bradford | |
| | William H Williamson | Joseph Bradford | William G Percival | |
| | John H Butts | George Richardson | John H Bradford | |
| | Nathan B Hall | John C Potter | George M Kimball | 45 |
| Engine Co No 7 | Allen Shaw | Henry Batty | Wm F Angell | |
| | Sylvester Salisbury | John Saunders | Asa Congdon | |
| | Daniel E Carpenter | Enoch Tallman | Wm Dunham | |
| | James G Brown | Lewis Field | Horace Tallman | |
| | B G Tallman | Samuel A Wilson | Robert Gifford | |
| | Benj A Sprague | Richard S Dewey | Arnold B Otis | |
| | Augustus Tallman | Francis Carter | Latham H Babcock | |
| | Joseph L Saunders | Thomas Wilbour | Samuel Lord | |
| | Horace Gray | Samuel James | Horatio Burk | |
| | Joseph Davis | Wm H Clarke | Chauncy Hinds | |
| | Leonard S Bradford | Simeon Field | Wm P Tanner | |
| | Edward Salisbury | Joseph Sims | Henry Sherburne | |
| | George B Holmes | John Eddy | Pardon S Pierce | |
| | James Salisbury | James A Eddy | Otis Tabor | |
| | Thomas Barstow | Alfred Lewis | S P Walker | |
| | Spencer Peirce | James Winsor | Thomas J Sprague | |
| | Benjamin W Ham | Wm A Bradley | Horace M Beck | |
| | Edward Barstow | Joshua Matthewson | | 53 |
| Engine Co No 8 | S A Richardson | W B Gould | G W Guild | |
| | H W Redman | C Clarke | A J Jones | |
| | E. Billings | S W. Thayer | N Shotwell | |
| | S B Bullock | S Peck | W. N Franklin | |
| | P H Hall | E Barron | Thompson Wells | |
| | S P Carpenter | N W Lee | H. H Hawkins | |
| | G H Pierce | G. W. Church | John Clarke | |
| | S. S Shotwell | W Greene | S. S Stuckey | |
| | L Allen | O. Mason | Asa Lilley | |
| | W M Bathy | P. T Chace | J Maguire | |
| | H D. Bickford | M. Chace | A. P Cooke | |
| | H H Thurston | N. C Bunkin | J. L Hall | |
| | A Bailey | S. Talbot | H. W Thayer | |
| | W H Harris | P Wood | 13 Comite Jr | |
| | R B Stanley | J G Luther | J. G Mason | 45 |



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| Engine Co No 9 | Stephen Conell | Jas E Brown | Wells Bagg | |
| | A G Sprague | Nath[l] J Olney | Jos G Stanley | |
| | Lem[l] B Shepard | Jas H Shaw | L. W Perkins | |
| | Charles H Peace | B H Aldrich | Wm F Hammond | |
| | Wilbur Wheaton | Seth Round | Alexis Ladd | |
| | John Hopkins | S H Austin | Bowen Lewis | |
| | Geo Weeden | Chas Fisher | C Arnold | |
| | Jason Harvey | Sam[l] Anderson | Silas Pitkham | |
| | H B Stow | John Brown | Sam[l] Wilbour | |
| | Wm H Sprague | Slade Gardner | B C Bowen | |
| | Lewis Najack | James P Burgess Jr | G F Stow | |
| | Christopher Najac | J. F Knight | Levi H Stow | |
| | F G. Cummings | Dexter H Pierce | Marie Nichols | |
| | C H Remington | Jeremiah Bowerth | Alonzo Round | 43 |
| | | | Thomas Carr | |

Admitted Free. The following named person having stood proposed more than three Months and admitted freemen of this City, to wit.

Daniel Matthewson
Christopher G Dodge
Martin Bailey
William B Bowen
David Winch
George W Baker
Benjamin G Seal
Samuel Lamed
Ephraim Richmond
William S Shaw.

The two Boards then Separated & the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber and

Mayor's Addrs. Resolved That Messrs Hughes & Knowles, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to wait upon the Hon[r] the Mayor and request him to furnish for publication a Copy of the Address this day delivered by him to the City Council; and to cause the same to be published in such manner as they may deem expedient

Alderman Holden added to the Committe.

Passed June 4th 1838.

City Printing. Resolved that Messrs Knowles & Knowlton with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to Contract for the City Printing for the present Municipal year.

Alderman Holden added to the Committe.

Passed June 4th 1838.

City Ordinances

Resolved that Copies of the Book of City Ordinances published A.D. 1835 be distributed as follows, viz:-

To each member of the City Council who has not already been furnished with a Copy thereof - one Copy:

To each of the Justices of the Peace in the City and to each of the City Constables who has not already been furnished with a Copy - one Copy.

Passed June 4th 1838.

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Firemen's Association.

Resolved that the sum of fifty Cents be paid by the City Treasurer, to the Treasurer of the "Providence Association of Firemen for Mutual Assistance" for each of the Firemen of the City in order to entitle them severally to the benefit of the Funds of said Association and that the same be paid on the Certificate of the City Clerk respecting the appointment of said Firemen out of the appropriation for the Fire department.-

Passed June 4th
1838

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Treasurer's Bond

Resolved that Messrs Greene Comstock & Tenney with such as the Board of Aldermen may, added be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to take a Bond of the City Treasurer with sufficient surety or sureties for the faithful discharge of the duties of his Office for the present Municipal year: and that said Bond be for the sum of Thirty Thousand dollars.-

Alderman Hoppin added to the Committee-

Passed June 4th
1838.

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Compensations of Certain Offices

An Ordinance fixing the Compensations of Certain Officers for the year ending on the first Monday in June A.D. one thousand eight hundred and Thirty Nine.-

Section 1 Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence that for the year ending on the first Monday of June A.D. 1839 the Compensation to be allowed and paid the several Officers herein after mentioned shall be as follows, to wit-

| | |
|---|---|
| To the City Clerk | Seven hundred dollars |
| To the Clerk of the Common Council | One hundred dollars |
| To the City Treasurer | Six hundred dollars |
| To the Coroner of the Peace | Three hundred & fifty dollars |
| To the City Sergeant | Three hundred & sixty five dollars |
| To the Surveyor of High ways. | Two hundred dollars |
| To the Clerk of the Market | Two hundred dollars |
| To the Judge of the Municipal Court (in addition to the fees allowed by law for the transaction of Probate business) | One hundred dollars.- |
| To the City Marshal | Two hundred & fifty dollars. |
| To the City Sealer of Weights & Measures. | Two hundred dollars. |

Section 2 that said Several sums be paid out of the City Treasury in quarterly payments to the Officers respectively entitled thereto.

Section 3. that the fees allowed by law to the Clerk of the Municipal Court for the Probate and other business transacted in said Court shall be in full Compensation to said Clerk for his services as such.-



and that the fees allowed by law to Justices of the Peace shall be in full Compensation to the Justices of the Police Court for their services as such:. Passed June 4th 1838.

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Police Court.

Resolved that from the Justices appointed to keep the Peace within this City, Robert Knight Henry L Bowen & Walter S Burges be and they are hereby selected to Compose the Police Court of this City for the present Municipal year,

Passed June 4th
1838.

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Compensations of Assessors of Taxes.

Resolved that each Assessor of Taxes in and for the City of Providence shall be allowed, one hundred dollars as a full Compensation for apportioning the City Tax for the ensuing Municipal year.-

Passed June 4th
1838.

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Appropriations

Resolved that the several sums hereinafter mentioned be and the same are hereby appropriated for the following purposes respectively; to wit,

For the support of the public Schools for the year ending on the first Monday in June A.D. 1839 by the wards and in addition to the sum which the City may receive for the same purpose from the State Treasury (the expenditures under this appropriation to be made by the order and direction of the School Committee.- Seven Thousand dollars.-

For the support of the poor and removal of paupers (including Asylum) twenty five hundred dollars together with the income of the Dillingham Fund (so called).

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|---|---|
| For the Fire Department. | Two Thousand dollars |
| For repairs of Highways and Streets. | Four Thousand dollars |
| For support of Public Bridges | one Thousand dollars |
| For the support of the Public Watch | Three Thousand dollars |
| For lighting the Streets. | Twenty four hundred dollars |
| For the Salaries of the Mayor and Aldermen for the year ending on the first Monday of June A.D. 1839. | Sixteen hundred dollars. |
| For the Salaries of Certain Officers, as provided in and by a Certain Ordinance entitled "an Ordinance fixing the Compensations of Certain Officers for the year ending on the first Monday in June A.D. 1839 | Three Thousand Two hundred sixty five dollars.- |
| For the repairs of Public Bridges. | one hundred fifty dollars |
| For the support of City pumps & wells | one hundred & fifty dollars. |
| For the payment of interest on Money hired and on funded debt | Five Thousand dollars |
| For building Asylum Wall | Twenty five hundred dollars |
| For Contingent expenses viz any Claims which may be allowed by the Board of Aldermen or by the City Council not included in any of the preceding items and also the Compensation allowed to Assessors of Taxes and to Ward Clerks | Three Thousand dollars |
| For repairs of the Asylum Walls and buildings | Three hundred dollars |

Resolved that the several sums appropriated as aforesaid be paid out of any monies in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.-

Passed June 4th
1838.

Tax of $50,000

An Ordinance providing for the Assessment and Collection of a Tax of Fifty thousand Dollars.—

Section 1 Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence, that a Tax of Fifty Thousand dollars be assessed and levied upon the ratable property of the inhabitants and others owning such property in said City, and that said tax be assessed on or before the first Monday in September next, and collected and paid into the City Treasury on or before the first Monday in October next.—

Section 2. that the Collector of said Tax shall advertise in the Manufacturers and Farmers Journal the Republican Herald and the semi-weekly Morning Courier for three weeks successively, calling on all persons who may be assessed for said tax to make payment at his Office within ten days ending on said first Monday in October next and including that day;— and during said ten days, said Collector shall attend at his said Office for the purpose of receiving said tax, every day (Sundays excepted) from nine o'clock AM, until twelve o'clock M:— and from two o'clock P M until five o'clock P M:— and on said first Monday in October next he shall attend his said Office from until Nine o'clock in the evening; and said Collector shall deduct three per Cent from the respective sums assessed upon all those who shall make payment within said ten days.—

Section 3 that said Collector shall be allowed four per Cent for Collecting said tax; he allowing out of his Commission, three percent to all those who shall pay him the amount of their respective taxes within the ten days aforesaid.—

Section 4 that said Collector shall pay into the City Treasury without delay, all monies he shall receive towards the tax assessed by the said first Monday in October next, Collecting and paying over the residue (if any) of said tax as soon thereafter as may be, and that all persons who shall be delinquent in paying said tax by said first Monday in October next, shall pay interest afterwards; for which interest said Collector shall be accountable to said City.—

Passed June 4th
1838.

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Recapitulation of Fire Apparatus

## Recapitulation of Fire Apparatus belonging to the City of Providence.—

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 9 Engines | 48 Oil Can & Funnier | 7 spare Engine bars |
| 2 Hydrauliens | 22 discharge pipes | 22 small tool various kinds |
| 16 Forcing Stationary pumps | 14 Stop & pipes | 4 2 horse tongues |
| 2 Rotary Pumps | 2 Hose Wagnes | 30 good trumpets for fire wards |
| 5 Removers | 4 Apparatus for drying hose | 1 Leather trumpet for fire wards |
| 15 Hose Carriages | 59 woven belts | papers.— |
| 15 Horses | 15 Shovels, tongs & pokers | one anvil & one vise |
| 173 feet Suction Hose | 23 Axes | Wash basins, dippers Oil |
| 6233 " Leading Hose | 26 Harnesses | ropes, Oil Jugs, tinder boxes |
| 2 Hook & Ladder Carriages | 3 Trumpets | some Anthracite & Charcoal |
| with 14 Hooks, 5 Poles 12 Ladders | 4 Fire hoiles | Oil lamps with &c &c |
| 2300 feet Chains & Rope & 2 hooks | 6 Table & desks | |
| for raising hooks.— | 27 brushes, broom & pails | |
| 12 drag ropes | 10 Coal hods & sifters | |
| 41 large & small Ladders | 29 pair of Fire Cocks | |
| 72 lanterns & lamps | 2 Machines for washing hose | |
| 68 good Fire buckets | 5 wheel Carts | |
| 22 old ditto | 35 Chairs & benches | |
| 97 India rubber Fire Coats. | 4 hose bridges | |
| 244 large & small wrenches. | 7 extra pipe nozzels | |

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School Committee Report.

To the Hon[d] City Council of the City of Providence

The School Committee as required by law report that during the year past they have visited & examined the public Schools quarterly, agreably to law & by their sub Committee's at other times during each quarter in Conformity with their own rules, regulations & by-laws and have in other respects discharged the important trusts reposed in them to the best of their Judgment and discretion.— All the Schools maintain a fair and respectable standing as at any former period, and though superlative improvement still Continue a source of much usefulness to the public.— The whole number of Schools is fifteen being, being the same as at the Close of the last Municipal year, namely. Five writing schools eight Primary Schools and two for Children of Color.— The Committee deemed it necessary in the Course of the year to appoint two additional female teachers, one an Assistants in the seventh Primary School located at India Point, and the other an Assistant in the School for Colored Children on the East side of the river making the whole number of Teachers at this time thirty two eight of whom are males and twenty four females.— The number of Scholars in actual attendance at the quarterly visitations were as follows; in August Fifteen hundred and fifty two in November Fifteen hundred and twenty four in February Fifteen hundred and twelve and in May Seventeen hundred and eighteen averaging Fifteen hundred & twenty six during the year.

It will be seen that the schools are more numerously attended at any time heretofore, and the Consequence is that the Scholars in most of the Schools are too much Crowded.— some alterations will therefore be necessary, even upon the present system, to be made, in order to enlarge the houses or at any rate to alter the arrangement of the rooms so as to divide at least all the Writing Schools, into two departments.— Each of those Schools is evidently too large to be taught in one room, some of the Houses also require further means of ventilation.— A pure Circulation of good air is necessary not only for the Comfort but also for the health of both Teacher and pupils.— The Committee not deeming their powers adequate to make such important alterations without the authority of the City Council recommend the subject to their attention.— The number of Scholars annually increasing produces a Corresponding increase of the annual expenses of the School.— The amount appropriated last year by the City Council was Seven Thousand six Hundred Dollars.— besides the sum received from the State which was seventeen Hundred and Thirty four dollars and seventy three Cents, making in the whole Nine Thousand three Hundred and thirty four Dollars and seventy three Cents.— The amount expended for instruction is Eight Thousand Two Hundred and eighty Dollars and ninety Cents, for the repairs of School Houses Two Hundred and sixty four Dollars & thirty five Cents, for fuel Three Hundred and thirty nine Dollars and sixty one Cents, and for incidental Charges Three Hundred and thirty six Dollars and forty nine Cents, making in the whole, Nine Thousand Two Hundred and Twenty one Dollars and thirty eight Cents and leaving the sum of One Hundred and Eighteen Dollars and thirty five Cents of the appropriation unexpended.—

Considering the Constantly increasing expenses the Committee are of Opinion that an appropriation of at least Seven Thousand Dollars besides what may be received from the State will be necessary for the ensuing year for the support of the schools as now established.— But the Committee confidently indulge a hope that the improved system of Education lately adopted by the City Government will be speedily Carried into effect to the great advantage of the Community.—

The Committee appointed for the year now Closing was Composed of thirty members; five of whom namely. Alexis Caswell, Josiah Chapin, Amasa Mann, Edward Pierce 3d and Arnold Whipple, declined serving and in the Course of the year, five namely Anthony B Arnold, Joseph Vezie, Isaac Allen, George Curtis and Robert H Ives, resigned, and another William B Lewis moved out of the City; Whereupon the Committee appointed William G Goddard, in the room of Mr Caswell, John S Phillips in the room of Mr Chapin, Benjamin Clifford in the room of Mr Mann Thomas B Ripley in the room of Mr Pierce, Nathan Tyler in the room of Mr Whipple, Mark Tucker in the room of Mr Arnold and Henry Anthony in the room of Mr Lewis.—

The resignation of Messrs Vrazee Mitchell, Curtis and Ives having been very recently made the Committee have not filled the Vacancies occasioned thereby; Another vacancy has very lately occured by the death of Mr Tyler which the Committee have not filled, the Committee is therefore now Composed of Twenty five members.—

The Secretary has kept a record of all the absentees from all the meetings of the Committee during the year, an abstract of which agreeably to one of the by-laws of the Committee is herewith presented.—

All which is respectfully submitted for the Committee. by

Samuel W Bridgham
President.—

Providence May 24th 1838.—

During the last year there has been 9 meetings of the School Committee, The members of the Committee have severally been absent as follows viz.

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|---|---|
| Samuel W Bridgham | none |
| William Aplin | none |
| William C Barker | none |
| Geo Curtis (resigned before 2 last) | 3 times |
| Moses B Ives | 1 " |
| Robert H Ives | 2 " |
| William G Goddard | 7 " |
| John S C Phillips | 3 " |
| Edward B Hall | 2 " |
| Thomas H Dorr | 5 " |
| Caleb Williams | 1 " |
| Thomas C Hoppin | 4 " |
| Usher Parsons | 2 " |
| Hezekiah Anthony | 6 " |
| Isaac Mitchell | 8 " |
| Joseph Cady | 4 " |
| Nicholas Daggett | 2 " |
| Richard E Eddy | 1 " |
| Thomas A Holden | 2 " |
| John Ames | 2 " |
| Joseph Vrazee (resigned before 2 last) | 2 " |
| Amherst Everett | 3 " |
| Benj Clifford | 7 " |
| John S Eddy | 6 " |
| Thomas B Ripley | 3 " |
| John L Hughes | 2 " |
| Seth Padelford | 2 " |
| Nathan Tyler (deceased before 2 last) | 3 " |
| Mark Tucker | none since being appointed in Feb. |
| Henry Anthony appointed in Feb. | 2 times. |

A True Copy from the records

Wm Aplin Secretary.

Received June 4th
1838.—



Resolved that Messrs Padelford, Goodhue & Young, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to prepare a particular account of the receipts and expenditures for the past year, and a Schedule of the Property of the City; and to cause the same to be published in the News Papers employed by the City Council agreeably to the injunctions contained in the fourth Section of the City Charter.—

Alderman Holden added to the Committee—

Passed June 4
1838.

Treasurers Account

Ordered that Messrs Anthony & Sturdevant with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to audit and settle the accounts of the City Treasurer with the City up to the first Monday in June (d) 1838.

Alderman Hoppin added to the Committee.—

Passed June 4th
1838.

Renewal of Notes for Stalls in Market House.

Resolved that the City Treasurer acting under the advice and directions of Messrs Greene Everett and Tenney, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and he is hereby authorized to renew for the term of sixty days one half of the respective sums due on notes given by the Occupants of stalls in the Market House for rent of their Stalls, which notes are payable on the fourth day of June (d) 1838. the Makers of said notes giving satisfactory security by endorsements for the payment of the amounts so renewed.—

Alderman Hoppin added to the Committe

Passed June 4
1838.

Remission of Certain Taxes

Whereas Robert has represented to the City Council that the taxes assessed on certain persons in the year 1837, and Committed to him to collect are not collectable by reason of errors in the Assessment thereof &c— And Whereas the City Council are Satisfied that the taxes in said year in the respective amounts following, upon the persons herein after named viz.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Frances M Simmons | $ 3 | 10 |
| John Gardner heirs | 4 | 05 |
| Thomas Thompson (Colored) | - | 62 |
| Thomas James | 1 | 85 |
| Jamaliel Church | 1 | 24 |
| Stephen R Olney | 3 | 10 |
| Alpheus B Southwick | 1 | 85 |
| Alfred Smith | 1 | 55 |
| Charles F Leggett | 1 | 85 |
| Stephen T Waterman | 1 | 26 |
| Nathaniel A Fisher | 1 | 24 |
| Richard Everett | 1 | 55 |
| James Carpenter | 3 | 72 |
| James Arnold | 2 | 48 |
| Williams Aplin | 1 | 24 |
| John P Nahum (Colored) | .. | 93 |
| Oliver H Wilbour | .. | 62 |
| Sarah Ann Potter | 3 | 58 |
| Nelson Wade | 1 | 55 |
| Jacob Steere | 3 | 10 |
| | $ 43 | 09 |

and not Collectable; Thereupon Resolved that the respective Taxes aforesaid be remitted and that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and directed to Credit the amount thereof viz Forty three dollars and nine Cents, to the said Robert Knight in account with him as Collector of Taxes, together with the interest which has accrued on the said several sums. —

Passed June 21
1838.

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Collector of Taxes, Office

Resolved that Messrs Greene & Eddy with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be a Committee to examine into the Practicability of providing an Office for the Collector of Taxes in a room to be set apart for that purpose in the Market house building & to report thereon to the City Council. —

Alderman Eddy added to the Committee
Passed June 21st
1838.

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George C Bowers.

Upon the Petition of Geo C Bowers praying for relief, it is Ordered that the same be received and the prayer thereof Granted; and that one half of the sum of fourteen dollars which accrued to the use of the City by a judgment of a Justices Court against him on the first day of January (A.D. 1838 be and the same is hereby remitted; and the City Treasurer is hereby directed to discharge the same accordingly —

Passed June 21
1838.

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North Burial Ground

Upon the Petitions of Alexis Caswell
Richard Watkinson
Truman Foster
John C Barstow
George W Jackson
Nabby Jackson
Charles Jackson
Henry Jackson
James Dennis
John F B Flagg
George H Hopkins
Ezekiel Carpenter
William T Patten
Hezekiah Sabin
William D Salisbury
and John Payton severally requesting leave to fence in and enclose burying lots sufficient for their respective families in the North burial ground It is Resolved that the same be granted, and the prayers thereof granted; and that the said petitioners be, and they are hereby severally authorized to fence in and enclose such lots for such purposes; Provided the same be done under the direction of the owners of the North Burial Ground with the sanction of the Mayor; and provided also, that the several privileges hereby granted shall be subject to all future regulations of the City Council in relation thereto and shall continue during the pleasure of the City Council, and no longer. — —

Passed June 21st
— 1838. —



Additional Appropriation for 4th July.

Resolved that the sum of Two hundred dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for defraying the expenses of a Municipal Celebration of the Approaching Anniversary of American Independence in addition to the sum of Two hundred dollars already appropriated for that purpose; — and that the same be paid by the City Treasurer to the order of the Chairman of the Committee of Arrangements out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated —

Passed June 21
1838.

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Justices Court.

Resolved that the Justices of the Peace in this City be and they are hereby authorized to hold their Justices Court in the Town house during the pleasure of the City Council. —

Passed June 21st
1838.

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School Houses.

Resolved that Messrs Knowles, Anthony, Everett, Hughes Andrews & Hunnewell with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and they are hereby appointed a Committee whose duty it shall be to make investigation relative to what alterations and improvements will be requisite on the School houses and Estates now occupied, and of what other lots and buildings will be necessary to Carry out the provisions of an Ordinance for the reorganization of the public Schools Passed April 6th 1838, And that said Committee be instructed to report by Bill or otherwise as soon as may be an estimate of the amount of expenditure to be required for the departments of the Primary, Writing and High School respectively; and that said Committee have power to cause such designs and drawings to be made as they may deem necessary.

To draw upon the Treasury for the expenses of the same not exceeding in amount the sum of Fifty dollars. — —

Aldermen Hedden & Eddy added to the Committee.
Passed June 21st
— 1838. —

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City Treasurers Report &c

Office of City Treasurer
Providence June 21st 1838. —

Gentlemen

Herewith I enclose the following documents, to wit

Schedule of Real Estate belonging to the City —
ditto " of Rents
Statement of the City debt
Receipts & Expenditures for the year Ending May 31st —
Treasurers Account Current

I remain with great respect
Your Obt Servt
Stephen Fillmore
City Treasurer —

To the City Council

Read with the accompanying documents, Whereupon it is Resolved that the same together with said documents be received & recorded.

Passed June 21st
— 1838. —

## Dr City of Providence in account with

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1838. April 1. | To this amount paid Cyrus Butler for Certificate of funded Stock redeemable this day | 1500 | 0 |
| " | paid Providence Institution of savings so much of the funded debt due this day being part of note for $15093.33 | 93 | 33 |
| May 18 | " paid Robert Knight Collector of Taxes for an abatement made by Order of City Council | 0 | 45 |
| 31 | " balances of the following accounts | | |
| | " Asylum buildings and walls | 9 | 25 |
| | " Salaries | 1568 | 75 |
| | Digging for Coal | 20 | 0 |
| | Repairing Westminster Street | 11 | 87 |
| | Public Buildings | 168 | 61 |
| | Support of Poor at large | 993 | 81 |
| | ditto in the Asylum | 1527 | 40 |
| | Lighting Street | 1615 | 22 |
| | City Watch | 3205 | 73 |
| | Interest account | 2478 | 18 |
| | Wells & Pumps | 571 | 36 |
| | Public Schools | 4551 | 76 |
| | Bridges | 162 | 88 |
| | Contingencies $ 1515.69 & $ 221.43 | 1737 | 12 |
| | Fire Department | 1999 | 46 |
| | Highways | 555 | 1 |
| | Asylum Walls | 1519 | 95 |
| | Collectors Commissions on $ 21720.0 of Tax ordered in June | 1568 | 80 |
| To | New account for amount of tax of June 1837. un Collected from which is to be deducted, Commissions on $ 3281.0. | 1611 | 20 |
| To | Cash on hand this day | 639 | 98 |
| " | New account for notes unpaid | 1267 | 80 |
| | | $ 29297 | 28 |



## Stephen Tillinghast Treasurer. Cr.

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1838 January 1 | By Old account for notes on hand | | 2142 | 20 |
| | do Tax of June 1837. unpaid | | 5820 | 0 |
| | Cash on hand this day | | 12267 | 21 |
| 3 | " Cash of Edward Sheldon for fees on Auctions | | 4 | 12 |
| | " ditto for taxes on Billiard tables | | | |
| 3 | E & S Clarke 3 mo to 27 dec & 1st Inst. on 2 tables | 95.00 | | |
| March 15 | " Joseph Chamley 3 mo to 14th | 47.50 | | |
| May 6 | " Emmons Clark 3 mo 27th Apl | 47.50 | | |
| | " Lafayette 3 mo to 24th Apl | 47.50 | | |
| | " Anthony Dexter 3 mo | 47.50 | | |
| | " William Gibbs 3 mo | 47.50 | 332 | 50 |
| | " Cash of City Clerk for Licenses to retailers 1st | 90.0 | | |
| | April 10th | 35.0 | | |
| | May 21st | 125.0 | 250 | 0 |
| | " of ditto for Theatrical exhibitions | 10.0 | | |
| | ditto Conflagrations of Masons | 20.0 | 30 | 0 |
| | " Cash for 1/2 fines from Uzzell Hunt breach of Pilots laws | | 10 | 0 |
| | " Sales by S Hardiness of Sailors Clothes | | 1 | 10 |
| 31 | " balance of "Tillinghast donation" | | 7 | 0 |
| | ditto heirs of A Tosto | | 70 | 0 |
| | ditto rents | | 852 | 55 |
| | " Sundry loans, viz: | | | |
| | Merchants Bank due 3d July | 3000.0 | | |
| | ditto " " 3/11 Sept | 2000.0 | | |
| | Cyrus Butler 4/7 Augt | 1500.0 | | |
| | Sem'l W Bridgham 11/13 Sept | 1000.0 | 7500 | 0 |
| | | $ | 29297 | 28 |

Errors Excepted

Providence May 31st 1838

Stephen Tillinghast

City Treasurer

## Statement of Money received into the Treasury for the Municipal year ending June 4th 1838 and Sources whence derived

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Cash on hand May 31. 1837 | 2106 | 53 |
| Licenses for public Exhibitions | 125 | 0 |
| ditto for retailers | 1516 | 0 |
| Billiard tables taxed at $200 each per year | 665 | 0 |
| Violation of Quarantine & Licence law | 95 | 0 |
| Rents of Markets & other City Property | 2939 | 10 |
| Interest on the "Tillinghast donation" of $200 | 14 | 0 |
| Rents from the Dale Estate | 129 | 96 |
| Privilege of Cutting City Thatch | 11 | 0 |
| Sale of Clothes of a deceased Sailor | 1 | 10 |
| Temporary loans of Banks & Individuals | 7500 | 0 |
| so much of Tax ordered in June 1837 for $ 45000. paid | 41720 | 0 |
| City's proportion of School tax for 1837 | 1734 | 73 |
| Manure sold by Surveyor of Highways | 97 | 75 |
| Received for use of Public drain in Thomas Street | 15 | 0 |
| Sale of old Stove from Fire department | 7 | 50 |
| Balance of tax of 1836. 1632. 0 | | |
| Less Collectors Commission 137. 18 | 1494 | 82 |
| Interest on deposits from May to October 1837 | 75 | 43 |
| Auctioneers fees | 70 | 70 |
| Miscellaneous | 145 | 37 |
| $ | 60.514 | 4 |

## Schedule of Real Estate &c belonging to the City of Providence

The brick Market house (excepting the Masonic hall in the third story) & lot on Market square. The Town house lot, measuring on College Street 140 feet, on Benefit Street 125 feet, and bounding South on a gangway, 17½ feet wide on which it extends westerly into the Town house lot 67½ feet & on lands of Brown & Ives & others 96 feet making the whole Southerly line 163 ½ to feet; Westerly on land of Edwin Whipple & others on which it measures 136 ½ feet, the buildings on said lot are partly, the Town house measuring 58 feet by 45½ feet being two stories high having a basement in which are two rooms appropriated for the City watch & for a bridewell. Secondly the Firemens hall 30 feet by 20 feet, Thirdly, Fire hook & ladder house 35 feet by 9 feet, fourthly Engine house No 6. 33 feet by 20 feet, Fifthly, the Tool house now occupied by the surveyor of Highways, the City Pound is also upon this lot, all the above described belong to the City, Sixthly, the Reticker alarm post, measuring 64 feet by 36 feet, seventhly the Cadet alarm post 52 by 38 feet having a Cellar occupied as a Carriage house for a Livery Stable, both these last buildings are rent free, Eighthly — Upon Burgess & Watts Office 30 feet by 16 feet; Hospital lands; two acres & thirty rods, bounding East on the harbor, & South on Hawkins Cove, purchased of Martha Field for hospital uses, Ten & ½ to acres of land called the new hospital land, on which the principal hospital building is erected bounding on the brook which forms the South line of the City & the North line of the Town of Cranston. This lot originally joined the Old Hospital lands, but is now severed therefrom by the Pawtuxet turnpike. A new building for Hospital purposes was in 1832 erected in the vicinity of the other Hospital



## Payments from the City Treasury for the Municipal year Ending June 4th 1838.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Abatement of Taxes | 37 | 15 |
| Expenses in quieting Suit v Mrs M Howell | 79 | 95 |
| paid loan from Mechants Bank | 4000 | 0 |
| Taxes on land in Cranston | 9 | 95 |
| Balances of the following accounts viz. | | |
| Digging for Coal | 30 | 39 |
| Contingencies | 4422 | 58 |
| City Watch | 6142 | 17 |
| Lighting Street | 2253 | 25 |
| Interest account | 4624 | 70 |
| Salaries | 4322 | 50 |
| Repaving Westminster Street | 1268 | 44 |
| Public Schools | 9401 | 49 |
| Wells & Pumps | 125 | 63 |
| Building Asylum wall | 3100 | 9 |
| Poor in the Asylum & at large exclusive of $2250 from the Orph donation | 5401 | 72 |
| Highways | 6381 | 40 |
| Fire department | 5560 | 1 |
| Public buildings | 968 | 58 |
| Repairs of Asylum buildings | 9 | 25 |
| Bridges | 162 | 88 |
| Portion of City debt paid off | 1593 | 33 |
| Interest account short Carried out | 75 | 48 |
| $ | 60.514 | 4 |

standing on this lot. — The Dan[illegible] lot so called is situate at the junction of North main Benefit & Stampers Street and was purchased for public use partly by the subscriptions of individuals & partly by the then Town. Engine No 3 is located thereon —

The Old brick school house stands upon a lot of 60 feet by 50 feet, this lot was given to the Town by Capt Ambrose Page in May 1766 for a school house lot exclusively. The lot in addition to this donation, belonging to this Establishment measures 100 feet by 120 feet extending from Meeting Street to South Court Street.

North School house & lot 6th district bounds 45 feet on Benefit Street & extends Southerly 80 feet & can be applied to no other than School purposes.

South or Third district School. The lot on which the School house stands is 80 feet front on Transit Street, the East part thereof extends 80 feet north to the Tillinghast Burial Ground and thirty four feet of the west part extends in the rear to land of Wm B. Clifford. Engine house No since burned down occupied part of this lot in the year 1837 —

Fourth district School house & lot are situated on the Southerly side of Richmond Street lot measuring thereon 112 feet, depth of same not ascertained,

Stone School house & lot in 5th the district, situated on Summer Street, Dimensions of lot. (being 2 lots) not given in the deed thereof —

The North burial ground Comprises about 50 acres of which about 14 acres are enclosed within a fence erected in 1835 —

The "Scipions lot", so Called, fronts westerly on North Main Street at its Northern extremity and extends easterly to a Precipice or road, It Comprises about about nine acres & a half —

Lands on Charles & Smiths Street. The Work house lot situated on the East side of Charles Street & bounding on the Blackstone Canal measures on Charles Street about 220 feet, its width on Smiths Street (being its south end) is about 100 feet & at its North end about 60 ft. The lands on the west side of Charles Street, measures thereon about 210 feet the width at the North end measuring westerly to Back Street is 96 feet; at its South end, which bounds on Smiths Street about 74 feet, this width is exclusive of 40 feet for the entire length of its west line being the Proposed Continuation of Back Street through the City lands. By a recent exchange, the above described lands form a square, intersected North & South by Charles Street.—

Lands South of Smiths Street and Smiths bridge; The City is supposed to have Claim to a portion of this land & street. For the year 1793 a street was surveyed & established as a public Street.

The "Abbott lot" at Tockwotton is 40 feet square & was deeded to the Town of Providence for a public watering place forever, the water disappeared, many years ago

The Rome house & lands on Weybosset Street north side the lot measuring thereon 31 feet and extending back 70 feet, Engine house No 3 stands on this lot.—

The Fosters Estate Consists of a house & lot situated at the junction of Weybosset & Dorrance Streets and is now in possession of the City subject to the Claim of said Fosters heirs now unknown.—

The Market lot. the North bounds of the Cove lots begin at the N.E. Corner of the late Darius Thurbers house South of Carpenters point; thence Coping the Cove to a point a little E of land of John Smiths heirs. The rights purchased of Mrs Barnes & others bound Southerly on the above described rights extending up the Cove to the line of North Providence and thence across the Cove to Carpenters point, the Thatch formerly abundant has been yearly diminishing and is now wasted to nothing, yielding a very trifling Crop.

The Public Square on Federal hill was deeded to the Town of Providence "for ever for public purposes & purposes and for no other use & purpose whatever" it is 150 feet square and bounded by Atwells Avenue and Bradford Street, and on two sides by 20 feet gangways.

A well has been sunk thereon for public purposes.—

The Field's Point Farm Contains about 38 acres, Chace Fields right of dower therein has been extinguished

## Schedule of Yearly rents.—

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| St John's Lodge | 21 | 00 |
| Part of the Town lot to Batt & Burgess | 20 | 0 |
| do to E. S Mallett during pleasure for a passage way to his buildings | 36 | 0 |
| Part of the work house lot to Isaac B Smith & Daniel Angell to Jany 1st 1838 | | |
| 1415 feet | 200 | 0 |
| " ditto to R W Bush to do 25 feet | 25 | 0 |
| Lot on Charles Street to James Page to end Jany 1st 1839. 40 feet 4/6 per foot | 30 | 0 |
| ditto to Daniel Angell to Jany 1st 1839 30 feet | 30 | 0 |
| ditto to Benja Newton to ditto 18 feet | 18 | 0 |
| ditto to Ebenezer P Brown to do 22 feet | 22 | 0 |
| The Sexton lot to Warren Batcheller to April 1st 1839. | 60 | 0 |
| The Rome house to David Pitts to Jany first 1839. | 85 | 0 |
| The Fosters house to John Warren to do. | 140 | 0 |
| Stalls in the Market house to Oct 1st 1838. | 2175 | 0 |
| ditto first Market including Oyster stalls to Jany 1. 1839. | 191 | 50 |
| Water Cistern South Corner of Clock Market | 3 | 0— |
| $ | 3058 | 18. |



"The Tillinghast Donation" is a bequest of $200 made by the late Mrs Lydia Tillinghast "as a fund, the interest, or income thereof to be used for the relief Comfort & subsistence of the poor of any or "all society and Color" It is invested in stocks of the Union Bank.—

## Statement of the City Debt on the 31st day of May 1838.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Notes payable on the 1st day of April 1839. with semi annual interest at 5 p. Ct per Ann. | | |
| viz to Prov. Inst Savings | 22.900. 0 | |
| Samuel W Bridgham | 4000. 0 | |
| Providence Dispensary | 1500. 0 | |
| R Bullock | 500. 0 | |
| Martin Page | 900. 0 | |
| Wm G Goddard | 700. 0 | |
| Charlotte R Goddard | 1500. 0 | 32. 100 0 |
| Funded debt payable April 1st 1840. interest at 5 p Cent per Ann pay[e] semi annually | | 60. 000 0 |
| Temporary loans unpayable in July. August & Sept. | | 7. 500 0 |
| $ | | 99. 600 0. |

City Treasurer &c

The Committee to whom the duty was assigned, to prepare a particular account of the receipts and expenditures for the last year and a Schedule of the property of the City, and to cause the same to be published in the newspapers employed by the City Council agreeable to the requisitions of the 4th Section of the City Charter beg leave to report that they have attended to the duty of their appointment

Providence July 2d 1838. Seth Padelford
D. T Goodhue
Edward A Young
Committee

Received July 2d 1838.

Loan.

Resolved that the City Treasurer acting with the advice of Messrs Greene Bartlett and Turner, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be authorized to hire on temporary loan for the use of the City, a sum of money not exceeding four thousand dollars,

And Alderman Hoppin added to the Committee.—

Passed July 2d 1838.

City Treasurers Bond.

The Committee appointed to take a Bond of the City Treasurer from Stephen Tillinghast elected City Treasurer for the present Municipal year, make report that they have discharged that duty and submit the Bond herewith to be disposed of agreeably to the pleasure of the City Council.—

Providence July 2. 1838. S. H Greene
For the Committee

Whereupon it is Ordered that the same be received, and that the Bond of the City Treasurer for the present Municipal Year be deposited for safe keeping in the Office of the City Clerk.—

Passed July 2d 1838

City Treasurer Account

Resolved

The Committee appointed on the 4th day of June last to audit and Settle the Account of the City Treasurer with the City up to the first Monday in said June, Make report, that they discharged that duty and find said account Correctly stated and Vouched.

Bost. July 2 1838.

Henry Anthony
D Andrews
Thomas C Hopkins

Accepted July 2 1838

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Account of the Municipal Court with Estate, H. Handy

Upon the several accounts of the Municipal Court, Clerk and City Sergeant and of Albert G Greene, for Probate fees and expenses, respecting an application in behalf of the City to said Court for the appointment of a Guardian of the person & Estate of Harriet N Handy in the year 1837, It is Resolved, that the same be allowed and that the same amounting in the whole to forty three dollars and sixty three Cents be paid by the City Treasurer from the appropriation for Contingencies

Passed July 2
1838.

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City Printing

The Committee appointed to Contract for the City Printing for the ensuing Municipal year Respectfully Report. that they have Contracted with the proprietors of the Providence Journal of the Morning Courier and of the Republican Herald to do the same for the sum of $ 145. in gross viz. to the proprietor of the Journal and of the Courier $50 each and to the proprietor of the Herald $45.

July 2 1838.

For the Committee
E B Knowles.

Accepted July 2. 1838.

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Hospital Lands.

Resolved that the City Treasurer acting with the advice of a Committee to Consist of Alpheus Greene, Anthony L Padelford with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be authorized to negotiate an exchange of part of the lot of land belonging to the City, Called the "New Hospital lot" with Abial H and Cyrus B Manchester for land belonging to them; and that he be empowered to agree to a new survey of said lands if found necessary the Expense thereof to be paid equally by the parties, and that Stephen Tilling hast be and he is hereby authorized and empowered to execute a deed to the said Abial H and Cyrus B Manchester of such part of said "New Hospital lot" as may be needed in effecting the negotiation aforesaid. Aldermen Hopkins advised to the Committee

Passed July 2
1838.

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Admitted Free.

The two Boards met in Convention July 2 1838. and the following named persons were admitted Freemen of this City. to wit.

Thomas H Hawkins
Isaac Saunders.



Propounded

The following named persons were propounded to become Freemen, to wit.

| | |
|---|---|
| Pardon Tabor | dead produced |
| Hugh H Brown | by desire |
| Samuel T Thurber | dead produced |
| George W Hall | do |
| Chester S Wood | do |
| Henry Tenney | do |
| Lyman W Perkins | do. |

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Engine Co No 1

The following named persons were appointed members of Engine Company No 1. to wit.

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|---|---|
| Albert Watterman | Thomas W Latham |
| Stephen Barker | Jonath Peirce |
| Samuel W Brown | Nathaniel Bowen |
| Alpheus Anthony | Smith Phillips |
| Nathan Bucklin | Aaron C Miller |
| Hanson Tilley | Simon B Sherman |
| Elisha W Walker | Benjamin Anthony |
| Jonath Baxter | Cyrus Williams |
| Thomas Payne | Enos Nicholson |
| Stephen Randall | Jeremiah Gatchell |
| Russell Millard | Robert Wilson |
| Henry L Smith | John Williams |
| Capel S Carpenter | |

The two Boards then separated and the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber.

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Star Street

Resolved that the sum of two hundred dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for repairs on Star Street, in addition to the sum of three hundred dollars which was appropriated for that purpose on the fourteenth day of May (A) 1838. provided the owners of land on said Street, shall first pay into the City Treasury the sum of one hundred dollars to be used as a part of said appropriation

Passed July 9th
1838.

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Clifford Street

Upon the Petition of Daniel Field and others &c Resolved that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to Cause that part of Clifford Street which lies Westerly of Summit Street, to be graded and gravelled, provided the owners of land thereon shall convey Curb stones in front of their respective lots, and fully up the same, so as to protect the side walks.

Passed July 16
1838.

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4th July Oration

Resolved that the thanks of the City Council be presented to John Whipple Esq. for the Eloquent oration delivered by him before the Municipal Authorities on the 4th Instant. & that the Committee of Arrangements for that occasion be requested to solicit a Copy for the press.

Passed July 16th
1838.

North Burial Ground

Upon the Petitions of William L Burroughs and Isaac H Wood severally requesting leave to come in and enclose burying lots sufficient for their respective families in the North Burial Ground, it is Resolved that the same be received and the prayers thereof granted; and that said petitioners be and they are hereby severally authorized to come in and enclose such lots for such purpose, Provided the same be done under the direction of the owners of the North Burial Ground, with the sanction of the Mayor;

And provided also that the several privileges hereby granted, shall be ~~granted~~ subject to all future regulations of the City Council in relation thereto: and shall Continue during the pleasure of the City Council and no longer.

Passed July 16.
1838.

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Sealer of Weights and Measures.

Resolved that the sum of fifty dollars be allowed and paid to the City Sealer of Weights and Measures in addition to the sum heretofore appropriated as Compensation for the discharge of the duties of his Office for the present Municipal year, payable quarterly.

Passed July 16th
1838.

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Work House Lot.

Resolved that Mr Knowles be added to the Joint Committee appointed on the 15th day of January last to apportion the North line of the Work House Lot, and to adjust the same with the owners or owners of the adjoining land, in the place of Mr Richard Harding, who has declined serving on said Committee.

Passed July 16th
1838.

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Persons Propounded

The two Boards met in Convention July 16th 1838 and the following named persons were propounded to become Freemen, to wit,

| | |
|---|---|
| Elroy Wilson | dead produced |
| Benjamin B Knight | do |
| Lourzo E Bowen | do |

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Fire Ward.

John H Taylor was Elected one of the Fire Wards of this City.

The two Boards then separated and the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber

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4th of July.

Resolved that the Chairman of the Committee of Arrangements for the present Celebration of the Anniversary of American Independence be directed to report to the City Council in writing a detailed Account of the expenses of said Celebration.

Passed August 6th
1838.



Weybosett Bridge

Resolved that Messrs Dexter Angell
Anthony
Gurney
Goodhue
Eddy 2
Miller with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to procure and report a plan for rebuilding Weybosett Bridge when the same may be necessary.

Aldermen Potter and Williams added to the Committee.

Passed August 5th
1838.

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City Temporary Loan.

Resolved that the City Treasurer, acting with the advice of Messrs Everett 2 Fenner with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and he is hereby authorized to hire on temporary loan, for the use of the City, a sum of Money not exceeding two thousand five hundred dollars. Alderman Cady added to the Committee.

Passed August 6th
1838.

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Olneyville Street.

Resolved that the surveyor of Highways be directed to grade and gravel Olneyville Street, and pave the gutters of the same, so far as the owners of the land shall erect Curb stones and fill up the lots to protect the side walks, Commencing at Chesnut Street.

Passed August 6th
1838

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Street Signs.

Resolved that Messrs Young 2 Carpenter, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be a Committee to cause Street signs to be put up on the Corner of the several Streets in this City not already provided with signs and that a sum not exceeding twenty five dollars be appropriated for the same.

Alderman Hopkins added to the Committee.
Passed August 6. 1838.

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Pauperism

Resolved that Messrs Andrews Fenner 2 Knowlton with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be a Committee, to make enquiry into the Cause of Pauperism in this City, and report in writing as soon as Convenient to the City Council.

Alderman Holden added to the Committee
Passed August 6
1838.

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North Burial Ground

Upon the Petition of William W Aldrich and Isaac Goddard praying for leave to come in and enclose burying lots sufficient for their respective families in the North burial ground; It is Resolved that the same be received and the prayers thereof granted; and that the said petitioners be and they are hereby authorized to come in and enclose such lots for such purpose: provided the same be done under the direction of the owners of the North burial ground with the sanction of the Mayor: And provided the several privileges hereby granted, shall be subject to all future regulations of the City Council in relation thereto; and shall Continue during the pleasure of the City Council and no longer.

Passed August 6th
1838.

High Street.

Resolved that the Surveyor of Highways acting under the advice and direction of Messrs Sanford Vinedutton and Dexter Angell with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and he is hereby directed to cause High Street to be graded and paved Commencing at the termination of the present pavement and proceeding Westerly to the East line of the Hoyle Tavern Estate, and that the sum of Two thousand Five hundred dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for paying the expenses thereof, to be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated

Passed August 6th
1838.

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Admitted Free.

The two Boards met in Convention August 6th 1838. and the following named persons were admitted Freemen of this City, to wit.—

John Innes
Aaron Atwell
Thomas Cory
Silas Talbot 3d.

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Propounded

The following named persons are propounded to become Freemen to wit
Francis D Brickley and produced
Charles John Wheeler do.

The two Boards then separated and the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber

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A Communication from the Mayor respecting the Bridge next North of Weybosset Bridge was read & sent to the Common Council.

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Hopkins Street.

Resolved that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to Cause Hopkins Street from Benefit Street to South Main Street, to be repaired, the pavement to be removed therefrom, the drain therein to be relaid in such parts thereof as is necessary and the Street graded and gravelled, Provided the owners of lands on said Street shall Curb Stone to be erected and the side walks filled up in front of their respective lands.—

Passed August 20
1838.

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Causes of Pauperism

The Committee who were appointed by the City Council on the 6th instant to make enquiry into the Cause or Causes of Pauperism in this City.—

Report that in the prosecution of the duty apprized them, they visited the Dexter Asylum and have received from the Master of that Institution the following information viz that there has been received into the Asylum since its Establishment in 1828. (ten years since) 872 persons, 480 of whom were persons of intemperate habits and 113 Children of intemperate parents making 623 or more than four fifths of the whole number of paupers in that institution since it Commencement were there in Consequence of the use of intoxicating Liquors.— the whole Amount drawn from the Treasury in the 10 years for the Support of the inmates of that institution is $49.672 00/100 dollars or about $36.500 dollars for the Support of Paupers made such through the influence of intoxicating drink.—

By enquiry of the Overseers of the poor your Committee learn that the amount paid out to transient persons and occasional allowances to resident persons for the last nine years is $14.240 dls.



and Setting the ratio of intemperate persons in the Asylum as a basis for an average say four fifths we have about 11000 dollars for the support of intemperance in this department.

By Enquiry of the Attending Physicians of the Asylum we receive the following.— that out of 593 Cases that Came under Medical treatment in seven years 441 were persons of intemperate habits say about four fifths of the whole number this of Cases applies to Adults.

That by patient Institution the Childrens Friends to better Amount have in two years and nine months previous under its Care 114 Childrens, 96 of whom were from intemperate Parents and of about 2700 dollars expenses 2300 dollars may be Charged to intemperance.—

The Fuel Society have expended about 7700 dollars since 1835 and in the last 2 years about 2200 dollars and from the best information your Committee have obtained three fourths of this amount is distributed to the families of intemperate persons, From the foregoing facts your Committee are Compelled to Come to the Conclusion that at least four fifths of all the Pauperism in the City is Caused by the use of intoxicating Liquors.—

Providence August 20. 1838.

David Andrews
Rob B Sumner
Curtis T Knowlton
Thomas R Holden
Committee.

Read; whereupon it is ordered that the same be received & recorded.—

Passed August 20th
1838.

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School Houses & Estates.

Resolved that the report of the Joint Committee appointed on the 4th day of June last to make investigations relative to the public School houses and Estates, which report has been this day made, be received, and that the same be printed in all the News papers employed by the City Council.—

Passed August 20
1838.

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4th of July.

Resolved that the report of the Committee of Arrangements for the present Celebration of the Anniversary of American Independence be received

Passed August 20th
1838.

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North Burial Ground

Upon the petition of Earl D Vose
James Wheaton
Thomas R Holden
Luther Lyon
John D Jones
Albert G Jones and
William B Dean severally requesting leave to open in and enclose burying lots sufficient for their respective families in the North burial Ground viz Resolved that the same be received and the prayers thereof granted: and that said petitioners be and they are hereby severally authorized to open in and enclose such lots for such purposes; Provided the same be done under the direction of the overseer of the North burial ground and with the sanction of the Mayor; and provided also that the severed privileges hereby granted shall be subject to all future regulations of the City Council & shall Continue during the pleasure of the City Council and no longer.—

Passed August 20th 1838.—

Bridge.

Resolved that the Communication of his Hon^r the Mayor in relation to the Bridge next North of Wyebesitt Bridge be referred to

Alp^n Dexter Angell
Anthony
Gurney
Goodhue
Eddy and
Miller with such as the Board of

Aldermen may add to examine & report thereon. —

Aldermen Potter and Williams added to the Committee.

Passed August 20
1838.

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Admitted Trace.

The two Boards met in Convention August 20th 1838 and the following named persons having stood prepounded more than three months were admitted, Freemen, to wit;

George W Arnold
George A Simmons
Daniel Paine
Caleb W Miller

The two Boards then separated and the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber,

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Wall South of the Canal Bridge

Resolved that the Committee on Highways be directed to examine the wall South of the Canal Stone houses near Canal Street and Cause such repairs to be made as are immediately necessary.

Passed August 27.
1838.

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School Houses.

Resolved that Alp^n Vernon Anthony Everett, Hughes Andrews and Vernon with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to Cause such of the present Public School houses to be removed or taken down and such new School houses to be erected and furnished as are necessary to Carry into full operation the provisions of the Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the Public Schools" passed on the ninth day of April last, and in Conformity with the report of a Joint Committee of the City Council this day made and received, whenever the locations of such new School houses shall be designated by the School Committee; and also to make and enter into in the name of the City all necessary Contracts for Materials and Labor. —.

Resolved that said Committee be and they are hereby authorised and empowered to Cause any of such new School houses to be erected on any lands now belonging to the City which the School Committee may designate; and to purchase for the City any other lands for said purpose which they together with the School Committee may deem advisable; and Also to make sale in the name of the City of any of the present School houses or Estates which they may deem it advisable to sell, and which Can legally be sold; and in Case of such sale or sales the City Treasurer for the time being is hereby authorised and directed under the



direction of said Committee to execute good & sufficient deeds Conveying all the right title and interest of the City in any lands or lands so sold. —

Resolved that said Committee be and they are hereby authorised and empowered to raise by Loan or Loans for the use of the City a sum or sums of money sufficient for Carrying these resolutions into full effect, not exceeding Forty thousand dollars in the whole, to be kept separate from the other monies in the Treasury, and to be denominated the "School Fund Loan," at such rate or rates of interest as they may deem advisable not exceeding Five per cent, the principal to be paid at such times as they may deem advisable not however at shorter periods than one third in ten, one third in twenty & one third in thirty years, and the interest to be paid annually.

Resolved that the Ordinance aforesaid entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the Public Schools" shall not go into effect until the first day of May next: and that the same shall, on that day go into full effect and operation. —

Resolved that the City Clerk send to the School Committee forthwith a Certified Copy of these Resolutions" — Aldermen Holden & Cady added to the Committee. —

Passed September 3
1838. —

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Taxes remitted

Whereas Robert Knight has represented to the City Council that the taxes Assessed upon Certain persons in the year 1837 and Committed to him to Collect are not Collectable by reason of errors in the assessment thereof &c &c; and Whereas the City Council are satisfied that the taxes in said year in the respective amounts following, upon the persons hereinafter named, to wit,

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|---|---|---|
| Upon | John Dee 1st | .. 93. |
| | Mary K Bradford | .. 62 |
| | James & Brown & Walker Pierce | 1.. 86 |
| | Sylvester Lewis | 1.. 25 |
| | James West | .. 62 |
| | Sylvester Haines | 1.. 55 |
| | Lydia Smith | 2.. 48 |
| | Verona Pease | 1.. 55 |
| | William G Gardner | 1.. 86 |
| | George H Wood | .. 93 |
| | Levi Davis | 1.. 55 |
| & | John B Dockray Jun | 2.. 48. |
| | | 17.. 67 |

are not Collectable; therefore Resolved that the respective taxes aforesaid be remitted; and that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorised and directed to Credit the amount thereof, to wit, Seventeen dollars and sixty seven Cents to the said Robert Knight, in account with him as Collector of Taxes together with the interest on the several sums aforesaid. —

Passed Septemb 3 ⁄
1838.

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Crops Walk

Resolved that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to Cause a Crops walk to be laid across High Street near its junction with Steward Street: and that the same be done during the time of the paving of High Street.

Passed September 3.
1838.

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Appropriation

Resolved that the several sums hereinafter named be and the same are hereby appropriated for the following purposes respectively, to wit,

For the Fire Department Three hundred dollars
For repairs of Pumps & Wells one hundred dollars.

and that said sums so appropriated be paid out of any Money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed September 3
1838.

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Crops Walk

Resolved that the petition of George Grinnell & others for a Crops walk across Fountain Street at its Junction with Albany Street, be received and referred to Messrs Lanthar, Van Voolen & Dexter Angell with such as the Board of Aldermen may add; and that said Committee be and they are hereby authorized to Cause such Crops walk to be laid in Case they may deem it advisable.

Alderman Hopkins added to the Committee
Passed Sept 3
1838.

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Temporary Loan

Resolved that the City Treasurer acting by and with the advice of Messrs Everitt and Skinner with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and he is hereby authorized to hire by Temporary loan or loans, for the use of the City such sums of Money as the necessities of the City may require not exceeding in the whole, the sum of Two thousand dollars.

Alderman Hopkins added to the Committee.
Passed Sept 3
1838.

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The Two Board met in Convention September 3. 1838. and the following named persons were propounded to become Freemen. to wit,

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| Moses B Harris | by advice |
| Calvin I W Bullock | dued proclaimed |
| Henry Temple | do |
| Joshua H Wood | do |
| Lewis Kinyon | do |

The two boards then separated and the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber.



Brook Street.

Resolved that the Surveyor of Highways acting under the advice & direction of Messrs Lanthar, Van Voolen and Dexter Angell with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and he is hereby authorized and directed to Cause Brook Street to be repaired and graded, and the gutters paved, provided the owners of lands adjoining said Street erect Curb Stone and fill up the side walks in front of their respective lots, and filling up their said lots so as to protect & sustain the side walk.

Alderman Upton added to the Committee
Passed Sept 24
1838.

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Bone House.

Resolved that Messrs Goodhue & Carpenter with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to Cause the "Bone House" to be repaired provided the expense thereof shall not exceed Seventy five dollars.

Alderman Potter added to the Committee
Passed Sept 24th
1838.

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Appropriation

Resolved, that the sum of one thousand dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for repairs of Streets and Highways; and that said sum so appropriated be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed Sept 24.
1838.

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Primary Schools.

Resolved that two additional Primary Schools be and the same are hereby established one of which is to be located in the third ward and the other in the sixth ward: and that the School Committee be and they are hereby requested to locate said Schools in said wards respectively.

Resolved that the City Clerk be and he is hereby directed to transmit a Copy of these resolutions to the School Committee.

Passed Sept 24
1838.

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North Burial Ground

Upon the Senate petitions of William C Cutting and Lewis Leavitt severally requesting to purchase and enclose burying lots sufficient for the respective families in the North Burial ground it is Resolved that the same be received and the prayers thereof granted: and that the said petitioners be and they are hereby severally authorized to purchase and enclose such lots for such purposes: Provided the same be done under the direction of the Overseers of the North Burial Ground with the sanction of the Mayor: and Provided also that the several privileges hereby granted shall be subject to all further regulations of the City Council in relation thereto: and shall Continue during the pleasure of the City Council and no longer.

Passed Sept 24.
1838.

Primary Schools.

Resolved that the Joint Committee heretofore appointed in relation to the Public school houses and estates be and they are hereby authorised to hire by lease for the use of the City, for a term not exceeding thirty years, a lot of land in the sixth ward, for a location of the new Primary School, in said ward at an annual rent not to exceed twenty five dollars.

Passed Sept 24
1838.

Street Signs

Resolved that the sum of twenty dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for defraying the expence of putting up Street signs in addition to the sum appropriated on the 6th of August last.

Passed Sept 24
1838.

Public Schools.

Resolved. that the City Treasurer acting under the advice and directions of the joint Committee of the City Council in relation to the public School houses and Estates be and he is hereby authorised and directed to pay from any Monies in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated such sums of Money not exceeding in the whole the sum of Ten Thousand dollars, as may be necessary for the payment of the purchase money of such lots and parcels of land as have been purchased or may hereafter be purchased by said Committee, for the City, as locations for Public School houses or as additions to the present School house estates, and for the Commencement of the erection of the Contemplated buildings thereon; — that such sums of purchase money be paid by said Treasurer to the grantors of such lots or parcels of land respectively on their delivering to him good & sufficient deeds thereof in fee simple to the City; — And that the balance of said Ten thousand Dollars be paid by him to the Order of said Committee; — And that said Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to Charge all such sums of money so paid, with interest thereon at five per Cent, to the debit of the "School fund Loan." which said Committee were authorised to raise for the use of the City by the terms of the Resolutions by which they were appointed; and said Treasurer is hereby further directed, on receiving the proceeds of said Loan or a sufficient amount thereof to return thereon into the Treasury all such sums which shall have been so advanced and paid by him with the interest which may be due thereon.

Passed October 8th
1838.

Admitted Free.

The two Boards met in Convention October 8th 1838. when the following named persons were admitted Freemen of this City, to wit,

Pardon Tabor
Hugh H Brown
Samuel S Thurber
Geo. W Hall
Chester S Wood
Henry Tenney
Lyman W Perkins



Propounded.

The following named persons were propounded to become Freemen of this City, to wit,

Reuben Smith 2d. — dwelling Prudence
John C Snow. — do.

The two Boards then separated and the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber.

North Burial Ground

Upon the petition of William A Stubbs requesting leave to fence in and enclose a burying lot sufficient for his family in the North burial ground, It is resolved that the same be received and the prayer thereof granted; And that said petitioner be and he is hereby authorised to fence in and enclose such lot for such purpose provided the same be done under the direction of the Trustees of the North burial ground, with the sanction of the Mayor; And provided also that the privilege hereby granted shall be subject to all future regulations of the City Council in relation thereto, and shall Continue during the pleasure of the City, City Council and no longer.

Passed November 5th
1838.

Public Bridges

Resolved that Messrs Eddy, Gurney & Newcomb with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be a Committee to repair & rebuild Weybosett Bridge and the two bridges next to North of Same, whenever the same shall in their Opinion be necessary and that they be empowered to make such Contracts for materials during the next 6 months as may be done to advantage, and that the whole be done under the advice of the Board of Aldermen. Aldermen Potter & Williams added to the Committee.

Passed Novemb 5th
1838.

Municipal Concerns of Town & City

Resolved that Messrs Everett & Knowlton with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be a joint Committee to ascertain from the Town & City Books the actual financial situation annually of the Treasury together with the Town debt from June 1826. to June 1832 when the form of Government was Changed, and for the subsequent six years up to June 1838. and the amount of Tax each year Assessed for & during the time above named. Also such other facts as will give to the Citizens a Comprehensive exhibit of the Comparative expence between the Town & Corporation Governments. and report at the next Meeting of the City Council.

Alderman Wheaton added to the Committee.

Passed Novemb 5th
1838

Admitted Free.

The two Boards met in Convention Nov 5th 1838. when the following named persons, having stood propounded more than three months were admitted Freemen of this City., to wit,

Henry Winsor
Benjamin B Knight
Lewis L Bowen

Prepounded

The following named persons were prepounded to become Freemen to wit,

Nathan Gorton — died produced
Albert G Dexter — do
Hiram Tuttle — do.

The two Boards then separated and the Board of Aldermen returned to their Chamber.

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Appropriation

Resolved that the several sums hereinafter named be and the same are hereby appropriated for the following purposes respectively, to wit,

For Highways — one thousand dollars
For the support of the poor — Five hundred dollars
For the Fire department — one thousand four hundred dollars
For repairs of public Bridges — three hundred dollars
For Contingencies — Five hundred Dollars

And that said sums so appropriated be paid out of any monies in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed Dec. 3. 1838.

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None House.

The Committee to whom was repred the Shingling and repairing of the Town house by leave to report that they employed Mr Joseph Snow who has done the work to the satisfaction of the Committee and at a reasonable price being $68.32.

Accepted Dec 3
1838.

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None House

Resolved that Messrs Goodhue and Carpenter with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to ascertain and report what further repairs (if any) are necessary upon the Town house & Estate

Alderman Potter added to the Committee

Passed Dec. 3
1838.

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Allen Tillinghast

Upon the Petition of Joseph Tillinghast guardian of Allen Tillinghast a minor now Confined in the States Jail in the County of Providence praying for the relief of said Minor, It is resolved that the same be received and the prayer thereof granted; and that the Sheriff of said County of Providence be and he is hereby authorized and directed to liberate the said Allen Tillinghast from his said Confinement whenever the said guardian shall have paid to the City Treasurer for the use of the City the sum of one hundred dollars in full of all Claims of said City on said Allen for the support of the bastard Child of which said Allen is the reputed father, and that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and directed on the payment of said sum as aforesaid to discharge all Claim which the City may have against said Allen on account of said Child

Passed Decemb 3
1838.



Comparative Expenses of Town & City.

Resolved that the report of the joint Committee appointed on the 5th of November last to ascertain from the Town & City Books the actual financial situation annually of the Treasury together with the Town debt from June 1826. to June 1832., when the form of Government was changed, and for the subsequent six years up to June 1838. and the amount of Tax each year Assessed for and during the time above named; Also such other facts as will give the Citizens a Comprehensive exhibit of the Comparative expense between the Towns & City Governments, be received and placed on file

Passed Decemb 3
1838.

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Fountain Street.

Resolved that Messrs Hopkins & Cranston with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to examine and report respecting the Stream of water flowing on Fountain Street

Alderman Potter added to the Committee

Passed Decemb 3
1838.

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Toll Bridges.

Resolved that the Communication of his Honor the Mayor this day made to the City Council with the documents accompanying the same relating to proposed Toll Bridges over the Woonasquatucket River be and the same are hereby referred to Messrs Freeman Anthony & Goodhue, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine & report thereon.

Alderman Hopkins added to the Committee.

Passed Decemb 3
1838.

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North Burial Ground.

Upon the several Petitions of James P Butts and Samuel 7th Thomas requesting leave to fence in and enclose burying lots sufficient for their respective families in the North Burial ground; It is resolved that the same be received and the prayers thereof granted, and that the said Petitioners be and they are hereby authorized to fence in and enclose such lots for such purpose; provided the same be done under the direction of the Overseers of the North burial ground with the Sanction of the Mayor, and provided also that the several privileges hereby granted shall be subject to all future regulations of the City Council, and shall continue during the pleasure of the City Council and no longer.

Passed Decemb 3
1838.

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Admitted Free.

The Joint two Boards met in Convention Decemb 3 1838. when the following named persons were admitted freemen of this City, to wit,

Moses B Harris
Calvin J W Bullock
Henry Temple
Joshua H Wood
Lewis Kinyon.

Prepounded.

The following named persons are prepounded to become Freemen of this City, to wit,

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|---|---|
| Richard Palmer | and produced |
| Joseph C Matteson | do |
| Solomon Gilbert | do |
| John S B Sleigg. | by right of his wife |

The two Boards then separated and the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber.

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Treasurer's account.

Resolved that Messrs Tanner & Young with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to audit and settle the Accounts of the City Treasurer with the City up to the 31st day of December A.D. 1838

Alderman Hoppin added to the Committee

Passed Dec. 31
1838.

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Toll Bridge

Resolved that Messrs Tanner Goodhue & Anthony with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be a Committee to Cause the Contentions expressed in a report made to the City Council this day by the Committee to whom was referred the Communication of the Mayor relative to a toll Bridge across the Woonasquatucket river to be secured to the City in an act of incorporation petitioned for by John Jenckes & others to establish said Bridge; which petition is now pending before the General Assembly, that said Committee have power to employ Counsel if necessary and to draw on the Treasurer for any Cost attending the same.

Alderman Hoppin added to the Committee

Passed December 31st
1838.

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Petition of Michael Laughlin

Upon the petition of Michael Laughlin praying for the relief of his wife Margaret Laughlin now Confined in the State Jail in the County of Providence under sentence of a Justice's Court &c. Resolved that the same be received and the prayer thereof granted, and that the Sheriff of the County of Providence be and he is hereby authorized & directed to discharge said Margaret from her said Confinement on payment of all Costs.

Passed December 31st
1838.

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City Markets.

Resolved that Messrs Knowles & Carpenter with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and the same are hereby appointed a Committee to ascertain and report what amendments (if any) are necessary to be made to the Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance for the regulation of the City Markets and Market place" Alderman Wheaton added to the Committee

Passed December 31st
1838.



Renewal of Leases &c

Resolved that Messrs Lasher, Waterman and Dexter Angell with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and they are hereby appointed a Committee with power to advise and direct the City Treasurer in relation to the renewal of such Leases of City property as will expire during the Months of January A.D. 1839. and also in relation to the Collection of rents due the City, and with power also to adjust and Compromise any existing Claims of the City for such rents.

Alderman Hoppin added to the Committee

Passed December 31st
1838.

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Water in Fountain Street.

Resolved that the Surveyor of Highways acting under the advice and direction of Messrs Hoppin Cranston & Knowlton with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and he is hereby authorized to cause a drain to be Constructed sufficient to carry off the stream of water flowing in Fountain Street and that said Surveyor together with said Committee be and they are hereby authorized to agree in the name of the City for Compensation for such damages (if any) as may be sustained by any owner or owners of land through which it may be necessary for such drain to pass.

Alderman Potter added to the Committee

Passed Dec. 31st.
1838.

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Rome House.

Providence December 31st 1838.

The Committee who were appointed at the last meeting of the City Council to examine the Rome house and estate with a view of ascertaining what further repairs are needed on the house beg leave to report that they have attended to that duty and are unanimous in opinion that it is inexpedient to expend any more money upon said house at present.

D. S. Goodhue
Ebenezer Carpenter
Nicholas Potter.

Whereupon it is Resolved that the same be Received.

Received December 31
1838.

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North Burial Ground

Upon the Petition of Augustus Ellis and Amey Collins requesting leave to purchase and enclose burying lots sufficient for their respective families in the North burial ground &c Resolved that the same be received and the prayer thereof granted and that said petitioners be and they are hereby authorized to purchase and enclose such lots for such purpose; provided the same be done under the direction of the overseers of the North burial ground and the sanction of the Mayor; And provided also that the several premises hereby granted be subject to all future regulations of the City Council in relation thereto and shall Continue during the pleasure of the City Council and no longer

Passed December 31st
1838.

The Two Boards met in Convention December 31. 1838. when the following named persons were admitted Freemen, to wit,

Admitted Free.

Francis D Brickley
Charles John Wheeler

Propounded. The following persons were propounded to become Freemen, to wit,

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|---|---|
| George Kendall | died/produced |
| William Gould | do |
| John S Thurston | do |
| Bradford S Stacy. | do. |

The two Boards then separated and the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber.

E. S. Mallett — Resolved that the Memorial of Edward S Mallett this day presented to the City Council be received and referred to Messrs Sanford, Anderson & Gurney with such as the Board of Aldermen may add to examine and report thereon.

Alderman Wheaton added to the Committee

Passed January 14. 1839.

Appropriation — Resolved that the several sums hereinafter named be and the same are hereby appropriated for the following purposes respectively, to wit —

For the Fire department. Seven hundred fifty dollars
For repairs of Highways Six hundred dollars.
and that said sums so appropriated be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed January 14
1837.

City Treasurer's a/c.

Providence January 14th 1839. We the undersigned a Committee appointed by the City Council to examine the City Treasurer's account, have examined the same, and find it Correct with the exception of some trifling sums, which make the balance in the 31st ult° in the hands of the Treasurer, Ninety six hundred twenty two 43/100 dollars instead of $ 9618.01. variation $ 4.48.

T. B Fenner
Edward R Gurney
Thomas C Hoppin

Read; Whereupon it is Resolved that the same be Received

Received January 14
1839.



Admitted Free. The two Boards met in Convention January 14th 1839. when the following named persons were admitted Freemen of this City, to wit,

Reuben Smith Jr
John C Snow.

Propounded. The following named persons were propounded to become Freemen, to wit,

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|---|---|
| James Phelon | died/produced |
| Isaac Chace | do |
| Stillman Perkins | do |
| George Miller | do |
| Charles H Mason | do |
| Rufus Waterman | do |
| Perry W Freeborn | do |
| Thomas Doyle | do |
| Henry Earle | do |
| Asahel Elliott | do |
| Hezekiah Allen Jr | do |
| Alexander Hodges | do |

The two Boards then separated and the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber.

Weybosset Bridge — Resolved that the Communication of the Hon the Mayor respecting Weybosset Bridge with the Petition accompanying the same for an enlargement of said Bridge be and the same are hereby referred to Messrs Eddy Gurney and Knowlton with such as the Board of Aldermen may add to examine and report thereon; And that said Committee be and they are hereby directed to report at the next meeting of the City Council the probable amount of the additional expense which may be incurred by such enlargement of said Bridge; and also to examine and report what Claims exist if any, of owners of land immediately South of the present Bridge with which such enlargement thereof may interfere; And if such claims are found to exist then to report upon what terms the same may be quieted.

Alderman Potter added to the Committee

Passed February 6
1839.

High School. — Whereas the Hon General Assembly at their Session in January last directed a meeting of the Freemen of this City to be holden on the last Wednesday in March next for the purpose of obtaining an expression of the Opinion of said Freemen in relation to the City Charter; and Whereas the City Council are desirous also of obtaining an expression of the opinion of the Freemen in relation to the subject of an improvement of the public Schools of the City it is Resolved that the Freemen of this City be and they are hereby requested at said meeting to express by ballot, their Opinion whether that part of the Ordinance of the City Council which passed on the ninth day of April last entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the Public Schools" which provides for the Establishment of a High School, ought to be Carried into effect, or not.

Resolved that the City Clerk be and he is hereby directed to Cause a sufficient number of printed Ballots to be provided for the use of the Freemen at said meeting, on one side of which ballots shall be printed the words, "Shall that part of the plans adopted by the City Council on the ninth of April 1838 for an improvement of the public Schools, which provides for the Establishment of a High School go into effect, and on the other sides of a part of said Ballots shall be printed the words "Yes," and on the other side of a part of said Ballots shall be printed the word "No," and that each Freeman voting upon said question shall write his name on the ballott which he may give at said Meeting; And that all the ballots so given in shall be sealed up at the Close of said meeting and returned to the Board of Aldermen, within two days thereafter, and at the next meeting of said Board be opened & Counted.

Passed February 6
1839.

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Appropriation

Resolved that the sum of one Thousand dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the Fire department; And that said sum so appropriated be paid out of any Monies in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed February 6th 1839.

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Appropriation

Resolved that the sum of One Thousand dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the support of the Poor; and that said sum so appropriated be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed February 11th
1839.

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Work House Lot.

Resolved, that the report of the Committee appointed to ascertain the North line of the Work house lot (so called) be and the same is hereby received and recommitted to the same Committee, and that said Committee be and they are hereby authorized and empowered to agree with Mr David Burt in relation to the Claim of the City upon him for rent for the occupation of a part of said Lot up to this time, and also to ascertain upon what terms the City Can purchase from him the small piece of land at the North west Corner of said Lot.

Passed February 11th
1839.

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Work Stand

Resolved that the petition of Nathaniel Smith & others praying the Erection of hackney Coaches in Market Square, be and the same is referred to the Clerk of the Market, for such action by him in relation to the subject, as may be requisite.

Passed February 11th
1839.

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Weybosett Bridge

Resolved that the joint Committee appointed on the 5th of November last to repair or rebuild Weybosett Bridge be and they are hereby authorized to Cause said Bridge to be extended so far South of the South line of the present Bridge as they together with the Board of Aldermen may deem expedient

Passed February 11.
1839.



Appropriation

Resolved that that one thousand dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated out of any Money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated for rebuilding Weybosett Bridge

Passed February 11.
1839.

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Admitted Freemen.

The two Boards met in Convention February 11th. 1839. when the following named persons were admitted Freemen. to wit.

Nathan Gorton
Albert G Dexter
Hiram Fuller

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| George W Packard Junr. | Eldest Son of | George W Packard |
| Benjamin W Hamm. | " " | Benjamin Hamm. |

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Propounded.

The following named persons were propounded to become Freemen. to wit.

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|---|---|
| Samuel T Tabor | died propound |
| Emerson Clarke | do |
| Morris Demming Junr. | do |
| Solomon Arnold | do |
| Thomas Lincoln | do |
| Timothy Munyan | do |

The two Boards then Separated and the Board of Aldermen returned to their Chamber.

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Weybosett Bridge

Upon the Memorial of Nathaniel Bishop and others against the Widening of Weybosett Bridge, It is Resolved that the same be received and referred to Messrs Andrews, Goodhue & Mason with such as the Board of Aldermen may add to examine and report thereon. Alderman Cady added to the Committee.

Passed March 11
1839.

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Allen Tillinghast

Resolved that the sum of seventeen dollars and ninety three cents be and the same is allowed to Rufus Smith Keeper of the State Jail in the County of Providence in full for the amount due him for the Board of Allen Tillinghast; and that said sum so appropriated be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed March 11
1839.

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David Brown & Son.

Upon the petition of David Brown & Son it is Resolved that the same be received and the prayer thereof granted, and that said petitioners be and they are hereby authorized to erect and keep up a Clock, as a sign, to project from the front of their shop in South Main Street so long as they shall keep the same running as a time piece; Provided the same shall be put up and secured under the direction of Mr Everett who is hereby appointed a Committee for that purpose; Any thing in the Ordinance, entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the Streets and highways" to the contrary notwithstanding.

Passed March 11th
1839.

Veingsbridge

Upon the Petition of the Veingsbridge Corporation it is Resolved that the same be reviewed and reported to Messrs Tinner Goodhue and Anthony with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon.

Alderman Wheaton added to the Committee

Passed March 11

1839.

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Appropriations

Resolved that the several sums hereinafter named be and the same are hereby appropriated for the following purposes respectively, to wit;

For the Fire department. Five hundred dollars.
For repairs of Public Buildings Two hundred dollars
For building the Asylum Wall. Seven hundred dollars. and that said sums so appropriated be paid out of any Moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated

Passed March 11

1839.

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Town house Lot.

Upon the report of the Joint Committee to whom on the 14th of January last was referred the petition of E. I. Mallett for a reduction of part of the occupation of a part of the Town house lot as a gangway &c it is Resolved that the same be received and that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to receive from said Mallett the annual sum of Eighteen dollars Commencing on the 5th of February last in quarterly payments for the future rent of said land - instead of the sum of thirty six dollars as rendered by the lease thereof.

Passed March 11

1839.

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Jail Lot.

Resolved that Messrs Dexter Angell, Everett & Cranston with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to Confer with the Committee appointed by the Hon. General Assembly to erect an Arsenal on the Jail lot (so called) respecting the purchase of said Lot for the City and to ascertain and report, on what terms said can be obtained.

Passed March 11.

1839.

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B & I R. Petit.

Resolved that the sum of four dollars and twenty Cents be and the same is hereby allowed to B & I R Petit in full for the payment of their account this day presented to the City Council and that said sum so appropriated be paid out of any money's in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated

Passed March 11

1839.



Admitted Freemen.

The two Boards met in Convention March 11th 1839. and the following named persons were admitted freemen of this City, to wit.

Richard Palmer
Joseph B. Matthewson
Solomon Gilbert
John T. B. Flagg. and Albert T. Elliott adopted son of Samuel H. Elliott was also admitted a freeman.

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Propounded.

The following named persons were propounded to become freemen. to wit.

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|---|---|
| Darius N. Thurber | died pendente |
| Clark Dalrymple | do |
| Samuel Lyneaton | do |
| Jonathan Greene | do |
| Jacob Silloway | do |
| Seth Simmons Jr. | do. |

The two Boards then separated and the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber.

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Mayor's Salary.

Resolved. that the Salary of the Mayor for the Municipal year commencing on the first Monday of June A.D. 1839. be one thousand dollars payable quarterly.

Passed March 18

1839.

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Town House.

Resolved that the City Marshal be and he is hereby appointed a Committee to cause Shutters to be procured and placed before such of the windows of the Town house as he may deem expedient.

Passed March 18

1839.

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Watchmen

~~Indefinite~~ Upon the Petition of J. W. Saunders and D. S. Seamans two of the City Watchmen praying for relief. it is Resolved, that that the same be received and the prayer thereof granted and that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to pay the sum of Ten dollars being the fine together with the bill of Costs mentioned in said petition, to the proper Officer or Officers authorized to receive the same.

Passed March 18

1839.

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Jail Lot.

The Joint Committee who were appointed to Confer with the State Committee in relation to the Jail Lot Respectfully report - that they have met said Committee who have agreed to suspend operations on the said Jail lot until the Gen. Assembly shall give further instructions provided the City Council express a desire for exchange or purchase of the lot. The undersigned recommend that a Committee be appointed to confer with any Committee from the State on the subject and report thereon. Providence March 18 1839.

Respectfully submitted Thomas R Hoddon
Amherst Everett
Dexter Angell
Barzillai Cranston

Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received & that said Committee be continued for the purposes named in the preceding & which they are appointed

Passed March 18. 1839.

Admitted Free. —

The two Boards met in Convention March 18th 1839. and Silling Past Abby was admitted a Freeman of this City on Participate from the Town of Portsmouth, and proper evidence of sufficient freehold Estate in this City.

Prepounded

The following named persons were prepounded to become Freemen, to wit,

Leander Ottley — and produced
Henry I Burroughs — do.

The two Boards then separated and the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber.

Town House Lot

Resolved that the City Treasurer acting under the advice and direction of Messrs Sanchar, Young & Knowles with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and he is hereby directed to Convey by deed to Gorham Maurran for the sum of one thousand dollars, all the right title and interest of the City in and to the piece of land now used as a gangway between the land of said Maurran and the Town house lot, and also Conveying to said Maurran in fee simple a small strip of the Southerly sides of the Town house Lot, about two feet in width on a line with the west line of said Maurrans land and running to a point on Benefit Street, and that said deed shall Contain sufficient Covenants on the part of the City with said Maurran, that a gangway of ten feet in width shall be laid out from the Town house lot and forever be Kept open, for the mutual use of the City and its assigns and of said Maurran his heirs and assigns bounding Southerly on the land so to be Conveyed to said Maurran and running the whole of the depth of said Maurrans land from East to west; Provided the City shall not be obligated to remove the Cadet Alarm Post, which will stand on a part of said gangway, until it shall be the pleasure of the City Council to order the removal of the same. —

Alderman Holden added to the Committee
Passed March 29th
1839. —

City Debt.

Resolved that the City Treasurer acting under the advice and direction of Messrs. Everill & Tenner with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and he is hereby authorized and directed to renew for one year from the first day of April next so much of the City debt as will fall due on that day at a rate of interest not exceeding five and a half per cent. —

Alderman Cady added to the Committee.
Passed March 29th
1839.

Wingsbridge

The Committee appointed on the thirty first day of December last to Carry Certain provisions Contained in a report made on that day to the City Council in relation to a toll Bridge across the Wonasquatucket river to be inserted in any act the General Assembly might pass, incorporating a Company for the purpose of building such bridge; Report, that an act was passed at the January Session of the General Assembly incorporating a Company for that purpose, and that the said provisions were duly inserted in the said act.

Providence March 29th 1839.

I B Tenner
D I Goodhue
Henry Anthony
Thomas C Hoppin

Received March 29.
1839.



Public School Houses.

Resolved that the Committee of the City Council appointed on the 3d of September last in relation to the Public School Houses & Estates be and they are hereby authorized & empowered to receive from time to time from the Commissioners appointed by the General Assembly any sums of Money being the Citys proportion of the Public Money of the United States which may come into the hands of said Commissioners for distribution to the several Towns in this State, under the act of the General Assembly of January Session 1839, not exceeding in the whole, the sum of Forty thousand dollars, as the same may be needed by said Committee in the discharge of the duties of their appointment; and that on the receipt by said Committee of any such sums, the City Treasurer is hereby directed to give a promissory note in his said Capacity to the State, for the amount thereof payable on demand with interest not exceeding five per cent per annum

Passed March 29th
1839. —

North Burial Ground.

Upon the Petition of Thomas B Arnold & Welcome Arnold requesting leave to purchase and enclose burying lots sufficient for their respective families in the North Burial Ground &c. Resolved, that the same be granted and the prayer thereof granted; and that said Petitioners be and they are hereby authorized to enclose such lots for such purposes Provided the same be done under the direction of the Trustees of the North Burial Ground with the Sanction of the Mayor and Provided also that the several privileges hereby granted shall be subject to all future regulations of the City Council in relation thereto, and shall Continue during the pleasure of the City Council and no longer. —

Passed March 29th
1839. —

Prepounded

The two Boards met in Convention March 29th 1839. when the following named persons were prepounded to become Freemen, to wit. —

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|---|---|
| Samuel H Thomas | and produced. |
| William W Bailey | do |
| Ezra W Howard | by desire |
| Charles Batty | by demand |
| Horace Batty | do |
| William E Batty | do |
| Isaac S Batty | do |

The two Boards then separated and the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber. —

Sessions Lot.

Ordered that the surveyor of Highways Cause a trough for the watering of Cattle and other purposes to be placed on the East side of North Main Street near the Sessions lot, so called, and Cause the same to be supplied with water from the fountain in said lot; Resolved further that the same Officer Cause the said Sessions lot to be protected to proper order for agricultural purposes by Causing the excavations sometime since made to be filled up and doing whatever else he may deem requisite. —

Passed April 4th
1839. —

Public School Houses

Whereas the Resolution which was passed by the City Council on the 29th day of March last authorising the Committee of the City Council appointed on the third day of September last in relation to the Public School houses & estates to receive certain Monies from the State has been found inadequate for the purpose for which it was passed, Be it now Resolved that said Committee be and they are hereby authorised and empowered to receive from time to time any sums of Money not exceeding in the whole the sum of forty thousand dollars, which the City may be entitled to have from the State by virtue of the act of the General Assembly passed at their January Session 1839. entitled "An act in amendment of an act passed at October Session A.D. 1836. entitled "An Act to provide for the deposition of the proportion of the Money of the United States to be deposited with this State by virtue of an Act of Congress entitled "An Act to regulate the deposits of the public money" approved June 23 1836: and also to provide for the appropriation of the interest arising from said Money" as such sums may be needed by said Committee in the discharge of the duties of their appointment

And that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorised and directed to give bond in his said Capacity, pursuant to the requisitions of said act, whenever any such sum of money shall be received by said Committee by virtue of this resolution —

Passed April 17
1839.

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Aqueduct Company.

Upon the Memorial of the Providence Aqueduct Company It is Resolved, that the same be received and referred to Messrs Goodhue Hopkins & Simmons with such as the Board of Aldermen may add to examine and report thereon. —

Alderman Wheaton added to the Committee.

Passed April 17.
1839.

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Appropriations

Resolved that the several Sums herein after named be and the same are hereby appropriated for the following purposes respectively, to wit,

For rebuilding Weybosset Bridge Twenty five hundred dollars
For highways, one thousand Dollars —
For the Fire department Five hundred dollars
For the Support of the Poor, Two hundred and fifty dollars
For the City Watch Two hundred dollars. — and that said sums so appropriated be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated

Passed April 17.
1839.

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Town House Lot.

To the Hon. City Council of the City of Providence to be holden on the 17th day of April 1839.

The City Treasurer who was directed by a Resolution of the City Council to convey by deed to Joshua Munnan, under the direction of a Joint Committee of the City Council, the City's interest in the land being the gangway between said Munnan's land and the Town house lot, & also to convey by deed to said Munnan in the simple as a small strip of the Town house lot North of said gangway, hereby makes report, that such Conveyance has not been made, but that he is informed by said Munnan, that he is ready to pay the sum of Money named in said Resolution as the Consideration of sale whenever he can receive a deed of Warranty of the whole of said land.

Stephen Fillingham City Treasurer —

Read: Whereupon it is ordered that the same be received and referred to Messrs Tanner Padelford & Young with such as the Board of Aldermen may add to examine & report thereon, Alderman Cady added to the Committee

Passed April 17. 1839.



Admitted Jurors

The two Boards met in Convention April 17th 1839. when the following named persons were admitted Jurymen of this City — to wit,

George Vandall
William Gould
John S Thurston
James Phalon
Isaac Chace
Stillman Watkins
George Miller
Charles H Mason
Rufus Waterman
Perry W Trueman
Thomas Doyle
Henry Earle
Asahel Elliott
Hezekiah Allen 3d
Alexander Hodges and also admitted as Alternate sons of
Edmund Thurber Alternate son of Dexter Thurber
Henry F Cooley " " " Franklin Cooley
Henry Mc Neal " " " John Mc Neal
William Shaw " " " William S Shaw
William W Bishop " " " Nathaniel Bishop
Olney Winsor " " " Paris Winsor

Jurymen. to wit,

and also John A Littlefield, on Certificate from Warwick Landowner &c Assistant Assessor of Taxes in this City
Angell Swift " " " Foster " " " " " "
Paris Winsor " " " North Providence " " " " " —
Bates Harris " " " Cranston " " " " " —

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Propounded

The following named persons were propounded to become Jurymen, to wit

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|---|---|
| Joseph L Brown | by consent |
| Simeon Field | do |
| James W Saunders | duly produced |
| George W Warn | do |
| Joseph G Chantley | do |
| Isaac M. Cheesbrough | do |
| Wheaton A Harrington | do |
| Josiah B Harrington | do |
| John Flemming | do |
| Thomas Hull | in right of his Wife — |

The two Boards then adjourned and the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber —

Hydraulion No 1.

Resolved that the Board of Firewards be and they are hereby authorised to cause the new building which it is Contemplated to erect for the Hydraulion Engine No 1 to be placed over the water of the Cove at the foot of Hydraulion Street with its front resting on the Cap log of said Street.—

Passed April 22
1839.

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Temporary Loan.

Resolved. that the City Treasurer acting under the advice and Direction of Messrs Tenney & Everett with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and he is hereby authorised to hire by temporary loan or loans for the use of the City not exceeding Four thousand dollars in the whole, at a rate of interest not exceeding six percent. —

Alderman Cady added to the Committee

Passed April 22
1839.

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Town house Lot.

Resolved that the Treasurer acting under the advice and direction of Messrs Larcher, Young & Knowles, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and he is hereby authorised appointed and directed in his said Capacity as the special agent of the City for that purpose, to Convey by deed to Joshua Maurans his heirs and assigns forever for the sum of One thousand dollars, at any time within thirty days from the passage of this resolution, a Certain piece or parcel of land, being the land hereto for agreed to be left open as a gangway between the Town house lot, so Called, and land formerly of Brown Ives but now owned by said Maurans, together with a small strip of said Town house Lot: which piece or parcel of land so to be Conveyed is to be bounded & described as follows, to wit. Beginning on the westerly side of Benefit Street, at a point two feet Northerly of the Northeast Corner of said Maurans land; thence running South 69° West about eighty one feet to a point in a line with the Westerly side of said Maurans land; thence by said line seven and a half feet to the Northwesterly Corner of said Maurans land; thence North 85° East about sixteen feet to an angle in the Northerly line of said Maurans land; thence North 63° East sixty seven feet and six tenths of a feet to the northeasterly Corner of said Maurans land on said Benefit Street thence Northerly bounding Easterly on said Benefit Street, two feet to the first mentioned bound; which land so to be Conveyed, is to be bounded Northerly on a gangway two feet wide, which is hereby laid out from said Town house lot the whole depth of said land, so to be Conveyed from said Benefit Street, Westerly and is to be forever Kept open for the mutual use of the owners of the adjoining lands. — Resolved that said deed shall Contain Covenants and agreements on the part of the City, that the City will warrant and defend the premises so to be Conveyed, to him the said Maurans his heirs and assigns forever against the lawful Claims of all persons; and also, that said gangway hereby laid out shall be forever Kept open for the purpose aforesaid; provided the City shall not be obliged to remove the Cadet alarm post, which partly Covers said gangway and said land so to be Conveyed, until it shall be the pleasure of the City Council to order such removal.

Alderman Holden added to the Committee. —

Passed April 22
— 1839. —

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Public Schools.

Resolved that the Ordinance intitled "An Ordinance in relation to the Public Schools" shall not go into effect until the first Monday in September next, except so much thereof as provides for the appointment of a Superintendent of the Public Schools which appointment the School Committee are hereby authorised to make as soon as they may deem expedient and that on said first Monday in September next said Ordinance shall go into full effect and operation. —

Passed April 22.
1839.

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Edward Billings

Resolved that the sum of four dollars and ninety seven Cents be and the same is allowed to Edward Billings in full payment of this bill this day presented against the City; and that the same be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated

Passed April 22
1839.

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Represented

The two Boards met in Convention April 22. 1839. and the following named persons were represented to be present to wit

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| William C Rathe | dead Rendered |
| George Owen | do |
| Edwin A Bush | do |
| Samuel Aldridge 3d | do |
| George Woodward | do. |

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The two Boards then separated & the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber

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Drain in Cedis Street

Resolved that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to cause a Drain to be Constructed through Cedis Street from the west side of South Main Street to the River —

Passed May 13.
1839. —

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City Charter

Resolved that Messrs Hughes Larcher & Tenney with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to take into Consideration the propriety and expediency of applying to the Hon General Assembly in the name of the City Council for such alterations of the City Charter as will authorise the freemen of the City to elect the Mayor, Aldermen and Common Councilmen on the second Wednesday of May. Annually instead of the third Wednesday of April and to elect the Common Councilmen by Ballot, and that said Committee in Case they recommend such application, report by Bill or resolution. — And it is resolved that Alderman Holden be added to said Committee. —

Passed May 13.
— 1839 —

North Burial Ground

Resolved that the Surveyor of Highways be and he hereby is directed to Cause that portion of the North Burial Ground lot lying South of the South fence to be graded or levelled and, also to Cause the holes which have been dug or made in that portion of said lot lying North of the North fence to be filled up.—

Passed May 13. 1839.

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Appropriations

Resolved that the several sums herein after named be and the same are hereby appropriated for the following purposes respectively, to wit,

| | |
|---|---|
| For the public Schools. | Seven hundred dollars, |
| For the support of the Poor | Seven hundred & fifty dollars |
| For Highways | Eight hundred dollars |
| For Contingencies | Two hundred & fifty dollars, and |

that said sums so appropriated be paid out of any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated —

Passed May 13
1839.

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Clerk of Com. Council

Resolved that the Clerk of the Common Council be allowed & paid for his services as such during the present Municipal year, the sum of one hundred dollars in addition to the amount heretofore allowed.—

Passed May 13.
1839.

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Asst. Chairman of 4th July Committee

Resolved that the sum of thirty two dollars and twenty one Cents be and the same is hereby allowed to the Chairman of the Committee of Arrangements for the Municipal Celebration of the Anniversary of American Independence in the year 1838. in full payment of his account this day presented to the City Council against the City; and that said sum so allowed be paid to said Chairman by the City Treasurer out of any Monies in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.—

Passed May 13.
1839.

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Stone House.

Resolved that Messrs Goshen & Carpenter with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to Cause the west side of the Stone House to be painted, with power to draw upon the Treasury for the expense thereof.—

Passed May 13. 1839.

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Work house Lot.

Resolved that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to Cause the back wall which supports the East side of Charles Street to be repaired as aforesaid.—

Passed May 13.
1839.



Admitted Free.

The two Boards met in Convention May 13. 1839. when the following named persons was admitted Free.—

Samuel T Taber
Emmerson Clarke
Morris Denning Jun.
Solomon Arnold
Thomas Lincoln
Timothy Munyan.

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Propounded

The following named persons was propounded to become freemen, to wit,—

| | |
|---|---|
| Moses B Lockwood | died produced |
| Levi H Holden | do |
| William G Price | do |
| Silas Pitkham | do |
| Allen Shaw. | do |
| Horace Gray. | do |
| William D Avery | do |
| Smith Owen | do. |

The two Boards then separated and the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber.—

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Temporary Loan

Resolved that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorised to borrow by temporary loans for the use of the City a sum of Money not exceeding ten thousand Dollars.—

Passed May 27th
1839.—

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Weybosett Bridge

Resolved that the sum of Five thousand dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the rebuilding of Weybosett Bridge and that said sum so appropriated be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated,

Passed May 27th 1839.

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Providence May 27th 1839.

Jail Lot.

To the City Council

The Committee appointed to Confer with the Police Committee in relation to the Old Jail Lot report fully report, that they have met the States Committee, and that said Committee were not authorised to make any definite proposition for an exchange, but gave their own views on the subject, which were that the City of Providence should give the State a lot one hundred feet square on Cranston Street, and twelve hundred dollars in Money for said Jail lot, and that the lot on Cranston Street should be a Common lot, and on the land belonging to the Dexter Donation

Respectfully Submitted

Dexter Angell
B Cranston
Thomas R Holden

Received May 27th
1839

Jail Lot.

Resolved that Messrs Dexter Angell, Everett & Cranston with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and they are hereby authorized to Contract in the Name of the City with the State, for the sale to the State of a lot of land one hundred feet square, belonging to the City on Cranston Street, being a Corner lot, in exchange for the Jail Lot (so called) and for the payment by the City to the State of a sum of money not exceeding twelve hundred dollars, as the difference between the value of said lands.

Alderman Holden added to the Committee.

Passed May 27th 1839.

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Seal Press

Resolved that Cranston & Knowles with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to procure a Seal press for the use of the City Offices, and to draw upon the City Treasury for the expense thereof Provided however that such expense shall not exceed one hundred dollars.

Alderman Hopkins added to the Committee

Passed May 27

1839.

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Public School Houses.

Resolved that the Committee of the City Council appointed on the third day of September last in relation to the Public School houses and Estates who were by a resolution of the City Council passed on the 17th of April last authorized to hire from this State, Forty thousand dollars of the public Money of the United States deposited with this State be and they are hereby authorized to hire and receive of said public money for the purposes named in said Resolution not exceeding Twenty thousand dollars in addition to the sum named in said Resolution, in such amounts as they may need from time to time in the discharge of the duties of their appointment and that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and directed to give Bond for the same, as provided in said resolution.

Passed May 27.

1839.

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Dam at the Cove Bridge

Resolved that Messrs Knowles Paddock Hopkins and Eddy with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to report on the expediency of erecting on a line parallel with the South line of the Bridge Contemplated to be built in place of the Bridge North of Weybosset Bridge a Dam of such height that the flats and Shoals of the Cove shall at all times be Covered with water; and with such a gate or gates that the Navigation of the river shall not be seriously impeded.

Alderman Wheaton added to the Committee

Passed May 27.

1839.

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Unpounded

The two Boards met in Convention May 27th 1839. and the following named persons were presumed to be Freemen, to wit.

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| Benjamin Arnold 3d. | Died presumed |
| John Westcott | do. |
| Jonathan B Sisson | do. |

The two Boards then separated and the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber.



## Organization of the City Government for the year 1839.

June 3d

This being the day fixed by law for the Annual Organization of the Municipal Government of the City of Providence, the following Gentlemen being the Mayor and Aldermen and Members of the Common Council Elect, met in Convention in the Council Chamber at 10 o'clock A.M., to wit;

| | | | |
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| Samuel W Bridgham | Mayor and | | |
| Thomas R Holden | Alderman | of the | 1st Ward |
| Joseph Cady | " | " " | 2 " |
| James Wheaton | " | " " | 3 " |
| Thomas C Hopkins | " | " " | 4th " |
| Phinehas Potter | " | " " | 5 " |
| John L Phillips | " | " " | 6 " |

### Common Council

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|---|---|---|---|
| First Ward, | Edward Knowles. | Second Ward. | George W Jackson |
| | Dexter Angell | | Henry Anthony |
| | Isaac Thurber | | Thomas B Tennis |
| | Thomas Fletcher | | John D Brown |
| Third Ward | Edward I Mathill, | Fourth Ward. | John L Hughes |
| | Edward R Young. | | William W Hopkins |
| | Austin Gunny | | Daniel T Goodhue |
| | Nathan Mason | | Barzillai Burton |
| Fifth Ward | Hezekiah Willard | Sixth Ward | Erastus F Vonrenssalaer |
| | Seth Paddock | | Horatio G Hudson |
| | James C Bucklin | | William L Thornton |
| | Peleg W Gardner | | John Gould |

William R Staples one of the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court of the State of Rhode Island administered the Oath required by the City Charter to

Samuel W Bridgham

Mayor Elect.

The Mayor then administered the like Oath to the above named Aldermen and Common Councilmen Elect. said Common Councilmen Elect duly returned as such as appeared by their Certificates of Election delivered to the Mayor; and thereupon the Convention then balloted for City Clerk and on Counting the ballots it appeared that Richard McField was duly Elected to that Office and was duly Elected Engaged by the Mayor.

The Mayor then delivered an address to the City Council

The two Boards then Separated and the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber

Mayor's Address

Resolved that Messrs Hoppin & Jackson with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to wait upon his Honr the Mayor and request him to furnish for publication a Copy of the Address this day delivered by him to the City Council; and to cause the same to be published in such manner as they may deem expedient. — Alderman Holden added to the Committe

Passed June 3
1839.

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Compensation of Assessors of Taxes

Resolved that each Assessor of Taxes in and for the City of Providence shall be allowed one hundred dollars as a full Compensation for apportioning the City Taxe for the present Municipal year. —"

Passed June 3
1839.

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Police Court

Resolved that from the Justices appointed to Keep the Peace within this City Robert Knight Henry L Bowen & Walter S Burges be and they are hereby elected to Compose the Police Court of this City during the present Municipal year —

Passed June 3
1839.

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Taxes Remitted

Whereas Robert Knight has represented to the City Council that the Taxes assessed on Certain persons in the years 1837 & 1838 and Committed to him to Collect, are not Collectable by reason of Errors in the Assessment thereof &c &c. — and whereas the City Council are satisfied that the taxes in said years in the respective amounts following upon the persons herein after named, viz. —

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Caleb Chace | assessed | 1837. | "62 |
| John E Richmond | " | " | 1 " 24 |
| Samuel Greene | assessed | 1838 | 1 " 95 |
| Stimpson Stacy | " | " | 6 " 50 |
| Samuel H Thompson | " | " | 1.62½ |
| Edward V Tuttle | " | " | 1.62½ |
| Henry Cotton | " | " | 9 " 75 |
| William Hazlet | " | " | " 97½ |
| Jacob P Thurber | " | " | .97½ |
| Thomas M Cozy | " | " | 3 " 90 |
| Caleb Chace Jr. | " | " | " 65 |
| Oliver V Wilbour | " | " | 1 30 |
| Ethelbert A Marshall | " | " | " 65 |
| William Field (son of John, Assignee of Knight & Carpenter | " | " | 3 25 |
| Arwen Potter & Isaac Anthony Guardians of D A Jenkins | " | " | 4 " 22½ |
| James Smith Indiarubber Manf. J. Bacon & Angell Agent | " | " | 1 " 97½ |
| Isaac Clough heirs estate | " | " | 5 " 85 |
| John E Richmond | " | " | " 65 |
| Reuben Parsons | " | " | 9 " 75 as not |

Collectable; It is therefore Resolved that the respective taxes aforesaid be remitted; And that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and directed to Credit the amount thereof viz, fifty nine dollars & seventy five Cents to the said Robert Knight in account with him as Collector of Taxes together with the interest which has accrued on the said several items. —

Passed June 3 1839. —



City Treasurers Account.

Resolved that Messrs Cranston & Gurney with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to audit and settle the accounts of the City Treasurer with the City up to the first Monday in June A D 1839. —

Alderman Hoppin added to the Committee

Passed June 3.
1839.

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Distribution City Ordinances

Resolved that Copies of the Book of City Ordinances published A D 1835 be distributed as follows, to wit,

To each member of the City Council who has not already been furnished with a Copy. — one Copy. —

To each of the Justices of the Peace in the City & to each of the City Constables who have not been already furnished with a Copy — one Copy.

Passed June 3
1839.

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City Treasurers Bond

Resolved that Messrs Jackson & Gourey with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to take a Bond of the City Treasurer with sufficient surety or sureties for the faithful discharge of the duties of his Office for the present Municipal year, and that said Bond be for the sum of Thirty Thousand dollars. —" Alderman Hoppin added to the Committee

Passed June 3
1839.

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Fireman's Association

Resolved that the sum of fifty Cents be paid by the City Treasurer to the Treasurer of the Providence Association of "Firemen for Mutual assistance" for each of the Firemen of the City in order to entitle them severally to the benefit of the funds of said Association; and that the same be paid on the Certificate of the City Clerk respecting the appointment of said firemen, out of the appropriation for the Fire department

Passed June 3
1839.

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City Printing

Resolved that Messrs Vinerable & Vinerable with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to Contract for the City Printing for the present Municipal year. — Alderman Holden added to the Committe

Passed June 3
1839

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Receipts & Expenditures

Resolved that Messrs Henry Anthony & D T Goodhue with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to prepare a particular account of the Receipts and expenditures for the past year and a Schedule of the property of the City; and to cause the same to be published in the newspapers employed by the City Council agreably to the requisitions Contained in the fourth section of the City Charter. —

Alderman Phillips added to the Committee

Passed June 3 1839. —

City Tax. $55.000

An Ordinance providing for the Appointment and Collection of a Tax of Fifty five thousand dollars

**Section 1** Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence that a Tax of Fifty five thousand dollars be assessed and levied upon the ratable property of the inhabitants and others owning such property in said City and that said Tax be Assessed on or before the first Monday in September next; And Collected and paid into the City Treasury on or before the first Monday in October next

**Section 2** That the Collector of said Tax shall advertise in the Manufacturers and Farmers Journal, the Republican Herald, and the semi weekly Morning Courier for three weeks successively Calling on all persons who may be assessed for said Tax, to make payment at his Office within ten days, ending on said first Monday in October next and including that day; And during said ten days said Collector shall attend at his said Office for the purpose of receiving said tax every day (Sundays excepted) from nine in the Morning until twelve O clock at noon, and from two o clock in the afternoon until five O clock in the afternoon; and on said first Monday in October he shall attend for said purpose, until nine O clock in the morning; And said Collector shall deduct three percent from the respective sums assessed upon all those who shall make payment within ten days. —

**Section 3** That said Collector shall be allowed four percent for Collecting said tax: he allowing out of his Commission three per cent to all those who shall pay him the amount of their respective taxes within the Ten days aforesaid. —

**Section 4th** That said Collector shall pay into the City Treasury without delay all monies he shall receive towards the tax assessed by the said first Monday in October next, Collecting and paying over the residue (if any) of said tax as soon thereafter as may be, and that all persons who shall be delinquent in paying said tax by said first Monday in October next, shall pay interest afterwards, for which interest said Collector shall be accountable to said City. —

Passed June 3
1839.

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Compensation of Certain Officers

An Ordinance fixing the Compensation of Certain Officers for the year ending on the first Monday in June A.D. one thousand eight hundred and Forty.

**Section 1.** Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence that for the year ending on the first Monday in June A.D. 1840 the Compensation to be allowed and paid the several Officers herein after mentioned shall be as follows, to wit, —

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|---|---|
| To the City Clerk . . . | Seven hundred dollars |
| To the Clerk of the Common Council | Two hundred dollars |
| To the City Treasurer | Six hundred dollars |
| To the Overseer of the Poor | Three hundred & fifty dollars |
| To the City Sergeant | Three hundred & sixty five dollars |
| To the Surveyor of Highways | Five hundred dollars. |
| To the Clerk of the Market | Two hundred dollars |
| To the Judge of the Municipal Court (in addition to the fees allowed by law for the transaction of Probate business) | one hundred dollars |
| To the City Marshal | Two hundred dollars |
| To the Sealer of Weights and Measures. — | One hundred dollars |



**Section 2.** That said several Sums so appropriated be paid out of the City Treasury in quarterly payments to the Officers respectively entitled thereto. —

**Section 3rd** That the fees allowed by law to the Clerk of the Municipal Court for Probate and other business transacted in said Court shall be in full Compensation to said Clerk for his services as such; and that the fees allowed by law to Justices of the Peace, shall be in full Compensation to the Justices of the Police Court, for their services as such. —

Passed June 3
1839.

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Appropriations

**Resolved** That the several sums herein after mentioned be and the same are hereby appropriated for the following purposes respectively to wit. —

For the support of the public Schools for the year ending on the first Monday in June A.D. 1840 together with and in addition to the sum which the City may receive for the same purpose from the State Treasury; (the expenditures under this appropriation, to be made by the Order and direction of the School Committee)
Seven thousand dollars —

For the support of the Poor and removal of Paupers (including Asylums) Twenty Five hundred dollars together with the income of the "Tilling hast Fund," so called,

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|---|---|
| For the Fire Department, | Twenty five hundred dollars. — |
| For Repairs of Highways | Four thousand dollars |
| For the support of the public Bridges | One thousand dollars |
| For the support of the public Watch | Five thousand dollars |
| For Lighting the Streets | Twenty four hundred dollars |
| For the Salaries of the Mayor & Aldermen for the year ending on the first Monday in June A.D. 1840 | Sixteen hundred dollars |
| For the Salaries of Certain Officers as prescribed in and by a Certain Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance fixing the Compensation of Certain Officers for the year ending on the first Monday in June A.D. 1840 | Three thousand three hundred & sixty five dollars |
| For the repairs of public Buildings | One hundred & fifty dollars |
| For the support of the City pumps & Wells | One hundred & fifty dollars |
| For the payment of interest on money hired, and on funded Debt | Five Thousand dollars |
| For building Asylum Wall | One thousand dollars. |

For Contingent expenses viz any Claims which may be allowed by the Board of Aldermen or by the City Auditor, not included in any of the preceding items; and also the Compensation allowed to Assessors of Taxes and to Ward Clerks
Three Thousand dollars

For repairs of the Asylum walls and buildings Three hundred dollars

Resolved that the several sums appropriated as aforesaid be paid out of any Moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.—

Passed June 3
1839.

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Report of the School Committee

To the Hon^ble City Council of the City of Providence

The School Committee as required by law report, that they have attended during the year past to the important matters intrusted to their Charge with all due fidelity to the Schools, and to the public.— they have visited and examined the Schools quarterly, and by their sub. Committees at other times during the year quarters.— The schools in the opinion of the Committee still maintain as fair and respectable standing as at any time heretofore.— The number of schools is the same as at the time of the last Annual report, to wit, fifteen, and their grades are the same to wit, Three writing Schools, Eight Primary schools and Two schools for Children of Color.— In two of the writing schools a Change has been made in the teachers whereby female assistants have been substituted for male Ushers, to wit, two females for one male in each.— So that there are now in the whole Thirty four teachers, six of whom are Males and twenty eight females.— The number of Scholars in actual attendance at the several quarterly visitations were as follows.— in August Seventeen hundred and ninety nine, in November Seventeen hundred and forty, in February Seventeen hundred and fifty six, and in May Eighteen hundred and thirty four averaging through the year Seventeen hundred & Eighty two The numbers belonging to the several Schools were much larger.— By refering to the former reports of the Committee it will be seen that the schools are more numerous by attended than any former period.— More school room is therefore required, This subject was brought before the City Council in the last annual report of the Committee and the necessity of more ample accommodations was stated and urged.— It is unnecessary therefore any further to remark at this time, than that the Constantly increasing number of scholars renders it more and more necessary to attend to and to act in relation to this matter.— The annual increase of Scholars must be expected to produce Correspondently an annual increase of the expenses of the Schools.— The amount to be received from the State towards the support of the Public Schools, instead of increasing will not be so great for the future under the present laws, as it was for the year past.— The General Assembly having by their act passed at their last January Session expended the amount appropriated for the support of the public schools throughout the State, Before that act was passed the sum of Ten thousand dollars together with all the interest accruing to the State from the deposit of the surplus revenue of the United States was appropriated to that object to be paid Annually amounting in the whole last year to the sum of Twenty seven thousand six hundred and Seventy six dollars and twenty four cents, the interest arising from the deposites being seventeen thousand six hundred and seventy six dollars and twenty four Cents.— But by that law only the interest accruing to the State from the deposites as above mentioned together with so much more out of any other money in the Treasury as will make up the sum of twenty five thousand dollars in the whole is appropriated to be paid Annually, our proportion of which for the ensuing year will be but Thirty eight hundred and Eighteen dollars and twenty cents, being four hundred and eight dollars and seventy cents less than the amount we have received the year past.—



Further in as much as the whole interest which has accrued to the State during the year now Closing and to be paid over to the several Towns and this City for the support of the Schools the ensuing year amounts to Eighteen Thousand nine hundred and ninety one dollars and fourteen Cents and being added to the Ten Thousand dollars formerly appropriated, makes the sum of Twenty eight thousand nine hundred and ninety one dollars and fourteen Cents which would have been distributed instead of said sum of Twenty five thousand dollars as above stated, had not the act of last January been passed (the difference being three thousand nine hundred and ninety one dollars and fourteen Cents) and our proportion thereof would have been Four thousand four hundred and twenty seven dollars & Seventy five cents, instead of Three thousand eight hundred and eighteen dollars and twenty Cents as above stated.— So that we should receive six hundred and nine dollars and fifty two Cents more than we shall now receive, and it will probably remain about the same until the law shall be altered. By the before mentioned act of the General Assembly of January last the School Committees throughout the State are required to make returns in relation to the Public Schools in their respective Towns and in this City to the Secretary of the State on or before the first Wednesday of May Annually.— In Compliance with that provision of the law the Committee have accordingly made in due season a return of the public Schools of this City to the Secretary of the State for the year past a Copy of which is hereto annexed.—

The amount appropriated by the City Council for the Support of the Schools last year was Eight hundred Thousand six hundred dollars, besides the sum received from the State which was Four thousand two hundred & twenty six dollars and ninety Cents, making in the whole twelve thousand eight hundred and twenty six dollars and ninety cents.— The amount expended for instruction is Eight thousand four hundred and eighty six dollars and nine Cents, for the repairs of School houses one hundred and fifty two dollars and fifty two Cents, for fuel three hundred and fourteen dollars and twenty two Cents, and for incidental Charges three hundred & twenty seven dollars and seventeen Cents, making in the whole nine thousand two hundred & eighty three dollars.— and leaving the sum of three thousand five hundred and forty three dollars & ninety Cents of the appropriations unexpended.— Owing to the uncertainty as to the progress which may be made in Carrying into effect the new system of education adopted by the City Council it is difficult for the Committee to judge what sum will be required for the support of the Schools during the ensuing year.— They however think it advisable under all the Circumstances of the Case that the sum of Nine thousand dollars at least besides what may be received from the State should be appropriated for that purpose.—

The Committee appointed for the year now Closing was Composed of thirty members three of whom namely Alex^r Cornell, Seth Padelford and Ulysses Parsons in the Course of the year resigned and thereupon the Committee appointed Samuel Ames in the room of M^r Cornell, Alexander Vinton in the room of M^r Padelford and Edward Pennington in the room of D^r Parsons. the Committee is therefore now full.—

The Secretary has kept a record of all the absentees from all the meetings of the Committee during the year, an abstract of which agreably to one of the By Laws of the Committee is herewith presented.—

All which is Respectfully Submitted
for the Committee by
Samuel W Bridgham
President

Providence May 23^d 1839.

Received June 3. 1839.

City Treasurers Report.

Office of City Treasurer Providence June 3 1839.

Gentlemen

I transmit herewith for your consideration the following documents viz:

Schedule of real Estate belonging to the City.—
Statement of City debt
Schedule of Rents
Schedule of Receipts and expenditures for the year Ending May 31st
& My account Current from January to May 31st inclusive.

I remain with great respect Your Obt Servt
Stephen Tillinghast City Treasurer

To the City Council.—

Read, together with the accompanying Documents, Whereupon it is Resolved that the same together with said documents be received & recorded

Passed June 3
1839.—

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## Schedule of Real Estate belonging to the City of Providence.—

The Brick market house on Market square, excepting the third Story of the building which belongs to the St Johns Lodge of Masons.

The Town house Lot.

This lot measures on College Street 140 feet on Benefit Street 115 and bounding South on a gateway of 10 feet in width on which it extends Westerly into the Town house lot, and on lands of other persons 153 4/10 feet being the whole Southerly line of said lot; Westerly on land of Brown & Sons and John Whipple on which it measures 156 1/4 feet.—

The buildings on said lot are firstly, The Town house measuring 58 feet by 45 1/2 feet being two Stories high having a basement in which are two rooms appropriated to the City watch & for a bridewell.—
Secondly, The firemen's hall 30 feet by 20 feet.—
Thirdly Engine house No 6 32 feet by 20.
Fourthly Fire hook & ladder house 35 feet by 9 feet
Fifthly The Carriage house now occupied by the Surveyor of highways as a tool house.— The City Pound is also upon this lot, All the above described belong to the City.—
Sixthly The Artillery Armes fort a building measuring 64 feet by 36 feet
Seventhly The Cadet Armes fort 52 feet by 38 feet having a Cellar occupied as a livery Stable Carriage house both the last described buildings are rent free
Eighthly Burgess & Polls Office measuring about 18 by 30 feet
Hospital lands.— two acres & 30 poles bounding East on the heirs of and South on Hawkins Cove purchased of Martha Field
Five and 1/10 acres of land Called the New Hospital lands on which the principal



hospital building is erected bounding on the brook which parts the South line of the City and the North line of the Town of Cranston, this lot originally joined the Old Hospital lot, but is now severed therefrom by the Pawtuxet Turnpike
A new building for hospital purposes was in 1832 erected in the vicinity of the other hospital standing on this lot.—

The Pump on the Lot.

Is situated at the junction of North Main & Stampers Streets and was purchased for public use partly by individual subscription & partly by the Town. Engine house No 2 is located thereon.—

North School house Lot

On the first district bounds 43 feet on Benefit Street and extends easterly 80 feet, and can be applied to no other than School purposes.—

The old Brick School house

Stands upon a lot of 60 feet 50 feet, this lot was given to the Town by Capt Ambrose Page for a School house lot exclusively, The lot in addition to this donation belonging to this establishment measures 100 feet by 120 feet extending from Meeting Street to South Court Street.—

South or 3d district School house

This lot on which the School house is erected is 80 feet front on Transit Street. The East part thereof extends 80 feet north to the Tillinghast burial ground, and 32 feet of the west part extends in the rear to land of Mr B Clifford.—

Fourth District School house

is situated on the Southerly side of Richmond Street, lot measuring thereon 112 feet, depth of said lot not ascertained.—

Fifth District School house.

occupies one of two lots belonging to the City measuring together 200 feet by 130, The Committee appointed in relation to New School houses &c are about buying an additional lot adjoining the above.

The North burial Ground

Comprises about 50 acres of which about 18 acres are enclosed within a fence erected in 1835.—

The Scipions Lot, so called.

fronts westerly on North Main Street at its northern extremity, said lot extends Easterly to a proprietors road and Contains about nine and a half acres.—

Lands on Charles & Smith Streets

The work house lot so called is on the East side of Charles Street & bounds on the Blackstone Canal, measuring on Charles Street about 220 feet, its width on Smith Street (being its South end) is about 100 feet and at its north end about 60 feet, The lands on the west side of Charles Street measures thereon about 240 feet, the width at the North end measuring westerly to Back Street is 96 feet, at its South end which bounds on Smith Street & Back Street, about 79 feet

This width is exclusive of 40 feet for the entire length of its west line being the proposed Continuation of Back Street through the City lands, by a late exchange the above described lands form a square intersected North & South by Charles Street.

## Land South of Smith Street & Smiths Bridge

The City is supposed to have a claim to a portion of the land and Shore, In the year 1798 it was surveyed & established as a public Street.

## The "Abbot Lot" at Tockwotten

is 40 feet square and was deeded to the Town for a public watering place forever, The water disappeared many years ago.

## The Town House

fronts on Wightputt Street northwards of the lot measures 31 feet & extends back 70 feet Engine house No 3 stands on the lot.

## The Teste Estate

Consists of a house & lot Corner of Wightputt & Benefit Streets & is now in possession of the City subject to the Claims of said Testes heirs if there be any.

## Thatch Beds,

The north bounds of the lower beds begin at the Corner of the late Darius Thurbers house South of Carpenters point, thence Coping the Cove to a point a little E. of land of Peleg Smiths heirs. The right bought of Mrs Barnes & others bound Southerly on the above described rights extending up the Cove to the line of N Providence and thence across to Carpenters Point. The Thatch has been yearly diminishing, and is now next to nothing.

Survey'd 1839. # Schedule of Rents Yearly & Incr

## Continuation of City Property.

The public square on Federal Hill was deeded to the Town of Providence for some purpose or purposes & for no other use or purpose whatever, It is 150 feet square and bounded by Atwells Avenue & Bradford Street and on two sides by 20 feet gangways. a well has been sunk thereon for public purposes.

## Fields Point Farm.

Contains about 30 acres. Chloe Fields right of dower therein is now extinguished.

## Lot on Benefit Street

Corner of Waterman Street has been Conveyed to the City by the Rhode Island Historical Society, to remain open forever.

## Lots for New School houses, lately purchased viz

4 lots on Fountain Street measuring about 130 feet by 101 feet, now forming one lot, 2 lots on Elm & Elbow Streets adjoining each other & making together 18633/4 square feet. 2 lots on Pond & Summit Streets adjoining each other measuring about 110 feet front & rear by 100 in depth



1 lot at junction of Arnold & Brook Streets north side of Arnold Street about 180 feet front & rear and 97 feet in depth.

Lot on Carpenter Street measuring 50 feet by 20 whereon Engine house No 9 is erected.

Lot No 19 on the plat of the Angell Estate adjoins lot at the junction of Summer & Pond Street is 100 feet deep by 50 feet front & has a public fountain sunk thereon

## Schedule of Rents yearly.

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| St John Lodge | | 21 | 68 |
| Part of Town house lot to Balk & Burgess | | 10 | -- |
| ditto to E I Mallett during pleasure for a hay scow to her building | | 18 | -- |
| Part of the work house lot to Curtis Shinkwin for 3 years 130 feet p year | | 200 | -- |
| ditto Richard Bush | 25 feet | 25 | -- |
| Lot on Charles Street west side to James Page | 140 feet | 30 | -- |
| ditto Daniel Angell | 118 feet | 36 | -- |
| ditto Ebenezer V Brown | 22 feet | 16 | 50 |
| The Rone house to David Pitt | | 86 | -- |
| " Teste house to John Warner | | 140 | -- |
| Stalls in the Market house to Oct 1 1839. | | 2015 | -- |
| ditto Fish Market Jany 1st 1840. | | 237 | -- |
| Water Cistern South Corner Market house | | 3 | -- |
| Sepins lot not under Cap at present wanting for filling excavations | | | |

The Tillinghast Donation is a bequest of $200 made by the late Mrs Lydia Tillinghast as a fund the interest or income thereof to be used for the relief Comfort & support of the Poor of any or all society and "Colors", It is invested in Stock of the Union Bank

$ 2858 18 --

## City debt on 31st May 1839.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Funded debt due April 1. 1840 interest at 5 p Ct per Ann | 60.000 | |
| Unfunded debt due April 1. 1840 interest at 5 p ct per Ann: | 32.100 | -- |
| Temporary loans @ 6 P Ct viz. | | |
| of Providence Instn for Savings due 1/11 Oct 1839. | 1.389 | 75 |
| Merchants Bank due 3/6 June " | 1.000 | -- |
| Rhode Island Historical Society on demand from April 21. | 3.000 | -- |
| Eagle & Globe Banks on demand | 2000 | -- |
| $ | 99.589 | 75 |

# Dr City of Providence in account with

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1839 March 12 | To Cash paid Rufus Smith by order of the City Council | | 16 | 93 |
| May 31 | for balances of the following acts | | | |
| | viz Public Bridges | | 3011 | 15 |
| | Support of Poor in the Asylum | | 1920 | 3 |
| | Repairs of Star Street | | 111 | 43 |
| | Asylum walls & buildings | | 41 | 61 |
| | Support of the poor at large | | 7011 | 71 |
| | Contingencies | 502. 61 | | |
| | Police department | 48. 97 | 551 | 58 |
| | Building Asylum Walls | | 1281 | 32 |
| | Salaries | | 1288 | 75 |
| | Paving High Street | | 177 | 8 |
| | Lighting Streets | | 1696 | 81 |
| | City Watch | | 2235 | 113 |
| | Public Buildings | | 411 | 76 |
| | Highways & Streets | | 1875 | 55 |
| | Public Schools | | 4816 | 67 |
| | Fire department | | 2915 | 111 |
| | Interest | | 2405 | 79 |
| | Rebuilding Weybosset & Cow Street Bridges | | 2470 | 741 |
| | Wells & pumps | | 33 | 36 |
| | Robert Knights Commissions on Tax ordered in June 1838 of $50.000 | 4 P Ct. | 2000 | — |
| To Nett P for notes on hand | | 1552. 80 | | |
| for balance of tax unpaid | | 1810. 0 | | |
| " balance now due in Cash | | 137. 17 | 3599. | 97 |
| | | $ | 30435 | 11 |



# Stephen Tillinghast City Treasurer Cr.

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| 1839 Jany 1 | By Ball ant for Cash on hand | | 9618 | 1 |
| | Notes on hand & unpaid viz due | | | |
| | 1st June 1839. | 1855. 0 | | |
| | do due & unpaid (bad) | 312. 20 | | |
| | so much of tax ordered in June 1838 not yet paid Commissions for Collecting not deducted | 4502. 0 | 8667 | 80 |
| 5 | " Tax on Clarks billiard & table to Sept 28 & Oct 1st 1 each 3 mo @ 47.50 | | 95 | 0 |
| 8 | " Cash of City Clerk for licenses | | 104 | 9 |
| | Sundry Errors in acct ending 31st Dec 1838 as reported by auditor | | 4 | 48 |
| 11 | " Cash for fines of T Angell & Others | | 5 | 0 |
| March 12 | " ditto of City Clerk for licenses | | 24 | 51 |
| April 4 | " ditto ditto " | | 2 | 92 |
| 23 | " ditto of S Clarke for taxes on billiard table to dec 28 & Jany 1st 3 mo each 2 tables | | 95 | — |
| | " Cash of City Clerk for licenses the 12th inst | | 55 | 83 |
| 26 | " do of A Dexter for 1 mo tax of his billiard removed & relinquished by Board of Aldermen | | 15 | 22 |
| | " Cash of City Clerk for licenses | | 15 | 52 |
| May 18 | " ditto ditto | | 28 | 70 |
| 31 | " ditto ditto | | 38 | 0 |
| | " balance on the Deste rent account | | 70 | 0. |
| | " ditto of Rent account | | 652 | 13 |
| | By so much loaned by the City to the School fund & Charged in City acct settled Dec 31 1838. | 4002. 53 | | |
| | less returned S fund | 650 — | 3352 | 53. |
| | " Loans on City P to be repaid at various periods | | 7389. | 73 |
| | | $ | 30435 | 11 |

Errors Excepted

Providence May 31st 1839

Stephen Tillinghast

City Treasurer

## Statement of money received into the Treasury for the year ending May 31st 1839 from sundry sources

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Cash on hand May 31 1838 | 639 | 98 |
| " Received from City Clerk for licenses for public exhibition | 188 | — |
| " Taxes on billiard tables 2 @ 200 each | 490 | 82 |
| " Taverns & Victualler licenses | 388 | 89 |
| " Auctioneers Commission | 101 | 64 |
| " Violations of Municipal Ordinances | 5 | — |
| " Rents of Market & other City property | 2732 | 36 |
| " debts of the Testr Estate | 129 | 46 |
| " Interest on the Fillinghast donation | 7 | — |
| " Cutting City Thatch | 6 | 50 |
| " Repaying of the School fund received from the General Treasury | 4226 | 90 |
| " Tax of 1838 paid | 46,190 | — |
| Temporary Loans | 7589 | 75 |
| so much of the loans made to the School fund repaid | 3352 | 53. |
| Sale of old Shed from Town house lot. | 50 | 39. |
| | 66079 | 22 |

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## Payments from the City Treasury for the year ending May 31. 1839.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Loans repaid | 7500 | — |
| Taxes on lands in Cranston | 12 | 97 |
| Abatement of taxes | 45 | 3 |
| Loaned to School fund | 4842 | 53 |
| Commission on tax paid Collector | 2154 | 8 |
| paid Rufus Smith's bill board | 16 | 93 |
| Balances of the following accounts viz | | |
| Support of the poor in Asylum | 2320 | 3 |
| ditto " " " at large | 2677 | 71 |
| Repairs of Town Shed | 423 | 16 |
| Asylum buildings & wall | 177 | 68 |
| Salaries | 1922 | 50 |
| Contingencies 3129.37 | | |
| Police department 330.70 | 3460 | 7 |
| Building Asylum walls | 2295 | 2 |
| Lighting Streets | 2243 | 80 |
| City Watch | 3183 | 93 |
| Public Buildings | 430 | 27 |
| Wells & pumps | 170 | 31 |
| Highways | 7770 | 89 |
| Paving High Street | 497 | 23 |
| Public Schools | 3151 | 93 |
| Fire department | 3942 | 21 |
| Interest | 4371 | 33 |
| Public Bridges | 301 | 15 |
| Rebuilding Weybosett & Canal Street Bridges | 2470 | 70 |
| Miscellaneous | 94 | 39. |
| | 66079 | 12 |

Errors Excepted
Stephen Fillinghast
City Treasurer

North Burial Ground

Upon the Petitions of Mary Gardner
Thomas Hall
Daniel S Amsbury
Thadeus Carey 2
Amos Bates requesting leave to fence in & enclose burying lots sufficient for their respective families in the North burial ground It is Ordered that the same be granted & the prayer thereof severally granted; and that said petitioners be and they are hereby severally authorized to fence in and enclose such lots for such purposes provided the same be done under the direction of the owners of the North Burial ground with the sanction of the Mayor: And provided the several privileges hereby granted shall be subject to all future regulations of the City Council in relation thereto and shall continue during the pleasure of the City Council & no longer. —
Passed June 3
1839.

The two Boards met in Convention June 3d 1839 when the following City Officers were elected, to wit,

| | |
|---|---|
| Judge of Municipal Court. | Thomas Burgess |
| Clerk of Municipal | Albert G Greene |
| City Sergeant | Edward Harwood |
| City Treasurer | Stephen Fillinghast |
| City Auditor | Daniel I Goodhue, Edward I Mallett |
| Overseer of the Poor | William T Greene |
| City Constables | Jacob C Gould, Jabez I Potter Russell Chaffee Sylvester Bowers, Daniel K Chaffee, Silth Howard Riley Johnson Edwin Potter. — |
| Sealer of Weights & Measures | John T Jackson |
| Assessors of Taxes also Assessors of Wharf tax ordered this day | Robert Angell Nathaniel Bishop Asa Peirce, Samuel Jackson 2d. |
| Surveyors & Corders of Wood | Enoch T Paul, William Bradley, James Snow Thomas I Wardwell Benjamin T Olney, Asa Congdon, Samuel H Wales. — |
| Surveyor of Highways | Henry G Mumford |
| Surveyors of Hoops Staves & Heading | George T Harwood Riley T Sherman Samuel Eastwood |
| Gaugers of Casks | Ezekiel Eddy, John C Jones, James W Goodrich |
| Collectors of Taxes also Collector of the Tax ordered this day | James Mumford |
| Packers & Inspectors of Fish | Riley T Sherman Geo T Harwood |



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| Overseers of Hospital | Mayor & Aldermen |
| Clerk of the Market | Henry G Mumford |
| Fence Viewers | Warden Mason Edward Harwood Samuel Carlile |
| Field Drivers | Warden Mason Edward Harwood Samuel Carlile. |
| Presidents of Fire Wards | Elisha Dyer, Benjamin Aborn Carlo Maurani John T Eddy, Charles Holden. — |
| Fire Wards. | Benjamin Hopkins Smith Borden 2d Robert Manchester John C Waterman, John H Green, Benjamin Robinson Edward T Williams James C Butts Willard W Fairbanks Allen C Peck Henry G Mumford Horatio Bagett Thomas Aldrich Henry Carpenter Joseph B Taylor Philip Carr, John H Taylor, William Talman John Church Hunter D Knowlton, Henry Sheburne Jonn Thurber jr. |
| School Committee | Samuel W Bridgham Moses B Ives William Aplin Edward B Hall Thomas W Dorr, Thomas C Hopkins Joseph Cady Rufus Waggett Richard B Eddy Thomas R Hazleton William C Barker, John Innes Amherst Ewell, John I Hopkins John T Phillips William G Goddard, Mark Sexton, William Hagan John I Stimpson, Thomas B Tanner, James Wheaton Chinchas Pettis, Hunter D Knowlton, George W Jackson David Andrews Samuel Ames Alexander H Vinton Edward C Knowles John C Pitman Edward R Young. — — — |
| Sealers of Leather, | Calvin Dean Joel Metcalf |
| City Criers | Barton Burdick John Whitteman |
| Inspectors of Pot & Pearl Ash | Smith Borden 2d Amasa Manton |
| Committee of Encroachments on Streets | Leonard B Hodgit Benoni Lockwood. — |
| Inspectors & Measurers of Carpenters, Mason & Painters Work. | William C R Brown, Leonard B Hodgit John H Green Hazen Carpenter Robert Manchester Joseph A Bozeman, James Brown James Lewis Russell Green Samuel Hawkins Robert Manchester Jun., Enos Angell. — |
| Surveyors & Measurers of Stone | Zachariah Chaffee, William Andrews Leonard B Hodgett |
| Overseers of Public Bridges | Menzies Swan. |
| Advising Committee on Bridges | Mayor & Aldermen |

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| Committee for Supervising building of Chimneys & placing Stove and Stove pipes | Cyrus Fisher Mapa Bapitt Robert Angell Samuel Carlile |
| Auctioneer | Sylvester Hartshorn |
| Owner of North burial Ground | Benjamin Hathaway |
| Measurers of Grain Salt Sea Coal | John V. Jones, Hazeltine Supt. |
| Owner of Pump South End | Samuel Carlile |
| Owner of Pump North End | Edward Harwood |
| Owner of Pump High & Nought Street | Seth Baker |
| Owner of Pump on Pond Street & westend of Westminster Street | Nicholas Northrop |
| Owner of Pump Broad Street | Phinehas Potter |
| Inspectors of Liquors & Captain Roof | Daniel V. Rose John V. Jones |
| Owner of Town House | William T. Grune |
| Commissioners of Sidewalks | Mapa Bapitt, Cyrus Fisher Asa Piane |
| Measurers of Bran | John V. Jones Hazeltine Supt. |
| City Marshal | Henry G. Mumford |
| Nuisance Committee | Henry G. Mumford Mapa Bapitt Moses Richardson |
| Inspectors of Bread & Pork | Thomas Angell |
| Pound Keeper | William T. Grune |
| Appraisers of Estates under the Election Law. | Henry V. Franklin John T. Phillips Robert Angell |
| Weighers of Anthracite and other Coal | John V. Jones James Burrough |

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|---|---|---|---|
| Hydraulion Co No 1. | Thomas Aldrich | Ira H. Chace | William Monroe |
| | Alexander T. Addis | Edward Carrington 2d | Edward C. Manton |
| | Stephen Arnold | Franklin Chace | Allen O. Peck |
| | Charles Arnold | Edward N. Davis | Squire Pierce |
| | Samuel H. Arnold Jr | Elisha Dyer Jr | Samuel Potter Jr |
| | William Andrews | Charles H. Dabney | Thomas J. Steel |
| | Tillinghast Abney | William Foster | Henry O. Smith |
| | Billings Braston | Abel Foster | Jarvis Tipson |
| | James M. Brierley | George W. Gladding 2d | James M. Smith |
| | William P. Blodget | William W. Hoppin | Samuel Salisbury |
| | Joseph W. Baker | Carrington Hoppin | Robert L. Thurston |
| | John W. Betts | Thomas T. Hoppin | John A. Tefft |
| | Frederick Burgess | Ezra W. Howard | Charles Thurber |
| | Walter S. Burges | James L. Holmes | William H. Watkinson |
| | Samuel C. Blodget 6 | Henry Hall | Samuel B. Wheaton |
| | Charles T. Blodget | Charles T. Harris | Amos M. Wanne |
| | Nesbit I. Bowen | Moses B. Ives | Jeremiah Williams |
| | Samuel A. Bowler | Robert H. Ives | Charles S. Wood |
| | Edward I. Bicknell | Thomas Jackson | William B. Willey |
| | John Calder | Henry Jacobs | James S. White |
| | Francis G. Carlile | Samuel I. Jacobs | |
| | Jeremiah O. Card | Sylvester R. Knight | |
| | Lewis P. Child | Amasa Manton | |
| | Perley W. Carpenter | Edward T. Miller | |
| Hydraulion Co No 2 | Allen Baker | Isaac Giles | Henry H. Truman |
| | George W. Taylor | Henry T. Gatewood | Benjamin T. White |
| | Thomas Grune | Barton Grume | John Walton |
| | Richard W. Bush | Stephen Holmes | Albert Whittaker |
| | Barton Miller | Cyrus Johnson | Wm. Whipple Brown |
| | Henry A. Webb | Edward Johnson | Sullivan Dorr |
| | Philip Allen Jr | I. M. Johnson | Geo. A. Allen |
| | Ferdinand B. Andrews | Samuel Lincoln | David B. Blake |
| | Moses Brown | Thomas Lincoln | Nathaniel Searle |
| | N. W. Brown | Henry G. Mumford | James C. Wright |
| | Robert Burdick | George T. Mann | Rufus Waterman |
| | William B. Chapman | Alfred A. Mason | O. R. Tingley |
| | William Calder | Frank Newell | James Sullivan |
| | Hiram S. Chace | Joseph Baring | William C. Hartden |
| | John Cottrell | William W. Paine | Horatio N. Pierce |
| | Geo. T. Campbell | M. Robinson | William G. Langley |
| | Cornelius Cunliff | Albert W. Snow | |
| | G. L. Dwight | J. P. Salisbury | |
| | William Doughton | William Smith | |
| | John A. Field | William Tripp | |
| | Daniel C. Greenwood | I. G. Tripp | |

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| Forcing Stationary Engine Co No 1 | Charles H Mason | Charles I Wheeler | Cyrus W Butts |
| | Benjamin Dyer | Henry Barton | John G Potts |
| | Richard A Hamblin | Reuben Brown | Admah Sackett |
| | John W Cory | Samuel Foster | Joshua Spooner |
| | Samuel Hamblin | Malachi R Gardner | Jas M Shelly |
| | Benjamin V Bogman | Wm H Hudson | Geo A Taylor |
| | Oliver A Budding | Geo H Hopkins | Jeremiah M Gunn |
| | Alfred Spink | Henry A Rowland | Charles J Shelly |
| | James C Bucklin | James A Arnold | Oliver V Wilbur |
| | Joseph A Baker | Stephen A Davis | Wm H Wood |
| | John H Gladding | James N Hopkins | Richard M Tisdale 2d |
| | Wm M Snow | Earl B Mason | |
| | Phillip Case | Wm H Murray | 37. |
| Forcing Stationary Engine Co No 2. | John H Taylor | Henry W Bradford | Nathaniel G Holmes |
| | Henry Gardner | Charles L Fisher | Thomas R Tripp |
| | Gilbert Shelton | Reuben I Pitcham | John B Dexter |
| | Samuel Congdon | Henry L Bowen | Edwin H Harris |
| | Jonathan A Eddy | Daniel M Swetland | Russell Clapp |
| | Richard E Eddy | Edwin Tripp | Wm E Cutting |
| | William Bucklin | Welcome Congdon | Wm Hall |
| | Stephen R Weeden | Albert G Barton | Vincent Carr |
| | Roger W Potter | John H Hamlin | Charles L Kenn |
| | Samuel N Richmond | Wm I Harris | Benjamin Matthewson |
| | Geo M Richmond | Wm W Rodman | Amos T Smith |
| | William W Bailey | Edward T Sheldon | Munyis Smith |
| | Gilbert Congdon | Pardon Miller | Wm I Cope. 39. |
| Fire Hook & Ladder Co. No 2. | Robert Manchester 2d | William B Mason | Theodore Winn |
| | Enoch Bowen | Christopher G Dodge | Willard D Munroe |
| | James Manchester | Wm H Gunn | Joseph Moore |
| | Robert Manchester | Isaac Butts | Wm Miller. |
| | Sheldon Young | Ezekiel Adams | |
| | Caleb C Cook | Isaac Lake | 16 |
| Engine Co No 1 | Albert Waterman | Stephen Randall | Cyrus Williams |
| | Robert Wilson | Rufus D Shilling | Enos Nicholson |
| | Smith Phillips | Henry T Smith | Jeremiah Satchell |
| | Samuel W Brown | Cyril S Carpenter | John Williams |
| | Alfred Anthony | Thomas W Latham | Charles Brown |
| | Nathan Bucklin | Josiah Peirce | Oliver C Williams |
| | Hamon Vally | Nathaniel Bowen | Benoni Vinyard |
| | Ebenezer W Walker | Aaron C Shelley | Harrison Grey. |
| | Josiah Baxter | Simon P Sherman | |
| | Thomas Paine | Benjamin Anthony | 28 |



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| Engine Co No 3 | John J Paine | William T Grinnell | Charles Whipple |
| | Joseph H Bowen 4th | Samuel G Rawson | George W Robinson |
| | Thomas Brown Jr | Cornelius Brownell | Henry H Farmer |
| | Edward G Farmer | Jonathan W Bates | Edward J Burr |
| | William P Bacon | Anson H Potter | David Pitts |
| | Jonathan G Draper | Ferdinand Potter | John L Noyes |
| | Henry G Gladding | Nathaniel Gladding | Pelig Brown |
| | Charles P Dyer | Conrad C Ellery | William J Cope |
| | Daniel H Leonard | Thomas E Hudson | Benjamin W Pierce. |
| | Charles H Childs | Joseph G Chantry | |
| | Francis Read | Joseph Potter | 33. |
| | Otis P Wicks | Henry J Cushing | |
| Engine Co No 6. | Thomas R Holden Jr | John H Porter | James N Potter |
| | John L Comstock | Henry Temple | Robert Parkis Jr |
| | Henry E Barney. | Charles Holden 2d | Perez Simmons |
| | Geo M Kendall | John D Jones | Henry J Tingley |
| | Thomas J Branch | Edward D Lovett | Benjamin Robinson Jr |
| | Edward L Pitcham | B B Brownell | James M Bradford |
| | W W Comstock | Harvey Brown | Jesse Comstock |
| | John H Richmond | John B Angell | William Hull |
| | John C Gladding | John A Rowland | Chas C Wood |
| | Joseph W Taylor | Thomas M Coy | Wm H P Stone |
| | Wm Temple | Henry Thurber | Geo Billings |
| | Willard Chase | Richard C Moulton | Benjamin J Blevens |
| | William H Williamson | Joseph Bradford | Joseph C Greene |
| | John H Butts | George Richardson | Moses C Dunbar Jr |
| | Nathan B Hall. | John O Potter | Benjamin G West. 45 |
| Engine Co No 7 | Daniel C. Carpenter | Samuel Lord | Benjamin Burgess |
| | Horace W Peck | Edwin Burton | Louis Field |
| | Sylvester Salsbury | John Saunders | Pelig Johnson |
| | Joseph Davis | Horatio Burke | Nathaniel B Horton |
| | Benjamin W Ham | Samuel James | Benjamin Arnold |
| | James A Eddy | Enoch Tallman | Alfred B Lewis |
| | Joseph D Saunders | Augustus Wesson | Augustus Tallman |
| | Asa Congdon | Simeon Field | Pelig A Sanford |
| | Richard S Dawley | Horace Grey | George Sanford |
| | Francis Curtis | A B Southwick | Stanly C Curtis |
| | Henry Battey | Shubael Pease | Nathaniel R Paine |
| | Stillman Rand | Chauncey Haines | Horace Read |
| | Edward Ham | Arnold Peters | Henry Sherburn |
| | James Salsbury Jr | George W Ham | Barton S Pierce |
| | William Bullock | George W Johnson | James Salsbury |
| | Allen Shaw | William P Tanner | Thomas J Strange |
| | Edward Salsbury | Isaac S Battey | 52 |
| | Thomas Barstow | Stillman Ellis | |

Engine Co No 8

T A Richardson
Henry W Rodman
Pardon W Hale
Lewis C Allen
Wm W Battey
Edward Billings
Samuel B Bullock
Samuel J Stillwell
E N Thurston
Henry D Burkford
W B Studley
Salsbury Peck
Nehemiah N Lee
Obadiah Mason
Mathew A Chace

William H Harris
Albert Daily
Silas Talbot
Wm B Gould
Seth W Thayer
I. G. Luther
George W Guild
Albert J Jones
Albert G Stillwell
Edward V Butts
Wm Mansir
Bishop Luther
H H Hastins
John Magwire
H W Thayer.

Perry J Chace
Asa Lilley
George W Church
L T Stuckey
A R Cooke
I. L Hale
Benj Cowell Jr
Stephen G Mason
I I Rose
E Lawrence
B H Salsbury

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Engine Co No 9

A G Sprague
C H Pierce
S. Comstock
D H Brown
I. B Brown
I Gardner
W Baggs
I Hawes
I M Rounds
C Fish
B H Aldrich
I. Wilbour
I. H Austin
A R Austin

I. Borroughs
W Wheaton
G Weeden
I I Stanley
I Case
C C Najac
I Brown
W H Sprague
I. H Shaw
L Najac
L W Perkins
Wm T Hammond
A Ladd
I Hopkins

B Lewis
H B Stone
N J. Chaney
O Arnold
S Peckham
A Round
B C Bowen
L B Shepard
H Nichols
S. T. Stow
L H Stow
H Tanner

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The two Boards then Separated and the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber.



Pond in John Street

Resolved That the Petition of Elisha C Wills & others in relation to the Pond of Water on the North side of John Street be and the same is hereby referred to Alders Mallett Vinnovelton & Angell with such as the Board of Aldermen may add; to enquire into the facts & report thereon. — Alderman Wheaton added to the Committee

Passed June 17
1839.

City Printing

The Committee appointed to Contract for the City Printing for the ensuing Municipal year Respectfully report. —

That they have Contracted with the Proprietors of the Providence Daily Journal; Manufacturers and Farmers Journal and Providence and Pawtuxet Advertiser; Rhode Island Country Journal & Independent Inquirer, to do the same including Job work and every Kind of Printing which may be required or ordered by the City Council or by either Board of the same or any of the Officers or Bodies Created by the same (excepting the reprinting of the Book of Ordinances if the same should be necessary) for the sum of Ninety dollars payable quarterly at the end of each way quarter

Erastus D Winsolton
Edward V Knowles
Thomas R Holden

Received June 17
1839.

1st Light Infantry.

To His Hon the Mayor
Sir.

The 1st Lt Infantry Company will be pleased with a visit from His Hon the Mayor, the Members & Officers of the City Council, at their Armory on Monday the 1st of July at 4 oclock PM.

In the Committee
W. W Brown
Clerk

Monday June 17th.

Resolved that the Invitation therein Contained be accepted; and that the City Council will assemble at the Council Chamber on Monday July 1st at half past 3 oclock PM. for the purpose of visiting the First Light Infantry Company

Passed June 17
1839.

Prospect Street.

Resolved that Mayor Jackson and Mallett with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be a Committee to Ascertain upon what terms "Prospect Street" can be opened to George Street.

Alderman Wheaton added to the Committee

Passed June 17
1839.

Weybosett Bridge

Resolved That the sum of Three Thousand Dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for rebuilding Weybosett Bridge in addition to the sums heretofore appropriated for that purpose and that said sum so appropriated be paid out of any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed June 17
1839.

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Treasurers Bond.

To the Hon. City Council of the City of Providence

The Committee appointed to take a Bond of the City Treasurer Respectfully report that they have attended to said duty and have taken a bond in the sum of Thirty thousand dollars with William Richmond 2d and Charles T Tillinghast Esquires as Sureties, and the said bond has been deposited in the City Clerks Office.

George W Jackson
Edward R Young
Thomas C Hopkins } Com^tee

Providence June 17th 1839.

Received June 17
1839.

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4th of July.

Resolved that a sum not exceeding one hundred & fifty dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose of Causing the bells of the several houses of Public Worship to be rung, and Salutes to be fired on the approaching Anniversary of American Independence; and that said sum so appropriated be paid out of any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to the order of the City Marshal who is hereby appointed to Carry this resolution into effect.

Passed June 17
1839.

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Sealer of Weights & Measures

Resolved that the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars be and the same is hereby allowed to the City sealer of Weights & Measures as a full Compensation for the performance of the duties of his Office during the present Municipal year, in addition to the sum heretofore appropriated for that purpose: and that said sum so appropriated be paid out of any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed June 17
1839.

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Certificates of appointment of Common Councilmen

Resolved that in future when the City Clerk warns the inhabitants to attend the April meeting for the Election of State & City Officers; he be required to annex a Notice to said Notice directing the Clerk of each ward to furnish to the City Clerk a Certificate of the names of the Common Councilmen elected in the several Wards in the order in which they were Chosen.

Passed June 17
1839.



City Treasurers A/c.

Providence June 15th 1839.

We the undersigned a Committee appointed by the City Council to examine the City Treasurers account have examined the same and find it Correct, and the balance in his hands on the 31st day of May 1839 was one hundred and thirty seven dollars and seventeen Cents $137.17.

Bazillai Cranston
Austin Gurney
Thomas C Hopkins

Received June 17
1839.

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Police Court.

Resolved that from the Justices assigned to Keep the peace within this City, Edwin H Howard be and he is hereby selected, as one of the Justices of the Police Court of this City for the present Municipal Year in the place of Robert Knight, who having been so selected has declined serving

Passed June 17
1839.

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Dam.

The Committee appointed by the City Council to report on the expediency &c of making a dam, for the purpose of Keeping the Cove Covered at all times with water respectfully submit that they have taken the matter into Consideration and agree unanimously, that the work is practicable and that the Cost of the same will not exceed the sum of three thousand dollars, the Committee also Concur in the opinion that the erection of a dam as proposed would add much to the beauty of the City and promote the health and Comfort of the Citizens, especially of those residing in the vicinity of the Cove, by preventing the offensive effluvia which in the Summer months at low water is engendered by the action of the sun on the exposed flats & by the filth and putrid Carcases of which the Cove is a general receptacle.

The great benefit also which the City would derive in Case of fire from having an inexhaustable and sure supply of Water at its Command must be apparent to every understanding, this alone is an advantage for which other Cities have and are Constantly expending immense sums of money and no City can be Considered as well governed which is not protected in every possible manner against the ravages of this destructive element.

In conclusion your Committee are not aware of any substantial objection to the measure except the expense, and differ in opinion only as to the expediency of Carrying it into effect at this time

Edward D Veeder
Seth Padelford
William W Hopkins
John S Eddy
James Wheaton

Whereupon it is Resolved that the same be printed and published in the news papers employed by the City Council.

Received June 17. 1839.

Hydraulion Engine No 1.

Resolved that the Remonstrance of Franklin Richmond & others against the location of the Engine house for Hydraulion No 1 on the water of the Cove, be received and referred to Messrs Packard & Mallett with such as the Board of Aldermen may add to examine and report thereon. —

Alderman Phillips added to the Committee. —

Received & Passed June 17. 1839. —

Admitted Free

The two Boards met in Convention June 17. 1839. and the following named persons were admitted freemen of this City. — Viz.

Darius N Thurber
Clark Dalrymple
Samuel Lincoln
Jonathan Crane
Jacob Silloway
Seth Simmons 2d.

Propounded

The following named persons were propounded to become freemen viz.

Charles Shaw — died propound
William Hicks — do
Edward Walcott — do.

Fire Wards

The following additional Fire wards were appointed. to wit.

John B Chace
Charles H Mason

John H Taylor resigns his appointment as Fire ward which is accepted

Gaugers of Casks

The following additional Gaugers of Casks was appointed to wit.

James Burrough
Daniel V Rose



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| Engine Co No 2. | James Thurber | John A Mc Dougall | Dexter B Lewis |
| | Asa W Davis | Willis C Legg | William N Smith |
| | George E Blanchard | Henry Mitchell | Silas T Burbanks |
| | William N Amsbury | William H Lovett | Paris Wenser Jr |
| | William W Chace | William H Hopkins | Josiah Calder |
| | Augustus I Winship | Smith Owen | Horace Cole |
| | David A Cleveland | Edwin S Bradford | Darwin R Storey. |
| | George H Bush | Joshua L Gray | Paul N Pidge |
| | John Simmons | Nelson C Northrop | George W Pidge |
| | Charles S Cleveland | Stephen Smith | Joseph Pidge |
| | Gideon Hull | Francis P Haynes | Benjamin Pidge |
| | William Calder 2d | Samuel S Cooke | Joseph L Reed |
| | George S Thurber | Joshua W Snipe | Alonzo Chace |
| | Isaac B Allen | Albert W Page | Thomas Sheldon |
| | Peter Church | Benjamin C Annis | Arnold W Angell |
| | Daniel C Sherman | Loring H Ham | John Mc Praid |
| | | Willard H Joslin | 49. |
| Fire Wards & Ladder Co. No 1 | Stanton Thurber | Lyman Dayton | Wm R Robinson |
| | Daniel Hull | Obadiah P Olson | James Peck |
| | Joseph Low | Augustus Ellis | John Johnson |
| | Owen Claflin | John Boyden | John C Gray |
| | James Chapman | Ebenezer Kingsbury | Cyrus Osborn 15 |

The two Boards then separated & the Board of Aldermen returned to their Chamber. —

4th of July.

Resolved that Messrs Jackson, Young & Vinnedge with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee of Arrangements for a Municipal Celebration of the approaching Anniversary of American Independence, and that the sum of three hundred and fifty dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for defraying the expenses of said Celebration in addition to the sum heretofore appropriated for that purpose; and that said sum so appropriated be paid by the City Treasurer to the order of the Chairman of said Committee out of any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated

Resolved that said Committee be and they are hereby directed to procure Fire works for said occasion. —

Passed June 18 — 1839. —

City Receipts & Expenditures

The Committee appointed on the 3d instant to prepare a particular account of the receipts and expenditures for the past Year, and a Schedule of the real Estate belonging to the City, and to cause the same to be published in the News Papers employed by the City Council, agreably to the requisitions Contained in the fourth section of the City Charter.—

Report they have performed the duty assigned them, and have this day Caused to be published in the Providence Journal said account of the receipts and expenditures and a schedule of the real estate belonging to the City.—

Providence June 24th 1839.

Henry Anthony
Daniel T Goodhue
J. F. Phillips

Read. Whereupon it is Resolved that the same be received
Passed June 24th
1839.

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Town house lot.

Upon the petition of John Whipple for leave to dig a reservoir on land of the City it is resolved that the same be received and referred to Messrs Mallett & Fletcher with such as the Board of Aldermen may asked to examine & report thereon.—

Alderman Canby added to the Committee.—
Passed June 24.
1839.

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Hydraulion No 1.

Resolved that the City Council do hereby recede from their resolution passed on the 17th day of April last authorising the Board of Firewards to locate a new Engine house for Hydraulion No 1 on the water of the Cove

Resolved that the City Marshal be and he is hereby directed to cause the piles which have been driven for the foundation for said building to be immediately removed.—

Resolved that the City Clerk furnish the Board of Firewards with a Copy of these resolutions.—
Passed June 24
1839.

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Pond at John Street

Resolved that the owners of the land owned by the Reservoir lately owned by the Brown Bleaching and Calendering Company on the North side of John Street be and they are hereby authorised to use the Earth forming the embankment of said Reservoir in John Street for the purpose of filling up said reservoir
Passed June 24
1839.



Jail Lot.

Upon the report of the Committee who were appointed to Contract with the State for the Old Jail lot.—

Resolved that one Thousand six hundred and fifty dollars be appropriated and paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, twelve hundred dollars of which sum the City Treasurer is directed to pay to the State and four hundred & fifty dollars to the Commissioners of the Dexter Donation for the lot on Constitution Street to be Conveyed to the State by direction of said Commissioners on his receiving from the State of Rhode Island, for the use of the City a good and sufficient deed of said Jail Lot.—

Passed June 24
1839.

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4th of July.

Providence 24th June 1839.—

To the Hon City Council
Gentlemen.

The Committee appointed to make arrangments for a Municipal Celebration of the ensuing Anniversary of American Independence, respectfully request the Company of his Hon the Mayor & City Council, to dine with the Officers & Soldiers of the revolution.

We are very Respectfully
Your Obd Servts
George W Jackson
Edward R Young
James Wheaton.

Read. Whereupon it is Resolved that the Invitation therein Contained be accepted.—

Passed June 24th
1839.

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North Burial Ground

Upon the Petition of Mary W Rounds
Joseph Vaujo
Susan Pary &
Jabez Gotham severally requesting leave to fence in and inclose burying lots sufficient for their respective families in the North Burial Ground it is resolved that the same be received and the prayer thereof granted, and that said petitioners be and they are hereby severally authorised to fence in and inclose such lot for such purpose; provided the same be done under the direction of the owners of the North burial ground with the sanction of the Mayor, and provided the several privileges hereby granted shall be subject to all future regulations of the City Council in relation thereto, and shall Continue during the pleasure of the City Council and no longer.—

Passed June 24.
1839.

Admitted Free

The two Boards met in Convention June 24th 1839 and the following named persons having stood prepounded more than three months were admitted pumen of this City viz.—

Leander Alley
Henry I Burrough

Prepounded

William Crawford Allen was prepounded to become a pumen and produced.—

The two Boards then separated and the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber.

Seal Press

Providence July 15. 1839.

To the City Council

The undersigned were appointed a Committee to procure a new Seal press for the use of the public Offices, and have procured one, Manufactured by Humphreys & Porter, Machinists of this City the whole of which including iron and wood work, and fitting the several seals is sixty eight dollars.

$68. Respectfully submitted
B Cranston
E. P Knowles
Thomas C Hopkins.

Read; Whereupon it is Resolved that the same be received
Passed July 15
1839.

4th July

Resolved that the sum of four hundred & eighty eight dollars and ten cents be and the same is hereby appropriated for defraying the expenses of the Municipal Celebration of the present Anniversary of American Independence in addition to the sums heretofore appropriated for that purpose; and that said sum so appropriated be paid by the City Treasurer out of any monies in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated to the Order of the Chairman of the Committee of Arrangements for that occasion.—

Passed July 15
1839

Weybosett Bridge

Resolved that the sum of Three Thousand Dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for rebuilding Weybosett Bridge and Cove Street Bridge and that said sum so appropriated be paid out of any monies in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated

Passed July 15
1839.



Temporary Loan

Resolved that the City Treasurer acting under the advice and direction of Messrs Jackson, Young & Cranston with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and he is hereby authorized to hire by Temporary Loan or Loans for the use of the City such sums of money as may be needed for the use of the City, at a rate of interest not exceeding six percent, and not exceeding in the whole the sum of Ten thousand dollars.

Alderman Hopkins added to the Committee.
Passed July 15
1839.

Drain Society

Resolved that the Petition of a Committee of the Drain Society respecting the Stream of Water which passes near the Fuller lot, so called, be and the same is hereby received and referred to Messrs Hughes Mallett and Gardner, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon.

Alderman Potter added to the Committee.
Passed July 15
1839.

Admitted Free.—

The Two Boards met in Convention July 15th 1839 and the following persons were admitted pumen of this City having stood prepounded more than three months. to wit,

Samuel N Thomas
William M Bailey
Ezra W Howard
Charles Batty
Horace Batty
William B Batty
Isaac S Batty.

Prepounded

The following named persons were prepounded to become pumen of this City.—

Lewis Boutell — dwl produced
Henry Metcalf
William Gardner.—

The two Boards then separated and the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber.—

Superintendant of Public Schools.

To the Hon City Counsil

Extract from the proceedings of the School Committee at their meeting holden on the morning of the 23d inst.

On motion of George W Jackson

Resolved that the Secretary be, and he is hereby directed to Communicate to the City Counsil at their next meeting, the appointment of Mr Bishop to the Office of Superintendant of Public Schools, and that he accompany said Communication with a Copy of the 4th article of the report of the Committee to prepare a plan of instruction and government for the new system of Public Schools in this City and to prescribe the duties of the Superintendent which was adopted May 8 1839.

In Conformity with the above resolution I hereby inform the City Counsil that at a meeting of the School Committee holden July 23 Mr Nathan Bishop was appointed Superintendant of the Public Schools in this City.

The following is a true Copy of the 4th article of the report adopted by the School Committee May 8 1839 and herewith Communicate agreable to the above resolution

"Resolved that the Superintendent shall devote himself exclusively to the business of his Station, that he shall keep regular Office hours, other than regular School hours at a place provided for the purpose which shall also be the General Repository of the records book and papers belonging to the School department. That he shall also act under the advice and direction of the School Committee; and under their advice and direction shall have the entire Superintendence of the Schools, school houses, and apparatus; that he shall acquaint himself with whatever principles and facts may Concern the interests of popular education, and that in all matters pertaining in any way to the organization, discipline & instruction of the Public Schools of this City, he shall take good Care of their welfare to the end that all Children in this City who receive instructions at the Public Schools, may obtain the best education which those Schools Can be made to impart.

All which is respectfully Submitted
Edward A Young
Secretary S.C.

July 29th 1839

Read, whereupon it is Resolved that the same be received

Received July 29th
1839.

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Cholera Hospital

Resolved that the City Treasurer be authorized and directed to sell at either public or private sale the Cholera Hospital, so called, under the advice and direction of Cranston, Gardner & Willard with such as the Board of Aldermen may add.

Alderman Potter added.

Passed July 29
1839.

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Superintendent Office

Resolved that Hughes, Young & Mallett with such others as the Board of Aldermen may add be a Committee to provide a suitable place for an Office for the Superintendent of the Public Schools, and that they be authorized to rent in behalf of the City a room suitable for the purpose, and that they also be empowered to procure such articles of furniture as they may deem necessary for said Office, and draw on the Treasurer for the amount of the same.

Alderman Holden Added to the Committee

Passed July 29th
1839.



Rope House

The Committee who were appointed by the City Council to Cause the Rope House to be painted, have attended to that duty & employed Mr Pardon Clarke who has done the work to the satisfaction of the undersigned at an expence of $23.03.

D. S. Goodhue
Ebenr Carpenter

Received July 29
1839.

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Drain Society

The Committee to whom was referred the petition of the Water Society relative to a drain sunk by said Society on the west side of Weybosett Bridge, beg leave to report; that they have taken the subject Committed to their Charge into Consideration, and after mature deliberation have Come to the Conclusion that so long as the public sustain no injury from said drain, the Public Authorities jurisdiction over it.

Providence July 29 1839.

J. L Hughes
E I Mallett
P W Gardner
Penrhas V Potter.

Read, whereupon it is resolved that the same be received; and that the said petitioners have leave to withdraw their petition.

Passed July 29th
1839.

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Admitted Free

The two Boards met in Convention July 29th 1839 and the following named persons having stood propounded more than three months were admitted freemen of this City viz.

Joseph L Brown
Simeon Field
James W Saunders
George W Ham
Joseph G Chantley
Isaac M Cushman
Wheaton A Harrington
Josiah B Harrington
John F Hemming
Thomas Hull
William E Potter
George Owen
Edwin A Bush
Samuel Aldridge 2d
George Woodward

Nicholas Power Tillinghast Oldest son of Joseph L Tillinghast

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Propounded.

George W Blis is propounded to become a freemen of this City and stood proposed.

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The two Boards then seperated and the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber.

Gangway next South of Leonard Street,

Resolved that the Surveyor of Highways be authorized under the advice of Messrs Mallett, Knowlton & Angell with such as the Board of Aldermen may add to relay the pavement in the public gangway next South of Leonard Street running from South Main to South Water Street.

Passed August 5th 1835.

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High Street & Appropriations

Resolved that the several sums herein after mentioned be and the same are hereby appropriated for the following purposes respectively, to wit,

For repaving High Street — Two thousand five hundred dollars
For expenses of the suit in favor of the City against Martha Howell — Five hundred dollars
For rebuilding Weybosset & Cove Street Bridges — Four thousand dollars

and that said sums so appropriated be paid out of any monies in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed August 26. 1839.

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Old Jail Lot.

Providence August 26. 1839.

To the City Council

The Committee on the Jail Lot report that the Conveyances have been made agreeably to the Contract as stated in their former report, so that the said Jail Lot has become the property of the City, and is subject to the disposition of the City Council they recommend the adoption of the following resolution

Dexter Angell
B. Cranston
Thomas R Holden

Received August 26. 1839.

Resolved that the City Marshal be directed to fill up the Cellar on the Jail lot and to put said lot in suitable order for the City's use as open ground.

Passed August 26. 1839.

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Palmers Ridge

Upon the Petition of Palmers Ridge praying for relief, It is Resolved that the same be received and referred to Messrs Anthony Knowles & Cranston with such as the Board of Aldermen may add to examine and report thereon.

Alderman Phillips added to the Committee

Passed August 26th 1839.

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Market House Stalls.

Upon the petition of Job T Angell and others Lessees of Stalls in the Market House It is Resolved, that the same be received & Referred to Messrs Goodhue Knowlton & Thurber with such as the Board of Aldermen may add to examine & report thereon.

Alderman Cady added to the Committee

Passed August 26 1839.



North Burial Ground.

Upon the several petitions of Israel Amsbury
Hannah Smith
Gideon Palmer
Richard Palmer
Jonathan S Palmer
Nathaniel Searle 2
William S Patten. requesting leave to purchase a certain burying Lots sufficient for their respective families in the North Burial Ground, It is Resolved that the sums be remitted and the prayers thereof severally granted; and that the said petitioners be and they are hereby severally authorized to purchase and enclose such Lots, for such purposes provided the same be done under the direction of the Trustees of the North Burial Ground with the sanction of the Mayor; and provided also that the several privileges hereby granted shall be subject to all future regulations of the City Council in relation thereto, and shall Continue during the pleasure of the City Council and no longer.

Passed August 26 1839.

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Admitted Free.

The two Boards met in Convention Monday August 26. 1839. When the following named persons having stood propounded more than three months were admitted freemen of this City, to wit,

Moses B Lockwood
Levi H Holden
Silas Pitcham
Allen Shaw
Horace Gray
William (2) Avery
Smith Owen also,

Anthony Horton Eldest son of Elephalet Horton
Tristam Burges Jun " " " Tristam Burges
Edwin S Manchester " " " Israel G Manchester and
Angell B Healy on Certificate from Scituate and duly produced.
Benoni Lockwood " " " Cranston " " " "
James Scott. " " " North Providence " " "

Propounded Edward N Davis . . . . . duly produced.

The two Boards then Separated and the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber.

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Admitted Free.

The two Boards met in Convention August 27th 1839. when the following named persons were admitted freemen of this City, to wit, Benjamin Arnold Junr
John Westcott
Jonathan B Sisson

Samuel S Stillwell Eldest son of Abraham Stillwell
William Henry Pike " " " Asa Pike
Charles Shaw on Certificate from Bristol. and duly produced
Nedabiah Angell " " Gloucester " " "
Thomas Bentley " " Cranston " " "

The two Boards then separated and the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber.

N.Y. & B. Boston R.R. Co.

Upon the Petition of the New York Providence and Boston Rail Road Company, it is Resolved that the same be received and referred to Messrs Brown, Gardner, & Jackson with such as the Board of Aldermen may add to examine and report thereon.

Alderman Hopkins added to the Committee.

Passed Sept 16. 1839.

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Market House.

Providence September 16. 1839.

The Committee to whom was referred the petition of Job S. Angell and others requesting the City Council to prohibit the sale of meat and other provisions from Carts in the immediate neighborhood of the Market house, report as follows,

In entering upon the duties assigned them your Committee could not but be aware that the request of your petitioners was calculated to raise doubts in the minds of many respecting the power vested in the City Council to restrict the sale in public Market Place of any species of property with a view to promote individual interest. It must be well known to every individual of the Community that the City Council does exercise the right of restraining the sale of various articles of traffic either by license or by direct prohibition. In the exercise of this right however, the Council have in view the general Good, which it is their object to promote, either by increasing the revenue or abating a nuisance.

Whatever power of Legislation over this subject is vested in the City Council, is derived from an act passed by the General Assembly in 1813. granting to the Town of Providence when legally assembled in Town Meeting, power to make by laws relative to erecting and establishing public Markets, and Market places, and regulating the trade thereof. this power was transferred to the City Council, by the 4th section of the City Charter. Under the power of Constructing Market places, and regulating their trade, the right of the City Council to exempt from such Market places one class of Citizens with a view to promote the interest of another Class, as to enhance the value of public property is not recognized by your Committee.

Whether certain articles of Provisions are to be sold in one section of the City or in another as it is believed question not for the City Council to decide, unless it can be made plainly to appear that the public good requires such infringement to be made upon individual right.

Admitting the City Council to be invested with power to legislate upon this subject in a manner to meet the request of your petitioners, the exercise of such Power in the present Case would be of doubtful expediency.

It is believed that the public good would be far more promoted by leaving the subject of selling meat, and other provisions in the public Streets to the discretion of those therein engaged, than to grant exclusive privileges the direct tendency of which is, to prevent that free Competition which secures to the Citizen a supply, at fair and reasonable prices. Your memorialists say that at all times they kept the Market well stocked with provisions. This fact may justly be considered as the natural result of the healthy Competition that now exists between the in door, and out door sellers. By granting exclusive privileges in the sale of any Commodity you thereby Create a Monopoly, the tendency of which is to deprive the inducement for those to whom the privilege is granted, to keep a full, and adequate stock. The monopolists may by Combination by keeping the Market understocked and thereby not fully supplying the effectual demand, induce higher prices than could otherwise be obtained.

Perhaps it may be said that these views are altogether imaginary and without foundation in fact, be this as it may, it must be expected that every individual will exert himself to make the most of every privilege granted him, and it must be Conceded by all, that the prices of Monopoly are the highest that Can be obtained; Whereas the prices that result from free Competition are the lowest the sellers Can afford to take.

On the supposition that the request of your petitioners be granted, other effects prejudicial to the Citizens may be expected to follow. Those individuals who have been expelled from Market square, will be Compelled to retire, to other sections of the City, where again they will Come in Competition with those who sell in Markets there located, from these individuals another Memorial may be expected Complaining of a double grievance from which they pray to be relieved and the City Council will feel bound



to extend to them the same privileges they had already granted to the other individuals of the same Class.

The request of your memorialists may be Considered to extend to no less number of articles than are sold at their respective stalls, which embrace a large proportion of Country produce, for in the sale of this it may be quite as desirable to be relieved from troublesome Competitors.

Following them the Consequences that would Naturally result from an embarrassed intercourse between the producer, and the Consumer (occasioned by obstructions thrown into the Channel through which we receive Articles of the first necessity by subjecting those from whom we receive our daily supply to vexations, Complaints prosecutions, and penalties) we discover a foundation to be laid for a more systematic system of forestalling than has before been practised. The privileged few will find it easier to intercept, and purchase freely of provisions and produce as they arrive from the Country, and as the public stalls afford a Convenient store room, where they may be retained until by the Co-operation of those interested therein, they are made to Command prices altogether, and there sufficient to have satisfied the original seller.

In accordance with the foregoing views your Committee Cannot recommend to any favorable notice the prayer of your memorialists.

Respectfully Submitted

Daniel J. Goodshue
Charles F. Knowlton
Isaac Shurtleff
Joseph Casey.

Read whereupon it is ordered that the same be received; and that the petitioners have leave to Withdraw their petition.

Passed September 16th
1839.

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H. H. Brown.

Resolved that the Petition of Hugh H. Brown Administrator of the Estate of Ebenezer Brown for remission of a Claim of the City upon said Estate be and the same is hereby received and referred to Messrs Cranston, Young & Willard with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon. Alderman Holden added to the Committee.

Passed September 16th
1839.

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Deposit of City Funds.

Resolved that Messrs Jackson, Young and Cranston with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be authorized to make an arrangement with any one of the City Banks for the deposit of the City Funds, for the present Municipal year, upon such terms as they may think most for the interest of the City. Alderman Hopkins added to the Committee.

Passed September 16th
1839.

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Public Debt.

Resolved that the City Treasurer acting under and with the advice of Messrs Jackson, Young and Cranston with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be authorized to renew so much of the Public debt as may be due or falling due within thirty days, not exceeding in the whole the sum of Ten thousand dollars for a term not longer than twelve months at a rate of interest not exceeding six per Cent.

Alderman Casey added to the Committee

Passed September 16.
1839.

Palmer Pidge

Resolved that the Swine taken up on the 19th Ult. by the City Sergeant on behalf of the City and belonging to Palmer Pidge be restored to him said Pidge, he paying to the Keeper of the Deaf & Dumb Asylum the Cost of keeping said swine from the time of their being taken up until their delivery back to said Pidge, And that the Keeper of the Deaf & Dumb Asylum is hereby authorized to deliver up said Swine to said Pidge upon his Compliance with the above Condition

Passed September 16th
1839.

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Crops Walk High Street.

Upon the Petition of Benjamin S. Olney & others it is Resolved that the same be granted and that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to Cause a Crops walk to be laid across High and Transton Streets at the Junction of said Streets.

Passed September 16th
1839.

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Public Drain

Upon the Petition of Amasa Manton & others. It is Resolved that the same be granted and referred to Messrs Knowlton, Mallett, and Angell with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon. Alderman Holden added to the Committee.

Passed September 16.
1839.

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Side Walk Market Square.

Resolved that Messrs Hughes, Knibson & Willard with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to Comply with the Commissioners of side walks relative to the widening of the side walk on the North side of Market Square. Alderman Wheaton added to the Committee.

Passed September 16th
1839.

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Chain to Unite Wayboseth & Cove Street Bridge

Resolved that the Committee appointed to Cause Wayboseth and Cove Street Bridge to be rebuilt be and they are hereby authorized and directed to procure a Chain for Connecting said Bridges, and also to draw upon the City Treasurer for the Payment of the expenses of relaying the pavement and side walks which were or may be taken up during the erection of said Bridges; said expenses to be paid out of the appropriation for rebuilding said Bridges.

Passed September 16.
1839.

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The two Boards met in Convention September 16th 1839. and the following named persons were proposed to become Freemen. to wit,

Proposed

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|---|---|---|
| William Henry Clark | son of Jesse. | by descent. |
| Pasco Hanes | | died postponed. |
| George W Steinhauer | | do. |
| Benjamin M Bourn | | do |
| Rufus Read | | do |
| James Vaughan | | do. |



The following named persons were appointed Members of Engine Company's No. 4 & 5. to wit.

Engine Co. No 4.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| James V Butts | B W Comstock | James M Dean |
| Luther Lyon | George Cox | Charles Town |
| Bradford Ripley | W W Fairbanks | Robert L Lapham |
| Nathan B Luther | Israel Plane | Roup P Waite |
| William C Thayer | William B Bowen | Wilbur Hunter |
| Nathaniel P Bartlett | Jeremiah G Luther | Benjamin J Brown |
| George A Simmons | Henry C Hill | Edward S Underwood |
| Perry I Chace | Chas C Dunham | Ephraim Brown |
| George W Hall | Earl Whiting | James Dean. |
| Joel Blaisdell | Herman A Peck | |
| Elijah Selden | Ammi Kirk | 31. |

Engine Co No 5.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Theodore Curtis | Ellery Bentley | Charles Ellis |
| William Sewall jr | Miles B Lawson | John Argell |
| W B Darling | Elijah S Cobbling | Stephen P Henry |
| Isaac H Holden | William Hicks | Jeremiah Bosworth |
| Lafayette W Holden | James Hall | Ezekiel A Gibson |
| Joseph T Gilman | Joseph Colwell | Stephen Bently |
| Benjamin B Wood | Robert G Cory | Nicholas W Johnson |
| Edward Bancroft | Wm W Arnold | Richard Saunders |
| Jonathan S Angell | Joseph Burrows jr | Henry C Potter |
| Reuben H N Bates | Henry Cobbling | George Updike |
| Gardner M Burgess | W A Harrington | |
| Benjamin Hopkins | J. G Manchester | |
| Henry Kelly | Henry Whitman | 36. |

The two Boards then separated and the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber.

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Randall Street.

Resolved that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to Cause the gutters in Randall Street to be paved, whenever the owners of the adjoining land shall unite Curb Stones in front of their respective lands.

Passed Sept 23
1839

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Smith Street.

Resolved that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to Cause the Gutters in Smith Street from Back Street to Chanler Street to be paved; Provided that the owners of the adjoining lands shall first Cause Curb stones to be erected and the side walks graded in front of their respective Grounds.

Resolved that said Surveyor be and he is hereby directed to Cause Curb Stones to be erected and the gutters paved in front of the Work house lot on said Smith Street.

Passed Sept 23
1839.

Engine No 7.

Resolved That Messrs Vinnerton Gardner & Bucklin with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby authorized to purchase for the City a lot of land suitable for a location for the Engine house for Engine No 7 for a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars, Alderman Potter added to the Committee.

Passed Sept. 23
1839.

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Crop Walk High & Cranston Shuts.

Resolved that the resolution of the City Council passed on the petition of Benjamin S Olney & others on the eighteenth day of September instant, directing the Survey of Highways to cause a Crop walk to be laid across High & Cranston Shuts at the junction of said Shuts, be and the same is hereby repealed.

Resolved that said petition be and the same is hereby referred to Messrs Mallett Vinnerton and Angell with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, who are hereby authorized to direct the surveyor of Highways to lay a Crop walk across said Shuts & across High Shut near the Boyle Tavern, Provided they shall deem the same to be expedient. Alderman Philips added to the Committee

Passed Sept 23
1839.

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City Funds.

The Committee appointed for the purpose of making an arrangement with some one of the Banks of the City for the deposit of the City Money

Respectfully Report.

That they have entered into an arrangement with the City Bank to receive the Deposits of the City Treasurer for the term of one year Commencing on the 27th September last to allow an interest for the same at the rate of Five P Cent P Annum.

For the Committee
George W Jackson

Resolved that the same be received.

Passed October 21
1839.

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Wooden Pavement

Resolved that Messrs Young Bucklin & Gurney with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be a Committee to examine and report on the Expediency of paving with wooden blocks, the North side of Market Square between Weybosett bridge and the Cross walk running from Tingleys Corner South. Whenever the Committee on highways shall deem it Nessary to take up the present paving.

Alderman Holden added to the Committee

Passed October 21
1839.

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Mill and Charles Sts

Resolved that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to cause Mill and Charles Shuts to be graded and gravelled and the gutters paved, provided the owners of lands adjoining said Shuts with Erect Curb Stones.

Passed October 21
1839.



Providence October 21. 1839.

W H Brown.

To the City Council

The Committee who were appointed to examine and report upon the Petition Hugh H Brown Administrator of the Estate of Ebenezer P Brown deceased, have attended to the duty required of them and have come to the Conclusion that it is inexpedient for the City Council to grant the prayer of the Petition

Respectfully Submitted
Benj. Cranston
Edward R Young
Wezekiah Willard
Thomas R Holden

Resolved that the same be received, and that the Petitioner have leave to withdraw his petition.

Passed October 21
1839.

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Appropriations

Resolved that the several sums herein after mentioned be and the same are hereby appropriated for the following respectively; to wit

For rebuilding Weybosett & Cove Street Bridges Four Thousand dollars

For Costs and expenses of suit against Martha Howell Three hundred & fifty dollars.

And that said sums so appropriated be paid out of any Money's in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated

Passed October 21
1839.

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Town house Lot.

Resolved that Messrs Mallett & Anthony with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and they are appointed a Committee with power to cause the Town house Lot to be enclosed by a suitable fence

Alderman Wheaton added to the Committee

Passed October 21.
1839.

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Work house Lot.

Resolved that the Report of the Committee appointed to adjust the Claim of the City upon David Burt and also to Ascertain on what terms a Certain small triangular piece of land adjoining the Work house Lot can be purchased be received and that the same be recommitted to said Committee who are hereby directed to make further report on the premises, recommending such proceedings to the City authorities as may most readily lead to an acquitable settlement of said Claim.

Passed October 21
1839.

## An Ordinance in relation to the Interment of the Dead.

Section 1. Be it Ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence that there shall be annually appointed on the first Monday of June, by the City Council, a sufficient number of persons to act as undertakers removable at the pleasure of the City Council.

Section 2. That every undertaker shall make return to the Clerk of the Board of Health, between the hours of nine o'clock A.M. and two o'clock P.M. of the first Wednesday of each Month of all interments made and funerals Conducted by him during the preceding month in form as follows, to wit.

An accurate list of all interments made by me between the ____ day of ____ and the ____ day of ____

| Name | Sex | married or single Widow or Widower | Age | Color | Residence or how Received | Sheet | Disease | Date of Death | Remarks |
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| | | | | | | | | | |

Undertaker

Section 3. That all funerals shall take place between sunrise and sunset, unless otherwise permitted or directed by the Board of Health. The top of every Coffin deposited in the ground shall be at least four feet below the usual surface thereof.

Section 4. That the Clerk of the Board of Health shall prepare an abstract of all the returns made to him, and report the same to the Board of Health on the Monday next succeeding the last Wednesday of each month. The Board of Health shall Cause a monthly abstract of all such returns to be published in all the newspapers which Contract to do the City Printing and shall also prepare and publish in all the said newspapers in the first week in January in each year an abstract of all the returns made to them to the Close of the preceding year.

Section 5. That every undertaker who shall violate any of the Provisions of this Ordinance ~~the Provisions of this~~ shall forfeit and pay the sum of Ten dollars for each Offence to and for the use of the City to be recovered in an action of debt in the name of the City Treasurer before the proper Court to try the same.

Section 6. That any person other than such an undertaker who shall manage or Conduct a funeral or inter or remove from the City a dead body, shall first obtain permission in writing from the Board of Health or in their recess from the Clerk or one of the members of said Board, to do the same; and after said interment or removal is made, shall make return as is directed to be made by undertakers in the second Section of this Ordinance; and for every neglect or refusal to obtain such permission or to make such return shall forfeit and pay the sum of Ten dollars, to and for the use of the City to be recovered in an action of debt in the name of the City Treasurer, before the proper Court to try the same.

Section 7. That all permissions given pursuant to the provisions of the sixth section of this Ordinance shall be free of Charge.



Section 8. That all returns made by an undertaker or other person shall be recorded by the Clerk of the Board of Health in a Book to be kept open by for that purpose.

Section 9. That this Ordinance shall go into effect from and after the thirty first day of December A.D. 1839. and that on or before that day there shall be appointed by the City Council a sufficient number of persons to act as undertakers as aforesaid removable as aforesaid and to ~~hold~~ their said Offices from and after the said Thirty first day of December A.D. 1839. till the first Monday of June A.D. 1840.

Section 10. That this Ordinance be published three weeks successively in the Providence daily Journal, the Manufacturer and Farmers Journal and the Independent Inquirer.

Passed Octo 21.
1839.

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Cross walk High Street

Upon the Petition of Almason Allen and Others It is resolved that the prayer thereof be granted; and that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to Cause a Cross walk to be laid across High Street at right angles therewith Commencing at a point about Ten feet Easterly from Knight Street.

Passed Octobr 21
1839.

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Rufus Clapp

Resolved that the sum of Eighty four dollars be and the same is hereby allowed to Rufus Clapp in full payment of his bill this day presented to the City Council for his attendance on Cove Street Bridge; and that the same be paid out of any Money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated

Passed Octo 21
1839.

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Lot for Engine house No 7.

The Committee to whom was referred the recommendation of the Board of Fire Wards for the purchase of a lot of land for Engine house No 7 ask leave to report that they have purchased the lot of land belonging to Mrs Abigail Proud on Field Street for the sum of Four hundred and thirty seven dollars and fifty Cents.

Providence Octr 21. 1839.

Erastus D Winsor
P W Gardner
Phinehas Potter
James C Bucklin

Read whereupon it is Resolved that the same be received

Passed Octo 21
1839.

In the Two Board met in Convention October 21. 1839. when the following named persons were admitted Freemen of this City.
to wit

Admitted Freem.

William Hicks
Edward Walcott
Lewis Bartell
Henry Metcalf
William Gardner

George B Davenport Eldest son of Gideon Davenport.

And the following named persons were propounded to become Freemen
to wit,

Propounded

| | |
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| James Harris | dead produced |
| Elisha Harris | do |
| Marvin Lyon | do |
| Edward D Peace. | do. |

The two Boards then separated and the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber.

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Public Drain

Providence October 28th 1839

The Joint Committee to whom on the 16th September last was referred the petition of Ameras Mason and others respecting a drain on the west side of the river, have the Honor to report Unanimously: that they have examined the premises and also heard some of the Petitioners in person; but your Committee are of Opinion that the prayer thereof, ought not to be granted.

E. I. Mallett
for the Com

Read whereupon it is Resolved that the same be received and placed on file.

Passed October 28.
1839.

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N. Y. & B. Rail Road

Upon the Petition of the New York Providence and Boston Rail Road Company, which has been presented to the City Council praying for Liberty to extend their Rail Road from its present termination on the Land of said Company through Eddy and Dyer Streets to the Depot lot of said Company on said Dyer Street. It is Resolved that the City Council do hereby assent to such extension of said Rail Road, through and over the Streets aforesaid upon the terms Conditions and restrictions hereinafter named; and also upon such further and other terms Conditions and restrictions as may by the Committee hereinafter appointed be deemed necessary for the interest and welfare of the City.

1st. that said Streets shall be graded and prepared for the purpose aforesaid at the expense of said Company and that the manner of grading and preparing said Streets for that purpose and the manner of laying the rails thereon shall be subject to the assent and approbation and under the direction of the City Council or of such Committee or Committees as said Council shall appoint for that purpose.

2nd. whenever it shall be deemed by the City Council proper to cause any drain or sewer to be laid in or under either of said Streets or any part thereof or to cause either of said Streets or any part thereof to be paved, repaved or otherwise repaired or altered any alteration which the City Council may deem requisite to be made for that purpose, in said rails or their appurtenances whether by taking up and relaying the same or otherwise, shall be made and done



at the cost of persons of said Company and under the advice and direction of the City Council or of such Committee or Committees as said Council shall appoint for that purpose.

3d No Car or other vehicle shall be drawn or propelled through said Streets or any part thereof by any Steam or Locomotive Engine; and no Car or other vehicle shall be drawn on the rails through said Streets or any part thereof at a greater Speed than may be by law allowed for the driving of other Carriages through the Streets of the City; and the rate of speed and mode of travelling on said rails, shall be always subject to the full Control of the City Council by such Ordinances as said Council may from time to time make and Ordain

Resolved that Messrs Brown, Gardner & Jackson with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to Cause the aforementioned terms Conditions and restrictions, together with such further and other terms, Conditions and restrictions as they may deem necessary for the interest and welfare of the City in the premises to be embodied in such Act or Acts as may be passed by the General Assembly in relation to such extension of said rail road; And that the said Committee be and they are hereby authorized to employ Counsel if necessary; and to draw on the City Treasurer for the payment of all necessary expenses which may be incurred in the discharge of said duty.

Resolved that in the Opinion of the City Council no Act ought to be passed by the General Assembly Authorizing such extension of said Rail Road until previous notice shall have been publicly given for all persons interested to appear and be heard in relation thereto.

Alderman Potter added to the Committee
Passed October 28th
1839.

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Cross walk in George Street & Benevolent Street.

Resolved that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to Cause a Cross walk to be laid across George Street to Magee Street; and also to Cause a Cross walk to be laid across Benevolent Street to said Magee Street.

Passed Octob 28.
1839.

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School house Lot.

Resolved That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby Authorized and directed to make and deliver in the name of the City, a promissory Note or notes for the sum of Four Thousand Four hundred dollars payable in twenty years from the date thereof with interest at Five P Cent per annum payable Annually, whenever he shall receive from the owner or owners thereof a good and sufficient deed or deeds in fee simple to the City, of the lot of land on the Corner of Angell and Benefit Streets and Southerly on Waterman Street with all its appurtenances except the Blacksmiths Shop standing on the North West Corner, and the small house standing on the North East Corner thereof. Said lot having been purchased for the City for a location for a School house.

Passed Octob 28.
1839.

City Weights

Resolved That the Scale of Weights & Measures be authorized to purchase a Set of Weights to replace those recently Stolen from his Office & that the City Treasurer be Authorized to pay for the same out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed October 28
1839.

Drain in Fountain Shut.

Providence October 28th 1839.

To the City Council

The Committee who were appointed on the 31st of December 1838. to decide upon the Stream of Water then flowing down Fountain Shut, have attended to that duty and report as follows;

On Conferring with the owners of land on a route projected ~~as~~ by the Committee, they found that Cyrus Butler Claimed the Stream of water, and would not Consent to its being diverted from its natural Course as it reached his land; and that to arrive at this Point it was necessary that the drain should Cross land belonging to the Providence Dying Bleaching and Calendering Company and also land belonging to Edward Potter situated on the Northerly side of Sabin Shut.

A drain built of Stone 20 by 30 inches in the Clear has there fore been Contructed under the advice and direction of this Committee from the Easterly side of Abon Shut (Connecting it with a Stone drain previously laid across said Abon Shut) down Fountain Shut 54 feet to the Southwesterly Corner of the Cross Shut which is on the westerly side of the public school house lot, thence through said Cross Shut 177 feet to the Northerly Corner of said Cross Shut, and then turning and running down and across Sabin Shut to the Lot belonging to the Calendering Company 85 feet, and to within about 13 feet of the Southwesterly Corner of Edward Potter's Estate, at the last named Point the Committee are happy to State, the Calendering Company and Edward Potter took said drain and Carried it through their premises at their own expense, of the same size and in the same substantial manner as before described, and have delivered said Stream of water which has heretofore been Considered a Nuisance to Mr Butler in its original Channel as he desired, and in the rear of Edward Potter Estate.

Respectfully Submitted
William W Hoppin
Barzillai Cranston
Erastus D Knowlton
Phinehas Potter
H G Mumford

Read, when upon it is ordered that the same be received.

Passed Octo 28
1839.

Propounded

The two Boards met in Convention October 28th 1839 when the following persons were propounded to become Freemen.

to wit Solomon H Austin — dued produced
Avery Pettis. — do

The two Boards then separated and the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber.



Market Place.

Resolved that the Clerk of the Market Cause the second and third Sections of the Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance for the regulations of the City Markets and Market Place" to be studly enforced.

Passed Novmbr 4th
1839.

North Main St.

Resolved that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby authorized and directed to provide for the discharge of the water flowing North Main Shut, near the Estate of Jerold Whipple in such manner as he may deem most expedient.

Passed Novmbr 18th
1839.

Stream of water on the West side

Resolved That the petition of William Russell and others relative a Stream of Water running in Certain Highways on the West side of the river, be and the same is hereby received and referred to Mess Mallet Knowlton and Angell with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon.

Alderman Potter added to the Committee.

Passed Novmbr 25
1839.

School for Colored Children

Resolved That the School Committee be and they are hereby Authorized to discontinue the School for Colored Children in the Westerly part of the City if they shall deem it expedient for such time as said Committee may decide.

Passed Novmbr 25
1839.

Admitted Free.

The two Boards met in Convention Novmbr 25. 1839. and George W Bliss was admitted a freeman of this City.

Propounded

The following named persons are propounded to become Freemen of this City viz.

Joseph L Saunder — dued produced
Gardner Salisbury — do
Frederick Burgess — do
Alexander Duncan — by the Courtesy.

The two Boards then separated and the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber.

Mortality

An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance, Entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the interment of the dead"

Sec. 1. Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence, That the returns required to be made by the Undertakers under the second section of said Ordinance shall be made on the first instead of the last Wednesday of Each Month.

Sec. 2. That the top of every Coffin deposited in the ground may be Three feet only below the usual surface thereof instead of four feet as is required by the third section of said Ordinance.

Sec. 3. That the time for the Clerk of the Board of Health to make his report to said Board, to the Monday next succeeding the first instead of the last Wednesday of Each Month as is required by the fourth section of said Ordinance; And that the time prescribed in and by the same section of said Ordinance for the Board of Health to prepare & publish an Annual abstract of the returns made to them be extended to the second week in January in each year.

Sec. 4. That this Ordinance be published three weeks successively in all the news papers in which the City printing is Contracted to be done.

Passed December 23
1839.

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Appropriation

Resolved That the several sums hereinafter mentioned be and the same are hereby appropriated for the following purposes respectively. to wit,

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| For Support of the Poor | | $ 1000. |
| " Fire Department | | 1000. |
| " Highways | | 500. |
| " Building Asylum Wall | | 800. |
| " Contingencies | | 1000. |

And That said sums so appropriated, be paid out of any Money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed December 23.
1839.

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Temporary Loan.

Resolved That the City Treasurer acting under the advice and direction of Messrs Young and Cranston with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and he is hereby authorized to hire by Temporary loan a loan, for the use of the City a sum of Money not exceeding Five Thousand Dollars.

Alderman Herpin added.

Passed December 23.
1839



North Burial Ground

Upon the Several Petitions of Job Luther
Joseph Eddy
Ezra N Simpson
Kingsley P Studley
Sally B Comstock
Almon D Hodges
William H Townsend and
Caroline W Bennett requesting leave to fence in and enclose burying lots sufficient for their respective families in the North Burial ground, it is Resolved, That the same be waived and the prayers thereof severally granted; and that said petitioners be and they are hereby severally authorized to fence in and enclose such lots for such purposes; Provided the same be done under the direction of the Overseer of the North Burial Ground, with the sanction of the Mayor: And Provided also that the several privileges hereby granted shall be subject to all future regulations of the City Council in relation thereto, and shall continue during the pleasure of the City Council and no longer.

Passed Dec. 23
1839.

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Cross walk in Westminster Street

Resolved That the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to Cause a Cross walk to be laid across Westminster Street, at the pool of Burrill Street

Passed December 23
1839.

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Admitted Freemen

The two Boards met in Convention December 23. 1839. when the following named persons were admitted freemen. to wit

Edward N Davis
William H Clark
Paser Hanes
George W Steinhaur
Benjamin M Bourn
Rufus Read
James Vaughan
George W Gilbman Jr. Eldest son of George W Gilbman.

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Freemen Propounded.

The following named persons were propounded to become freemen of the City viz.

| | |
|---|---|
| Andrew Goulding | died produced |
| William Holden | by descent |
| Elisha Mann Warner | died produced |
| Samuel N Richmond Jr. | do |
| Hiram Kendall | do |
| Warren G Slack | do |

Com. of Encroachments on Streets.

Voted That Charles T. Tillinghast and William C. Barker be and they are hereby appointed Members of the Committee of Encroachments on Streets. —

Undertakers. —

Voted That the following named persons be appointed, Undertakers under the Ordinance relative to the interment of the dead, viz.

Judson Blake
George C. Clearland
John G. Hopkins
Gardner T. Swarts
Amos Fletcher
Robert Davis.

The two boards then separated and the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber. — .. —

City Charter. —

Resolved That Messrs Hughes & Cranston, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to present to the Hon^ble General Assembly at their next January Sesion, the form of an Act this day reported to the City Council, for an amendment of the City Charter, and to petition the General Assembly in behalf of the City Council for the passage thereof. —

Alderman Holden added to the Committee

Passed December 30th
— 1839. —

Washington Bridge. —

Upon the Petition of Richmond Bullock and others it is Resolved that the same be received & referred to Messrs Cranston, Gardiner and Goodhue with such as the Board of Aldermen may add; who are hereby authorized to appear before the Hon^ble General Assembly and represent the City of Providence in relation to any proceedings before that body, at the present Session thereof respecting the Charter of the Washington Bridge (so Called) and the rates of tolls which may be hereafter established for passing over said Bridge; And that said Committee be and they are hereby authorized, if they think proper, to employ Counsel at the expense of the City. — Alderman Holden added to the Committee. —

Passed January 14.
— 1840. —

City Charter.

Providence January 14. 1840.

To the City Council.

The subscribers who were appointed a Committee to petition the General Assembly for an amendment of the City Charter, have attended to that duty, and herewith present an Official Copy "An Act in amendment of an Act entitled an act to incorporate the City of Providence".

Respectfully submitted. — I. L. Hughes
Barz. Cranston
Thomas R. Holden



State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, In General Assembly
January Session A.D. 1840. —

An Act in amendment of an act entitled "An Act to incorporate the City of Providence"

Be it enacted by the General Assembly as follows: —

City Charter

Section 1. The Election of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Common Council men of the City of Providence, shall hereafter be holden on the second Wednesday of May in Each year instead of the third Wednesday of April. —

Section 2. The Election of the Members of the Common Council shall be by written or printed ballots; and the Election shall in all respects be Conducted, and the ballots sealed up and returned in the same Manner as is required in the Election of the Mayor and Aldermen. The four Candidates in each ward who shall receive the highest number of votes shall be elected Common Councilmen for that ward. The Votes shall be opened and Counted by the Board of Aldermen, who shall Cause written Notice to be given to such persons as shall have been Elected. —

Section 3 All such parts of the Act of which this is in amendment as are inconsistant herewith are hereby repealed. —

True Copy Witness
Henry Bowen Secry. —

Resolved That the same be received and enacted, together with the Certified Copy of the act, accompanying the same. —

Passed January 14
1840

Democratic Association

Upon the Petition of the Democratic Association it is Resolved that the same be received and referred to Messrs Mallett, Hopkins & Anthony, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon. —

Alderman Phillips Added to the Committee

Resolved That the use of the Town house be and the same is hereby granted to said Association, for the purpose of holding a public Meeting therein on Friday Evening next. —

Passed January 14
1840.

Admitted Free. —

The two Boards Met in Convention January 14. 1840 when the following named persons were admitted freemen of this City as the Eldest Sons of Freemen. Viz. —

Amasa S. Westcott, Eldest son of John W. Westcott
Henry Beckwith " " " Truman Beckwith

Propounded

The following named persons were propounded to become freemen viz.

| | |
|---|---|
| Joshua R Brown | died produced |
| Calvin Kent | do |
| John Bupey. | do |
| Horatio Barney | in right of his wife |
| Stephen Chace | died produced |
| Herad A Wilcox | in right of his wife |
| Halsey Green | died produced |
| Thomas W Branch | do |
| Samuel C Blodgett | do |
| Charles F Blodgett | do |
| Alonzo Chace | do |
| Obadiah Arnold | do |
| Thomas F Hoppin | do |
| Henry V Knight | do |
| Richard E Hamlin | do |
| Hazelton Lasl. | do |
| Charles F Rawson | do |
| James Wood | do |
| Samuel Carr | do. |
| John Tellinghast | do |
| William Munro | do |
| Edward S Snow | do |
| Sebastian Ingalls | do |
| Henry Leffell | do |
| Daniel Remington | do |
| David W Bunny | do |
| Jabez Bullock | do |
| Samuel Carey | do |
| Don Carlos Hawes. | do |
| Charles V Dyer | do |
| William Valentine | do |
| James Bean | do |
| Zephaniah Brown | do |
| Moses B Almy | do |
| Edward S Dyer | do |
| Daniel K Whitman | do |
| Uriah Baker | do |
| Ephraim Gifford | do |
| John A Cary | do |
| William H Potter | by drain |
| Joseph L Brown | do. |

The following named persons were appointed Undertakers viz,

Undertakers

John P Hendley
Thadeus Cary
Caleb C Cooke
Gideon Palmer
William C Millard



Clerk

Resolved that William S Young be & he is hereby appointed Clerk until the first Monday of June Next.

The two Boards then separated and the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber

Appropriation

Resolved That the several sums herein after mentioned be and the same are hereby appropriated for the following purposes, to wit.—

| | |
|---|---|
| For Highways | $5000.— |
| " Fire Department | 1000 |
| " Support of the Poor | 1000 |
| " Contingencies | 1000 and that |

said sums so appropriated be paid out of any monies in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed January 20th
1840.

4th of July Celebration

Resolved That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to pay to Horatio J Anderson Esq. the sum of Fifteen dollars being the amount by him paid to William S Lamed, for publishing in the Morning Courier the Arrangements for the Fourth of July Celebration in 1838.—

Passed
January 20
1840.—

Town house

Upon the Petition of Thomas F Carpenter & others for the use of the Town house, for a public meeting of the Friends & supporters of the National Administration, on the evening of Friday the 17th of April next, It is resolved that the same be granted and refused to Messrs Mallett Hoppin & Anthony, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add to Examine & report thereon.

Alderman Phillips added to the Committee
Passed Jany 20th
1840.

Temporary Loan.

Resolved That the City Treasurer acting under the advice and direction of Young & Cranston, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and he is hereby authorized to hire by Temporary Loan or Loans, for the use of the City, a sum of Money not exceeding Twelve thousand Dollars.— Alderman Hoppin added to the Committee.—

Passed Jany 20
1840

Treasurers Account.

Resolved That Messrs Gardner & Willard with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to audit and settle the accounts of the City Treasurer with the City up to the 31st day of December 1839.

Alderman Phillips added to the Committee
Passed January 20th
1840

Town house

Upon the Petitions of Martin Stoddard and others, and of Thomas J Steadd and others for the Use of the Town house on the Evenings of the 13th and 14th of April Next, it is Resolved. That the same be received and reposed to Messrs Mallett Hopkins & Owen with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to Examine & report thereon. —

Alderman Phillips added to the Committee

Passed January 20th
1840.

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The two Boards met in Convention January 20. 1840. —

Reprimanded —

Daniel Robinson was reprimanded to become a freeman of this City on producing a deed of sufficient fee hold Estate. —

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Presidents of Fire Wards

Voted and Resolved That three additional Presidents of Fire wards shall be Elected and the subject be postponed for further Consideration till the next meeting of the City Council. —

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The two Boards then separated and the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber. —

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Cranston Journeymen Coopers

Cranston Jan'y 1st. 1840

To the Hon the City Council of the City of Providence,

Your Honors will recollect that a few Years since, your City received as a present from a Gentleman of Liverpool some Certificate sign boards for your streets which were sent as a sample of the English Style of designating streets; Now we are too much Americans & too much Rhode Islanders to depend upon England for Customs or styles, and therefore we wish through you to present to your City a sample of Rhode Island Style & workmanship which we hope you will please accept as such —

Your Obd't Serv'ts

Cranston Journeymen Coopers

Stephen C Arney Agent. —

Read: whereupon it is,

Resolved That the present accompanying the same be received and that the Hon the Mayor be requested to cause the same to be placed in some suitable situation near the Entrance to the City Offices; and to present on the part of the City Council a suitable acknowledgement therefor, to the donors. —

Passed January 20
— 1840. —



Stream of Water on the west side

Upon the Petition of David Burton as praying the Stream of Water which Rises on the Westerly side of the River, and runs in a Northerly Easterly direction to the Cove. — It is Resolved that the same be received and reposed to Messrs Mallett Knowlton & Angell with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report, whether it is incumbent upon the City to take any action in the premises and if so what action in the opinion of said Committee ought to be had thereon, and that said Committee have power to Consult Counsel if they deem it necessary. — Alderman Cady added to the Committee. —

Passed Febuary 24
1840.

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Treasurer's Account with W. Batchelder.

Gentlemen

The Account with Warren Batchelder has remained some time unsettled with little prospect of its Close if left to himself & myself. — I propose that a Committee be appointed with Power to Settle it by a reference, to which Mr Batchelder agrees

Providence February 24. 1840

Stephen Tillinghast
City Treasurer.

To the City Council

Read: Whereupon it is Resolved that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to submit the Account therein mentioned to the Arbitration & referees. —

Passed Febuary 24
1840.

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Washington Street.

Upon the petition of Benjamin Hopkins & others praying that Washington Street may be paved from Main Street to Union Street, It is Resolved that the same be received and reposed to Messrs Mallett, Knowlton and Angell with such as the Board of Aldermen may add to examine & report thereon. Alderman Potter added to the Committee.

Passed Febuary 24
1840.

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St Stephen's Church

Upon the Petition of the Corporation of St Stephen's Church It is Resolved, that the same be received & reposed to Messrs Hughes Gurney and Buckler, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add to examine and report thereon; and that said Committee be and they are hereby directed to make Report at the next meeting of the City Council. — Alderman Wheaton added to the Committee. —

Passed Febuary 24
1840.

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Appropriations. —

Resolved that the several sums hereinafter mentioned be and the same are hereby appropriated for the following purposes respectively, to wit,

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| For | Fire Department | $3000 |
| " | Highways | 1000 |
| " | City Watch | 2000 |
| " | Building Asylum Wall | 350 |
| " | Suit vs Mrs Howell | 700 |

And that said sums so appropriated be paid out of any Money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated. —

Passed Febuary 24
1840. —

# Dr City of Providence in account with

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1839. June 2 | To repaid the Globe Bank this day for a Credit opened with them May 27th | | | |
| | " ditto with Eagle Bank & replaced the 8th | 1200.0 | | |
| | | 800.0 | 2000. | 0 |
| " | " paid Collector of Taxes for remission made by order of City Council | | 62 | 23 |
| July 15 | " paid Robert Angell's bill of sundries expended by him in suit vs Wm Howell. 35.58. | | | |
| | " paid postages in relation thereto | 80 | 37 | 38 |
| August 3 | " paid State of Rhode Island for difference in exchange of lot for the Jail lot so called | | 1850. | 0 |
| " | " paid Joseph Coles bill | | 1 | 0 |
| Octob 14 | " paid Robert Knight for his Commission of 4 ½ Cent on amount Collected in taxes of 1838. | | | |
| | say on $ 128.97. | | 5 | 19 |
| 22 | " paid John Holmes bill attendance at Court house | 5.0 | | |
| | Up so much Charged in Robt Angell's a/c. | 2.50 | 2 | 50 |
| 31. | " Cash paid Cash at Merchants Bank | | 1000 | 0 |
| Decm 31. | To balances of the following accounts. viz | | | |
| | " support of the poor in the Asylum | | 2184 | 47 |
| | " ditto Poor at Coxs | | 274 | 55 |
| | " building Asylum Wall | | 1411 | 5 |
| | " Paving High Street | | 2256 | 13 |
| | " City Watch | | 3201 | 1 |
| | " Public Buildings | | 34 | 35 |
| | " Wells & Pumps | | 65 | 33 |
| | " Public Schools | | 1748 | 56 |
| | " Interest Account | | 1857 | 65 |
| | " Repairing Weybosett & Cove Street Bridges | | 19546 | 32 |
| | " Contingencies | | 3649 | 95 |
| | " Fire Department | | 2797 | 59 |
| | " Salaries | | 3426 | 25 |
| | " High ways | | 9047 | 35 |
| | " Police Department | | 162 | 42 |
| | " Lighting Streets | | 538 | 43 |
| | " Warren Batchellor due from him | | 57 | 60 |
| | " New Act for so much of Tax of 1839. uncollected | 10375.0 | | |
| | Old notes due & unpaid | 302.44 | | |
| | Batchers notes due 25th June next. | 2140.0 | | |
| | Cash on hand | 3577.85 | 16395 | 29 |
| | | | $ 75.612 | 62 |

Providence February 5. 1840.

We the undersigned a Committee appointed by the City Council to examine & settle the Treasurers Account have performed that duty & find the foregoing to be Correct with this exception that the Amount debited Police Department should be one hundred & sixty dollars instead of one hundred & sixty two dollars leaving a ballance in the Treasurers hands, on the thirty first December 1839. Sixteen thousand three hundred & ninety seven dollars & 29/100.

$ 16397.29.

Hezekiah Willard
J. T. Phillips

Office of City Treasurer Providence Dec 31. 1839.
Errors Excepted
Stephen Tillinghast
City Treasurer



# Cr Stephen Tillinghast City Treasurer

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1839. May 31 | By balance from Old a/c viz: | | | |
| | Notes on hand unpaid | 1652.80. | | |
| | " balance Tax of 1838. | 1810.0 | | |
| | " Cash on hand this day | 137.17. | 3599 | 97. |
| June 3. | " Cash of Robert Knight for taxes on 2 billiard tables 3 mo each $ 47.50 Each | | 95 | 0 |
| 6 | " do of do 3 mo of Riley Brown to 15 Oct | | 47 | 50 |
| | " do of City Clerk for Auctioneers dues | | 63 | 3 |
| | " do " " Licenses for Circus | 30.0 | | |
| | " do " " Auctioneers dues | 10.78 | 40 | 78. |
| August 3 | " Cash of Sylvester Hartshorn for sale of Shatch | | 7 | 50 |
| 10 | " do of City Clerk for Auctioneers fees | | 21 | 55 |
| | " do " do for retailers Licenses | | 5 | 33. |
| 13 | " do " do Licenses to exhibit "Albino" | | 10 | 0 |
| 17 | " do do for Exhibition at Museum | | 10 | 0 |
| | " do do for Act passed Press sold W. Patten | | 5 | 0 |
| Sept. 1 | " do by hands of the Mayor from Samuel Ely for breach of Incorporation regulations | | 25 | 0 |
| 9 | " do of Charles F. Tillinghast for penalties of $ 20 each from 7 persons for keeping up signs in violation of License law | | 140 | 0 |
| Octob 2. | " do of Henry Brown for fines Collected of J. Spencer for profaning May 10th | | 5 | 0 |
| 10 | " Cash of City Clerk for Licenses to Oyster men | | 15 | 0 |
| 14. | " do of Robert Knight for taxes on two billiard Tables billiard Tables 3 mo Each at 47.50 Each | | 95 | 0 |
| 16 | " School Fund Loan for so much deducted from amount loaned by the City Treasurer June 12th the whole sum having been Charged to the City on 31 Dec 1838. | | 650 | 0 |
| 29. | " Cash of Charles F. Tillinghast for amount of Judgement vs Edward Dexter | | 741 | 41 |
| Nov. 1 | " do of City Clerk for Licenses | 20.0 | | |
| | " do do for Exhibit "Irish Giant" | 15.0 | | |
| | " do do for Theatre | 100 | 135 | 0. |
| 20. | " Cash of City Clerk for Licenses to retailers | | 5 | 0 |
| Dec 31. | " Balance of C/a sales of A Teste | | 39 | 66 |
| | " ditto do Rent account | | 2683 | 5 |
| | " School fund loan | | 3755 | 31 |
| | " Stephen Martin trustee for Warren Batchellor | | 139 | 55 |
| | " Cash of Robert Knight for taxes on 2 billiard Tables 3 Mo Each $ 47.50 Each | | 95 | 0 |
| | " Cash borrowed of Rhode Island Historical Society in October to be repaid July 1840. 600.0 | | | |
| | do Prov. Institution of Savings 12th Oct. payable in 12 Months. 5011.25 | | | |
| | do of Edward Harwood June 22d payable on demand 600.0 | | 6211 | 25 |
| | do Nathaniel Power Dec 31. at 12 Months | | 1000. | 0 |
| | do George Field July 25 " 12 mo | | 740 | 0 |
| | do do August 24. 12. mo | | 300 | 0 |
| By City Tax ordered on June 1839. | | | 55.000. | 0 |
| | | | 75.612 | 62 |

The foregoing Report is Read Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received and recorded with the Accounts accompanying the same.

Passed February 24.
1840.

Mary Rogers

Upon the Petition of Mary Rogers who is now in Confinement in the State Jail in the County of Providence under a sentence of the Police Court praying for Liberation and for other relief, It is Resolved that the same be received and the prayer thereof so far granted, that the Keeper of said Jail be and he is hereby Authorized and directed forthwith to Liberate said Mary from her said Confinement; and that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby Authorized and directed to pay to the proper Officers authorized to receive the same, the Costs of the prosecution and Conviction of said Mary.

Passed February 24
1840.

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House of Correction

Whereas the Legislature of this State have vested the City the use of the State Jail in the County of Providence as a House of Correction any longer than the first day of January A.D. 1841. It is therefore Resolved That Messrs Hughes, Goodhue and Knowles, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and they are appointed a Committee to take into Consideration the Subject of building a House of Correction, and to report at the next meeting of the City Council. — Alderman Holden added to the Committee.

Passed February 24
1840.

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Admitted Free

The two Boards met in Convention February 24th 1840. and the following named persons were admitted Freemen of this City viz.—

James Harris
Elisha Harris
Marvin Lyon
Edward C Peare
Solomon H Austin
Avery Pettis

James P Arnold Eldest Son of Caleb Arnold

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Prepounded

The following named persons were prepounded to become freemen viz.—

James Boyce
Thomas Maguire

and produced by Devise —

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Presidents of Five Wards.

The following persons were appointed Presidents of Five Wards viz

Nathaniel C Smith
Moses Brown Jones
William Talman

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Fence Viewers

The following persons were appointed Fence Viewers viz.

Benoni Lockwood
Asapa Bassett.

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Surveyors & Cedars of Wood

Samuel B Bullock was appointed surveyor & Cedar of wood.

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The two Boards then separated & the Board of Aldermen returned to their Chamber.



Town House Lot.

Upon the Petition of William J Harris, requesting a lease of a part of the Town house Lot for the erection of a temporary building thereon it is resolved that the same be received and referred to Messrs Anthony and Hopkins and Hopkins with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, who are hereby empowered to let a part of said Lot to said Petitioner for such purposes & they see fit, such lease to be determinable at the pleasure of the City Council. —

Alderman Holden added to the Committee. —

Passed March 2
1840

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Matthewson Street

Upon the Petition of Hezekiah Sabin and Others praying that Matthewson Street may be paved from Westminster Street to Sabin Street, It is Resolved that the same be received & referred to Messrs Knowlton, Mallett & Angell, with such as the Board of Aldermen may added to examine and report thereon.

Alderman Potter added to the Committee.

Passed March 2
1840.

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Town House.

Upon the Petition of Gideon Davenport for himself and Others, for the use of the Town House it is Resolved, that the same be received and referred to Messrs Cranston, Knowles, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add to examine and report thereon, and that in the mean time, said Petitioner and his Associates be and they are hereby authorized to use said house on Sundays for the purpose of holding religious meetings therein.

Alderman Phillips added to the Committee

Passed March 2
1840.

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The two Boards met in Convention March 2. 1840 when the following named persons were admitted freemen of this City viz

Joseph L Saunders
Gardiner Salisbury
Frederick Burgess
Alexander Duncan and

David B Blake Eldest Son of Judson Blake
Henry A Potter " " " Cyrus Potter

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Prepounded

The following named persons were prepounded to become freemen. to wit,

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Isaac Hall | | and produced |
| Milton Hall | | do. |
| Horace Rollins | | do |
| William B Remington | | do |
| Seaye R Paul | | do. |

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Town Hous Lot

Upon the Petition of William J Harris, requesting a lease of a part of the Town house Lot for the erection of a temporary building thereon it is resolved that the same be received and referred to Messrs Anthony and Hopkins and Hopkins with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, who are hereby empowered to let a part of said Lot to said Petitioner for such purposes & they see fit, such lease to be determinable at the pleasure of the City Council. —

Alderman Holden added to the Committee. —

Passed March 2
1840

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Matteuson Street

Upon the Petition of Wanton Sabin and Others praying that Matteuson Street may be paved from Westminster Street to Sabin Street, It is Resolved that the same be received & referred to Messrs Knowlton Mallett & Argall with such as the Board of Aldermen may added to examine and report thereon.

Alderman Potter added to the Committee.

Passed March 2
1840.

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Alderman Phillips added to the Committee

Passed March 2
1840.

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| Horace Robbins | | do |
| William B Remington | | do |
| Seaz R Paul | | do. |

The two Boards then separated & the Board of Aldermen returned to their Chamber. —

Fountain Street

Resolved that the Surveyors of Highways be and he is hereby directed to Cause Fountain Street, from Abner Streets to Matthewson Street to be graded & gravelled and the gutters paved thereon, whereon the Corners of the adjoining lands shall erect Curb Stones and flag the side walks in front of their respective lots.

Passed March 9th. 1840.

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Steam of Water on West side

To the Honorable City Council of the City of Providence the undersigned respectfully begs leave to State to your Honorable body that E J Mallett Chairman of the Committee appointed by your Honors to take legal advice as to the existing a Natural Steam of Water in the public Streets in the City of Providence on the west side of the river (represented in the petition presented to your body by William Russell the undersigned and Others, on or about the 25th of November last, now before your Honors) Called on and informed the undersigned that said Committee would meet at 4 P.M. on the 5th instant and requested him to be present, he did meet with said Committee - & the Said Counsel then Stated that he had examined the records of our Legislature and could not find any record of any action by the Senate upon the Charter of the Water Society, and that the City Authorities therefore were not legally bound to take Care of any part of s.d natural Steam of Water in the public Streets except that which s.d City or Town of Providence had built.

The undersigned agrees with the learned Counsel that so long as said Society holds this Charter or is not accepted by s.d Assembly as given up, the City Authorities are not legally bound to take Care of any part of s.d natural Steam of Water in the public Streets except that which s.d City or Town had enclosed in a drain made of wood, Members of s.d Society and News papers reported s.d Charter as received and accepted by s.d Assembly, this being an error the undersigned asks permission to withdraw his petition, so far as respects him self individually

All of which is submitted for your Consideration. Prov. March 9th 1840

Very respectfully Yours

David Barton.

Read. whereupon it is resolved that the same be received & the prayer thereof Granted.

Passed March 9th. 1840.

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Steam of Water West Side

To the Hon.d City Council of the City of Providence

The Undersigned respectfully petitions your honorable body for Liberty to examine a natural Steam of water passing across the following Streets viz Snow, Matthewson and through the North part of Sugar Lane and across Westminster Street for the purpose of Ascertaining where said Steam is Obstructed.

Very respectfully Yours

Prov. March 9th 1840. David Barton

Read. Whereupon it is Resolved that the same be received and that the prayer thereof be granted, Provided the Examination therein requested be made under the direction of the Surveyor of High ways

Passed March 9 1840.



Town House.

Upon the Petitions of Newton Stoddard & others and of Thomas J Steere & others for the use of the Town house on the evenings of Monday and Tuesday April 13th and 14th A.D. 1840, for the purpose of holding Political meetings therein for the promotion of their principles

It is Resolved that the prayer thereof be granted

Passed March 9th. 1840

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Town house

Upon the Report of the Joint Committee to whom on the Second day of March instant was referred the petition of Gideon Davenport for himself & others for the use of the Town house

It is Resolved. that the same be received, and that said Petitioners & their Associates be and they are hereby Authorized to use said house for the purpose of holding public religious meetings therein, during the pleasure of the City Council subject to the occupation of said house for any other purposes by any other persons who already have or may hereafter have leave to use the same by the City Council or any Committee thereof.

Passed March 9. 1840.

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Steam of Water.

Providence March 2/40.

Thos Brett Esq. Sir

In relation to the petition of David Barton & Others touching the rights & privileges of the Water Society in this City incorporated by the General Assembly at the June Session 1822 (a Copy of their Charter being furnished you by the Committee) we are authorized by the City Council to employ Counsel & we wish to know. First - whether the rivulet or brook which originally run on the surface of the ground, Can now be Considered a natural Steam of Water - said rivulet or brook being no longer on the surface but embedded in the Earth by filling up the Lands Covenant, and by inclosing said rivulet or brook in a stone drain for the sole benefit & behoof of the Water Society in this City as prayed for by them & their prayer granted by the General Assembly.

Second Whether or not the City of Providence had no agency in Constructing the drain which encloses said rivulet or brook either in the public highways or private estates, through which it passes, the proprietors or owners of said drain have any legal or equitable Claim on the City of Providence to remove obstructions in any part of said drain or in any Manner to repair or maintain said drain.

Third whether the members of said Society after having obtained an Act of Incorporation from the General Assembly giving them not only the exclusive controul (of what was on a Natural Steam of water) but also forbidding any person from laying a drain within ten feet of their drain, have a right now to abandon or surrender their Charter & the selling rights to sundry persons to Connect Cellars & other drains with their said drains to the damage or detriment of the City.

Fourth. whether if by neglect or any other Cause said drain (belonging exclusively to the drain Society) becomes obstructed & the water rises so as by stagnation to peril the health of the Citizens or becoming a Nuisance by keeping any of the public highways Continually wet the Members of said Society are not by their act of Incorporation made liable to have such Nuisance abated at their own expense & Cost in Conformity with the Law made and provided for similar Cases when an individual only is Concerned.

Providence March 9th 1840

Gentlemen

I have taken into Consideration the various questions presented by you for my legal opinion thereon in relation to the water Courses & drains belonging to the Water Society: and last Thursday I fully explained my views to you - And as the Matter now stands it is only necessary for me to say that I am Clearly of Opinion that the City of Providence has nothing to do with the drains or water Courses belonging to said Water Society and that the City is in no way responsible for its present situation or under any Obligations to do any thing in relation to the same.

I found on examination that the surrender of the Charter of the said Water Society had not been excepted by the General Assembly and Consequently that said Drain now belongs to said Water Society under the Charter, and that they are liable for all the Consequences of not keeping the same in proper Order. —

And as all your questions seemed based on the supposition that the Charter of the Water Society had been surrendered & accepted by the General Assembly, it is not necessary for me to go into any further detail in answer to your questions at present. Though if I should found that the surrender of the Charter had been accepted by the General Assembly I should probably have Come to the same result, viz. That the City is not liable for any Nuisance Created by said Drain in its present situation —

Your very Respectfully.
Peter Pratt. —

To E J Mallett Esq. Chairman
of Committee of City Council

Providence March 9th 1840.

The Committee to whom was refered the petition of Wm & David Barton Concerning a drain on the West side of the Bridge, have now the honor to Report. —

That they have given a Careful examination of the subject by description and Compare among themselves and are unanimously of Opinion that the City of Providence is not bound by any legal or equitable Claim either of the Wate Society, or any former or present member of said Society to repair or maintain any part of the aqueduct or drain Complained of by Wm David Barton.

In Conformity with the power vested in your Com. they employed Peter Pratt Esq. as Counsel, and to avoid the imputation of an ex-parte proceeding Wm Barton was notified and appeared before the Com. to hear the questions & answers from the Counsel and to ask questions himself. It being Stated in the petition, that the Wate Society had surrendered their Charter to the General Assembly & that Consequently Wm Barton sought redress only from or through the City of Providence, this point was investigated and it proves the petitioner was in error and that the Senate laid the subject on the Table, deeming it inexpedient to act until the City of Providence & all others interested should be first notified & heard. The enclosed Communication from the Counsel employed by your Com. will show what action he has taken on the subject. Your Com are unanimously of opinion (& that opinion sustained by Counsel) that the Wate Society Can not abandon or surrender their Charter without the Consent of the City of Providence & others interested if any there be; for the reason that it is impracticable now to place the rivulet running water in the Condition it was originally.

As no nuisance now exists either of a public or private Character your Committee are of Opinion that the City Council are not required to take further Action on the subject. —

E J Mallett for the Com.

Read whereupon it is Resolved, that the same be received
Passed March 9th 1840.

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St Stephens Church.

Upon the Petition of Joseph Adams & Wheeler W Blanding a Committee of the Corporation of St Stephens Church it is Resolved that the same be received; and that the City Treasurer acting under the advice and direction of Messrs Hughes, Turner and Bucklin with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and he is hereby authorized and directed as the Special Agent of the City to Convey by deed to said Corporation All the right title and interest of the City in and to a strip of piece of the School house lot on the Northerly side of Transit Street being the Easterly part of said lot measuring about twelve feet on said Transit Street and extending back Northerly the whole depth of said lot, holding the width of about twelve feet so as to cover the Southerly and Easterly lines of the remainder



of said lot at right angles — whenever said Corporation shall have Conveyed to the City by sufficient and passable Street to be added to Benefit and Transit Streets so many Square feet of land from their lot at the Corner of Benefit and Transit Streets as said Committee may Consider an equivalent for the land so to be Conveyed to said Corporation, and Provided said Corporation shall previously Covenant with the City in writing not to permit any building to be erected on their said lot to be placed within three feet from the Easterly line of the remainder of said School house lot. — Alderman Wheeton added to the Committe. —

Passed March 9th
1840. —

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Arnold & Brook Summer & Pond Streets.

Resolved That Hughes, Knowlton, Anthony & Knowles with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be a Committe to take into Consideration what Alterations and improvements are necessary to be made on Arnold and Brook Streets, and on Summer and Pond Streets, in Order that the lands for the accommodation of the Public School houses, built & Built in the third and sixth Wards may be finished in Conformity to said Streets when properly graded. —

Aldermen Weeden & Cady added to the Committe
Passed March 9th
1840.

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City Debt.

Resolved That the City Treasurer acting under the Advice and direction of Messrs Young and Cranston with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and he is hereby authorized to renew so much of the City Debt as falls due in April next at the same rates of interest as now paid.

Resolved that the sum of fifteen hundred dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the payment of interest on that portion of the City debt which falls due in April next; and that said sums so appropriated be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated. Alderman Hopkins added. — Passed March 9th
1840. —

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Washington & Matthewson Streets. —

Upon the Report of the Joint Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Benjamin Hopkins & others for the paving of Washington Street and of Hopkins Salem & others for the paving of Matthewson Street. It is Resolved that the same be received and that said petitions be and the same are hereby indefinately Postponed. — —

Passed March 9th
1840. —

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Peter Pratt Esq.

Resolved that the sum of Ten Dollars be and the same is allowed to Peter Pratt Esq. in full for his bill this day presented against the City for professional Services rendered the Joint Committee on the Petition of David Barton & others

Passed March 9th
1840. —

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Mayors Salary

Resolved That the Salary of the Mayor for the year Commencing the first Monday in June A D 1840 shall be one Thousand dollars payable quarterly. —

Passed March 9th
1840. —

City Lands

Resolved that Messrs Knowles & Paddleford with such of the Board of Aldermen may add be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to enquire what Order the City Council ought to take in response to the Lands belonging to the City.

Alderman Phillips added to the Committee.

Passed March 16.
1840.

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School houses & Estates.

Resolved that the Joint Committee of the City Council appointed in relation to the public School houses & Estates, be and they are hereby authorized to hire by Temporary Loans or Loans for the use of the City, Ten thousand dollars of the sum which they are already authorized to hire as a part of the School Fund loans, at a rate of interest not exceeding six per cent per annum instead of a rate not exceeding five per Cent as heretofore resolved.

Passed March 30
1840

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City Debt.

Resolved that the City Treasurer acting under the advice and direction of Messrs Jackson Young & Crenshaw with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and he is hereby authorized to renew so much of the City debt as falls due in April next for a term not exceeding one year, and at a rate of interest not exceeding six per cent.

Passed March 30
1840

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Providence Mch 9th 1840

David Andrews resignation as a Com.

Dear Sir

Please tender to the Common Council my resignation as a Member of the Committee on School houses and School house Estates

To the President of the Common Council of the City of Providence

Very Respectfully Yours
D Andrews.

Read whereupon it is Resolved that the same be received and that the resignation therein contained be accepted.

Passed March 30th
1840.

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Repair the Market house.

Resolved, that Messrs Knowlton & Goodhue with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to cause such repairs on the Market house immediately as may be necessary and that said Committee be authorized to draw on the City Treasurer for the same.

Alderman Wheaton added to the Committee.

Passed March 30
1840.

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Appropriation

Resolved That the sum of Five hundred dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the Fire Department, and that the sum so appropriated be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed March 30
1840



School house's & Estates

Resolved that Mr Paddleford be and he is hereby appointed one of the Joint Committee of the City Council in relation to the Public School Houses & Estates, in the stead of Mr David Andrews who has resigned his appointment as a member of that Committee.

Passed March 30
1840

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School houses & Estates.

Resolved that the Surveyor of Highways, under the direction of the Committee in relation to the Public School houses & Estates, be directed to cause such improvements to be made on Steeple and Brook Street, and on Benefit and Pond Streets as may be necessary in order that the lands for the accommodation of the public School Houses built of Brick in the third and sixth wards may be finished in Conformity to said Streets when properly graded.

Passed March 30th
1840.

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Claim of S. Barker.

Upon the Petition of Simeon Barker in relation to a Claim made by him against the City for building a part of the Culvert on Brook Street it is resolved that the same together with his Account accompanying the same, be received and referred to the Surveyor of Highways, and that said Surveyor be and he is hereby authorized to allow such sum of Money on part of said Account as he may deem to be just; and that said Surveyor be and he is hereby authorized to draw upon the City Treasury for such sum as he may determine to allow thereon, to be paid out of any Moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated

Passed May 30
1840.

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North Burial Ground.

Upon the several Petitions of Geo. W. Carty
Joseph S. Cooke
Charles W. Rhodes
William Sabin
Amey Sabin
Alpheus Burges
William Bradley
and Augustus Stevens requesting leave to purchase and enclose burying lots sufficient for their respective families in the North burial ground, it is resolved that the same be received and the prayers thereof severally granted; and that said petitioners be and they are hereby severally authorized to purchase and enclose such lots for such purposes: Provided the same be done under the direction of the Council of the North Burial Ground with the sanction of the Mayor; and provided the several privileges hereby granted shall be subject to all future regulations of the City Council in relation thereto, and shall continue during the pleasure of the City Council and no longer

Passed March 30
1840.

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Young men Whig Convention: Town House

The undersigned a Committee appointed to make arrangements for the Young Mens Whig Convention to be holden in this City on thursday afternoon next, request the City Council to grant them the use of the Town house for that purpose

Geo. Rivers
J. M. Earle
Elisha Dyer Jr.
Wm J. Harris
Stephen T. Olney

Read whereupon it is Resolved that the same be received and that the prayer thereof be granted.

Passed March 30th
1840.

The Two Boards met in Convention April March 30th 1840 when the following named persons were admitted Freemen of this City — viz —

Admitted Free

Andrew Goulding
William Holden
Elisha Mann Warner
Samuel N Richmond Jr
Hiram Kendall
Warren G Slack

Ord Philip B Sinnes on Certificate from Smithfield Evidence of sufficient Estate in this City

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| Thomas A Whitaker | Eldest Son of | Thomas Whitaker |
| Benoni Lockwood Jr | " " " | Benoni Lockwood |
| Benjamin Comstock | " " " | George W Comstock |

Prepounded

Newton Mowry was prepounded to become a freeman of this City — deed produced —

President of Fire Wards

Elisha Dyer one of the Presidents of Fire wards by written Communication resigns his said Office which is accepted —

The Two Boards then Separated & the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber —

Dam across the Cove.

Resolved That Messrs Hopkins & Jackson with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and they are hereby Appointed a Committee to Confer with the Board of Fire Wards or any Committee appointed by that Board, upon the expediency of Constructing a Dam across the North Bridge or Cove Street or at any other Place or in any of the Manner, for the more effectual security of the City against fire —

Alderman Wheaton added to the Committee

Passed April 13th
— 1840 —

The two Boards met in Convention April 15 1840 when the following named persons were admitted freemen of this City — viz —

Admitted Free

Joshua H Brown
Calvin Kent
John Bussey
Horatio Barney
Stephen Chace
Horace A Wilcox
Halsey Greene
Thomas W Branch
Samuel C Blodgett
Charles F Blodgett
Alonzo Chace
Obadiah Arnold
Thomas F Hopkins
Henry P Knight
Richard B Hamlin
Hazeltine Taft
Charles D Rawson
James Wood
Samuel Carr
John Tillinghast
William Munro
Edward S Snow
Zebediah Ingalls
Henry Leffell
Daniel Remington
David W Barney
Jabez Bullock
Samuel Carey
Don Carlos Hawes
Charles P Dyer
William Valentine
James Bean
Zephaniah Brown
Moses B Almy
Daniel R Whitman
Uriah Baker
Ephraim Gifford
John W Cary
William H Potter
Joseph L Brown

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| Nathaniel Gladding 2d | Eldest son of | James & Gladding |
| Charles O Tenney | " " " | Joseph S Tenney |
| Franklin Cary | " " " | Thadeus Cary |
| Lloyd G Sutton | " " " | Rufell Sutton |
| Laban W Lake | " " " | Laban Lake |
| Cyrus Taft | " " " | Hazelton Taft |

Lewis H Bradford on Certificate from Cumberland and evidence of sufficient freehold Estate in this City
Nathan M Briggs " " " Smithfield " " " " " " " " "
Emory Johnson " " " Warwick " " " " " " " " "

Prepounded

The following named persons were prepounded to become freemen to wit,

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| George W Smith | by descent |
| Thomas J Payne | by right of his wife |
| Nathaniel D Abbot | by descent |
| John Whitford | deed produced |
| Ebenezer H Balch | " |
| Augustus Stearns | " |
| Nathan Kent | " |
| Alanson Briggs | by descent |

The two Boards then Separated and the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber —

Admitted Free

The two Boards met in Convention April 15th 1840 and the following named persons were admitted Freemen of this City viz

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| Benedict H Dawley | Eldest | son of | R. H Dawley |
| Joseph P Jones | " | " " | John P Jones |
| Oliver J Shaw | " | " " | Oliver Shale |

Propounded

Allen Tillinghast is propounded to become a Freeman of this City by descent.

The two Boards then separated & the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber

4th July

Resolved That Messrs Hopkins, Goodhue & Mallett with such as the Board of Aldermen may add to and they are hereby appointed a Committee of Arrangements for a Municipal Celebration of the approaching Anniversary of American Independence.

Resolved That the sum of Five hundred dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for defraying the expenses of said Celebration to be paid out of the City Treasury to the Order of the Chairman of said Committee, out of Money's in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Alderman Canby added to the Committee

Passed April 20.

1840.

North Burial Ground.

Upon the Several Petitions of Huldah S Tripp, John Wright, Tammy Vaughan, Edward S Underwood, John A Dennis and William C Millard requesting leave to purchase Lots sufficient for their respective families in the North Burial Ground, It is ordered that the same be granted and the prayers thereof severally granted, and that said Petitioners be and they are hereby authorized to purchase such lots, for such purpose; Provided the same be done under the direction of the Trustees of the North Burial ground, with the sanction of the Mayor; and Provided the several privileges hereby granted shall be subject to all future regulations of the City Council in relation thereto, and shall continue during the pleasure of the City Council, and no longer.

Passed May 18

1840

Petition of T. Burgess & P Pratt.

Upon the petition of Thomas Burgess Jr & Peter Pratt It is ordered that the same be received and referred to Messrs Waddell and Cranston with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine & report thereon

Alderman Wheaton added to the Committee

Passed May 18.

1840.



Appropriations

Resolved That the several sums herein after named be and the same are hereby appropriated for the following purposes respectively, to wit

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| For Support of Public Schools | $1500 |
| " Fire Department | 500 |
| " Highways | 800 |
| " Salaries | 400 |
| " Interest | 600. |

and that said sums so appropriated be paid out of any Monies in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed May 18. 1840.

Treasurers Accounts.

Resolved That Messrs Jackson and Anthony with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to audit and settle the Accounts of the City Treasurer with the City, up to the first Monday in June next.

Alderman Phillips added

Passed May 18th 1840.

Propounded

The two Boards met in Convention May 18th 1840 and the following persons were propounded to become Freemen, to wit.

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| Benjamin B Dyer | by desire |
| Isaac A Hodges | by descent |
| Briggs B Gray | and produced. |
| William C Millard | do |
| Charles C Lee | do |
| John C Potter | do |
| Geo W Weeden | do |
| Ezekiel Owen | do |
| Israel J Bullock | do |
| Charles F Robinson | do |
| Willard Johnson | by the Country |
| Joseph M Gardner | and produced |
| Henry H Jones | do |
| Geo N Gilman | do |
| Ezra Luther | do. |

Admitted Free.

Daniel Robinson was admitted a Freeman having stood proposed three months.

The two Boards then separated and the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber

The Committee appointed to adjust the Claims of the City against David Burt beg leave report at a former Meeting was recommitted to them with instructions, would now respectfully report, . That though they have given to the subject refered to them a deliberate reconsideration they yet have failed to discover any reason for discarding or modifying the views submitted in their former report.

They would however improve this Opportunity to remark that the lot upon which Mr Burt is alledged to have trespassed, has ever been unenclosed and used as a highway, and that if it were opened on the North from the lot conveyed by Mr Page to the lot of Mr Burt, and from thence easterly to the river on a line parallel with the Page lot and declared to be a public Street, the Public Convenience would be promoted, even this Court adopted, one of the lots on the South would be bounded on all sides by public Street, and the other on three sides by public Streets, and on the fourth by the Canal, the property of the City improved rather than injured and which this Committee deem highly desirable, all Controversy and dispute in relation to the boundaries of the premises would be forever quieted.

Respectfully Submitted

E. V Knowles.
Dexter Angell
Committee

Read, whereupon it is Resolved that the same be received.

Passed May 25
1840.

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## Organization of the City Government for the year 1840.

June 1st at 10 o'clock A M

This being the day fixed by law for the Annual Organization of the Municipal Government of the City of Providence, the following Gentlemen, being the Mayor and Aldermen and members of the Common Council elect, met in Convention in the Council Chamber at 10 o'clock A M

to wit.

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| Samuel W Bridgham | Mayor | and |
| Thomas R Hoddon | Alderman of the | 1st Ward |
| Joseph Cady | " " " | 2d " |
| James Wheaton | " " " | 3d " |
| Thomas C Hoppin | " " " | 4th " |
| Phinehas Potter | " " " | 5th " |
| John S Phillips | " " " | 6th " |

### Common Council

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| First Ward | Isaac Thurber | Second Ward | Thomas B Tenney |
| | Edward V Knowles | | George W Jackson |
| | Dexter Angell | | Henry B Anthony |
| | Thomas Fletcher | | John A Brown |
| Third Ward | Samuel Ames | Fourth Ward | John L Hughes |
| | Austin Gurney | | William W Hoppin |
| | Eben Wade | | Daniel S Goodhue |
| | Willard W Fairbanks | | Bazillai Cranston |



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| Fifth Ward | Seth Paddleford | Sixth Ward | Horatio G Hudson |
| | James C Bucklin | | William L Thurston |
| | James Brown | | James E Butts |
| | William Foster | | Israel G Manchester |

William R Staples One of the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court of the State of Rhode Island administered the Oaths required by the City Charter to

Samuel W Bridgham
Mayor Elect

The Mayor then administered the like Oath to the above Named Aldermen and Common Council men Elect, except Isaac Thurber & John A Brown who were absent. And thereupon the Convention then Balloted for City Clerk and on Counting the ballots it appeared that Richard M Field was duly elected to that Office and was duly engaged by the Mayor

The Mayor then delivered an address to the City Council.

The two Boards then separated and the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber

Mayor's Address.

Resolved That Messrs Jackson & Knowles, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to wait upon his Hon the Mayor and request him to furnish for publication a Copy of the Address this day delivered by him to the City Council, And to cause the same to be published in such Manner as they may deem expedient.

Alderman Phillips added
Passed June 1st
1840

Receipts & Expenditures.

Resolved That Messrs Goodhue & Hughes with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to prepare a particular Account of the Receipts and Expenditures for the past year, and Schedule of the Property of the City; And to cause the same to be published in the Newspapers employed by the City Council agreeably to the requisitions Contained in the fourth Section of the City Charter

Alderman Phillips added
Passed June 1st
1840

City Printing

Resolved That Messrs Knowles & Paddleford with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to Contract for the City Printing for the current Municipal year.

Alderman Wheaton added
Passed June 1st
1840

Ordinances to distribute

Resolved That Copies of the Book of the City Ordinances published A.D. 1835 be distributed as follows, to wit,

To Each member of the City Council who has not already been furnished with a Copy. One Copy to Each of the Justices of the Peace and to each of the City Constables who have not already been supplied with a Copy — one Copy

Passed June 1st
1840

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Firemen's Association

Resolved That the sum of fifty Cents be paid by the City Treasurer to the Treasurer of the "Providence Association of Firemen for Mutual Assistance" for each of the firemen of the City in Order to entitle them severally to the benefit of the funds of that Association and that the same be paid on the Certificate of the City Clerk notifying the appointment of said Firemen and of the association for the Year ensuing. —"

Passed June 1st
1840

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Police Court.

Resolved That from the Justices assigned to keep the Peace within this City.

Henry L Bowen
Walter S Burges and
Edward H Hazard be and they are hereby

selected to Compose the Police Court of this City during the present Municipal Year —

Passed June 1st
1840.

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Assessors of Taxes

Resolved That Each Assessor of Taxes in and for the City shall be allowed and paid one hundred dollars as a full Compensation for assessing the City Tax for the present Municipal Year.

Passed June 1st
1840

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City Treasurers Bond

Resolved That Messrs Cranston & Anthony with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to take a Bond of the City Treasurer with sufficient surety or sureties for the Faithful discharge of the duties of his Office for the present Municipal Year; And that said Bond be for the sum of Thirty Thousand dollars —

Passed June 1st
1840.

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Salaries of Offices

An Ordinance fixing the Compensation of Certain Offices for the year ending on the first Monday in June A.D. one thousand eight hundred & forty one. —

Be it Ordained

by the City Council of the City ~~Council~~ of Providence as follows

Section 1. That for the Year Ending on the first Monday of June A.D. 1841 the Compensation to be allowed and paid the several Officers herein after mentioned shall be as follows, to wit



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| To the City Clerk | Seven hundred dollars. |
| To the Clerk of the Common Council | Two hundred dollars |
| To the City Treasurer | Six hundred dollars |
| To the Overseer of the Poor. | Three hundred & fifty dollars |
| To the City Sergeant | Three hundred & sixty five dollars |
| To the Surveyor of Highways | Five hundred dollars |
| To the Clerk of the Market | Two hundred dollars |
| To the Judge of the Municipal Court (in addition to the fees allowed by law for the transaction of Probate business) | One hundred dollars. |
| To the City Marshal | Two hundred & fifty dollars |
| To the Sealer of Weights & Measures | One hundred dollars. |

Section 2. That said Several sums so appropriated be paid Out of the City Treasury in quarterly payments to the Officers respectively entitled thereto. —

Section 3 That the fees allowed by law to the Clerk of the Municipal Court for Probate and other business transacted in said Court, shall be in full Compensation to said Clerk for his services as such; and that the fees allowed by law to Justices of the Peace shall be in full Compensation to the Justices of the Police Court, for their services as such. —"

Passed June 1st
1840. —

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Resolutions School Committee

At an Adjourned meeting of the School Committee of this City holden on the 25th of May, 1840 the following resolutions were adopted.

Resolved That the School Committee feel in the fullest Confidence presented to their Notice in the discharge of the duties of their appointment abundant Confirmation of the Opinion heretofore strongly expressed by them in favor of extensive Reform and improvement in our Common School System. —

Resolved That in order to an equal participation by the inhabitants of the 2d Ward in the benefit of the School System, it is desirable that a building should be forthwith erected for the Grammar School in said Ward. —"

Resolved That the Erection of a building for the High School without further delay is desirable from a due regard to the interest of Public education in this City —

Resolved That a Copy of these resolutions be signed by the President and Secretary & Communicated to the City Council

A true Copy from the record

Edward A Young Secty. —" Samuel A Brayton
President

Read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received

Passed June 1st
1840.

School Committee Report.

To the Hon^ble City Council of the City of Providence

The School Committee respectfully Report. That owing to the increased number of their duties during the year past & the complicated & arduous nature of those duties they have holden more Meetings than were ever before holden in any former year. Much additional time & attention of the Committee have been occupied in the Measures taken and pursued to carry into effect the revised plan of popular Education adopted by the City Council. The execution of that plan is now in a great state of forwardness.

All the Schools have been visited & examined every quarter agreeably to the Rules & Regulations of the Committee. In the opinion of the Committee very considerable general improvement has been recently made under the new system & every thing promises still further results favorable to the progress of useful knowledge & Moral discipline

The whole number of Schools now established including one new Grammar School and three new Primary Schools which are expected to Commence the first part of next month is eighteen, namely, six Grammar Schools, eleven primary Schools & one school for Colored Children. The school house before kept for Colored Children on the east side of the River has been within the last year discontinued for want of a sufficient number of scholars to warrant the expense of its support. The whole number of teachers is forty two namely Seven Males & thirty five females. The High School has not yet been established & in fact no progress has been made in relation to that part of the new system, except the purchase of a site for the School house. and nothing at all has been done touching the house for the Grammar School & the primary School in the second District. Within the year past one additional School house so much & so long talked of in the fourth ward has been erected & the additional Grammar School together with one of the Primary Schools are to be opened therein at the time above mentioned. This new Grammar School & the three new Primary Schools, make, after deducting the School for Colored Children which has been discontinued, the whole number of schools at this time eighteen as above mentioned instead of fifteen as at the Commencement of the last year.

Five new Grammar School houses & three new Primary School houses making eight in the whole have been built during the year past. In each of the former provision is also made for a primary School. The whole number of School houses now belonging to the City & to be in future occupied are nine. There are also two others occupied for public schools, one of them is hired & the other is gratuitously occupied with the permission generously allowed by the owners of the building & of the lot whereon it stands on our keeping the same in repair. The Old School houses & estates which will be hereafter unoccupied will soon be for sale.

There have been during the year past several Changes of Teachers & several new ones appointed in addition to Complete the requisite number for the new schools. The principals of three of the Grammar Schools having resigned three other persons have been appointed in their places. A number of female teachers have also been appointed to succeed others who have resigned. The Committee deeming females to be preferable to males for both principals & assistants in the Primary School & for assistants in the Grammar Schools all the Teachers of those descriptions are now females.

That the Character & reputation of the Schools are advancing & the Confidence of the public in their usefulness increasing is evinced by the extraordinary increase of the number of pupils. The number in actual attendance at the several quarterly visitations during the year was as follows; in August Sixteen hundred & seventy one, in November sixteen hundred & ninety nine in February Eighteen hundred & Ninety one. & in May Nineteen hundred & seventy seven, averaging through the year Eighteen hundred & Nine. The numbers belonging to the several Schools in the Course of the year were much larger. More scholars now belong to the schools than at any time since their establishment, & their increase far exceeds the increase of population. Then for all our School houses have been greatly deficient in room & other essential accommodations & the evil has been rapidly increasing & now fill every day. The new houses are calculated to remedy these & other difficulties & embarrassments & in the opinion of the Committee will prove to be an improvement to the Schools of very great importance.

The appointment of a Superintendent proves on trial to be a sound & judicious measure & in



producing, under the present able incumbent, results highly satisfactory to the Committee & in their judgment very valuable to the Community.

By the annual act of the General Assembly now in force relating to the public Schools, the School Committees throughout the State are required to make returns touching the Schools in their respective Towns & in this City to the Secretary of the State, on or before the first Wednesday of May annually & in default of their so doing they forfeit their share of the School Money, derived from the State for the year in which such default takes place. In Compliance with that requirement of the Law the Committee have made in due season a return of the Schools of this City to the Secretary of the State for the year past.

The amount appropriated by the City Council for the support of the Schools last year was Eight Thousand five hundred dollars besides the sum received from the State which was three Thousand eight hundred & eighteen dollars & twenty Cents, making in the whole, Twelve Thousand three hundred & Eighteen dollars & twenty Cents.

The amount expended for instruction including the Superintendent's Salary is Eleven Thousand one hundred & fifteen dollars & fifty Cents, for the repairs of School houses sixty four dollars & fifty two Cents. For Fuel three hundred & nine dollars & five Cents & for incidental Charges Three hundred & thirty five dollars & fifty Cents, making in the whole Eleven Thousand eight hundred & twenty four dollars & fifty eight Cents & leaving the sum of Four hundred & Ninety three dollars and sixty two Cents of the Appropriations unexpended.

The amount we shall receive from the State this year towards the support of the Schools will doubtless vary but very little if any from the amount we received last year namely, Three Thousand eight hundred & eighteen Dollars & twenty Cents.

Owing to the uncertainty as to the further progress which may be made during the ensuing year in Carrying into effect & Completing the new system of the Schools adopted by the City Council, it is difficult for the Committee to judge what sum will be required for the support of the Schools for that period. They however think it advisable under the present Circumstances that the sum of Twelve Thousand dollars, at least besides what may be received from the state should be appropriated by the City Council for that purpose.

The Committee appointed for the year now closing was Composed of thirty members, one of whom namely William Atlee declined serving & six name by Edward Kennedy John Pitman Samuel Ames Thomas B. Jenner William Hague & David Andrews in the Course of the year resigned & there upon the Committee appointed Nathaniel S. Folsom in the room of Mr. Atlee, Edward J. Mallett in the room of Mr Kennedy, Thomas M. Burgess in the room of Mr Pitman, John V. Kennedy in the room of Mr Ames Abel Stevens in the room of Mr Jenner, Alexis Caswell in the room of Mr Hague and Frederick A. Farley in the room of Mr Andrews. Mr Farley declined serving & Mr Mallett has resigned by the Year being so near it's Close the vacancies occasioned thereby have not been filled. The Committee is therefore now Composed of twenty eight members.

The Secretary has kept a record of all the absentees from all the meetings of the Committee during the Year, an abstract of which agreeably to one of the Regulations of the Committee is herewith presented.

All which is respectfully submitted, for the Committee

by Samuel W Bridgham
President

Providence May 25th 1840

The aforegoing Report of the School Committee is presented and Read, Whereupon it is Resolved that the same be received and accepted.

Passed June 1st
1840.

Office of City Treasurer
Providence June 1st 1840.

Gentlemen

Inclosed will be found the following viz

A Schedule of Real Estate belonging to the City —
Amount of City Debt.
Amount of School Fund Loan
Atty Account Current.

I Remain with great Respect
Yr Obedt Servt
Stephen Tillinghast
City Treasurer

## Schedule of Real Estate &c. belonging to the City of Providence —

City Treasurer's Report —

The Brick Market house on Market square excepting the third Story of the building which belongs to the Masonic Lodge of St John — The Town house Lot — This lot measures on College Street 110 feet on Benefit Street 115 feet & bounding South on a gangway of 10 feet in width on which it extends westerly in the Town house Lot & on lands of other persons 163½ feet being the whole Southerly line of said Lot, westerly on lands of Brown & Sons and John Whipple on which it measures 156½ feet, the buildings on said lot are

Firstly The Town house measuring 58 feet by 45½ feet being of wood two stories high having a basement in which are two rooms appropriated to the City Watch & for a Bridewell

Secondly The Firemens Hall 30 feet by 20 feet —

Thirdly Fire Brook & Cauldon house No 1 35 feet by 9 feet

Fourthly Engine house No 6

Fifthly The Cholera Carriage house now used by the surveyor of Highways as a tool house the City Pound is also upon this Lot all the above described belong to the City —

Sixthly The Artillery Alarm Post for which the City is bound to provide a Lot free of Charge to the State; the lot occupied by them is 64 feet long by 36 wide —

Seventhly The Cadet Alarm Post 52 feet by 92 feet having a Cellar and for a Livery Stable & Carriage & the whole rent free during pleasure —

Eighthly Office of Messrs Berge & Ball occupying a space of about 18 feet by 30 feet —

Ninthly The Log Cabin occupying a lot of 20 by 30 feet at the Pleasure of the City Council —

Hospital Lands. Two acres & 30 poles purchased of Martha Field bounding East on the Harbor & South on Hawkins Cove, The Old Hospital Stands thereon, Ten & ½ acres of Land called the New Hospital lands on which the principal hospital buildings have been Erected bounding on the brook which forms the South boundary of the City and the North line of Cranston, This Lot originally joined the Old Hospital lot on the East but is now severed therefrom by the Pawtuxet turnpike. A new building for Hospital uses was in 1832 erected in the Vicinity of the principal hospital Standing on this Lot

The Canfield Lot — Is situated at the junction of North Main & Stampers Streets & was purchased for public use partly by individual subscription & partly by the Town. Engine No 2 is located thereon —

North School House and lot in the first district bounds 45 feet on Benefit Street & extends Easterly 80 feet; the lot Can be applied to no other than School uses —

The Old Brick School house stands upon a lot measuring 60 feet by 50 feet, this lot was given to the Town by Capt Ambrose Page for a school house lot exclusively. The lot in addition to this donation belonging to this establishment measures 100 feet by 120 feet extending from Meeting Street to South Court Street —

South or Hunts Ferry District school house, The lot on which the house is erected is



X 80 feet on Thomas Street, the East front thereof extends 80 feet North to the Tillinghast burial ground & 34 feet of the rear part extends in the rear to the lands of Wm B Clifford a recent exchange of land with the St Stephens Episcopal Society varies the form of the lot as above given & Contains its proportions —

Fourth District School house is situated on the Southerly side of Richmond Street; lot measuring thereon 112 feet, depth thereof irregular & not ascertained —

Fifth District School house occupies one of two lots belonging to the City & measuring together 200 feet by 130 feet —

The North burial ground Comprises about 50 acres of which about 14 acres are enclosed within a fence erected in 1835 —

The Sessions lot fronts westerly on North Main Street at its Northern extremity & extends Easterly to Greene Lane so called Comprising about nine & a half acres —

Lands on Charles & Smith Street. The workhouse lot so Called is on the East side of Charles Street, and bounds on the Blackstone Canal, measuring on Charles Street about 220 feet, its width at its junction with Smith Street is about 100 feet (being its South end) & about 60 feet at its North End. The lands on the west side of Charles Street, measure thereon about 240 feet, the width at the North End measuring westerly to Back Street, so called, is 96 feet & its width at its South End which bounds on Smith and Back Streets about 80 feet, this widths is exclusive of 40 feet for the entire length of its west line being the proposed Continuation of Back Street through the City lands, By a late exchange the above described lands form a square, intersected North & South by Charles Street

Land South of Smith Street, & Smiths Bridge, The City or the public is supposed to own a portion of the land & Shore, In the year 1798 it was surveyed & established as a public Street and influencial Citizens set up an adverse Claim & thus erected a Blacksmiths Shop on part of the premises —

The Abbott Lot at Fox Hewitts is 40 feet square & was deeded to the Town by Mr Abbott for a public Watering place forever —

The Bone house fronts on Weybosset Street north side, the lot measures thereon 31 feet & extends back 70 having a dwelling house & Engine house No 3 thereon

The Teste Estate Consists of a house & lot at the junction of Weybosset & Dorrance Street & is in Possession of the City subject to the Claim of said Testes heirs if any there be —

Thatch beds. The North bounds of the lower bed begin at the Corner of the late Darius Thurber's house South of Carpenters Point, thence Coping the Cove to a point East of the land of John Smiths heirs. The rights purchased of Mrs Barnes & Others bound Southerly on the above described rights extending up the Cove to the Line of North Providence and thence across to Carpenters point the Thatch has been diminishing every year & is now next to nothing —

The Public Square on Federal Hill was deeded to the Town of Providence "for some public purpose or purposes & for no other use or purpose whatever" It is 150 feet Square & bounded by Atwells Avenue & Broadway Street & on two sides by 20 feet gangways, A well has been sunk thereon for public purposes —

Fields Point Farm, Contains about 30 Acres and is occupied by the Quarantine Lessee for the present year —

The Lot on Benefit Street at the junction of Washington Street has been deeded to the City by the Historical Society to remain Open forever —

Lot on Carpenter Street measures 50 feet by 20 feet Engine house No 4 is located thereon

Lot on Field Street measuring 95 feet by 35 feet Engine house No 7 is located thereon

The Jail Lot so Called purchased of the State of Rhode Island in 1839 measures about 217 feet by 50 feet —

The Hope Point Association Conveyed to the Town of Providence a lot at the junction of Benefit Street & Indian Street Measuring 300 feet on Benefit Street & 150 on Indian Street to be forever kept Open as a public Square —

Lots lately purchased for new School houses viz In Benefit Street & adjoining the present first district School house, a lot measuring South on Benefit Street 79 feet & extending Easterly 125 feet

11 32 Longfellow Page

Lot on Benefit Angell & Watchman Streets being Called No 122 on the Plat of part of the N & R Watchman Estate, No 1 measuring 75 feet No 2, 40 feet on Benefit Street & both extending Easterly about 94 feet. —

Lot at the junction of Arnold & Brook Streets on North side of Arnold Street measuring about 120 feet front & rear & 97 feet deep. —

Two Lots on Elm Street adjoining each other easy on Elm & Elbow Street & measuring together 18533/4 square feet. —

Two Lots on Sumner & Pond Streets measuring on the former Street 150 & on Pond Street about 101 feet having the new school house thereon & a public fountain erected a few years since. —

Lot in Olney Ville measuring 120 feet by 90 feet & bounding on a twenty feet gangway. —

## City Debt on 31st May 1840.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Renewal of the funded debt of $60.000 of 5 pct Stock which became due April 1st last. | | |
| viz payable October 1st 1840 | 7500. 0 | |
| ditto April 1 1841 | 52500. 0 | 60.000. 0 |
| Unfunded debt so Called renewed at 6 pct Cent pr ann & payable April 1st 1841 | | 32.100. 0 |
| Temporary Loans all at 6 pct Cent pr ann over | | |
| Rhode Island Historical Society pay July 1st. | 3.600. 0 | |
| George Fuller pay July 25. 740 | | |
| ditto 24 August. 300 | 1040. 0 | |
| Edward Harwood on demand | 600. 0 | |
| Providence Inst Savings at 23 | 6600. 0 | |
| do do July 1. 1841 | 3000. 0 | |
| Nathaniel Viaux decemb 30. 1840 | 1000. 0 | |
| Jno Pitman & Peter Pratt Trustees Febuy 8 1841. | 10000. 0 | |
| Thomas L Halsey School fund loan Jany 31 | 1737. 23. | |
| Job F Angell March 11. | 2500. 0 | |
| do April 3 $1250 at 6. $1250 | 2500. 0 | |
| William Rose March 17. | 1000 | 33.577. 23. |
| Note to Sally Thompson for lot for High School payable in 20 years 5 pct pr ann | | 5.500 |
| | | $ 131.177. 23. |
| Less note to Prov. Ins Savings January 1. 1840 pay & in as Mr Charges School fund Loan | | 3000. 0 |

## School Fund Loan

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| 1839 May 30 | Bonds of the City Treasurer given to the Treasurer of the State of Rhode Island for a portion of the United States deposites bearing at 5 pct. pr Ann pay on 2d Monday of April Annually. — | |
| | 1 Bond dated May 30 1839. for | $ 24.191. 86 |
| | 1 do " June 17 " " | 8586. 20 |
| | 1 do " July 26 " " | 7221. 34 |
| | 1 do " do " " | 1410. 23 41410. 83. |
| 1840 April 7 | To City Treasurer Note to John Pitman & Peter Pratt payable in 1 year with interest @ 6 pct pr yearly | 10.000. 0 |
| | Note to Providence Inst for Savings dated January 1. 1840 payable in one year | 3000. 0 |



## Schedule of Rents Yearly.

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| St Johns Lodge for entrance to their Hall | | | 21 | 50 |
| Town house lot | to Bute & Burgess | 40. 0 | | |
| | to B J Mallett clearing pleasure | 18. 0 | | |
| | to Wm J Manis do | 20 50 | 78 | 0 |
| Land on Charles Street viz | | | | |
| I Austin Shinkwin the work house lot 5 years from April 1. 1839. measuring 120 feet. | | 200. 0 | | |
| To Richard W Burk yearly remainder of said lot. | | 25. 0 | | |
| To James Page West side of Charles Street, lot measuring 40 feet. from year to year @ 75 ℔ | | 30. 0 | | |
| Daniel Angell adjoining Page Southerly. lot measuring 48 feet lease 5 years from April 1. 1839. 75 ℔ | | 30. 0 | | |
| Nathan Boyden adjoining Angell Southerly lot measuring 36 feet @ 75 ℔. lease 5 years — | | 27. 0 | | |
| James Ferguson stone pr & E P Brown. lot on Charles Street & Smith Street lease for 5 years. lot measuring 22 feet @ 75 ℔ per foot. | | 15. 50 | 334 | 50 |
| The Stone house north side of Weybosett Street, lease to David Pitts from year to year house rent ℔ | | 85. 0 | 85 | 0 |
| The Jesse house at Junction of Clarence & Weybosett Streets to John Warner to 1st April 1841. | | | 140. | 0 |
| The Stalls in the Brick Market house to December 1st 1840 | | | 2015. | 0 |
| ditto in fish Market to January 1. 1841. | | | 180 | 0 |
| The Lepsion lot now in Care of Messrs & Sylvanus Brandon no specific rent. | | | | |
| The Water Cistern at South Corner of Market house. — | | | | |
| | | | $ 2858. | 18. |

"The Tillinghast Donation" is a bequest of $ 200 made by the late Mr Lydia Tillinghast. as a fund, the interest or income thereof to be used for the relief Comfort and support of the Poor of any Lake County & Colony. It is invested in Stock of the Union Bank. — " — "

The Rent of the Fidelis Point Farm is $ 150 per Year & is given to Mr Mitchell for his Compensation as Sentinell during Quarantine. — " —.

# Dr City of Providence in account with Stephen Tillinghast.

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| 1840 January 21 | To Cash sheriff Charged on Geny Thurber's bill of $10 Jan 5th 42 — $8 having been Charged | | 2 | 0 |
| " | " Isaac Laha's bill July 2d not Charged | | 7 | 50 |
| Feb'y 15 | " paid Wm Sayles Collector for Cranston for Town & School Tax 41 levied on Cranston | | 8 | 45 |
| March 5 | " paid Mrs Martha Howell for balance of Judgment in the Guttsmith Case which sum being $319.19 of which there was paid on part $300 Oct 16th leaving to pay | 319 19 | 319 | 19 |
| 21 | " paid Mrs for 2 other expectations in same Case. | 87.55 82.45 | 170 | 0 |
| May 21 | " paid for Labor done in filling up the excavations made on the Squires lot in standing for Coal now transported from high ways | | 119 | 0 |
| | " The following accounts Charged to the City of Providence, being balances viz | | | |
| | Support of the Poor in the Asylum | 1425.42 | | |
| | Asylum buildings & walls | 247.90 | | |
| | Building Asylum Walls | 247.0 | | |
| | Paving High Street | 230.26 | | |
| | Repairs of Bridges | 103.79 | | |
| | City Watch | 2718.71 | | |
| | Contingencies | 3554.16 | | |
| | Repairs of Public buildings | 42.45 | 8569 | 49 |
| | Building Weybosett & Cove Street Bridges | 660.3 | | |
| | Contingencies | 353.68 | | |
| | School Fund Loan | 1588.74 | | |
| | High ways | 2152.97 | 5255 | 42 |
| | Fire Department | 4447.71 | | |
| | Lighting Street | 2075.93 | | |
| | Support of Poor at large | 303.43 | | |
| | Police Department | 204.76 | | |
| | Wells & pumps | 47.41 | | |
| | Salaries | 1645.25 | 9269 | 49 |
| | Carried forward Brot forward | | 23721 | 41 |
| | To support of Public Schools | 6070.0 | 6070 | 0 |
| | " Stephen Tillinghast balance his Act | | 312 | 34 |
| | " New Account for Tax of June 1839 not yet Collected not deducting the amount of Collectors Commissions | 4800.0 | | |
| | Notes on hand over due & unpaid | 302.44 | | |
| | Notes due from Batchelor 2/5 June | 1640.0 | | |
| | Cash on Hand | 1602.32 | 3345 | 26 |
| | | | $ 38448 | 67 |



# Cr City Treasurer

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| 1840 Jan 7. | By Cash account for balance viz. | | | |
| | Notes on hand unpaid & bad. | $ 302.44. | | |
| | Batchelor Notes pay 2/5 June | 2140.0 | 2442 | 44 |
| | Amount of Tax ordered in June uncollected. | | 1037 | 0 |
| | Cash on Hand this day $ 3577.15. & no $2. | | 3579 | 85 |
| 21 | " so much over charged in J Nanney's bill Highways Cr by 2 sheets be 4.85 | | | |
| April 3 | is Charged | 11.35 | 1 | 50 |
| " | " Cash of James Mumford for taxes on 2 Clarks 2 Williamsville Stalls & 28 dec 1839 & Jan 1840 | | 93 | 0 |
| May 25 | " Cash of City Clerks at various times viz. | | | |
| | Feb'y 18 on ap of Licenses to retailers | 11.33 | | |
| | March 18 " Panorama of Bunker hill | 25.0 | | |
| | 27 " Scripture paintings | 10.1 | | |
| | May 4 " Licenses to 2 Circuses $20. each. | 40.0. | | |
| | " " do to retailers | 23.85 | | |
| | 25 " do do. | 7.39. | | |
| | for Auctioneers Commissions. | 92 | 118 | 50 |
| " | Heirs of A Teste for balance of that Account. | | 67 | 50 |
| " | Rents for amount of that account | | 509 | 94 |
| 31 | By Sundry loans viz. Bristol Inst. of savings note date January 1 2 pay in one year | 3000.0 | | |
| | Putnam & Batt Jan 8 " do | 10.000 0 | | |
| | Job T Angell. 3 notes March & April 1 year, 1250. 1250 2500. | 5000.0 | | |
| | Wm Rose March 16. 1 year. | 1000.0 | 19000 | 0 |
| | By Amt brot forward | | 35129 | 89 |
| | New Account for this Amount apparently less received than paid | | 2318 | 75 |
| | | | $ 38448 | 67 |

Office of City Treasurer
Providence June 1st 1840
Stephen Tillinghast
City Treasurer

The aforegoing report of the City Treasurer is presented and read, together with the accompanying documents; Whereupon it is resolved that the same together with said documents be received and recorded.

Passed June 1st 1840.

The Town Boundsmet in Convention June 1st 1840. and proceeded to Election of City Officers as follows.

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|---|---|
| Judge of Municipal Court | Thomas Briggs |
| Clerk of Municipal Court | Albert G Greene |
| City Sergeant | Edward Harwood |
| City Treasurer | Stephen Fillingham |
| City Auditor | Eben Wade Austin Gurney |
| Overseers of the Poor | William G Greene |
| City Constables | Jacob C Gould Isaby J Potter Rufus Clapp Daniel W Chaffee Seth Howard Peleg Johnson Edwin Potter James Sheldon |
| Sealer of Weights & Measures | John G Jackson |
| Inspectors of Taxes | Nathaniel C Bishop Asa Paine Samuel Jackson 2d Charles Holden |
| Surveyors and Corders of Wood | Enoch G Paul C William Bradley Thomas J Wardwell Benjamin S Olney Asa Congdon Samuel M Wales Samuel B. Bullock |
| Surveyors of Highways | Henry G Mumford |
| Surveyors of Masts Staves & Heading | George S Harwood Peleg S Sherman Samuel Eastforth |
| Gaugers of Casks | Enoch Eddy John P Jones, James W Tourtellot Daniel P Rose, James Bucknell |
| Collector of Taxes | James Mumford |
| Packers & Inspectors of Fish | Peleg S Sherman George S Harwood |
| Overseers of Hospital | Mayor & Aldermen |
| Clerk of the Market | Henry G Mumford |
| Field Viewers | Benoni Lockwood Maspa Bassett |
| Field Drivers | Pardon Mason Edward Harwood Samuel Carlile |
| Presidents of Five Wards | Benjamin Aborn Carle Mannan John S Eddy Charles Holden William Tillman |
| Five Wards | Robert Manchester, Roger William Potter John O Waterman John H Greene Benjamin Atkinson, Edward S Williams James P Butts, Willard W Fairbanks Allen C Peck Henry G Mumford Horatio Bassett Thomas Mitchell Stranger Carpenter Joseph W Taylor Philip Cozzens, Trustum S Knowlton Henry Sherburne James Thurber Jr John B Chace Charles H Mason, Daniel C Carpenter Thomas J Hill |



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| School Committee | Samuel W Bridgham Moses B Ives Edward B Hall, Thomas W Dorr, Thomas C Hopkins Joseph Cady Rufus Cloggett Richard E Eddy, Thomas R Hazden William C Barker John Innes Amherst Everett, John D Hughes, John S Phillips William G Goddard, Mark Tucker John S Stimson James Wheaton Princhas Potter George W Jackson Alexander H Vinton, Edward A Gourg, Thomas M Burgess John P Knowles Alexis Caswell C, John R Bucknam Samuel C Carroll, Henry B Anthony, John Barstow Bazillai Cranston |
| Sealers of Leather | Calvin Dean Joel Mitchell |
| City Criers | Barton Burdick John Whitmore William J Gourg. |
| Inspectors of Pot & Pearl Ash | Smith Bowerth Amasa Manton |
| Committee of Encroachments on Streets | Benoni Lockwood William C Barker, Samuel B Carlisle, |
| Inspectors & Measurers of Carpenters as Masons & Painters Work | Wm P W Brown Leonard Bladgel John H Greene Hazen Carpenter, Robert Manchester Joseph Bagman James Brown James Lewis Russell Greene, Samuel Hawkins Robert Manchester Jr Elmer Angell |
| Surveyors & Measurers of Stone | Zachariah Chaffee William Anthony Leonard Bladgel |
| Owners of Public Bridges | Menzies Street |
| Advising Committee on Bridges | Mayor & Aldermen |
| Committee to superintend building Chimneys & placing Stoves & Stove pipes | Cyrus Fisher Maspa Bassett Robert Angell Samuel Carlile |
| Auctioneer | Sylvester Hathaway |
| Owners of North Burial ground | Benjamin Hathaway, |
| Measurers of Grain Salt & Sea Coal | Hazelton Taft. Job Carpenter. |
| Overseer of Pump South End | William Coleman |
| Overseer of Pump North End | Edward Harwood |
| Overseer of pump High & Knight Streets | Seth Baker |
| Overseer of pump Pond Street and West End of Westminster Street | Nicholas Northrop |
| Overseer of Pump in Broad Street | Princhas Potter |
| Inspectors of Liquors & pipes Brandy | Daniel P Rose John P Jones |
| Overseer of Town house | William J Greene |
| Commissioners of Side Walks | Maspa Bassett. Cyrus Fisher Asa Paine |
| Measurers of Brew | Hazelton Taft. Job Carpenter. |

City Marshal — Henry G Mumford

Nuisance Committee — Henry G Mumford Alonzo Babcock Amos Richardson

Inspectors of Beef & Pork — Reuben W Kimball

Pound Keeper — William G Gunn

Appraisers of Estates under the Election laws — Henry V Franklin John G Phillips Robert Angell

Weighers of Anthracite & other Coal — John W Jones. James Burroughs.

Undertakers — Judson Blake, George E Cleveland Joh G Hopkins, Gardner D Swarts Amos Gilchrist, Robert Davis, John D Henly, Thadeus Carey, Gideon Palmer William C Millard, John Porter.

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Admitted Free

The following named persons were admitted freemen of this City — viz.

James Boyce
Thomas Maguire
Horace M Brown Eldest son of Reuben Brown.

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Propounded

The following named persons were propounded to become freemen.

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| Caleb Farnum jr. | died produced. |
| Joseph W Briggs | do |
| Parmer Harrington | do |
| Horatio N Slater | do |

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| Wydraulion No 1 | Arthur A Arnold | Elisha Dyer jr | Wm S Read |
| | Alex D Addis | Charles H Dabney | Samuel W Richmond jr |
| | Stephen Arnold | William Foster | Thomas J Steed |
| | Charles Arnold | Abel Foster | Henry O Smith |
| | Samuel H Arnold jr | Benjamin Franklin | Edward H Hazard |
| | Tellingast Almy | Benjamin H Gladding | George W Steinhauer |
| | Billings Braston | George W Gladding | James M Smith |
| | James M Buckley | Henry L Hudson | George Thurber |
| | Wm P Blodget | Hamilton Hoppin | John A Taft |
| | Joseph W Baker | Lewis S Hoppin | Charles Thurber |
| | William C Brown | William W Hoppin | William H Watterman |
| | John W Butts | Carrington Hoppin | Samuel B Wheaton |
| | Frederick Burgess | Thomas D Hoppin | James L King |
| | Walter S Burges | Ezra W Howard | Amos M Warner |
| | Charles Burnett jr | Henry Hall | Allen Warner |
| | William Brown | Charles D Harris | Anthony B A Whitaker |
| | Samuel C Blodget | Amos B Ives | Chester L Wood |
| | Charles D Blodget | Robert H Ives | Arnold W Spencer |
| | Arsbil J Bowers | Thomas Jackson | Albert G Rea |
| | Henry D Bucklin | Henry Jacobs | Benjamin Hammett |
| | Joseph P Balch | Horace A Jenkins | Henry J Brown |
| | Edward J Bicknell | Sylvester K Knight | Henry L Hutchins |
| | George W Cherbrough | P B Mauran | Hiram Fuller |
| | Aaron C Cherbrough | Amasa Manton | George Page |
| | John Calder | Walter L Gardner | Henry Lippit |
| | Francis G Carlile | Edward D Miller | Henry C Fisher |
| | Lewis P Child | William Monroe | Samuel Salisbury |
| | Thomas L Doreen | Edward E Manton | Geo W Pitts |
| | William H Draper | Lyman Paine | Robert L Thurston |
| | Isa H Chace | Edward D Pine | Henry A Cory |
| | Franklin Chace | Charles D Pennell | John D Hemsley jr |
| | Edmund P Church | Samuel C Potter jr | George Grinnell |
| | Albert Dailey | Richard Palmer | |
| | Edward W Davis | Franklin H Richmond | 100 |
| Wydraulion No 2 | Allen Baker | W T Gatewood | O R Tingley |
| | Geo W Taylor 2d | Philip Greene | William Tripp |
| | Thomas Greene | Stephen Holmes | W H Truman |
| | Henry A Webb | Cyrus Johnson | Albert Whitaker |
| | Phillip Allen jr | E L Johnson | Wm H Wood |
| | Obediah Arnold | Samuel C Lincoln | Lyman Ware |
| | R W Burk | Thomas Lincoln | W W Brown |
| | N W Brown | A A Mason | G A Allen |
| | C N Burdick | Barton Mills | D B Blake |
| | J C Burrington | B. F. Melville | Nath[l] Searle |
| | James Bissum | W W Pine | J C Wight |
| | Wm Calder | M Robinson | Rufus Waterman |
| | H. T Chace | A W Snow | J[r] Sullivan |
| | G T Campbell | J. P Salisbury | H N Pine |
| | C S Cunliff | Jonathan Swasey | J W Cushman |
| | G L Dwight | H B Salisbury | D C Gainwood |
| | Alexander Duncan | A H. Slocum | |
| | J. J. Giles | W T Standish | G H Tingley 53. |

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| Forcing Stationary Engine No 1. | Charles H Mason | Daniel Chever | John H Sackett | |
| | Benj Dyer | Olive A Burdsley | Charles J Shelly | |
| | Richard C Hamblin | Richard M Field Jr | Henry B Gladding | |
| | John W Cory | Edward A Grune | Gustavus Taylor | |
| | John G Potter | George H Hopkins | R P Gladding | |
| | Wm M Snow | Henry A Howland | Josiah L Webster | |
| | James C Bucklin | George I Manton | George G Gladding | |
| | John H Gladding | Earl P Mason | George O Arnold | |
| | Alfred Shinkle | Wm H Murray | Wm A Wardwell | |
| | Charles J Wheeler | Cyrus W Pratt | Philip M Fiske | |
| | Wm R Tillinghast | Joshua Spooner | John Ash | |
| | Henry Barton | George A Taylor | Samuel Hamblin | |
| | Philip Case | George W Taylor 3d. | | 38 |
| Forcing Stationary Engine No 2 | John H Taylor | Thomas A Tripp | George M Richmond | |
| | Henry Gardner | Edward G Sheldon | Henry L Bowen | |
| | Nathaniel G Holmes | Benjamin Hathaway | John H Hamblin | |
| | Wm C Cutting | Richard C Eddy | Henry W Bradford | |
| | Welcome Congdon | William Hall | Almyra Swift | |
| | Reuben J Peckham | Daniel M Sweetland | Roger W Potter | |
| | Samuel N Richmond | William J Harris | Rufus B Clapp | |
| | Edwin H Harris | Wm M Rodman | William Bucklin | |
| | Reuben Miller | John B Depue | Edwin Tripp | |
| | William J Cross | Stephen R Warden | Uriah Baker | |
| | Gilbert Sheldon | Gilbert Congdon | William H Bailey | |
| | John B Chace | Vincent Carr | | 35 |
| Fire Hook & Ladder Co. No 2. | Robert Manchester Jr. | Isaac Butts | Samuel P Cains | |
| | Samuel J Townsend | Isaac Lapha | Henry Allen | |
| | James Manchester | Ezekiel Adams | Samuel Mason Jr | |
| | Robert Manchester | Theodore Mann | Nathaniel Polley | |
| | Sheldon Young | Edwin Smith | Wm H Tenney | |
| | Caleb C Cooke | Joseph Moore | Nicholas B Gardner | |
| | Wm B Mason | Wm J Miller | Thomas G Pana | |
| | Wm H Greene | Willard D Munro | Albert W Mitchell | 24 |
| Engine Company No 1 | Albert Waterman | Josiah Baxter | Aaron C Miller | |
| | Benjamin Anthony | Thomas Paine | Simon P Sherman | |
| | Smith Phillips | Stephen Randall | Jeremiah Gatchel | |
| | Robert Wilson | Rufus Millard | John Williams | |
| | Samuel W Brown | Olney L Smith | Charles Brown | |
| | Alfred Anthony | Cyril S Carpenter | Oliver C Williams | |
| | Nathan Bucklin | Thomas W Latham | Harrison Gray | |
| | Hanson Kelly | Josiah W Pierce | Samuel G Stanton | |
| | Ebenezer W Walker | Nathaniel Bowen | | 26 |
| Engine Company No 2. | James Thurber Jr. | Joshua L Gray | Benjamin Paige | |
| | Geo E Cleveland | Nelson C Nathan | Joseph L Hood | |
| | William N Amsbury | Stephen Smith | Almyra Chace | |
| | Augustus J Winship | Francis P Haynes | Arnold W Angell | |
| | David A Cleveland | Samuel S Cooke | Samuel J Manchester | |
| | George H Burk | Albert W Page | John Mc Neil | |



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| | John Simmons | Benj C Annis | Henry Mc Neil | |
| | Reuben Hull | Willard H Joslin | Stephen O Pennell | |
| | George J Thurber | Dexter B Lewis | Asael A Hingeman | |
| | Isaac B Allen | William N Smith | Seymour White | |
| | Peter Church | Silas B J Burbank | Benj Claflin | |
| | Willis C Legg | Paris Weaver Jr | Jeremiah Angell | |
| | Henry Metcalf | Jesse Calder | Sheffield C Snow | |
| | William H Lovett | Darwin R Mowry | Thomas Sheldon | |
| | William H Hopkins | Paul N Paige | James Handy | |
| | Smith Owen | George H Paige | Daniel Hill | |
| | Edwin J Bradford | Joseph Paige | | 50. |
| Engine Co No 3. | Charles H Child | John J Paine | Jonathan G Draper | |
| | Jos H Borden Jr | Wm J Grinnell | Geo W Robinson | |
| | Thomas Brown Jr | Jos Potter | Henry G Farmer | |
| | Otis P Weeks | Ferdinand Potter | Amos Lewis | |
| | Thomas C Hudson | George W Carter | Ira L Beckwith | |
| | Nathaniel Gladding | Ezra Luther | Wm B Dean | |
| | Charles C Dyer | James G Brown | Archibald Dalrymple | |
| | Francis Read | James G Wing | Anthony B Norwell | |
| | Wm H Clarke | David Pitt | Henry J Cushing | |
| | Anson H Potter | Liberty Childs | Charles Whipple | |
| | Daniel H Leonard | Allen Taylor | Charles H Bassett | |
| | Edward Burr | Jarvis C Gladding Jr | Amos Atlantic | |
| | Conrad C Ellery | Francis Salmon | Samuel Hunt | |
| | Henry G Gladding | Charles Smith | | 41 |
| Engine Co No 5 | C Bancroft | J Angell | J C Turner | |
| | J G Manchester | B Hopkins | P Harrington | |
| | B B. Wood | R G Cory | D Cady | |
| | Wm Hicks | J S Hall | W B Lawson | |
| | J S Angell | J H Holden | C G Barnes | |
| | J T Gillman | S Brierly | T D Brinkley | |
| | R H N Bates | W. W Arnold | C Dennis | |
| | R Sanders | C Ellis | S Colwell | |
| | G M Burgess | S Kelly | J C Arnold | |
| | J Colwell | W A Harrington | J C Brown | |
| | H C Potter | H Whitman | J Bosworth | |
| | G Updike | C A Gillson | Abner H Angell | |
| | J A Sheldon | W Jones | Nehemiah Knight | |
| | J P Henry | C Williams | Geo Cady | |
| | D W Holden | B Allen | B C Whitten | |
| | H Cossding | J W Arnold | John Hagan | |
| | J Curtis | Wm B Henshaw | John A Darling | |
| | Stillman Perkins | Isaac Chace | Apollos Richmond | |
| | Edwin T Manchester | Amos W Southwick | | 56. |
| Engine Co No 6. | Thomas R Holden Jr | Henry Temple | Albert G Barton | |
| | Henry C Barney | Willard Chace | C D Lewis | |
| | Henry Thurber | William H Wilkinson | Benjamin B Bennett | |
| | John H Richmond | John H Butts | Henry Brown | |
| | Wm Temple | Nathan B Hall | John B. Angell | |

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| | John A Hewstand | Benj^n West | Benj^n P Robinson |
| | Richard O Moulton | Albert Bullock | Wm S Percival |
| | John O Potter | Allen Tillinghast | Edmund G Bunny |
| | James R Potter | Perry S Manchester | George M Randall |
| | Robert Perkins jun | Joseph B Mason | Wm H P Shaw |
| | Ruz Simmons | Anthony Morton | Peter Smith |
| | James W Bradford | John N Chase | George A Studley |
| | George A Billings | James H Tabor | Henry Richardson |
| | Benj^n Bleven | Daniel Bucklin | Wm Potter Dean |
| | Daniel V Rose | James W Potter | Wm H Sweet |
| | Edward Carland | Thomas Burke | James N Hopkins |
| | Stephen S Gould | Thomas J Branch | Wm M Canty |
| | George W Thayer | E D Pitcher | Reuben Varney |
| | Thomas R Lynch | W. W. Comstock | Stephen Brooks |
| | Charles Gilbert | John D Jones | H T Tingley |
| | John S Green | George Richardson | George W Hopkins |
| | William Bradley | John H Perkins | Charles W Burr |
| | John A Littlefield | Charles Hebden 2^d | |
| | John C Stedding | Thomas M Coy | 70 |

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| Engine Co No 7 | Daniel C Carpenter | Otis Tabor | C M Warner | |
| | H M Peck | Solomon D Walker | Nathan Thurber | |
| | Benjamin W Hamm | Allen Shaw | Benjamin Willcox | |
| | Sylvester Salisbury | Edmund Salisbury | John W Field | |
| | Asa Congdon | Thomas Barstow | Peleg Dawley | |
| | Horace Gray | Edwin Barstow | Benjamin Tanner | |
| | Richard S Dawley | John Sanders | William Atwood | |
| | George Sanford | Horatio Burk | William R Lizzett | |
| | Isaac S Battey | Samuel James | William H Dyer | |
| | James Salisbury jr | Peter Tallman | John H Chase | |
| | Geo W Hearn | Samuel A Wilson | Charles Battey | |
| | Peleg A Sanford | Spencer Rose | John C Allen | |
| | Joseph Davis | Arnold Peters | Dexter Arnold | |
| | Jeshua R Brown | William P Tanner | Albert Smith | |
| | William Dee | Stillman Ellis | James A Eddy | |
| | William Hall | Benjamin Burgess | Asa W Grime | |
| | Henry S Barber | Lewis Field | Henry C Johnson | |
| | Joseph L Sanders | Peleg Johnson | Truman Johnson | |
| | Henry Battey | Nathaniel B Horton | John Eddy | |
| | Stillman Rand | Benjamin Arnold | David Dee | |
| | Edward J Hamm | Augustus Tallman | Horatio L Holmes | |
| | Henry Sherburne | Stanley L Curtis | Willard Johnson | |
| | George B Holmes | Nathaniel R Paine | James Walker | |
| | James Salsbury | Horace Read | William Wentworth | |
| | Pardon S Pierce | Latham H Babcock | William Gonsolve | 75 |

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| Engine Co No 8 | Henry W Rodman | Nehemiah W Lee | Edward H Thurston | |
| | Stephen G Mann | Pardon M Hall | George W Gould | |
| | Henry D Bickford | Sam^l B Bullock | Obadiah Mason | |
| | John Church | Wm H Harris | Sam^l S Shitlock | |
| | Lewis C Allen | Matthew A Chase | Albert G Shitlock | |



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| | Albert J Jones | Wm L Cooke | Ira Handy |
| | Williams Mansir | Chas A Brown | H Luther |
| | Edward B Butts | John J Hall | Wm B Smith |
| | Jeremiah S Rose | Edward J Burroughs | Edward B Carpenter |
| | George A Thayer | George B Carpenter | T. Hoyle |
| | Seth W Thayer | Edward L Rose | S Mayfield |
| | Benj^n H Salisbury | John N Locke | G. W Paige |
| | Joseph L Hale | A. N Farrow | N C Burlee |
| | Geo Hunting | Geo D Mann | J J Pickham |
| | John G Disley | Wm Barker | Salisbury Peck |
| | Geo W Talbot | Benj^n Cowell jr | Ira D Goff |
| | Jos L Burroughs | Manning Rawson | Perry J Chase |
| | Allen B Mason | Wm Dibley | Geo W Church |
| | Horace Cole | Wm Sprague | Chas Clarke |
| | T. W Garlin | Thos A Richardson | Albert R Cooke |
| | Andrew M Rhodes | David H Gurney | Hugh H Watkins |
| | Chas Rhodes | L L Greene | |
| | Alfred R Hale | L. Goff jr | |
| | Joseph Wheaton | Abel B Potter | 69 |

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| Engine Co No 9 | Albert G Sprague | James H Shaw | Josiah Luther | |
| | Charles H Paine | Lewis Najent | Dexter Paine | |
| | Stephen Cornell | John Hopkins | Wm H West | |
| | Dexter H Paine | Benon Lewis | Dexter Paine 2^d | |
| | James E Brown | Nath^l J Cheney | Horace Collins | |
| | Slade Gardner | Silas Pitcham | Wm H Wood | |
| | Wells Baggs | Benj^n C Brown | Geo W Ingalls | |
| | Jason Harvey | Samuel B Shepard | Aaron Gale | |
| | James P Burgess jr | Alvin Nichols | Henry Gray | |
| | Seth M Rounds | Sam^l T. Stow | Welcome Brown | |
| | Charles Fiske | Henry Tanner | Stephen A Kenyon | |
| | Samuel Wilbour | Simon Sherman | Franklin Rand | |
| | Solomon H Austin | John B Luther | Geo D C Burton | |
| | Arnold R Austin | Henry G Luther | Howard Davis | |
| | Jeremiah Borworth | Wm B Paine | James G Round | |
| | Wilbur Wheaton | James Brown | John Calcowen | |
| | George Warden | Chas G Luther | Dennis Chapman | |
| | Thomas Case | Holden Paine jr | Geo W Swain | |
| | Christopher C Najent | Charles N Arnold | Wm L Davis | |
| | John Dexon | Geo J Cosnett | William H Collins | |
| | William H Sprague | Stephen Chase | Charles Tower | 63 |

The two Boards then separated & the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber

City Treasurers Bond

Providence June 8th 1840

To the City Council

The Committee who was appointed to take a Bond from the City Treasurer, herewith present his Bond for Thirty Thousand dollars, in the same form and with the same sureties as last year

Respectfully Submitted

Barzi Cranston

for the Committee.

Read; whereupon it is Resolved that the same be received, and that the Bond of the City Treasurer be deposited for safe keeping in the Office of the City Clerk.

Passed June 8.
1840

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Petition of T Burgess & Peter Pratt.

The Committee to whom was referred on the 18th of May last the Petition of Thomas Burgess & Peter Pratt Esqrs relative to the ground rent of the building owned by them upon the Town house lot, by leave to report that the sum of 25 dollars per year from 1st January 1839 under all the circumstances of the Case, would be their opinion be a fair equivalent for the use thereof, subjecting them to a removal of the same by giving them 10 days notice.

Providence June 8. 1840.

Seth Padelford
James Wheaton

Read; Whereupon it is Resolved that the same be received
Passed June 8
1840.

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Admitted Free.

The two Boards met in Convention July 8th 1840 when the following named persons were admitted Freemen of this City.

viz.

Isaac Hall
Milton Hall
Horace Robbins
William B Rimington
George R Paul.

Studwell Stanton Jr. Oldest Son of Studwell Stanton

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Propounded

The following named persons were propounded to become Freemen viz.

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| Benjamin G Tallman | Dwd produced by Oscent |
| Lewis P Field | Dwd produced |
| Joseph Weaver | do. |
| Joseph Mallett | |

The two Boards then separated and the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber.

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Tax of $65,000.



An Ordinance providing for the Appropriment and Collection of a tax of Sixty five Thousand dollars.

Be it Ordained by the City Council of the City of Providence as follows,

Section 1. That a tax of Sixty five thousand dollars be appropriated and levied upon the ratable property of the inhabitants and others owning such property in said City; and that said tax be appointed on or before the first Monday in September next; and Collected and paid into the City Treasury on or before the first Monday in October next.

Section 2. That the Collector of said Tax shall advertise in the Manufacturers and Farmers Journal the Evening Herald and the Morning Courier for three weeks successively; Calling on all persons who may be appointed for said Tax, to make payment at his Office within ten days ending on said first Monday in October next, and including that day; And during said ten days said Collector shall attend at his said Office for the purpose of receiving said tax, every day (Sundays excepted) from nine in the Morning until twelve Oclock at Noon, and from two oclock in the afternoon until five oclock in the afternoon; And on said first Monday in October he shall attend for said purpose until nine Oclock in the morning: And said Collector shall deduct three per cent from the respective sums appointed upon all those who shall make payment within said Ten days.

Section 3 The said Collector shall be allowed four per Cent for Collecting said Tax he allowing out of his Commission three per cent to all those who shall pay him the amount of their respective taxes within the ten days aforesaid.

Section 4 That said Collector shall pay into the City Treasury without delay all monies he shall receive towards the tax aforesaid by the first Monday in October next; collecting and paying over the residue (if any) of said tax as soon thereafter as may be; and that all persons who shall be delinquent in paying said tax by said first Monday in October next shall pay interest afterwards for which interest said Collector shall be accountable to said City.

Passed June 15
1840

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Appropriation of $42,265.

Resolved That the several sums herein after mentioned be and the same are hereby appropriated for the following purposes respectively; to wit;

For the support of the Public Schools for the year ending on the first Monday in June A D 1841 together with and in addition to the sum which the City may receive for the same purpose from the State Treasury (the expenditures under this appropriation, to be made by the Order and direction of the School Committee)

Ten thousand dollars.

For the support of the poor and removal of Paupers (including Asylum) Two Thousand five hundred dollars, together with the income of the "Tilling hast Farm" (so Called.)

For the Fire department . . . . . Two thousand dollars.

For Repairs of High ways . . . . . Two thousand dollars

For the support of the Public Watch . . . . Two thousand five hundred dollars

For lighting the Streets . . . . . One thousand five hundred dollars.

For the Salaries of the Mayor and Aldermen for the year ending on the first Monday in June A.D 1841. . . . . one Thousand six hundred dollars.

For the Salaries of Certain Officers as prescribed in and by a Certain Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance fixing the Compensation of Certain Officers for the year ending on the first Monday in June A.D 1841" Three Thousand three hundred & sixty five dollars

For the support of the City Pumps & Wells . . . . . One hundred & fifty dollars.

For the payment of Interest on Money hired and on funded debt (exclusive of Interest on the "School fund loan) . . . . . Three Thousand dollars

For payment of Interest on the "School fund loan", . . One thousand dollars

For the extinguishment of a portion of the City debt . . Five thousand dollars.

For Contingent Expenses viz, any Claims which may be allowed by the Board of Aldermen or by the City Auditor, not included in any of the preceding items; and also the Compensation allowed to Assessors of Taxes and to Ward Clerks . . Two thousand five hundred dollars

For repairs of the Asylum Wall & buildings . . one hundred & fifty dollars.

Resolved That the several sums appropriated as aforesaid be paid out of any monies in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed June 15th
1840.

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**City Treasurer's Bond**

Resolved That Messrs Jackson Cranston & Wade, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to take a Bond of Robert Knight, who has this day been appointed City Treasurer, with sufficient surety or sureties for the faithful performance of the duties of his Office for the present municipal year, and that said Bond be for the sum of Thirty Thousand dollars.

Alderman Hopkins added to the Committee.

Passed June 15
1840

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**Temporary Loan**

Resolved That the City Treasurer, acting under the advice and direction of Messrs Jackson Cranston & Wade, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and he is hereby authorized to borrow by Temporary Loan or Loans for the use of the City, a sum or sums of Money not exceeding in the whole the sum of Three Thousand dollars, and at a rate of interest not exceeding six per cent.

Alderman Hopkins added to the Committee.

Passed June 15
1840

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**Transfer of Books & Papers to City Treasurer**

Resolved That Messrs Jackson, Cranston & Wade with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to transfer the books and papers belonging to the Office of the City Treasurer, from the late to the present City Treasurer

Alderman Cady added to the Committee

Passed June 15
1840



**Weights & Measures**

Resolved That Messrs Cranston & Hudson with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to examine the Standard Weights & Measures belonging to the City, from the late Sealer of Weights and Measures to the Sealer of weights & Measures this day appointed.

Alderman Wheaton added to the Committee

Passed June 15
1840

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**Telescope Level**

Resolved That the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby authorized to purchase for the use of the City a "Telescope Level" and to draw upon the Treasury for the same, provided the Cost does not exceed the sum of Thirty five dollars.

Passed June 15
1840.

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**Books of City Ordinances**

Resolved That the Mayor be and he is hereby authorized to distribute to and among such of the City Officers as may apply for the same so many of the Copies of the Book of City Ordinances published A.D 1835. as he may deem expedient, provided that no person shall receive more than one Copy thereof.

Passed June 15
1840

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**North Burial Ground**

Upon the several Petitions of Edward Hall
Stanton Thurber
Mary Earle
William Earle
Daniel L Peary and
John B Earle requesting leave to purchase and inclose burying lots sufficient for their respective families, in the North burial ground, It is Resolved That the same be granted and the prayer thereof granted; and that said Petitioners be and they are hereby severally authorized to purchase and enclose such lots for such purpose, Provided the same be done under the direction of the Owners of the North Burial Ground, with the sanction of the Mayor; and provided the several privileges hereby granted, shall be subject to all future regulations of the City Council in relation thereto, and shall continue during the pleasure of the City Council and no longer

Passed June 15
1840

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**Thankful Lopez**

Upon the petition of Thankful Lopez a Convict now Confined in the State Jail in the County of Providence praying for relief; It is Resolved that the same be received and the prayer thereof be so far granted; that the Keeper of said Jail be and he is hereby authorized and directed to release said Thankful from her said Confinement, Provided said Thankful shall within six days next after such Liberation, depart from and out of this City and not return thereto without leave of the City Council.

Resolved That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and directed to pay the Costs of the prosecution and Conviction of said Thankful, and her Legal prison fees to the proper Officers entitled to receive the same

Passed June 15.
1840.

James Lee

Upon the Petition of James Lee a Convict now Confined in the States Jail in the County of Providence praying for relief, it is Resolved that the same be granted and the prayer thereof granted, and that the Keeper of said Jail be and he is hereby authorized and directed to liberate said James from his said Confinement, on Condition that said James with his family depart from & out of this City within Forty eight hours next after such Liberation and not return thereto without leave of the City Council

Resolved That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and directed to pay the Cost of the prosecution and Conviction of said James and his legal fees to the proper Officers authorized to receive the same.

Passed June 15
1840.

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The two Boards met in Convention June 15. 1840 when the following appointments were made viz.

The following persons were appointed Members of Fire hook & Ladder Company No 1.

Fire hook & Ladder Company No 1.

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| Stanton Thurber | John Boyden | James Viney |
| Cyrus Osborn | Ebenezer Kingsbury | John Bussey |
| Parley M Mathewson | Wm R Robinson | David Osborn |
| Daniel Hull | John C Gray | George Warren |
| Owen Claflin | James B Read | Edwin Tripp |
| Lyman Dayton | John A Townsend | Dexter Daniels |
| James Chapman | James Weeks | George S Martin |
| Obadiah P Osborne | John Caseby | |
| Augustus Ellis | Francis Cook | |

Steam Fencing Stationary Engine No 1.

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| Thos J Hill | Alexander Hodges | Smith Barrett |
| Alpheus B Southwick | Henry C Mathewson | Henry Studley |
| Jas Wilson | Richard W Dexter | Ira Grant |
| John H Corrance | Jessee Pattey | Albert G Coffin |
| Newton C Whipple | James Livesey Jr | Anthony Hazard |
| Thompson Newbury | Angell Batty Jr | Thomas Luther |
| Geog A Jenks | Jonathan Wood | William Marsh |
| Anson Cole | James Madison | Benjamin Thurston |

Fire Ward. William J Harris, was elected Fire Ward in place of Allen C Peck who declined serving

Ward of Fire ward. Silvanus G Martin was Elected Ward of Fire ward in place of Charles Holden who declined serving.

City Treasurer Stephen Fielding late City Treasurer resigned his Office whereupon it is Resolved that said resignation be accepted.

Robert Knight was Elected City Treasurer in place of Mr Stephen Fielding resigned.

Sealer of Wts & Measures Edward Luther was Elected Sealer of Weights & Measures in place of John S Jackson who declined serving

Assessors of Taxes. Nathaniel Bishop, Asa Pierce, Samuel Jackson 2d & Charles Holden were Elected to assess the Tax this day Ordered.

Collector of Taxes James Mumford was Elected Collector of the Tax this day Ordered.

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Treasurers Accounts.

Resolved That Messrs Cranston and Wade with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be a Committee to Settle the accounts of Robert Knight late City Treasurer, and to trans fer the Books, papers, Funds and effects of the Late to the present City Treasurer; and also to receive a Bond from the City Treasurer in the sum of Thirty Thousand dollars with Sureties Satisfactory to said Committee.

Alderman Phillips added
Passed July 27th
1840.

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Appropriations

Resolved That the several sums herein after mentioned be appropriated and paid out of any monies in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated for the following purposes to wit,

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| For Highways | $ 1500 |
| " Public buildings | 150 |
| " Police department | 150 |

Passed July 27th 1840.

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City Funds

Resolved That Cranston & Wade with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be authorized to make an arrangement with any one of the Banks in this City for the deposit of the City funds, for the present Municipal year, upon such terms as they may think most for the interest of the City.

Alderman Hopkins added
Passed July 27. 1840

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Temporary Loan

Resolved That the City Treasurer under the advice and direction of Cranston & Wade with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be authorized to hire such sums of Money as may be needed for the use of the City previous to the first Monday of October next at a rate of interest not exceeding six per Cent, and not exceeding in the whole the sum of four Thousand dollars.

Alderman Cady added
Passed July 27
1840.

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George G Gladding for Relief.

Upon the petition of George G Gladding a Convict now Confined in Jail in the County of Providence praying for relief, it is Resolved That the said petition be received & the prayer thereof granted — and that the Keeper of said Jail be & he is hereby authorized & directed to liberate the said George from his said Confinement upon his paying all the Cost.

Passed July 27th
1840.

Admitted Free.

The Two Boards met in Convention July 27th 1840. when the following named persons having stood propounded three months were admitted Freemen of the City viz. —

Reuben Mowry
George W Smith
Thomas J Payne
Nathaniel D Abbott
John Whitford
Ebenezer H Balch
Augustus Stevens
Nathan Kent
Munson Briggs
Allen Tillinghast also

Alfred B Lewis Eldest Son of James Lewis
William H Calder " " " William Calder

Propounded

The following named persons are propounded to become Freemen.
viz.

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| Moja Willis Shaw | by right of his wife |
| Henry Giles | do |
| Jonathan D Holme | do |
| George W Talbot. | by the Curtesy |
| Theodore Hall | and Involuntary |
| Abner H Angell | do |
| Edward McKenna | do |
| Philip M Baker | do |
| Benjamin B Baker | do |
| Philander S S Hewitt | do |
| William Grosvenor | do |
| Conrad C Ellery | do |
| James Bowen | do |
| Henry S Hazard | do |
| James H Bostwick | do |
| Charles H Childs | do |
| Malachi R Gardner | do |
| William S Arnold | do |
| Henry A Cory | do |
| Israel L Joslin | do |
| William Valley | do |
| George H Tingley | do |
| Lyman Dayton | do |
| Hansel Brown | do |
| Benjamin H Gladding | do |
| Daniel Bush | do |
| Nathaniel Eaton | do |
| Matthew Bartlett | do |
| Abel Foster | do |
| Robert Ralston | do |
| Alfred Spink | do. |

City Treasurer.



A Written Communication from Robert Knight is received tendering his resignation of Office as City Treasurer, which being read is accepted. and

Benjamin Clifford is Elected City Treasurer until the first Monday of June next. —

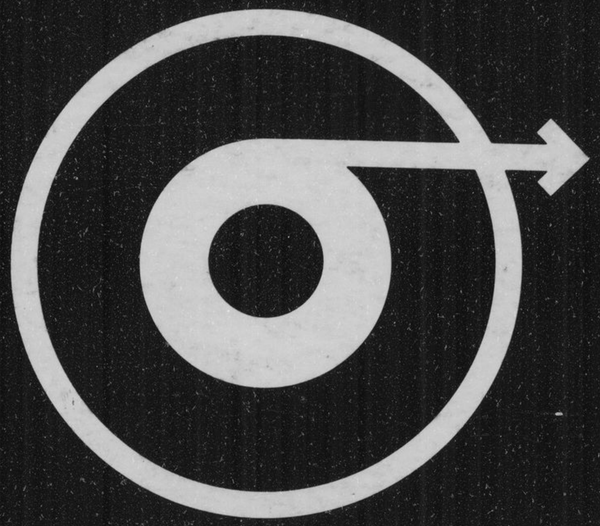
Measurers of Grain Salt & Sea Coal.

The following named persons are Elected additional Measurers of Grain Salt & Sea Coal. viz

John B Jones. Edward S Sheldon

The two Boards then Separated and the Board of Aldermen retired to their Chamber

END OF ITEM



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