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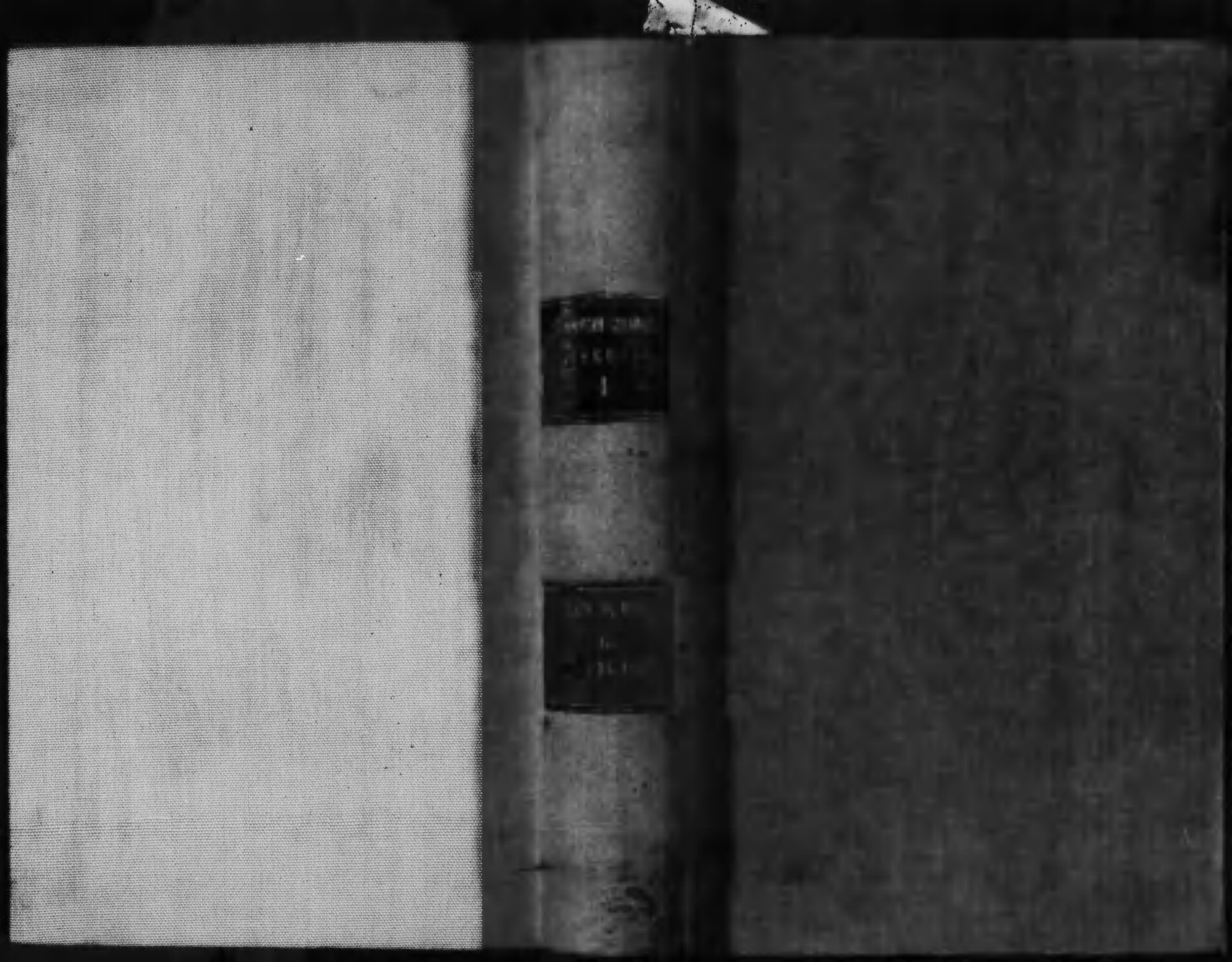
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*COMMON COUNCIL*  
*of the*  
*CITY OF PROVIDENCE,*

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*Book N<sup>o</sup> 4.*

*From*

*January 8<sup>th</sup> 1844,*

*to*

*December 13<sup>th</sup> 1847.*

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January 8<sup>th</sup> 1844.

Common Council, January 8<sup>th</sup> 1844.

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

*elections.*  
*C.C.* James T. Rhodes, who was on the second Monday of De-  
ember last, elected a member of the Common Council  
*B.S. 311.* from the Third Ward in the place of Eben Wade who had  
resigned his seat, - and William Sabodie, who was on the  
same day elected a member of the Common Council  
from the sixth Ward, in the place of Abrason Allin  
deceased, appear, produce the certificates of their election,  
are duly sworn by the Mayor, in presence of the Board  
of Aldermen, and take their seats.

*City*  
*Funds.* The joint Committee who were on the 7<sup>th</sup> of December last,  
*B.S. 320.* appointed to make an arrangement with one or more of the  
Banks in the City for the deposit of the City Funds, for  
the year commencing on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of January instant,  
make Report that they have made such arrangement  
with the City Bank: said Bank to allow interest on  
such deposits at the rate of three per cent, which  
Report is read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the  
same, together with the contract accompanying the  
same be received and recorded; and that said Con-  
tract be deposited in the Office of the City Treasurer.  
(Concurred.)

*Sanial*  
*Lots.* Petitions of N. S. Bartlett,  
and Christopher Harding, requesting liberty to fence  
in Surveying Lots in the North Sanial Ground, were presented  
and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee  
on City Property, to examine and report thereon; which  
Committee make Report, in favour of granting the prop-  
er thereof; and also in favour of granting the proper

- B.3. 298. of the petitions of Samuel Gail and Rowland Evans, <sup>George</sup> Wood, Thomas L. Tuell, Joseph N. Brown, Halsey W. Maine, & Nathaniel Newhall, - referred, October 2<sup>d</sup>, 1843, - of James
- B.3. 306. A. Gaudy, Samuel B. Ballock, N. C. Northup, Ethen Whipple, & Harris Reynolds, - referred October 23<sup>d</sup>, 1843, - of James M.
- B.3. 312. Postwick, referred November 27<sup>th</sup> 1843, - and of Jesse Parks,
- B.3. 318. Joseph Beaman, and William B. Bowen, - referred December 7<sup>th</sup> 1843. - which Report is received: and a Resolution, granting the prayers of said petitions, with the usual limitations and conditions, is read and passed.  
(Concurred.)

<sup>State School</sup> <sup>House,</sup> <sup>6<sup>th</sup> Ward.</sup> A Petition of William Hudson and Stephen Barker, is presented and read.

Do. Upon the Petition of William Hudson and Stephen Barker, Committee, - for the use of the Stone School House in the Sixth Ward, - it is resolved, that the same be received, and referred to the Mayor, - who is hereby authorized to grant the same, if he deems it expedient, - on such conditions as he may think proper.  
(Concurred.)

M. McQuade. The Standing Committee on Police, to whom, on the 7<sup>th</sup> of December last, was referred the Petition of Michael  
B.3. 318. McQuade, for relief, make Report, in favour of granting the prayer thereof, which Report is read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received.

Do. Upon the Petition of Michael McQuade, now confined in the States' Jail in the County of Providence, for retailing strong liquors without license, - it is resolved, that the prayer thereof be granted; and that the portion of the fine which said petitioner is, by his sentence bound to pay to and for the use of the City, be, and the same is, hereby remitted.  
(Concurred.)

<sup>Geo</sup> <sup>Witchell,</sup> <sup>1st. Ward.</sup> The Standing Committee on Police, to whom on the 27<sup>th</sup> of November last, was referred the Petition of John Mitchell, confined in the States' Jail in the County of Providence, under sentence for a violation of the License Law, make Report that the prayer thereof ought not to be granted: which Report is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received, - and that said petitioner have leave to withdraw said Petition.

Do. <sup>2<sup>d</sup> Ward.</sup> A further Petition of said John Mitchell, for relief, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received, and that said petitioner have leave to withdraw the same.

<sup>City</sup> <sup>Treasurer.</sup> The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20<sup>th</sup> 1844, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received.

<sup>City</sup> <sup>Treasurer.</sup> A Draft of Resolutions, prescribing certain Duties to be hereafter performed by the City Treasurer, - is presented and read. - Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

<sup>Ellen</sup> <sup>Cummings.</sup> A Petition of Ellen Cummings, now confined in the States' Jail in the County of Providence, under sentence for retailing strong liquors without license, praying for relief, - is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Police, to examine and report thereon.

<sup>claims</sup> <sup>relative to</sup> <sup>laying out</sup> <sup>High Street.</sup> A Communication from the Mayor, relative to certain claims upon the City, for property of individuals, lying on High Street, taken for the public use, is presented and read.

4. January 8<sup>th</sup> 1844.

Do. Resolved, that the sum of four hundred and seventy five  
3. Dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for  
the payment of Damages to individuals, owners of  
lands on High Street, by the laying out of Bridgman  
14. Street: to wit,

For payment of the claim of the heirs of John Mackie,  
three hundred Dollars.

For payment of the claim of Thomas Burgess, Trustee of  
Ann Eliza Barnes, - one hundred and seventy-five  
Dollars. -

And that said sums, so appropriated, be paid to the  
order or orders of the Board of Aldermen, out of any  
monies in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.  
(Concurred.)

The Committee who were, on the 23<sup>d</sup> of October  
office of } lost, appointed to enquire into the expediency of so modi-  
City Engineer } fying the "Ordinance prescribing the Duties of the Street  
Com. } Commissioners and City Engineer, and for other purpo-  
B. 3. 308, } ses," as to dispense with said Office of City Engineer,  
14. } make Report, accompanied by a Bill entitled "An  
Ordinance establishing Street Commissioners, prescribing  
the Duties thereof, and for other purposes." - which Re-  
port is read and received; and is, together with said Bill,  
referred to the next meeting of the Common Council;  
And it is ordered, that said Bill be printed in  
all the newspapers employed to do the City printing.

Attwater & } Two Accounts of Messrs Attwater & Schubarth against  
Schubarth } the City are presented and read.  
Mch.

Do. Upon the two Accounts of Messrs Attwater and  
Schubarth against the City, this Day, presented to  
the City Council, for allowance, - it is resolved,  
that the same be allowed; and that the amount  
thereof, being fourteen, 2/100 Dollars in the whole,  
be paid them by the City Treasurer, from the appro-  
- priation for Highways. (Concurred.)

5. January 8<sup>th</sup> February 12<sup>th</sup> 1844.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on the twelfth  
day of February next, (being the second Monday in said  
month,) at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

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|---------------|---------------|
| Mr President. | " Jones,      |
| " Aldrich,    | " Manchester, |
| " Bradford,   | " Metcalf,    |
| " Butts,      | " Patten,     |
| " Carpenter,  | " Smith,      |
| " Fairbanks,  | " Hemson,     |
| " Goddard,    | " Viall,      |
| " Gorham,     | " Williams,   |
| " Greene,     | " Pabodie,    |
| " Hidden,     | " Rhodes,     |
| " Hutchins,   |               |

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Albert G. Greene,  
Clerk.

Common Council, February 12<sup>th</sup> 1844.

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

Mr Smith. Mr Smith is appointed one of the Standing Committee on  
Finance, in the place of Eben Wade who has resigned  
his seat in the Common Council.  
Book 3, 268

Mr Rhodes. Mr Rhodes is appointed one of the Standing Committee  
on City Property, in the place of Mason Allen, deceased.  
Book 3, 269

Barrying } Petitioners of George W. Steinhower,  
Lett. } Edwin Tripp,  
10. } George Tripp,

February 12<sup>th</sup> 1844.

William B. Bradford, for liberty to enclose burying lots in the North Burial Ground, are presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon.

Petn of H. Holden Com.

Praying Lot for Family of Gov. Cooke.

A Petition of Henry Holden, in behalf of a Committee appointed by the Hon. General Assembly, to remove the remains of the late Gov. Nicholas Cooke and his family, and the remains generally, now in a burying-lot in Transit Street, - praying for liberty to fence in a suitable lot in the North Burial Ground, as a place of deposit for said remains, and as a place of burial for the family generally of said Gov. Cooke, - is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine & report thereon.

Indifferently, The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20<sup>th</sup> 1844, is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

McGuire. A Petition of Francis M. McGuire, convicted of selling strong liquors, without license, - praying for relief, - is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Police, to examine and report thereon.

Mayor's Com. A Communication from the Mayor, recommending that the portions of the fines which the City is by law entitled to receive from John Mitchell and Ellen Cummings, convicted of violations of the License Law, - be remitted, - is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be laid upon the Table.

February 12<sup>th</sup> 1844.

The Standing Committee on Police, to whom, on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of January last, was referred the petition of Ellen Cummings, under sentence for retailing strong liquors without license, - make Report that they do not recommend the granting of the prayer thereof. - which Report is read and received. And it is thereupon resolved, that said petitioners have leave to withdraw said petition.

Mitchell. A Petition of John Mitchell, now confined in the State's Jail in the County of Providence, under sentence for a violation of the License Law, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Police, to examine and report thereon.

Petn of G. M. Richmond & others, in College Street, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

J. Swarts. A Communication from the Mayor, respecting the Petition of Gardner J. Swarts which was presented to the City Council on the 19<sup>th</sup> of April, 1842, praying that the sum of fifty Dollars paid by him as a fine to the City, may be repaid to him, - is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same together with said Petition of Gardner J. Swarts, be referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon.

Accts of B. Clifford late City Treasurer. The joint Committee who were on the 27<sup>th</sup> day of November last, appointed to audit and settle the accounts of Benjamin Clifford, late City Treasurer, with the City, make Report, that they have caused an examination of the Books & Accounts of said late Treasurer, to be made, and that the result, in Detail, is contained in three Accounts accompanying said Report.

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

(Concurred.)

Do. Whereas the joint Committee of the City Council who were on the 27<sup>th</sup> Day of November A.D. 1843 appointed to audit and settle the Accounts of Benjamin Clifford late City Treasurer, with the City, have this Day made Report to the City Council, that they find said late Treasurer to be indebted to the City, in the sum of thirteen thousand one hundred and sixty nine Dollars and six cents, and that said sum, with the interest added to this Day at four per cent per annum, leaves said late City Treasurer indebted to the City, in the sum of fourteen thousand three hundred and nine Dollars and seventy nine cents. - It is, thereupon, resolved, that the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed, under the advice and direction of the Standing Committee on Finance, to collect said sum of fourteen thousand three hundred and nine Dollars and seventy nine cents, from said late City Treasurer or his securities.

(Concurred.)

Philetus Hovey. } A Petition of Philetus Hovey, praying for the repayment of the sum of twenty Dollars, paid by him as a fine to the City, on conviction for keeping open his store after 10 o'clock P.M. - is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on Police, to examine and report thereon.

Angell St. } A Resolution in the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence; and is read.

Prospect St. } Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be authorized to cut down and grade Angell and Prospect Streets, in conformity with the gradation fixed by

Book 3, 301.  
H= 44.  
Howell St. 419  
Carpenter St.

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the City Street Commissioners, and to alter the location of Prospect Street at its junction with Angell Street, agreeably to the contract between the City and the late Moses Brown: And also, that the Surveyor be directed, as soon as can be advantageously done, to grade Power and Carpenter Streets, and set the curb-stones thereon, if they are provided by the owners of the estates, according to the City Ordinances; -

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

C. Arnold. A Petition of Charles Arnold, praying for the repayment of a fine paid by him to the City, and of the costs of prosecution paid by him, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received.

Do. Upon the Petition of Charles Arnold, for relief, it is resolved, that the same be received, and the prayer thereof be granted: and that the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay, to said Arnold, the sum of ten Dollars and twenty cents, from the Appropriation for Contingencies. (Concurred.)

Committee to enquire respecting payments without Appropriations. Resolved, that Messrs. Whidden, Goodhue and Bradford be a Committee to enquire into the right of the City Treasurer to pay bills for which no appropriation has been made by the City Council, - or when the appropriations have been expended; - and, if necessary, to report an Ordinance to remedy the evil.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on the eleventh Day of March next, (being the second Monday in said month,) at 7 o'clock P.M.

10. February 12<sup>th</sup> March 11<sup>th</sup> 1844.

Members present,

Mr President,  
Aldrich,  
Bradford,  
Butts,  
Carpenter,  
Fairbanks,  
Goodhall,  
Graham,  
Greene,  
Hadden,  
Hutchins

James,  
Jones,  
Metcalf,  
Patten,  
Smith,  
Stinson,  
Tingley,  
Viall,  
Williams,  
Whodes.

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Albert Greene, Clerk.

Common Council, March 11<sup>th</sup> 1844.

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

Eddy } A Petition of George B. Holmes & others, for repair on  
Street. } Eddy Street, from Ship to Pine Street, is presented, read  
12 } received, and referred to the Standing Committee on  
Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Banjo } A Petition of Daniel C. Easton, for liberty to fence in a lot  
Lots. } in the North Burial Ground, is presented, read, received, &  
5 } referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to ex-  
amine and report thereon; which Committee make  
Report in favor of granting thereof, and also in favor  
of granting the prayers of the petitions of George W.  
Steinhauer, Edwinripp, Georgeripp & William  
B. Bradford, - referred February 12<sup>th</sup> 1844; which Report  
is received; and a Resolution granting the prayers of  
said petitions, with the usual limitations and conditions,

11. March 11<sup>th</sup> 1844.

is read and passed. (Concurred.)

Mr Mitchell. The Standing Committee on Police, to whom, on the  
12<sup>th</sup> day of February last, was referred the petition of  
John Mitchell, for relief, - make Report, in favour  
7. of granting the prayer thereof; which Report is read  
and received.

Do. Upon the petition of John Mitchell, now confined  
in the State Jail in the County of Providence, under  
sentence for retailing strong liquors without license,  
praying for relief, - it is Resolved, that the prayer  
thereof be granted, - and that the portion of the  
fine which said petitioner is bound by said sentence  
to pay to the City, be and the same is hereby re-  
mitted.

(Concurred.)

P. Guire. The Standing Committee on Police, to whom, on the 12<sup>th</sup>  
day of February last, was referred the petition of Fran-  
6. cis M. Guire, for relief, - make Report that they do  
not recommend the granting of the prayer thereof; which  
Report is read and received; and it is thereupon re-  
solved, that said petitioner have leave to withdraw  
his said petition.

P. Hovey. The Standing Committee on Police, to whom, on the 12<sup>th</sup>  
8. day of February last, was referred the petition of Mi-  
chael Hovey, for the repayment to him of a fine by  
him paid to the City, - make Report that they do not  
recommend the granting of the prayer thereof; which  
Report is read and received; and it is thereupon resolved,  
that said petitioner have leave to withdraw his said  
petition.

Ellen } The Petition of Ellen Cummings, for relief, which, on  
Cummings } the 12<sup>th</sup> Day of February last, said petitioner had leave  
7.

to withdraw, is again called up: And the following Res-  
olution thereon is read and passed: viz:

Resolved, That the portion of the fine which  
Ellen Cummings, (now confined in the State's Jail in  
the County of Providence, under sentence for retailing  
strong liquors without license,) is bound by said sen-  
tence to pay to the City, be and the same is here-  
by omitted; provided she leave the City within  
twenty-four hours after her discharge from jail.  
(Concurred.)

Researer's  
Quarterly  
Report: } The Quarterly Report of the City Treasurer, of the Office  
and payments of the City Debt, is presented and read.  
Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received.  
(Concurred.)

Its Monthly  
Statement: } The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the  
Resolution of the Common Council of October 20<sup>th</sup> 1834  
is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that  
the same be received.

W. Westworth's } A Petition of William Westworth, praying for the re-  
payment of a fine paid by him to the City, for obstruc-  
ting a side walk, is presented and read. Whereupon,  
20. it is resolved that the same be received and referred  
to the Standing Committee on Police, to examine and  
report thereon.

Report  
Payments  
from Treasurer  
without Appropria-  
tions. } The Committee who were on the 12<sup>th</sup> Day of Febro-  
ry last, appointed to enquire into the right of the  
City Treasurer to pay bills for which no appropria-  
tion was been made by the City Council, &c, re-  
port the following Resolution, which is read and  
passed: viz:

Do. } Resolved, That the City Treasurer be instructed  
to keep an Account with each and every Appropria-  
tion of monies made by the City Council, whether  
general or special; and to take care that the pay-  
ments made under the different appropriations, do

not in any case exceed the amounts appropriated,  
(Non concurred.)

Payments  
from Treas-  
ury, under  
Appropria-  
tions. } Resolved, That Messrs. Hidden, Patten & Hutchins,  
with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be  
and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to  
enquire whether any legislation is necessary in re-  
lation to payments made from the City Treasury  
34. under the appropriations made by the City Coun-  
cil.  
(Concurred, & Aldermen Fenner added.)

Mayor's  
Salary. } Resolved, That the salary of the Mayor, for the year  
ensuing the first Monday in June next, shall be  
One Thousand Dollars, payable quarterly.  
(Concurred.)

Justices of  
the Peace } A Communication from the Mayor, relative to the elec-  
tion of Justices of the Peace by the City, is presented &  
read.

Do } Resolved, That the City Council will take no meas-  
ures for the election of Justices of the Peace by the  
City, for the ensuing year; and that the General  
Assembly be and they are hereby requested, at  
their next May Session, to elect a sufficient  
number of Justices of the Peace, for the City.  
(Concurred.)

Com. from  
Com. on  
Finance. } A Communication from the Standing Committee on  
Finance, recommending certain Appropriations, and  
also recommending that the City Treasurer be authori-  
zed to borrow from the Commissioners of the Dexter Do-  
nation, the amount of money they now have on hand,  
14. 14. } is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved that the  
same be received;

Appropriations. Resolved, that the several sums hereinafter named be, and the same are, hereby appropriated for the following purposes respectively, to wit;

13. For the support of the Public Schools, seven thousand, three hundred Dollars.

For the repairs of highways, already ordered by the City Council, Two thousand, six hundred Dollars.

For general repairs of highways, one thousand nine hundred Dollars.

(The expenditures of the two last named appropriations, to be made under the direction of the Surveyor of Highways.)

For the Fire Department, One thousand Dollars.

For Contingencies, One thousand Dollars.

For the School Fund Loan, One thousand, two hundred Dollars.

For repairs of Public Buildings, Five hundred Dollars.

For the Police Department, Two hundred Dollars.

For the improvement of the Dexter Training Ground, one hundred Dollars.

And that said sums, so appropriated, be paid out of any monies in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

(Concluded.)

Loan from Dexter Donation. Resolved, That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to hire from the Commissioners of the Dexter Donation, the amount of money which said Commissioners now have on hand, and to give a note therefor, payable in not exceeding one year, after date, at a rate of interest not exceeding five per cent.

(Concluded.)

Ordinance. The Bill entitled "An Ordinance establishing Street Commissioners, prescribing the Duties thereof, and for

other purposes," which was on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of January last, reported, and then received and referred to the next meeting of the Common Council, with an order that the same should be printed in all the newspapers employed to do the City printing, - having been printed pursuant to said order, is now again read, and is passed. (Concluded.)

Child of Manuel Fenner. A Memorial from sundry citizens of the Sixth Ward, relative to the admission of a child of Manuel Fenner, man of color, into the Primary School in Federal Street, in said Ward, - is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved that the same be received and laid upon the Table.

Highway. A Petition of J.B. Nichols & others, for repairs on Broadway, from Tabin to Dean Street, is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Friendship Street. A Petition of Amos Fletcher & others, for the grading of Friendship Street, from Plave to Lockwood Streets, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and laid upon the Table.

Bapsett Street. A Petition of Boston Clarke and others, for repairs on Bapsett Street, from Ship to Claverick Street, is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine & report thereon.

Drain in Westm. St. A Resolution directing the Standing Committee on Highways, to enquire into the expediency of constructing

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a Drain through Westminster Street, is read & passed.

Bridgman Street, } A Resolution in the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, & is read: viz.

4. Resolved, That the sum of Four Hundred Dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated, for the purpose of opening and rendering passable the street through the Deuter Farm land, recently laid out and called "Bridgman Street;" and that the same be expended under the direction of the Surveyor of Highways."

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

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

Edward T. Sheldon is elected a Measurer of Grain, Salt & Sea Coal, for the remainder of the present Municipal Year.

David Taylor,

Amos Fletcher

& Henry Carter are elected Undertakers, for the remainder of the present Municipal Year.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of April next, (being the second Monday in said month,) at half past 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

" Mr. President

" Aldrich

" Bradford

" Butts

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" Carpenter,

" Gardner,

" Gibson,

" Greene,

" Hadden,

" Hutchins,

" James,

" Jones,

" Melcott,

" Patten,

" Smith,

" Stinson,

" Thurber,

" Tingley,

" Williams,

" Pabodie,

" Rhodes,

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Albert J. Greene,  
Clerk.

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The Common Council met pursuant to adjournment. A Quorum present.

Monthly Statement } The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council of October 20<sup>th</sup> 1834, is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, who, thereupon, report the following Resolution, which is read & passed: viz:

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 Thousand Dollars;  
For the Support of the City Watch, Two Hundred Dollars;  
For repairs of Highways & Bridges, One Thousand Dollars.  
And that said sums, so appropriated, be paid out of any moneys in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated.  
(Concurred.)

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Burial  
Lots. }

Petitions of N. C. Northup,  
Silas G. Tapp,  
Ethan Whipple,  
William C. Helme,  
F. P. Foster,  
Jane Kelly,  
Lydia Owen,  
Georg Owen,  
Smith Owen,  
Ezekiel Owen,

& Henry Whiting, - for liberty to fence in and  
enclose burial lots sufficient for their respective families,  
in the North Burial Ground, are presented and read, re-  
ceived, and referred to the Standing Committee on City  
Affairs, to examine and report thereon, - which Com-  
mittee make Report recommending the granting of the  
prayers thereof: which Report is received, and a Reso-  
lution granting the prayers of said Petitions, with the  
usual limitations and conditions, is read and passed,  
(Concurred.)

Bill of An Account of the Assessors of Taxes, for examining the R.  
Assessors. } turns in relation to persons registered or paying a tax of one  
Dollar each, - and in relation to the enrolled militia  
96. in the City, amounting to \$5,400 Dollars, is presented and  
read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received  
& referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to ex-  
amine and report thereon.

Children's } A Petition of the Children's Friend Society, praying for and  
Friends } additional appropriation, for the relief of said Society, is  
Society. } presented and read.

Do. Upon the Petition of the Children's Friend Society, it is  
Resolved, that the same be received, and that the sum  
of one hundred and four Dollars and fifty-one cents, be,  
and the same is hereby appropriated for the use of said  
Society; and that the same be paid by the City Treasurer,  
to the Treasurer of said Society, out of any moneys in the

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Treasury, not otherwise appropriated.  
(Concurred.)

Union } A Petition of John F. Phillips & others, proprietors of lots  
Cemetery } in Union Cemetery, is presented and read.

Do. Upon the Petition of John F. Phillips and others, pro-  
prietors of Union Cemetery, for leave to add land to  
said Cemetery, it is Resolved, that said petition be  
52. received, and the prayer thereof be granted; and that  
said petitioners be authorized to add to their said Cem-  
etery, the lots No. one, two, three, four, five and six, on  
the Plat of J. Wiggins' land, which said lots front  
on Windmill Street & southerly on lot No. 7 of some  
land. (Concurred.)

G. P. Swarts. The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to whom  
7. on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of February last, was referred the Petition  
of Gardner T. Swarts, praying for the repayment of a fine  
of fifty Dollars by him paid to the City, together with a  
Communication from the Mayor, relating thereto, - make  
Report that, in their opinion, the prayer of said peti-  
tion ought not to be granted: which Report is read.  
Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received, and  
that said petitioners have leave to withdraw his petition  
(Concurred.)

S. Tingley Jr. A Petition of Samuel Tingley Jr. for liberty to remove  
a building, is presented and read.

Do. Upon the Petition of Samuel Tingley Jr. for liberty  
to remove a wooden building it is Resolved, that the  
same be received, and the prayer thereof granted,  
and that said petitioners be and he is hereby authorized  
to remove said building from its present location at  
the corner of Hydrantion and Cove Streets, and to  
place the same on Dorrance Street.  
(Concurred.)

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R. J. Howe } Anti Slavery Society. A Petition of the Executive Committee of the Rhode Island Anti Slavery Society, for the use of the Town House, for holding the meetings of said Society, during the present year, whenever not otherwise specially occupied - is presented and read; - and a Committee of said petitioners having been heard relative to the same, it is resolved that said petitioners have leave to withdraw their petition.

W. A. Howard. A Petition of William A. Howard, for liberty to remove the Tolbot House (so called) adjoining Grace Church, is presented and read.

Do Upon the Petition of William A. Howard, for liberty to remove the Tolbot House (so called) - it is Resolved, 34. that the same be received, and the prayer thereof granted, and that said petitioner be and he is hereby authorized to remove said building from its present location on Westminster Street, and to place the same on Fulton Street. (Concurred.)

Pawtucket Street. } A Petition of David C. Keep and others, for repairs on Pawtucket Street, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is 79. resolved, that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine & report thereon.

W. Westworth. The Standing Committee on Police to whom on the 11<sup>th</sup> of March last, was referred the Petition of William Westworth, for relief, - make Report, that they do not recommend the granting of the prayer thereof; which Report is read; Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received, and that said petitioner have leave to withdraw his petition.

R. J. Angell } for the Insane. A Resolution tendering to the Corporation of the Rhode Island

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Angell for the Insane, the Field's Point Farm, so called, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be referred to Messrs Smith, Patten and Thurber, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon.

Concurred, with this Amendment: viz. That said Committee be instructed to enquire whether there are not other lands belonging to the City which are more eligible, and which should be offered to said Corporation.

The Mayor added,

The Common Council concurs in the amendment.

North Main Street. } A Petition of Philip Allen & son, and others, praying that North Main Street, from Randall to Sexton Street, may be paved, is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine & report thereon; which Committee make Report, recommending that the prayer thereof be granted; which Report is read and received.

Do Upon the Petition of Philip Allen & son and others, it is Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be, and 34. he is hereby directed to cause North Main Street, from Randall Street to Sexton Street, to be paved. (Concurred, April 15<sup>th</sup> 1844.)

Drain in Westminster St. } The Standing Committee on Highways, who were, on the 11<sup>th</sup> of March last, directed to enquire into the expediency of constructing a Drain through Westminster Street, 15. make Report that the same is not expedient. which Report is read; Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received.

Transit Street. } The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 7<sup>th</sup> of August last, was referred a Petition of William

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Woodward & others, for the repair of a part of Transit Street, (which reference was made by the Board of Aldermen,) make Report in favour of granting the prayer thereof: which Report is read and received.

Do. Upon the Petition of William Woodward Jr & others, it is Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby Directed to alter Transit Street from Benefit to Brook Street, by filling up or cutting down the same conformably to the grade established by the Street Commissioners.

(Concerned, April 15<sup>th</sup> 1844.)

Crop Walks. B.S. 191. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 13<sup>th</sup> of September, 1841, was referred the Petition of Daniel Field and others for sundry crop walks, & the Petition of Alexander Hodges & others, for crop walks in Eddy Street; and to whom, on the 31<sup>st</sup> of October 1842, was referred the Petition of the Seamen's Friends Society, for a crop walk in South Main Street; and to whom, on the 16<sup>th</sup> of October 1843, was referred the Petition of Joseph Veazie & others, for a crop walk in North Main Street; and to whom, on the 27<sup>th</sup> of November 1843, was referred the Petition of William Sheldon & others, for a crop walk across Love Lane; and to whom on the 21<sup>st</sup> of August 1843, was referred by the Board of Aldermen, the Petition of N.R. Knight and others, for a crop walk in High Street, make Report in favour of granting the prayers thereof: which Report is read and received.

Do. Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to cause crop walks to be laid, as follows: to wit:

- B.S. 249 One across South Main Street, opposite the Meeting House of the Seamen's Friends Society;
- B.S. 309 One across North Main Street opposite the door leading to the Yacht in the Canal Market;
- B.S. 313 One across Love Lane at its junction with High Street;

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- One across High Street, between Stewart & Franklin Streets;
- One across Chestnut Street, or Clifford Street, to Ship Street;
- One in Ship Street, across the foot of Richmond Street;
- 11 One from Richmond Street to Field Street;
- One across Friendship Street, on the West side of Chestnut Street;
- One across Eddy Street, near the New England Sewing Factory.

(Concerned, April 15<sup>th</sup> 1844.)

Eddy Street } The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 11<sup>th</sup> of March last, was referred the petition of George W. Holmes & others, for repair on Eddy Street, make Report, recommending that the Surveyor of Highways be directed to make such repairs as soon as may be practicable; which Report is read and received.

Do. Upon the Petition of Geor<sup>y</sup> W. Holmes & others, it is Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to alter and finish Eddy Street, from Ship Street to Pine Street in conformity to the grade established by the Street Commissioners, as soon as the same may be practicable.

Baptist Street } The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of March last, was referred the petition of Gordon Clarke & others, for repair on Baptist Street, make Report, in favour of granting the prayer thereof: which Report is read and received.

Do. Upon the Petition of Gordon Clarke & others, it is Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to cause Baptist Street, from Ship Street to Cloverick Street, to be cut down and finished conformably to the grade established by the Street Commissioners, (provided said Street has been accepted by the City.) (Concerned, April 17<sup>th</sup> 1844.)

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Washington Street. 3  
B.3. 303. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 16<sup>th</sup> of October last, was referred the petition of Benjamin Brown & others, for the paving of Washington Street, make Report, that they do not recommend the granting of the prayer thereof; which Report is read and received, and it is thereupon resolved that said petitioners have leave to withdraw their petition.

Broadway. 10. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of March last, was referred the petition of J. B. Nichols & others, for repairs on Broadway, make Report, recommending the granting of the prayer thereof, on condition that the owners of the adjoining lands furnish curb stones for the side walks. which Report is read and received.

Do. Upon the Petition of J. B. Nichols & others, it is resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways he and he is hereby directed to cause the gutters to be paved in Broadway, from Robin Street to Dean Street, and the curb stones to be set therein, and to repair said section of said Broadway, whenever the owners of the adjoining lands shall furnish said curb stones.

(Concurred April 13<sup>th</sup> 1844.)

Geo. Drew. The Standing Committee on Police, to whom was referred by the Board of Aldermen, a Petition of George Drew, for the repayment of a fine and costs paid by him on conviction for obstructing Market Square, make Report, recommending that the amount of said fine be repaid; which Report is read and received.

Do. Upon the Petition of George Drew, Resolved, that the fine of Five Dollars, imposed upon him for a breach of a City Ordinance, be remitted; and the City Treasurer he, and he is hereby authorized to return him, the amount of said fine paid by him.

(Concurred.)

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H. Holden or al. Burial Lot. Family of Gov. Cooke. The Standing Committee on City Property, to whom, on the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of February last, was referred the Petition of Henry Holden in behalf of a Committee appointed by the Hon. General Assembly, to remove the remains of the late Gov. Nicholas Cooke and his family, and the remains generally, now in a burying lot in Transit Street, praying for liberty to fence in and enclose a burying lot in the North Burial Ground, as a place of deposit for said remains and as a place of burial for the family generally of said Governor Cooke, - make Report recommending that liberty be granted to fence in a sufficient burial lot to receive said remains now in the ground on Transit Street; which Report is read and received.

Do. Upon the Petition of Henry Holden, in behalf of a Committee appointed by authority of the General Assembly to remove the remains of the late Gov. Nicholas Cooke and his family from the old family burial ground near Transit Street, - it is Resolved, that said Holden and his Associates be and they are hereby authorized to fence in and enclose a burying lot in the North Burial Ground, for a place of deposit for the remains now in said family burial ground, - and to deposit the same therein; provided the same shall be done under the direction of the Overseers of the North Burial Ground, with the sanction of the Mayor; - and provided that the privilege hereby granted, shall be subject to all future regulations of the City Council, relative thereto, - and shall continue during the pleasure of the City Council, and no longer. (Concurred.)

Carpenter Street. 3  
B.3. 303. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 16<sup>th</sup> of October last, was referred the Petition of Joseph Bogman and others, praying that the gutters in Carpenter Street may be paved, make Report in favour of granting the prayer thereof, which Report is read and received.

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 Upon the Petition of Joseph Bogman and others, it is  
 resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is  
 hereby directed to cause the gutters in Carpenter  
 Street to be paved, and the curb stones set, whenever  
 the owners of the adjoining lands shall furnish such  
 curb stones.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

On motion, the Clerk of the Common Council is excused from attendance during the sitting of the two Boards in Convention.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourns to meet on Monday the 13<sup>th</sup> day of May next, (being the second Monday in said month,) at half past 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr President,  
 Aldrich,  
 Bradford,  
 Britts,  
 Fairbanks,  
 Goddard,  
 Graham,  
 Greene,  
 Hurlingham,  
 Jones,  
 Manchester,

Metcalf,  
 Patten,  
 Smith,  
 Stearns,  
 Thurber,  
 Tingley,  
 Viall,  
 Williams,  
 Pabodie,  
 Rhodes.

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Albert G. Greene, Clerk.

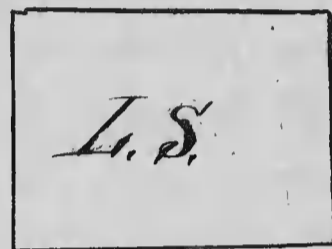
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Special Meeting.

Copy. State of Rhode Island & Providence Plantings,  
 City of Providence, &c.



To the Members of the Common Council of said City, Greeting.

It being expedient that certain important matters should receive the consideration of the City Council at an earlier day than that to which you have adjourned, you are hereby notified and requested to assemble at your Chamber, on Wednesday, the seventeenth day of April instant, at half past 7 o'clock P.M., (to which time the Board of Aldermen have adjourned,) for the transaction of any business that may lawfully come before you.

Witness my hand and the seal of said City, this fifteenth day of April, A.D. One thousand, eight hundred and forty four.

The M. Burgess, Mayor.

Providence, April 17<sup>th</sup> 1844. Notified the members of the Common Council, as required, by their reading the above; except James C. Hadden, who is on the jury, and Edward S. Williams, who is out of the City. Edward Harwood, City Sergeant.

Pursuant to the requisition of the foregoing Warrant, the Common Council are now assembled at half past 7 o'clock P.M. - a Quorum present.

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

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Eddy } The Resolution directing certain repairs in Eddy Street,  
 Street, } which passed the Common Council, on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of April  
 last and was then sent up for concurrence, is now re-  
 turned by the Board of Aldermen, who concurred therein,  
 23. with the following Amendment: viz. that the words  
 "as soon as the same may be practicable," be stricken out.  
 Whereupon it is resolved, that the Common Council do con-  
 cur in said Amendment.

B. Clifford } A Communication from the Mayor, stating that informa-  
 late City } tion has been given him "by the Committee on Finance  
 Treasurer } and one of the sureties on the bonds of Benjamin Clif-  
 8. ford, late City Treasurer, that an agreement has been  
 entered into for a settlement of these bonds upon the  
 terms informally adopted by the City Council, at  
 their meeting on the 8<sup>th</sup> instant," - is presented and  
 read.

Do. } Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby  
 authorized, to take from the City Clerks Office, the four Bonds  
 given by Benjamin Clifford, late City Treasurer, for the  
 31. faithful performance of the Duties of his Office; and,  
 upon receiving from the said Clifford and other parties  
 interested, full conveyances of his Real Estates upon Ben-  
 efit Street and upon Sheldon Street, and the sum of  
 One Thousand Dollars, (said Estates being free from all  
 incumbrances,) the said City Treasurer be, and he is  
 hereby authorized to cancel said Bonds, in the following  
 form: viz.

"Know all men by these presents, that in  
 consideration of conveyances to the City of Providence,  
 of his dwelling house and lots on Benefit Street  
 and his dwelling house and lots on Sheldon Street,  
 made by Benjamin Clifford; and of a conveyance  
 to said City, by Eben Wade, of a Mortgage on said  
 Estate on Benefit Street, made originally to William  
 E. Clifford and by him assigned to said Wade; and  
 of the payment of One Thousand Dollars by Nath-

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-aniel Bishop, made to the City Treasurer of said  
 City, The said City of Providence have discharged  
 all claims and demands which they have upon  
 the within-named Benjamin Clifford as late  
 Treasurer of said City, and the City Council of  
 said City have ordered the within Bond to be  
 cancelled, and it is cancelled accordingly,  
 Witness the seal of said City and the sign-  
 -ature of the City Treasurer, this day  
 of A.D. 1844."

Resolved, That said Bonds, after being so cancelled,  
 be delivered to the parties thereunto, they giving  
 receipts therefor. (Concurred.)

N.Y. P.M. } A Communication from the Mayor, relative to a Pe-  
 Boston } sition of the New York, Providence and Boston Rail Road Com-  
 Rail Road } pany, to the General Assembly, for permission to build a  
 Co. } wharf extending to the channel of the river, - is presented  
 and read.

Do. } Upon the Communication of the Mayor, this day made  
 to the City Council, in relation to the Petition of the New-  
 57. York, Providence and Boston Rail Road Company, now  
 pending before the Hon. General Assembly, for liberty  
 to extend their wharf on the West side of the River to  
 the channel of the River, - it is Resolved, That the  
 same be referred to Messrs. Goshaw, M. Smith and  
 Rhodes, with such as the Board of Aldermen may  
 add - to examine and report thereon.

Resolved, that the Representatives appointed to repre-  
 sent this City in the General Assembly, be and they are  
 hereby requested to use their exertions to cause all  
 action upon said petition to be postponed until the  
 Session of the General Assembly next after the coming  
 May Session thereof.

Resolved, that the City Clerk be and he is hereby  
 directed to furnish said Representatives with an attested

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copy of the Resolutions.

(Concurred, & Alderman Everett added.)

The Common Council adjourn to meet pursuant to their vote of adjournment passed on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of April instant, to wit, to meet on Monday the 13<sup>th</sup> day of May next, at half past 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

- |               |             |
|---------------|-------------|
| Mr. President | Manchester, |
| " Aldrich,    | Metcalf,    |
| Wells,        | Patten,     |
| Carpenter,    | Stimson,    |
| Paribanks,    | Tingley,    |
| Goodhue,      | Wells,      |
| Garland,      | Williams,   |
| Hutchins,     | Whites,     |
| Jones.        |             |

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Albert Green, Clerk.

Common Council, May 13<sup>th</sup> 1844.

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

Burying  
Lots }

- Petitions of Gardner Pettis,  
Robert Pettis,  
Thomas N. Tripp,  
Major Tripp,  
Benjamin Cornell,  
Labon J. Rogers,  
Arnold B. Pond,

& Hiram Chappell, for liberty to enclose burying lots sufficient for their respective families, in the North Burial Ground, are presented and read, received, and referred to

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May 13<sup>th</sup> 1844.

The Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon: which Committee make Report, in favour of granting the prayer thereof: which Report is received; and a Resolution granting the prayer of said petitions, with the usual limitations and conditions, is read and passed.  
(Concurred.)

in Monthly Statement The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council of October 20<sup>th</sup> 1844 is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon: which Committee thereupon report the following Resolution, which is read and passed: viz

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 Poor, Eight Hundred Dollars.
  - For Repairs of the Asylum Walls and Buildings, One Hundred & fifty Dollars.
  - For the Support of the City Watch, Three Hundred Dollars.
- And that said sums, so appropriated, be paid out of any monies in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.  
(Concurred.)

Resolved That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby authorized to hire from the Commissioners of the Dexter Donation, the sum of Three Thousand Dollars, and to give a note therefor, payable at not exceeding one year, at a rate of interest not exceeding five per cent.  
(Concurred.)

B. Clifford The City Treasurer makes Report, That pursuant to the Resolution of the City Council passed on the 17<sup>th</sup> of April last, and the advice & directions of the Standing Committee on Finance, a settlement of the claim of the City upon Benjamin Clifford, late City Treasurer, has been consum-

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copy of the Resolutions.

(Concurred, & Alderman Everett added.)

The Common Council adjourn to meet pursuant to their vote of adjournment passed on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of April instant, to wit, to meet on Monday the 13<sup>th</sup> day of May next, at half past 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

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|---------------|-------------|
| Mr. President | Manchester, |
| " Aldrich,    | Metcalf,    |
| Bull,         | Patten,     |
| Carpenter,    | Stimson,    |
| Fairbanks,    | Tingley,    |
| Goodhue,      | Wall,       |
| Graham,       | Williams,   |
| Hutchins,     | Whides,     |
| Jones.        |             |

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Albert Greene, Clerk.

Common Council, May 13<sup>th</sup> 1844.

The Common Council met pursuant to adjournment. A Quorum present.

- Petitions of Gardner Pettis,  
Robert Pettis,  
Thomas N. Tripp,  
Major Tripp,  
Benjamin Cornell,  
Labon J. Rogers,  
Arnold B. Pond,

Burying  
Lots }

+ Hiram Chappell, for liberty to enclose burying lots sufficient for their respective families, in the North Burial Ground, are presented and read, received, and referred to

May 13<sup>th</sup> 1844.

The Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon. which Committee make Report, in favour of granting the prayers thereof. which Report is received; and a Resolution granting the prayers of said petitions, with the usual limitations and conditions, is read and passed.

(Concurred.)

The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council of October 20<sup>th</sup> 1844 is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon. which Committee thereupon report the following Resolution, which is read and passed: viz

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 Poor, Eight Hundred Dollars.

For Repairs of the City Walls and Buildings, One Hundred & fifty Dollars.

For the Support of the City Watch, Three Hundred Dollars.

And that said sums, so appropriated, be paid out of any monies in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

(Concurred.)

Resolved That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby authorized to hire from the Commissioners of the Dexter Loan from the } Donation, the sum of Three Thousand Dollars, and to give a note therefor, payable at not exceeding one year, at a rate of interest not exceeding five per cent.

(Concurred.)

The City Treasurer makes Report, That pursuant to the Resolution of the City Council passed on the 17<sup>th</sup> of April last, and the advice & directions of the Standing Committee on Finance, a settlement of the Claim of the City upon Benjamin Clippard, late City Treasurer, has been concurred.

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mated; said Treasurer having received from said Clifford and then interested therein, full conveyances to the City of Providence, of his Real Estates on Benefit Street and on Sheldon Street, and one thousand Dollars in cash; and that he has cancelled the four Official Bonds of said Clifford and his sureties, in manner and form as prescribed in said Resolution; and that actual possession of said Estates has been given to the City. Which Report is read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and recorded.

(Concurred.)

31. The Standing Committee on City Property who were, by a Resolution of the Board of Aldermen passed on the 6<sup>th</sup> of May instant, directed to enquire into the expediency of offering for sale the Estates received by the City in settlement of the claims upon Benjamin Clifford late City Treasurer having made Report recommending such sale, and the Board of Aldermen having accepted said Report, it is resolved that the Common Council do concur in the acceptance thereof.

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

viz. "Resolved, that the City Treasurer, be, and he is hereby authorized to offer for sale, at public auction, the Estates conveyed to the City by Benjamin Clifford late City Treasurer, and to make and execute to the purchasers, full and complete Deeds thereof.

Resolved, that in carrying the preceding Resolution into effect, the City Treasurer act under the advice of the Joint Committee on City Property, who are hereby authorized to fix the terms and conditions of sale and payment."

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

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby

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authorized, under the direction of the Standing Committee on Finance, to pay the expenses attending the settlement with Benjamin Clifford, late City Treasurer.

(Concurred.)

Mr Taylor. A Petition of John Taylor, for liberty to move a wooden building, is presented and read.

Do. Upon the Petition of John Taylor, for liberty to remove a wooden dwelling house, it is Resolved, that the same be received and the prayer thereof granted; and that said petitioner be and he is hereby authorized to remove said house, and to place the same on Middle Street, about one hundred feet Westward of its present location on Mathewson Street.

(Concurred.)

Nathan Gorton. A Petition of Nathan Gorton for liberty to move two wooden buildings, is presented and read.

Do. Upon the Petition of Nathan Gorton, for liberty to remove two wooden buildings, it is Resolved, that the prayer thereof be granted; and that said petitioner be and he is hereby authorized to remove said buildings from their present location, on his lot on Peck's Wharf, to another part of said lot.

(Concurred.)

Mr Childs. A Petition of Charles H. Childs for liberty to move a wooden building, is presented and read.

Upon the Petition of Charles H. Childs, for liberty to move a wooden building, it is Resolved, that the prayer thereof be granted; and that said petitioner be and he is hereby authorized to remove said building from its present location, and to place the same a few rods below said location, on Central Street.

(Concurred.)

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W.S. Burgess. A Petition of Walter S. Burgess, for liberty to move the Talbot House (so called,) is presented and read.

20. Upon the Petition of Walter S. Burgess, for liberty to remove the Talbot House (so called,) adjoining Grace Church, - it is Resolved that the same be received and the prayer thereof granted; and that said petitioner be and he is hereby authorized to remove said house from its present location on Westminster Street, and to place the same on the westerly side of Mathewson Street. (Concurred.)

Angell Street. Resolved that the sum of One Thousand Dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose of purchasing paving stones to pave that portion of North Main Street which was ordered to be paved 77 by the vote of the City Council passed at their Meeting on the eighth day of April last. (Concurred.)

Angell Street. Resolved, That the Standing Committee on Highways be, and they are hereby authorized to suspend the work on Angell Street whenever they deem it proper for the interest of the City. (Non concurred.)

R.W. Kimball. A Petition of Rufus W. Kimball, for the removal of a portion of the rent of the stalls in the Market occupied by him, for the three years last past, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received, and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon.

It to keep the acct with all approp-riations. Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to keep an Account with each and every Appropriation, whether general or special; and in no case

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to permit the payments under any appropriation to exceed the amount appropriated. (Concurred.)

in the walk in Pine Street. A Petition of Isaac Hartshorn and others, for a cross walk across Pine Street, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received.

20. Upon the Petition of Isaac Hartshorn and others, it is Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to cause a cross walk to be laid across Pine Street, on the West side of Eddy Street, near the Second Baptist Meeting House. (Concurred.)

Salary of Surveyor of Highways. Resolved, that Messrs. Hidden, Jones and Bradford, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be a Committee to enquire into the expediency of so increasing the salary of the Surveyor of Highways, that he may devote his whole time to the Duties of said office. (Concurred, and Aldermen Honorable added.)

Vote of Thanks to the President. Resolved, That the Common Council hereby return their thanks to acknowledgements to Stephen T. Olney Esq. their President, for the courteous, able and impartial manner in which he has discharged the Duties of said office.

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

The Common Council adjourn, without day "tr.

May 13<sup>th</sup> 1844.Members present.

Mr President  
 " Aldrich,  
 Bradford,  
 Fairbanks,  
 Goodhue,  
 Furham,  
 Greene,  
 Hadden,  
 Hutchins,  
 James,  
 Jones.

" Manchester,  
 Metcalf,  
 Patten,  
 Smith,  
 Thayer,  
 Tingley,  
 Viall,  
 Williams,  
 Sabine,  
 Rhodes.

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Albert G. Greene, Clerk.

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Organization of the City Council  
 of the City of Providence, for the  
 Municipal year commencing the  
 first Monday in June A.D. 1844.

Monday June 3<sup>rd</sup> 1844

(This being designated by the City Charter as  
 the day for the organization of the City Government  
 for the ensuing Municipal year, the Mayor and  
 Aldermen elect and the members elect of the Common  
 Council assembled in the Council Chamber at 10  
 o'clock A.M.

The Certificate of the election of Thomas M. Burgis,  
 as Mayor for said year is presented and read, and  
 the oath prescribed by law is administered to him  
 by Hon. Wm. H. Staples, one of the Justices of the Supreme  
 Court.

The Certificates of the election of  
 Edward O. Knowles,  
 Thomas B. Fenner,  
 Amherst Everett,  
 Thomas C. Hoppin,  
 Phineas Potter &  
 Robert Knight as Aldermen for  
 said year, is presented & read & they are severally  
 engaged by the Mayor according to law.

The Certificates of the election of the members elect  
 of the Common Council are presented & read and all  
 of said members (excepting W. H. Fairbanks & Nathl. J. Potter)  
 are present & are engaged by the Mayor according to  
 law.

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Albert Papodie is by ballot elected City Clerk for said year and is engaged by the Mayor according to law.

The address is delivered by the Mayor relative to the municipal affairs of the City during the past municipal year.

The two Boards separate.

Members of the Common Council  
of the  
City of Providence  
(for the Municipal Year commencing  
on the  
first Monday in June  
AD 1844.

First Ward.

- William B Bradford
- Josiah P Crocker
- Thomas Fletcher
- George B Peck

Second Ward.

- William S Patten
- Samuel Tingley Jr
- John J Hinckley
- Charles C Mowry

Third Ward.

- Willard W Fairbanks
- William Viell
- John D Jones
- James W Rhodes

Fourth Ward.

- Daniel J Goodhead
- Shubael Hutchins
- Amos D Smith
- Edward S Williams

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5<sup>th</sup> Ward

- Daniel B Carpenter
- James C Hidden
- Esch Adrich
- Russell Greene

Sixth Ward.

- Duty Greene
- Nathl F Potter
- Joseph Burrows Jr
- (William Papodie).

The members of the Common Council having been engaged by the Mayor (excepting Messrs Fairbanks & Potter) are called to order by Col Amos D Smith, & on his motion William Papodie is appointed Chairman to preside during the organization of the Council.

Mr Papodie took the Chair & the balloting commenced for President for the ensuing year.

On the first ballot twenty one votes were cast, of which Wm S Patten had 12, and James C Hidden had 9.

Mr Patten having the majority was declared elected President of the Common Council for the ensuing year & took the Chair.

Albert S Greene is elected Clerk of the Common Council. Mr Greene not being present, Thomas A Jenckes was elected pro tem, & was sworn to the faithful performance of the duty of the office.

Standing Rules }

The Standing Rules of Order of the last Common Council are read. Whereupon it is resolved that the Standing Rules of Order of the last Common Council be received and adopted as the Standing Rules of order of this Council.

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Standing Rules

Resolved that the same Rules which were on the fifth day of June A.D. 1843, adopted as the Standing Rules of the City Council for the Municipal year last past, be and the same are hereby adopted as the Standing Rules of the City Council for the present municipal year.  
(Concurred.)

Standing Committees

Pursuant to the requisitions of the Standing Rules this day adopted by the City Council, the following joint Standing Committees are now appointed according to the Rules of the respective Boards: to wit:

On Finance.

Messrs Hutchins,  
Stinson,  
Goodhue, } Alderman Hoppin.

On Highways.

Messrs Fairbanks,  
Duty Greene,  
Ketcher, } Alderman Everett.

To engross Ordinances.

Messrs Hidden,  
Crooker,  
Blarrows, } Alderman Knowles.

On the Public Schools.

Messrs Smith,  
Goodhue,  
Viall, } Alderman Fenner.

On the Fire Department.

Messrs Tingley,  
Sabodie,  
Peck, } Alderman Fenner.

On City Property.

Messrs Rhodes,  
Carpenter,  
Potter, } Alderman Potter.

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On Police.

Messrs Williams,  
Jones,  
Aldrich, } Alderman Knight.

Mayor's Resoln.

Resolved, that Messrs Hidden, Viall and Goodhue, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to wait upon the Mayor, and request him to furnish, for publication, a copy of the Address this day delivered by him to the City Council, and to cause the same to be published in such manner as they may deem expedient.  
(Concurred, & Alderman Knowles added.)

City Printing

Resolved, that Messrs Hutchins, Stinson and Mowry, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to contract for the City Printing, for the present municipal year.  
(Concurred, and Alderman Knowles added.)

To Monthly Statement

The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council of October 20<sup>th</sup> 1834, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received.

To Quarterly Report

The Quarterly Report of the City Treasurer, of the Spares and payments of the City Debt, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received.  
(Concurred.)

Com. Receipts & Expenditures

Resolved, that Messrs Hutchins, Stinson and Williams, 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 mu-

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municipal 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, - agreeably to the requisition contained in the fourth section of the City Charter.

Resolved, that the same Committee cause one hundred copies of their Report to be printed in pamphlet form, for the use of the City Council.

(Concurred, and Alderman Everett added.)

Com. on  
his Bond.

49. Resolved, that Messrs Hatchins, Stinson and Goodhue, 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 securities, 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.

(Concurred, and Alderman Fenner added.)

Com. on  
his Acc.

50. Resolved, that Messrs Hatchins, Stinson and Goodhue, 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 Day of June instant.

Concurred, and Alderman Fenner added.

Com. on  
reduction  
of City Debt.

Whereas Messrs Hatchins, Stinson and Goodhue have this Day been appointed by the Common Council, as the Committee on their part, for the reduction of the City Debt, for the present municipal year, pursuant to the requisition contained in the first section of the Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance concerning the City Debt," - it is thereupon resolved, that the names of said Committee be communicated to the Board of Aldermen, in order that said Board may add an Alderman to said Committee, pursuant to the requisition contained in said section.

(Alderman Hoppin added.)

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50 cents  
for each  
fireman.

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 Certificates of the City Clerk respecting the Appointment of said Firemen, out of the Appropriation for the Fire Department.

(Concurred.)

Report of  
the School  
Committee.

The Annual Report of the School Committee is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and recorded; and also that the same be published in the newspapers employed to do the City printing.

(Concurred.)

Streets over  
Dexter  
Donation  
land.

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

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Resolved, (if the Common Council concur,) that the Survey of Highways be directed to open and make passable the Streets upon the land between High Street and Cranston Street, belonging to the Dexter Donation, and that the sum of Five Hundred Dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated to pay the expenses thereof, out of any money in the City Treasury, not otherwise appropriated.

Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be laid upon the table.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet at 3 o'clock P.M. this Day.

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3 o'clock P.M.

The Common Council met, pursuant to adjournment. A Quorum present.

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Compensation A bill entitled "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-five." is read and passed.  
(Concurred.)

4<sup>th</sup> July. Resolved, That Messrs Keidden, Smith and Viall, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee of Arrangements, for a Municipal Celebration of the approaching Anniversary of American Independence.

Resolved, That the sum of Five Hundred Dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated for defraying the expenses of said Celebration, - to be paid to the order of said Committee by the City Treasurer, out of any moneys in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated.  
(Concurred, and Alderman Whippin added.)

Petition of D. Barton et al. relating to the Harbor, &c. A Petition of David Barton and others, setting forth a plan for the improvement of the Harbor, by the levying of a tax upon vessels, for that purpose; and for a Petition to Congress that the City Government may be empowered to levy such a tax, is presented and read.

Resolved, That Messrs Steimon, Hutchins, and Fletcher, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be a Committee to take into consideration, the subject, of the petition of David Barton aforesaid, for the improvement of the Harbor, and to report thereon to the City Council.  
(Concurred, and Alderman Wessett added.)

Appropriation for Angell, Prospect, Power, Carpenter Resolved, That the sum of Five Hundred Dollars, in addition to former appropriations, be appropriated and paid out of the City Treasury, from any money therein, not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of continuing the works on Angell, Prospect, Power and Carpenter Streets.  
(Concurred.)

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The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 15<sup>th</sup> of May last, was referred by the Board of Aldermen, a petition of the proprietors of Hope Cemetery, for the grading of Plane & Point Streets, so far as said Cemetery is bounded on said Streets, make Report in favour of granting the prayer thereof, which Report is read and received.

Resolved, That the Street Commissioners be and they are hereby directed to cause Plane and Point Streets, as far as Hope Cemetery is bounded on them, to be graded; and that the Surveyor of Highways is hereby authorized and directed to cause Plane Street, from said Cemetery, to the Hospital land, to be put in payable order, - provided the cost of the same shall not exceed five hundred Dollars.  
(Concurred.)

The City Treasurer, who was, on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of May last, authorized to offer for sale at public auction, and to convey the lot or lots conveyed to the City by Benjamin Clifford, late City Treasurer, - under the advice of the Standing Committee on City Property, - makes Report, that said lot or lots have been sold by him at public auction, for cash, and Deeds thereof executed and given to the purchasers thereof. which Report is read, whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received.  
(Concurred.)

A Petition of Arnold Whipple setting for a drain in North Main Street, from Butler's Lane to Turpin's Brook, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

A Petition of Isaac Goddard, setting forth that his son Augustus H. Goddard, born in this City, is entirely blind, and pray-

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ing for aid from the City, to enable him to send said son to some Institution for the Blind, for education, - is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on the Public Schools, to examine and report thereon.

Burying Lots

Petitions of John Thurston,

Walter M. Scott,

Charles A. Smith,

Edward P. Manning,

Royal A. Webster,

& Thomas J. Peckham, for liberty to fence in and enclose burying lots sufficient for their respective families, in the North Burial Ground, are presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon.

Tax

A bill providing for the assessment and collection of a City Tax, for the present municipal year, is read. Whereupon, it is resolved that the same be referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

Compensation of Officers

A bill providing for the compensation of the Officers of Police for the present municipal year, is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be referred to Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

Appropriation

A bill, making certain Appropriations of money, for the present municipal year, is read. Whereupon, it is resolved that the same be referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

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joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention,

The City Council proceed to the election of City Officers, for the present municipal year. And after completing the same, (with the exception of Assessors, & Collectors of Taxes,) the two Boards separate.

In Common Council,

A communication from Israel Crosby Jr. offering to do the City Printing, during the present municipal year, in the "Daily Evening Transcript," is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received, and referred to the joint Committee this day appointed to contract for the City Printing for the present municipal year.

Meetings of the Com. Council

Resolved That the Common Council, when it adjourns, with adjourn, to meet on Monday evening the 17<sup>th</sup> of June instant, at half past 7 o'clock; and that it will thereafter meet on the second Monday evening of each month, during the present municipal year.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the 17<sup>th</sup> day of June instant, at half past 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present,

Mr President,

" Aldrich,

" Bradford,

" Barons,

" Carpenter,

" Crocker,

" Fletcher,

" Goodhue,

" D. Greene

" H. Green,

" Kidden

" Hutchins,

" Jones,

" Mawry,

" Pebody,

" Peck,

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.. Rhodes,  
.. Smith,  
.. Kimson,

.. Tingley,  
.. Viall,  
.. Williams,

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Thos A Jenkins  
Clerk pro tem.

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

39. Willard W. Fairbanks, a member elect of the Common Council, from the Third Ward, and Nathaniel F. Peller, a member elect from the Sixth Ward, appear, are sworn before the Mayor, and take their seats.

39. Abner Greene, who was on the 3<sup>d</sup> Day of June instant, re-elected Clerk of the Common Council, for the present municipal year, is duly sworn by the Mayor, to the faithful discharge of the Duties of said Office.

Burying  
Lots.

Petitions of George W. Buffington,  
James Fenner,  
Edward J. Mallett,  
William Robinson,  
William J. Cobb,  
Susan Angell,  
Abby S. Newell,

and Charles H. Waterhouse, for liberty to fence in and enclose burying lots sufficient for their respective families, in the North Burial Ground, are presented and read, received, & referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to ex-

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-amine and report thereon; which Committee make Report, in favour of granting the prayers thereof, - and also in favour of granting the prayers of the petitioners of John Thurston, Wolcott M. Scott, Charles H. Smith, Edward P. Manning, Royal A. Webster, & Thomas J. Peckham, referred June 3<sup>d</sup> 1844, - which Report is received, and a Resolution granting the prayers thereof, with the usual limitations and conditions, is read and passed.  
(Concurred.)

Dogs

A Petition of Thomas H. Holden Jr. father, for an addition to the "Ordinance in relation to Dogs," is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received.

Do.

A Bill entitled "An Ordinance in addition to an Ordinance, entitled "An Ordinance in relation to Dogs," is read and passed.  
(Concurred.)

City Printing

The joint Committee who were on the 3<sup>d</sup> Day of June instant, appointed to contract for the City Printing, for the present municipal year, make Report which is read.  
47. 57. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be re-committed to said Committee, for further Report.

Treasurer's Bond

The joint Committee who were on the 3<sup>d</sup> Day of June instant, appointed to take a bond from the City Treasurer, for the faithful discharge of the Duties of his Office, for the present municipal year, make Report that they have discharged that Duty, and have deposited said bond in the Office of the City Clerk; which Report is read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received.  
(Concurred.)

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Treasurer's Account } The joint Committee who were on the 3<sup>d</sup> Day of June, instant, appointed, to audit and settle the Accounts of the City Treasurer with the City up to the first Day of June instant, make Report, that they have discharged that Duty, and that they find said Accounts correct; and together with their Report, present the Treasurer's Account Current with the City; which Report is read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received and together with said Account, be recorded.

(Concurred.)

City Tax } The Standing Committee on Finance to whom on the 3<sup>d</sup> Day of June instant, was referred the bill providing for the assessment and collection of a City Tax for the present municipal year, report said bill, - which Report is received. and the bill is read and amended; and the same, entitled "An Ordinance providing for the Assessment and Collection of a Tax of thirty seven and one half cents on each One Hundred Dollars in value, of the Rateable Property in the City of Providence," - is read, and passed.

Concurred, with the following Amendments, viz.

- 1<sup>st</sup> In the Title & in the first Section, that the words "thirty seven and one half" be stricken out, and the words "thirty five" inserted in their place;
- 2<sup>d</sup> That the words "and on said first Monday in October, he shall attend for that purpose, until nine o'clock in the evening," be stricken out;

The Common Council concur in the second Amendment, the Common Council non concur in the first Amendment, the Board of Aldermen insist upon their first Amendment, The Common Council insist upon their non concurrence in the first Amendment; and request a Conference of the two Boards, and appoint Messrs. Hatching, Stimson & Goddard conferees on their part. The Board of Aldermen unite in the request for a Conference, and appoint Aldermen Wright and Fenner, conferees on their part.

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Appropriations } The Standing Committee on Finance to whom, on the 3<sup>d</sup> Day of June instant, was referred the bill making sundry Appropriations for the present municipal year, report said bill, which Report is received; and said bill is read and passed.

(Concurred.)

Compensation of Assessors } The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 3<sup>d</sup> Day of June instant, was referred the bill providing for the compensation of the Assessors of Taxes, for the present municipal year, report the following Resolution, which is read and passed: viz

Resolved, that each Assessor of Taxes in and for the City, shall be allowed and paid one hundred Dollars, as a full compensation for assessorship for the City Tax for the present municipal year.

(Concurred.)

Improvement of the Harbor } The joint Committee to whom on the 3<sup>d</sup> Day of June instant, was referred the Petition of David Boston & others, relative to the Improvement of the Harbor, make Report, in favour of granting the prayer thereof; and present, therewith, a draft of a Bill which said petitioners desire to have passed into an Act by the Hon General Assembly; and also a draft of a Resolution appointing a joint Committee of the City Council to attend to procuring the passage of said Act; which Report is read. Whereupon, it is resolved that the same be received.

Memorial of Royal Ferrum & others } A Memorial of Royal Ferrum and others, remonstrating against the granting of the prayer of said Petition of David Boston and others, - is presented, read and received.

Whereupon it is resolved, that said Report and Memorial be referred to the next meeting of the Common Council; and that said Report be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City Printing; and that public notice be given by the Clerk, to all persons interested, in the

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subject, that said Report and Memorial will be acted upon by the Common Council at that time.

Kimball & Cray. A Petition of Kimball & Cray, praying the City Council to lease them the stalls No 24, 25, 26, in the Market House, for three years from the first Monday in December next, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon.

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

144. "Whereas the paving of the gutters upon Power Street, between Hope and Governor Streets, cannot be done upon the grades fixed by the Street Commissioners, without causing injury to several valuable elm trees, Therefore, Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be authorized, (any provision in any Ordinance to the contrary notwithstanding) to cause the gutters to be paved upon grades approaching nearly to the slope of the land as it now is; provided no corner of property upon said Street shall obstruct."

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

Angell St. A Petition of John Kingsbury and others, that the curbstones be set and the sidewalks made in Angell Street, from Benefit to Prospect Street, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received and laid upon the Table until the next meeting of the Common Council.

Union Cemetery. A Petition of Ebenezer Carpenter to form a Committee of the proprietors of "Union Cemetery," for the grading of Point Street,

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so far as it adjains said Cemetery, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received, and laid upon the Table until the next meeting of the Common Council.

Transit St. A Petition of William J. Tilley & others, praying that the intended improvements on Transit Street, from Benefit to Brook Street may be made next after the work on Paved Street is finished, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, and laid upon the Table, until the next meeting of the Common Council.

Hope Street. A Petition of Peter Hall and others, that Hope Street may be graded and side walks laid therein, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, and laid upon the Table until the next meeting of the Common Council.

Friendship St. A Petition of William H. Dyer and others, that Friendship Street may be graded, from Stewart Street to Sawtuck Road, - is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, - with instructions, to enquire whether Friendship Street has been received by the City, from the River to Sawtuck Street, and if so, whether it is proper for the City Council to direct the Street Commissioners to establish the grade of said Street from its junction with Stewart Street, to its junction with said Sawtuck Road.

Middle Street. A Petition of Thomas Burgess and others, that Middle Street from Pleasant to Orange Street, may be put in order and finished according to the grade established, - is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

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Ordinances  
relating  
to streets,  
to be  
printed. } A Resolution directing the Standing Committee "to engross  
Ordinances," to cause to be printed, in such manner as  
they may deem expedient, for the use of the City Council,  
One hundred copies of all the Ordinances in relation  
to streets, which are now in force, is read and passed.

Joined in Convention of the City Council,

In Convention,

The Assessor of Taxes, and Collector of Taxes, for the present  
municipal year, are elected.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday, the  
24<sup>th</sup> day of June instant, at half past 7 o'clock PM,

Members present

Mr President,	W. Hutchins,
Albright,	Jones,
Bradford,	McCurry,
Blumens,	Paladie,
Carpenter,	Peck,
Crocker,	Petler,
Fairbanks,	Rhodes,
Fletcher,	Smith,
Goodhue,	Stinson,
D. Greene,	Tingley,
R. Greene,	Viall,
Hidden,	Williams,

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W. H. Greene Clerk

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

Angell Street. } The Petition of John Kingsbury and others, for repair on  
52. } Angell Street, which was on the 17<sup>th</sup> of June instant,  
19. } laid on the Table, is again taken up. And it is re-  
solved that the same be referred to the Standing Com-  
mittee on Highways, who are directed to procure  
from the Street Commissioners, a plat or profile of  
the grade established, and to report on said Petition.  
(Concurred.)

Union Cemetery } The Petition of Benjamin Carpenter & others, a Committee  
of the proprietors of "Union Cemetery, for the grading of  
a part of Point Street, which was on the 17<sup>th</sup> of June  
instant laid upon the Table, is again taken up, and  
is referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to  
examine and report thereon: which Committee  
52. } make Report in favour of granting the prayer thereof:  
which Report is received.

Do. } Resolved that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is  
herby authorized and directed to cause Point Street,  
so far as "Union Cemetery" bounds thereon, to be  
graded: provided the expense thereof, together with the  
expense of grading that part of said Street which ad-  
45 } joins "Hope Cemetery", which was ordered to be done  
by a Resolution of the City Council on the thirde day  
of June instant, shall not, in the whole, exceed five  
hundred Dollars.

(Concurred.)

Transit Street. } The Petition of William J. Tilly & others, relating to Transit  
Street, which was, on the 17<sup>th</sup> of June instant, laid upon

the Table, is again taken up, and is withdrawn.

Hope Street, } The Petition of Moses Hall & others, relating to Hope Street, which was on the 17<sup>th</sup> of June instant laid upon the Table, is again taken up, and is referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine & report thereon: which Committee make Report in favour of granting the prayer thereof, on condition that the owners of the adjoining lands furnish the curb stones for the sidewalks: which Report is received. Whereupon, it is resolved that the same, together with said Petition be recommitted to said Committee, for further Report.

City Tax, } The joint Committee of Conference who were on the 17<sup>th</sup> of June instant, appointed to confer relative to the Disagreement of the two Boards in relation to the Bill providing for the assessment and collection of a Tax, make Report recommending that thirty six cents on each one hundred Dollars in value, be adopted as the rate of taxation. Whereupon it is resolved that said Report be received & adopted: and that the bill be amended by striking out the words "thirty-seven and one half" from the Title and from the first Section thereof, and by inserting the words "thirty six" in their place. And the bill, so amended, is read and passed. (Concurred.)

Street Commissioners to furnish Plots of ground. } Resolved, that the Street Commissioners be and they are hereby directed to furnish to the Standing Committee on Highways of the City Council, a plat or profile of the grade of every street or section of a Street, the grade of which may be established by said Commissioners, - whenever required by said Committee, concurred, with this Amendment, viz, That all the words after the word "Resolved," be stricken out:

and the following words be inserted in their place: viz "That the Standing Committee on Highways be authorized to employ a suitable person to make such profiles or plats of Streets as they may require in the Discharge of their Duties:" - which Amendment is read: Whereupon it is resolved that the Common Council do concur therein.

Com. from the Mayor. } A Communication from the Mayor, respecting nuisances other than such as are provided for in the Ordinance in relation to Nuisances, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be referred to the Standing Committee "to enquire into Nuisances", with instructions to report by bill, - if they deem any action thereon to be expedient.

City Printing, } The Joint Committee who were appointed to contract for the City Printing, for the present municipal year, make Report, that they have contracted with Knowlton, Knowles, True & Anthony, and Israel Amstrong Jr.; which Report is read, whereupon it is resolved that the same be received. (Concurred.)

Burying Lots, } Petition of Daniel Peck, Thomas Steward, & William J. Riley, for liberty to fence in and enclose burying lots in the North Burial Ground, are presented and read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon.

N.Y. Prov. & Boston R.R. Co. } A Resolution in the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence and is read: viz. "Resolved, that the General

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Assembly be respectfully requested either to dismiss the Petition of the New York, Providence and Boston Rail Road Co, for permission to erect a Wharf; or to postpone the same until their January Session, when the members of the Assembly can by personal inspection perceive whether injury to the Harbor of Providence will be caused by the building of the proposed wharf, or not."

Whereupon it is resolved that the Common Council do concur therein, with the following Amendments: viz 1<sup>st</sup>. that the word "January" be stricken out, and the word "October" inserted in its place; and 2<sup>d</sup>. that all the words after the word "Session" be stricken out.

(The Board of Aldermen concur in the Amendment.)

Middle Street. } The Standing Committee on Highways to whom on the 17<sup>th</sup> of June instant, was referred the Petition of Thomas Burgess and others, relating to Middle Street, make Report, which is received.

Do. Upon the Petition of Thomas Burgess & others, it is resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to cause Middle Street, from Pleasant to Orange Street, to be finished according to the grade established by the Street Commissioners, whenever the owners of the adjoining lands shall furnish curb stones for the side walks.

(Concluded.)

streets over the Board of Aldermen, and was then sent down for concurrence, and was laid upon the Table, is again read. (This Resolution providing for the opening and making passable the streets upon the land between High and Cranston Streets, belonging to the Dexter Donation.) Whereupon, it is resolved, that the

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Common Council do concur therein, with the following Amendment: viz. that all the words after the word "Donation" be stricken out, and the words "and that the expense thereof be paid out of the appropriation for Highways," be inserted in their place.

(The Board of Aldermen concur in the Amendment.)

Improvement of the Harbor.

Petition of D. Barton & others.

Petition of R. Farnum & others.

Other Memorials.

The Report of the joint Committee on the Petition of David Barton & others, relative to the Improvement of the Harbor, and the Memorial of Royal Farnum & others, remonstrating against the granting of said petition, - which were, on the 14<sup>th</sup> of June instant, referred to this meeting, are again taken up; (the said Report having been printed, and notice having been given by the Clerk pursuant to the order of the Common Council then made.) Whereupon a Memorial of Pearce and Bullock & others, a memorial of George B. Earle and others, and a memorial of John R. Dennis & others, all remonstrating against the granting of the prayer of said Petition, and also a Memorial of David Barton relative to the subject of said Petition are severally presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved that said Memorials be received, and that the same, together with said Petition and Report, be referred to the joint Committee, for examination and further report.

Do Resolved That the Committee to whom was referred the Petition of David Barton and others, take in consideration the expediency of taxing the Receipts for Wharfage upon all the Wharfs Northward and Westward of Fox Point, to raise a fund to aid in deepening the Channel of the River.

Compensation of Wardens. A Copy of a Vote of the Electors of the First Ward, relative to the compensation of Wardens, accompanied by a bill

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entitled "An Ordinance fixing the Compensation of Wardens" is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received and laid upon the Table.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

The Report of Taxes for the present municipal year, are elected to open the Tax the Day ordered by the City Council. James Mumford, is appointed collector of Taxes for the present municipal year, is appointed to collect said Tax.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the 8<sup>th</sup> day of July next, (being the second Monday in said month) at half past 4 o'clock P.M.

Members Present,

- |              |           |
|--------------|-----------|
| Mr President | Hatchins. |
| Bradford     | Jones,    |
| Barnes,      | Murray    |
| Carpenter,   | Parodie   |
| Crocker,     | Peck      |
| Fairbanks,   | Potter,   |
| Hatcher,     | Rhodes,   |
| Goodhue,     | Simson,   |
| D. Greene    | Tingley,  |
| N. Greene,   | Niell,    |
| Widdens,     | Williams, |

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Albert Greene, Clerk.  
*[Signature]*

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

Buying Lots.

Petitions of Mary Morrison, Alexander Bampf, John Tyler,

+ William Amos Greene, for liberty to fence in and enclose buying lots sufficient for their respective families in the North Bond Ground, are presented and read, received, and referred to the standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon. - which Committee make Report in favour of granting the prayers thereof, and also in favour of granting the prayers of the petitions of Daniel Fish,

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Thomas Leonard,

+ William J. Tilley, (referred on the 24<sup>th</sup> of June last.) - which Report is received, and a Resolution granting the prayers of said petitions, with the usual limitations & conditions, is read and passed.

(Concurred.)

Com. from Mayor. A Communication from the Mayor, relating, 1<sup>st</sup> to the selection of Jurors of the Police Court,

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2<sup>d</sup> to the Sealers of Weights & Measures.

3<sup>d</sup> to the practice of opening shops on Sundays. - is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that so much thereof as relates to the opening of shops on Sundays, be referred to the standing Committee to engross Ordinances, to examine and report thereon.

(Concurred.)

Order of Mayor this day made to the City Council, as relates to the Office and Compensation of Sealer of Weights & Measures,

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Resolved, that so much of the Communication of the Mayor this day made to the City Council, as relates to the Office and Compensation of Sealer of Weights & Measures,

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be referred to Messrs Hinson, Forthue & Aldrich, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, - to enquire into, and report upon the expediency of reducing the Duties or of increasing the compensation of said Officers.

Concurred. & Alderman Horns added.

Police Court. Resolved, That from the Justices appointed to keep the Peace within this City, Henry L. Bowen,

Charles Holden Jr. & Charles Hart, be and they are hereby selected to compose the Police Court of this City, during the present municipal year.

(Concurred.)

Hinball & Gray. } The Standing Committee on City Property, to whom, on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of June last was referred the Petition of Hinball & Gray, for a Case of the stalls Nos 3, 4, 5 & 6, in the Market House, for 3 years from the first Monday in December next, make Report in favour thereof: which Report is read and concurred in. And said petition is withdrawn.

Com from Mayor. } A Communication from the Mayor respecting a Request of the Society of Friends, for the City to pay one half of the expense of a brick wall dividing their Meeting House from the School House sit in Meeting Street, - is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine & report thereon.

W. Beals. A Petition of William Beals, requesting the City Council to relieve him from losses incurred by him in making 4<sup>th</sup> of July a Display of Fireworks on the evening of the 4<sup>th</sup> of July instant, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved that he have leave to withdraw said Petition

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Do. Resolved, that the joint Committee who were on the 3<sup>d</sup> Day of June last, appointed to make arrangements for a Municipal Celebration of the Anniversary of American Independence, be and they are hereby authorized to draw upon the City Treasury, for any sum or sums not exceeding in the whole the sum of one hundred and seventy five Dollars, - in addition to the amount appropriated on said 3<sup>d</sup> Day of June, - for the payment of the expenses of said Celebration.

Concurred, with this Amendment viz: that the words "and that there be also paid to Mr Beals, for fire works, the sum of one hundred forty five Dollars, in addition to what he has received." The Common Council now concur in the Amendment.

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

52. "Upon the Petition of William Beals, Voted, that the City Treasurer pay him the sum of one hundred forty-seven dollars, ninety-eight cents, in full for balance due him for Fire Works, and that said sum be paid from the Appropriation for Contingencies." Whereupon, it is resolved that the same be laid upon the Table.

Do. Resolved, That the sum of Three Hundred Dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated, in addition to the amount already appropriated, - to be expended and drawn from the Treasury, by the Committee appointed on the 3<sup>d</sup> of June last, to make arrangements for the Celebration of the 4<sup>th</sup> of July, 1844. (Concurred.)

Nuisances. The Standing Committee to enquire into Nuisances, to whom, on the 24<sup>th</sup> of June last, was referred the Communication from the Mayor, respecting Nuisances other than such as are provided for in the Ordinance in relation to Nuisances, 57/66.

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make Report accompanied by a Bill entitled "An Ordinance in Addition to an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance in relation to Surveys"; which Report and Bill are read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received, and referred to the next meeting of the Common Council; and that said Bill be printed in the Newspapers employed to do the City Printing).

Hope Street. } The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of June last, was recommitted their report on the Petition of Abner Hall & others, relative to Hope Street - make Report, which is read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received,

Do. Upon the Petition of Abner Hall & others, it is resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby Directed to cause Hope Street, from Hill to Power Street, to be finished according to the grade established by the Street Commissioners, - whenever the owners of the adjoining lands shall furnish curbstones for the sidewalks. (Concurred.)

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

Appropriation for Highways. A motion to reduce the Appropriation for Highways, for the present municipal year, made on the 17<sup>th</sup> of June last, from \$14,000 to \$10,000, is made, and is lost.

Pump in Baptist St. A Petition of Edward Field and others, requesting the City to take charge of a pump which was, some time since,

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put into the fountain in Baptist Street by subscription, & to keep the same in repair, - is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon.

Improvements in the Harbor. } Resolved, That the joint Committee to whom were referred the Petition of David Barton & others, relative to the improvement of the Harbor, and the several Memorials remonstrating against the granting of the prayer of said petition, be and they are hereby authorized to cause a survey to be made of Providence River, from Weybosset Bridge to the Brook, in order to ascertain if the depth of water therein has altered since the survey thereof which was made in the year 1834; and that the expense of such survey be paid out of the Appropriation for Contingencies. (Concurred.)

Friendship Street. } The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 17<sup>th</sup> of June last, was referred the Petition of William H. Dyer and others, for the grading of a part of Friendship Street, make Report that said Street has been received by the City, and recommend that the same be graded, which Report is read and received.

Do Upon the Report of the Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of June last was referred the Petition of William H. Dyer and others, relating to Friendship Street - it is resolved, that the Street Commissioners be requested to establish the grade of said Street, from Stewart Street to Pawtucket Road, according to law. (Concurred.)

The Common Council adjourns to meet on Monday the 12<sup>th</sup> day of August next, (being the second Monday in said month,) at half past 7 o'clock P.M.

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Members present.

Mr. President.  
Aldrich,  
Bradford,  
Carpenter,  
Cusker,  
Fairbanks,  
Fletcher,  
Gordhue,  
H. Greene,

Widdon,  
Whitchers,  
Murray,  
Peck,  
Rhodes,  
Smith,  
Stinson,  
Vick,  
Williams, 18,

Albert Greene, Clerk.

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The Common Council met pursuant to adjournment.  
A Quorum present.

63. *Ordinance.* The bill entitled "An Ordinance in addition to an Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance in relation to Ordinances,' which was on the eight day of July last reported by the Standing Committee to engross Ordinances, and then received and referred to this Meeting with an order that the same should be printed, - having been printed pursuant to said order, is again read. And after debate, it is resolved that the same be recommended to said Committee, for amendment and for their report.

*Monthly Statement.* The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20<sup>th</sup> 1844, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance,

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*burying Lot.*

Petitions of Isaac Fish,  
Lyman Ware,  
and Benjamin Newton, for liberty to fence in and enclose burial lots sufficient for their respective families, in the North Burial Ground, as presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon; which Committee thereupon make Report in favour of granting the prayer thereof. which Report is received; and a Resolution granting the prayer of said petitions, with the usual limitations and conditions, is read and passed.  
(Concurred.)

*Rem of S. Sheldon. Burying Lot. Sheldon Remains.*

A Petition of Edward J. Sheldon, for liberty to fence in and enclose a burying lot in the North Burial Ground, as a place of Deposit for the remains now in the Old Sheldon Burial Ground, near Sheldon Street, in the southerly part of the City, - is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received.

Do.

Upon the Petition of Edward J. Sheldon, it is resolved, that the said Sheldon be and he is hereby authorized to fence in and enclose a burying lot, in the North Burial Ground, for a place of Deposit for the remains now in the Old Burial ground of the Sheldon family, near Transit Street, (which remains are to be removed from said Old Burial ground by authority of an Act passed by the General Assembly,) and to Deposit the same therein; - provided the same shall be done under the Direction of the Overseers of the North Burial Ground, with the sanction of the Mayor; and provided that the 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.

(Concurred.)

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Williams & Streets } A Petition of Joshua W. Langley and others, for a  
85. culvert through Williams Street, from Benefit Street  
to the river, is presented and read. Whereupon, it  
is resolved, that the same be received and referred to  
the Standing Committee on Highways, with instructions  
to enquire whether said Street has been received by  
the City, and if so, whether it is expedient that said  
petition be granted.

G. Congdon. A Petition of Gilbert Congdon, for relief, is presented  
and read.

Do. Upon the Petition of Gilbert Congdon, for relief, - it  
is resolved that the same be received, and the prayer  
thereof granted; and that the City Treasurer be,  
and he is hereby directed to pay to the said Cong-  
don, the sum of twenty-seven dollars and sixty  
cents, - being the excess of the tax paid by him to  
the City, for the year 1843.  
(Concurred.)

S. Water St. } A Petition of Oray Taft and others, for the paving of a  
part of South Water Street, is presented and read. Where-  
84. upon it is resolved that the same be received, and re-  
ferred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to ex-  
amine and report thereon.

Kimball & Cray. A Petition of Kimball & Cray relative to certain stalls  
in the Market House, is presented and read. Whereupon,  
87. it is resolved that the same be received.

Do. Resolved, That the City Treasurer is hereby authorized  
subject to the usual restrictions as to underletting, to  
lease stalls Nos 3 & 4, 5 & 6, on the upper floor of  
the Market House, for three years from the first Mon-

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Day in December next, to Kimball & Cray: - they, the referees first  
meeting marble coverings on stalls Nos 3 & 4, similar to those  
now on stalls Nos 5 & 6; - the marbles to be placed by  
the advice and Direction of the Clerk of the Market; the  
89. referees to leave said stalls, at the end of their said term,  
with good wooden or other coverings, to the satisfaction of  
the Clerk of the Market.  
(Concurred.)

G. W. Hall. An Account of George W. Hall against the City, is pre-  
sented and read.

Do. Resolved, That the sum of fifty Dollars be and the  
same is hereby allowed to George W. Hall, in full pay-  
ment for his services in taking the names of males  
between the ages of 18 and 45 years, and that the  
same be paid him by the City Treasurer, from the  
Appropriation for Contingencies.  
(Concurred.)

Dredge } An Account of the owners of the Dredge Machine, for  
Machine } \$30. <sup>62</sup>/<sub>100</sub>, for removing mud &c from the river in front of  
W. Church } the wharf occupied by William Church, is presented  
and read, together with a Communication from said  
75. Church, relative thereto. Whereupon it is resolved,  
that the same be received, and that leave be given  
to withdraw the same.

Prospect } A Petition of Alva Woods and others, relative to  
88. } sidewalks in Prospect Street, is presented and read.  
141. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received and  
referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to  
examine and report thereon.

North Burial } A Petition of Zachariah Allen & others, requesting the  
Ground }  
7. Allen & al. }

B. 281. City Council to appoint a Committee to Devise measures for improving the condition of the North Burial Ground, is presented and read.

Do Upon the petition of Zachariah Allen & others, relative to the North Burial Ground, it is resolved that the same be received, and referred to Messrs Patton, Peck and 86. Hinson, of the Common Council, together with Messrs Zachariah Allen and Isaac Brown, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, - to examine and report thereon.  
(Concurred, and Alderman Knowles added.)

A. H. Goddard. The Standing Committee on Public Schools, to whom, on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of June last, was referred the Petition of Isaac 45. Goddard, report the following Resolutions, - which are read and passed: viz

Do. Resolved, That one hundred Dollars be allowed and paid to Isaac Goddard of this City, for the purpose of defraying the expenses of one year's instruction of his son Augustus Hamilton Goddard, a blind youth. Said instruction to be imparted to him at an Institution for the Education of the Blind, to be approved of by the Mayor of this City, for the time being: - Provided however, that should the instruction be for a less time than one year, payment shall be made at and after the rate of one hundred Dollars per annum.

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to make payment or payments to the said Isaac Goddard, upon the written order or orders of the Mayor of this City for the time being; and all payments made by force of these Resolutions, be charged to the Appropriation for Contingencies.  
(Concurred.)

S. Morgan. A Resolution in the words following, having passed the

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

Resolved, That Samuel Morgan be and he hereby is permitted to remove the barn now standing on the South-east corner of the Carter Lot on Benefit Street, to another part of said lot, distant from its present site, sixty feet in a Westerly Direction; and to remove the workshop now occupied by him, from its present location on the lot next South of the Mansion house of John Larchar up to the spot in which the barn aforesaid now stands. -

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

Opening Shops on Sundays. The Standing Committee to enquire Ordinances, to whom on the 8<sup>th</sup> of July last, was referred so much of the Communication from the Mayor, then made to the City Council, as relates to the opening of Shops on Sundays, make 61. Report by bill, entitled "An Ordinance to prohibit the opening of Stores and Places of Business, on Sundays," 80. which Report is received; and said bill is read, and passed.

Sealer of Weights, &c. The joint Committee, to whom, on the 8<sup>th</sup> Day of July last, was referred so much of the Communication then made 61. by the Mayor to the City Council, as relates to the Duties and salary of the Sealer of Weights and Measures, make Report in favour of increasing said salary, which Report is read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received.

Do. Resolved, That the sum of One hundred Dollars be, and the same is hereby allowed to the City Sealer of Weights and Measures, in addition to the salary provided for that office, on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Day of June last, for the present Municipal Year; - and that the same be paid, in equal quarterly payments, from any monies in the

August 12<sup>th</sup> 1844.

Treasury, not otherwise appropriated.

Society of Friends, Brick Wall, &c. } The Standing Committee on City Property, to whom, on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of July last, was referred the communication from the Mayor, relative to the Request of the Society of Friends, make Report, which is read. Whereupon  
62. It is resolved that the same be received.

Do. Resolved, That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and directed to pay to the Treasurer of the Society of Friends, the sum of seventy-five Dollars, towards defraying the expense of erecting a brick wall between the Friends' Meeting House Lot in this City, and the School House Lot in Meeting Street; and that the same be paid out of the Appropriation for Contingencies.  
(Concluded.)

Pump in Babett St. } The Standing Committee on City Property, to whom, on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of July last, was referred the Petition of Edward Field and others, relative to the pump in the fountain in Babett Street, make Report in favour of granting the prayer thereof. which Report is read and received.  
64.

Do. Upon the Petition of Edward Field and others, it is resolved, that the pump in the fountain in Babett Street, be and the same is hereby received and accepted by the City, as City Property; and that the same shall be hereafter kept in repair at the expense of the City.  
(Concluded, August 13<sup>th</sup> 1844.)

Town House Lot + Public Records } Resolved, That the Standing Committee on City Property, together with Messrs Hutchins and Jones, be instructed to take into consideration, the expediency of improving the

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condition of the Town House Lot, and also, of providing a more eligible and secure Depository for the Public Records; and that they report on the subject, at the next Meeting of the City Council.

Concluded, August 15<sup>th</sup> 1844.

The Common Council adjourns to meet on Monday, the ninth day of September next, (being the second Monday in said month) at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

- Mr. President,
- Albick,
- Bradford,
- Burrows,
- Carpenter,
- Fairbanks,
- Gordham,
- D. Greene,
- R. Greene,
- Hadden,
- Hutchins,
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- " Jones,
- Moury,
- Nabodie,
- Peko,
- Shuber,
- Smith
- Hinson,
- Tingley,
- Viell,
- Williams.

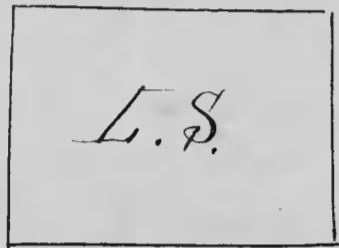
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Abel Greene, Clerk

September 2<sup>d</sup>, 1844.

Common Council, September 2<sup>d</sup>, 1844.  
Special Meeting.

Copy. "State of Rhode Island & Providence Plantations  
City of Providence, P.S.



To the Members of the Common  
Council, Greeting.

It being expedient that the City Council transact certain business upon an earlier day than that to which the Common Council has adjourned, - you are hereby requested and required to assemble at your Chambers, on Monday the second day of September next, at three o'clock P.M., for the transaction of such business as may lawfully come before you.

Witness my hand and the seal of said City, this thirty-first day of August, A.D. one thousand, eight hundred and forty-four.

H. M. Bangs, Mayor.

"Providence, Sept 2<sup>d</sup>, 1844. Notified the members of the Common Council, as required; except Gaty Greene, who is absent from the City.  
Edward Harwood, City Sergeant.

Pursuant to the requisition of the foregoing Warrant, the Common Council are now assembled, at 3 o'clock P.M. A Quorum present.

September 2<sup>d</sup>, 1844.

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

City Watch } A Communication from the Mayor relative to the manner of the appointment of City Watchmen, accompanied by a bill, in relation to the subject, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be referred to Messrs. Whidden, Williams and 91. Fimson, to report a bill: which Committee reported said bill as communicated by the Mayor, entitled "An Ordinance, in Amendment, of an Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance providing for the establishment of a Public Watch';" - which Report is received, and said bill is read and passed. (Concurred.) 103.

Indigo } A Communication from Williams Church, relative to the Account of the Owners of the Bridge Machine, which was presented at the last meeting of the Common Council, - is presented and read. Whereupon, 69. it is resolved that the same be received, and laid upon the Table. Wm. Church }

Daniel } Petitions of Samuel C. Bathforth, John Gorham, & William G. Angell, for liberty to fence in 77 and enclose burying lots in the North Burial Ground, are presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon.

Amos } A Petition of Amos Potter, for the repayment of a fine and cost, paid by him for obstructing a sidewalk, 80. is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received, and laid upon the Table.

September 2<sup>d</sup>, 1844.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

87. Sunday persons are elected City Watchmen for the remainder of the Municipal year, pursuant to the requisition of the Ordinance this day passed.

Edward Field is appointed Overseer of the Pump in Bopett Street for the remainder of the present Municipal year.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet pursuant to the vote of adjournment passed on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of August last, - to wit, to meet on Monday the ninth day of September instant, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present,

- Mr. President,
- Albrich,
- Bradford,
- Burns,
- Carpenter,
- Crocker,
- Rainbow,
- Petcher,
- Goodhue,
- R. Greene,
- Widdon,

- Hutchins,
- Jones,
- Meury,
- Robbie,
- Peck,
- Peter,
- Rhodes,
- Smith,
- Stinson,
- Tingley,
- Williams,

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Albert Greene, Clerk.

September 9<sup>th</sup>, 1844.

Common Council, September 9<sup>th</sup>, 1844.

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

88. Resolutions The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20<sup>th</sup> 1844, is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance; which Committee thereupon report the following Resolution, which is read and passed: viz

89. Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby authorized to purchase, for the use of the City, paving stones, to the amount of five hundred Dollars; and that the same be paid for by the City Treasurer, out of the appropriation for Highways.

34. Concurred, with this Amendment, that the words "for the purpose of paving North Main Street," be added after the words "paving stones."

The Common Council concur in the Amendment.

90. Burying Lots. Petitions of Sarah Pratt + Albert Holbrook, for liberty to fence in burying lots sufficient for their families, in the North Burial Ground, are presented and read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon; - which Committee make Report in favour of granting the prayer thereof, - and also in favour of granting the prayer of the petitions of Samuel C. Eastforth, John Grahm and William G. Angell, (referred September 2<sup>d</sup>;) - which Report is received, and a Resolution granting the prayer of said petitions, with the usual limitations and conditions, is read and passed.

A Resolution, for the remission of certain taxes assessed in

Remission the years 1842 and 1843, represented by James Mansford, Taxcs. } Collector of Taxes, as not collectable, by reason of errors in the apportionment thereof, &c., amounting, in the whole, to \$94<sup>24</sup>/<sub>100</sub>, - is read and passed. (Concurred.)

Ethan T. Sheldon } A Petition of Ethan T. Sheldon, for liberty to take water from the Well in the school House Yard in Summer Street, by inserting a pipe therein: - is presented and read, received, and referred to the standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon.

John S. Cornell } A Petition of Stephen Cornell & others, that Federal Street may be finished according to the grade established by the Street Commissioners, is presented and read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Fountain } Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to cause a cross walk to be laid across Fountain Street, at its junction with Matthews Street. (Concurred.)

Wright, &c. } The Resolution increasing the salary of the City Dealer of Weights and Measures, which passed the Common Council on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of August last, and was then sent up for concurrence, - is now returned from the Board of Aldermen with their concurrence therein.

Do. } A Resolution that the Office of City Dealer of Weights & Measures, be declared vacant, is presented and read; and it is moved that the same pass: which motion is lost.

Angell } The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of June last, was referred the petition of John Kingsbury and others, respecting Angell Street, make Report, which is read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received, and re-committed to said Committee, with instructions to take into consideration, and report upon, the expediency of constructing a Drain in said Street, from Congdon to Benefit Street.

Samuel } A Resolution in the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and is read: viz. "Resolved, That the sum of ten Dollars be paid from the Appropriation for Contingencies, to Samuel Brown, for services in copying the Tax Books." Whereupon it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein.

Hope } The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 13<sup>th</sup> of September, 1844, was referred the petition of Willard W. Fairbanks, for repairs on the South end of Hope Street, make Report, which is read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received, and laid upon the Table.

Power } A Petition of Charles Jackson and others, for repairs on Power Street, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Pawtucket } The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of April last was referred the Petition of David C. Keef & others, for repairs on Pawtucket Street, report the following Resolution; which Report is received; and said Reso-

when is read and passed, viz.

Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby authorized to cause the side-walks to be widened on the North side of Pawtucket Street, between Broad and Penner Streets; and also to put said street in good order, upon the grade established by the Street Commissioners.

(Concurred.)

Anson } The Petition of Anson Potter, for relief, which was, on  
Potter } the 2<sup>o</sup> day of September instant received and laid upon  
the Table, is again called up. Whereupon it is re-  
solved that the same be referred to the Standing Com-  
88. mittee on Police, to examine and report thereon.

Opening } The Bill entitled "An Ordinance to prohibit the open-  
Shops on } ing of Stores and Places of Business on Sundays," which  
Sundays } passed the Common Council on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of August  
last, and was then sent up for concurrence, is  
now returned by the Board of Aldermen who con-  
cur therein, with certain Amendments, which are  
read. Whereupon it is resolved that the Common  
Council do concur in said Amendments.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday  
the 14<sup>th</sup> day of October next, (being the second Monday  
in said month,) at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present,

- |                |               |
|----------------|---------------|
| Mr. President, | .. N. Greene. |
| " Aldrich,     | .. Hiddon,    |
| Bradford,      | .. Hutchins,  |
| Carpenter,     | .. Jones,     |
| Crocker,       | .. Mabury,    |
| Goodhue,       | .. Palodia,   |
| D. Greene      | .. Pecke,     |

.. Smith,  
.. Stinson  
.. Tingley

.. Viall,  
.. Williams.

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Albert Greene, Clerk.

Common Council, October 14<sup>th</sup> 1844.

The Common Council met, pursuant to adjournment.  
A Quorum present, The President being absent, Mr. Hiddon is elected  
President, pro tempore.

The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Reso-  
lution of the Common Council of October 20<sup>th</sup> 1844, is pre-  
sented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Com-  
mittee on Finance.

The Quarterly Report of the City Treasurer, of the Officers and  
Reports, Payments of the City Debt, is presented and read, Whereupon,  
it is resolved that the same be received.  
(Concurred.)

A Petition of John F. Smith, for the remission of a portion  
of the City Tax assessed on his estate in August last, is  
presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the  
same be received, and that said petitioner have leave  
to withdraw the same.

Petitions of Avery Pettis,  
Theophilus Rubin Jr.,  
John Hamilton,  
John Gallaway,  
& James Cungen, for liberty to fence in burying lots  
in the North Burial Ground, are presented and read, received

Burying  
Lots. 3  
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and laid upon the Table.

City Ordinances A Communication from the Mayor, recommending that arrangements be made by the City Council, for the publication of a new digest of the City Ordinances, &c, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be referred to the Standing Committee to enquire Ordinances; to examine and report thereon.

Crosswalks, North Main Street, opposite the entrance to the Friends Meeting House Lot, is presented and read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways to examine and report thereon.

Crosswalks, A Petition of Joseph Robinson & others, for sundry crosswalks across Fountain, Trinity, & Carpenter, Street, & Broadway, is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Gangway, A Petition of B. G. Earle and others, for a continuation of the Culvert in the public gangway south of the store of Charles Mauran, to the river, is presented and read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

E. T. Sheldon, The Standing Committee on City Property, to whom, on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of September last, was referred the petition of Ethan T. Sheldon, make Report, which is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received.

D. Upon the Petition of Ethan T. Sheldon, it is resolved, that said petitioner be, and he is hereby authorized to place in the Well in the yard of the Grammar School House, in Summer Street, an iron pipe, for the purpose of taking

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water from said Well, for use in his Dwelling-house, and to use the same during the pleasure of the City Council, under the direction of the School Committee.

(Concurred, with the following Amendment, viz that all the words after the word "said," in the second line, be stricken out; and that the words "petition be referred to the Board of Fire-wards, with authority to act in the premises," be inserted in their place.)

The Common Council concurs in the Amendment.

Federal Street, The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of September last, was referred the petition of Stephen Cornell and others, for repairs on Federal Street, make Report, which is read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received.

D. Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby authorized to cause Federal Street to be finished, from Broadway to Dean Street, according to the grade established by the Street Commissioners, and the gutters paved, whenever the owners of the adjoining lands shall furnish curb stones. (Concurred.)

Power Street, The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of September last, was referred the petition of Charles Jackson and others, for repairs on Power Street, make Report, which is read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received.

D. Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby authorized to cause Power Street to be repaired, to lay a Drain from the Culvert at South Main, to the Culvert at Benefit Street; and also from the South side of Power Street, to connect with the aforesaid Drain; & to cause the gutters to be paved, whenever the owners of the

adjacent lands shall furnish curb-stones.  
(Concurred.)

Angell Street. } The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of September last, was recommended their Report on that day made, on the petition of John Kingsbury & others, for repairs on Angell Street, - with instructions to enquire into the expediency of causing a drain to be laid on said Street, make Report, recommending that a drain be laid in said Street, from Congdon to Benefit Street; and that said Angell Street be finished according to the grade established by the Street Commissioners, and the gutters paved, whenever the owners of the adjoining lands shall furnish curb-stones: - which Report is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received, and laid upon the Table.

Hope Street, } The Report of the Standing Committee on Highways, recommending certain repairs on the south end of Hope Street, (upon the petition of Willard W. Fairbanks,) which Report was, 79 on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of September last, received and laid upon the Table, - is called up, and is again read. Whereupon it is resolved, that said petitioners have leave to withdraw his said petition: (the subject having already been acted upon, on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of July last, upon the petition of Oliver Hall & others.)

South Water Street. } The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 12<sup>th</sup> of August last, was referred the petition of Ormay Duff & others, for the paving of a part of South Water Street, - make Report, recommending that the section of said Street, from the Bannington Blocks to the stone store of Ormay Duff, be paved; and that the gutters on the East side of said street, be paved, whenever the owners of the adjoining lands shall furnish curb-stones: - which Report is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received

and laid upon the Table.

Croftwalks, } A Resolution providing for the laying of croft walks across the several streets leading into Chestnut Street, viz, Seckell, Plane, Brigham and Glavenick Streets, and Foster's Lane, - is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Williams Street. } The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of August last, was referred the petition of Joshua H. Langley and others, for a culvert through Williams Street, from Benefit Street to the river, - with instructions to 68. enquire whether said Street has ever been received by the City, and if so, whether said work is necessary, - make Report, that they find no evidence that said Street has been received, except that it has been used, repaired, and travelled as a public highway; and recommending that such culvert be built: which Report is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received, and laid upon the Table.

Friendship Street. } Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed, to cause a croft-walk to be laid across Friendship Street, at its junction with Eddy Street, - instead of the croft-walk across Eddy Street, at its junction with Friendship Street, as heretofore ordered.  
(Concurred.)

Croftwalks, } A Resolution, in the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and is read, viz: "Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be directed to lay a croft-walk on Market Square, from the corner of said Square and North Main Street, to the sidewalk in front of the Roger Williams Bank."

86. October 14<sup>th</sup> 1844.

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

65. <sup>Improvement of the Harbor.</sup> The joint Committee, to whom was heretofore referred the Memorial of David Barton & others relative to the improvement of the Harbor, together with the several Memorials of sundry persons remonstrating against the same, and to whom on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of June last, was recommended their Report on said Barton's Memorial, on that day made, — and who were on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of July last, authorized to cause a new survey of the Providence River to be made, from Weybossett Bridge to the Crook, in order to ascertain if the depth of water therein has altered since the survey thereof which was made in the year 1834, — make Report, that they have caused such new survey to be made; that they find no material alteration in the depth of the water; that in their opinion, it is desirable that the channel be cleared and deepened; but that, until there is more unanimity among those most interested, viz, the ship and wharf owners, — said Committee do not recommend any action upon the subject by the City Council; which Report is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received.

70. <sup>North Burial Ground.</sup> Whereas, the City Council have appointed a Committee to examine the North Burial Ground, and to report a plan for improving the same; Therefore Resolved, that the Overseer of the North Burial Ground be, and he hereby is instructed to allow no more lots to be located for the use of individuals or families, until the further order of the City Council.

98. Joined in Convention of the City Council.

87. October 14<sup>th</sup> November 11<sup>th</sup> 1844.

In Convention,

76. Sundry persons are elected City Watchmen, for the remainder of the present municipal year.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the eleventh day of November next, (being the second Monday in said month,) at half past 6 o'clock P.M.

Members present,

Messrs Aldrich  
Bradford,  
Hannous,  
Carpenter,  
Crocker,  
Fairbanks,  
D Greene,  
R Greene,  
Widden.

Jones,  
Pabodie,  
Peck,  
Petter,  
Rhodes,  
Smith,  
Simson,  
Viall,  
Williams.

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Albert Greene, Clerk.

Common Council, November 11<sup>th</sup> 1844.

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

For  
directly  
Statement.

The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20<sup>th</sup> 1844, is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

Blowing  
List.

A Petition of Levi Day, for liberty to enclose a carrying

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lot sufficient for his family, in the North Burial Ground, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved that the same be received and laid upon the Table.

*Crosswalk*  
*North Main St.*  
A Petition of Jobez Gorham & others, for a cross walk across North Main Street, at the junction of Temple and Thomas Streets, is presented and read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

*City Ordinances*  
The Standing Committee "to engross Ordinances," to whom on the 14<sup>th</sup> of October last, was referred the Communication of the Mayor, recommending that a new Digest of the City Ordinances be made and published, - make Report; which is read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received.

Do. Resolved, That Messrs. Hadden, Crocker, Barrows, Patten and Stinson, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to revise, alter and amend, and prepare for publication, in suitable form, the Ordinances of this City; and that they be authorized to incur the necessary expense to carry this Resolution into effect.

(Concerned, & the Mayor and Alderman Fenner added.)

*Arson*  
*Potter*  
The Standing Committee on Police, to whom on the 9<sup>th</sup> of September last, was referred the Petition of Arson Potter, for relief, return said Petition, without Report. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be recommitted; and that said Committee be directed to report thereon at the next meeting of the Common Council.

89. November 11<sup>th</sup> - December 9<sup>th</sup> 1844.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday the ninth day of December next, (being the second Monday in said month,) at half past 6 o'clock P.M.

Members present,

Mr. President	" Hadden,
" Aldrich	" Hutchins,
" Bradford	" Fabbie,
" Barrows	" Potter,
" Crocker	" Rhodes,
" Goodhue	" Smith,
" D. Greene	" Stinson,
" R. Greene	" Viall

Albert G. Greene,  
Clerk

Common Council, December 9<sup>th</sup> 1844.

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

*H.H. Brown*  
A Petition of Hugh H. Brown, Trustee, for the repayment to him of a tax paid by him, which he represents to have been ~~improperly assessed~~, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

*Watch House*  
A Communication from the Mayor, relative to the Watch House, is presented and read. Whereupon,

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it is ordered, that the same be referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine & report thereon.

*Matthewson & Allen* A Petition of Matthewson & Allen, for liberty to remove a wooden building, is presented and read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon - which Committee report the following Resolution; which is read and passed, viz.

Upon the Petition of Matthewson & Allen, for liberty to move a certain wooden building, it is resolved, that the prayer of said petition be granted, and that said petitioners be and they are hereby authorized to remove said building from its present location on Hydraulic Street, and to place the same on the Lot No 38, on Central Street.

(Concurred.)

*High School* Copies of certain Resolutions of the School Committee relative to the salary of the first Assistant Teacher in the High School, and relative to the two new Primary School Houses in Stone and State Streets, are presented and read; received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Public Schools to examine and report thereon; which Committee report the following Resolutions, which are read and passed, viz:

Do. Resolved, that the School Committee be and they are hereby authorized in their Discretion, to increase the salary of the First Assistant Teacher of the High School to a sum not exceeding eight Hundred Dollars per annum; and that they are hereby authorized to pay such increased salary from the first day of June last.

Resolved, that the School Committee be and

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they are hereby authorized and empowered to use and occupy the Primary School Houses recently erected on Stone Street and Stone Street, for school purposes. (Concurred.)

*Edward L. Peckham* A Communication from the City Treasurer, relative to a suit commenced by Edward Dexter against the City, and relative to an Account of Edward L. Peckham against the City, for arranging and copying in alphabetical order the names comprising the Roll of the Militia of the City of Providence, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, and together with said Account, be referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

*City Monthly Statement* The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20<sup>th</sup> 1844, is presented and read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

*App'd* The Committee to whom on the 2<sup>d</sup> of September last, was referred the Communication from the Mayor relative to the manner of the appointment of City Watchmen, report the Draft of an Act, and recommend that the General Assembly be requested to pass the same; which Report is received.

Do. Resolved, that Messrs Hadden, Williams and Stinson with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee, in behalf of the City Council, to await the Hon<sup>ble</sup> General Assembly to pass into a law, the Bill this day reported to the City Council, entitled "An Act concerning the Appointment of Watchmen and Special Constables in the City of Providence."

(Concurred; & Alderman Fenner added.)

92. December 9<sup>th</sup> 1844.

Amos Potter. The Standing Committee on Police to whom, on the eleven<sup>th</sup> of November last, was re-committed the Petition of Amos Potter, for relief, report the following Resolution; which is read and passed: viz:

Do. Upon the Petition of Amos Potter, for relief, it is resolved, that the prayer thereof be so far granted, that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to repay to said Potter, so much of the fine which was imposed upon him, for obstructing a side-walk in Westminster Street, as has been received by said Treasurer to and for the use of the City. (Concurred.)

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

"Resolved, (if the Common Council concur,) that the Surveyor of Highways be directed to cause a crop-walk to be laid across Benefit Street, from the head of President Street to the side-walk in front of the High School House."

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

Margaret Farrall. A Petition of Margaret Farrall, now confined in the State Jail in the County of Providence, for a violation of the License Law, - praying for relief, - is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Police, to examine and report thereon.

Railing on Canal & Govt Streets. Resolved, that the Committee on Highways be instructed to enquire into the expediency of building a railing from Shingle Bridge, on the West side of Canal Street, to the Fish Market; and on

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Cove Street, from the Bridge to Washington Street, and to report thereon.

Crop walk North Main St. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 14<sup>th</sup> of October last, was referred the Petition of Samuel Boyd Tobey, and others, for a crop walk in North Main Street, make Report, which is received.

89 Do. Upon the Petition of Samuel Boyd Tobey and others, it is resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to cause a crop-walk to be laid across North Main Street, opposite the Western entrance of the Friends' Meeting House Lot. (Concurred.)

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the thirteenth day of January next, (being the second Monday in said month, at half past 6 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr. President,  
" Aldrich  
Bradford,  
Barnes,  
Carpenter,  
Custer,  
Fairbanks,  
Fletcher,  
Gardner,  
D. Green,  
R. Greene,

" Viedsen,  
Jones,  
Murray,  
Robbie,  
Pek,  
Rhodes,  
Smith,  
Tingley,  
Viall,  
Williams.

21.

Albert Greene, Clerk.

1845.

Common Council, January 13. 1845.

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

The Quarterly Report of the City Treasurer, of the Issues and Payments of the City Debt, is presented and read, Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received. (Concurred.)

The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 25. 1834, is presented and read, received, and referred to the standing Committee on Finance, who thereupon report the following Resolution, which is read and passed, viz.

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 Thousand Dollars;
- For the Police Department, - Five Hundred Dollars;
- For Repair of Bridges, - Five Hundred Dollars;
- For Primary School Houses & Lots, - Two Hundred Dollars.

And that said sums, so appropriated, be paid out of any monies in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated. (Concurred.)

A Petition of Phillis Church, (by Joseph Rogers,) for liberty to enclose a burying lot in the North Burial Ground, is presented and read: received and laid on the Table.

The Standing Committee on City Reports, to whom on the 9<sup>th</sup> of December last, was referred the communication of the Mayor, relative to the Watch House, make Report, that

it is inexpedient for any alteration to be made therein, at present: - which Report is read. Whereupon, it is resolved that the same be received.

The joint Committee who were on the 11<sup>th</sup> of November last, appointed to review, alter and amend, and prepare for publication, in suitable form, the Ordinances of the City, make Report, recommending, that the City Council apply to the General Assembly for the enactment of three Bills, presented with said Report, entitled as follows: viz:

- "An Act in Amendment of an Act entitled An Act to incorporate the City of Providence,
- "An Act authorizing the City of Providence to restrain certain Animals from going at large."
- "An Act in amendment of an Act entitled An Act to prevent the spreading of contagious or infectious sickness in this State."

Whereupon it is resolved, that said Bill entitled "An Act in Amendment of an Act entitled An Act to incorporate the City of Providence," be referred to the next meeting of the Common Council; and that the same be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City Printing.

Resolved, that Messrs. Hadden, Peck and Uiall, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee, in behalf of the City Council, to request the Hon. General Assembly to pass into Law, the Bills this Day reported to the City Council, entitled "An Act authorizing the City of Providence to restrain certain Animals from going at large;" and "An Act in Amendment of an Act entitled An Act to prevent the spreading of contagious or infectious sickness in this State."

Concurred, with this Amendment, viz that the words, "and An Act in amendment of an Act entitled An Act to incorporate the City of Providence," be added.

(Alderman Tenner added.)

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The Common Council concur in the Amendment.  
The Board of Aldermen recede from their Amendment.

E. Dexter }  
Water for }  
Pawtucket }  
Street, &c. }  
A communication from the Mayor, relative to a judgment obtained, since the last meeting of the City Council, by Edward Dexter against the City, in an action for turning water upon his land on Pawtucket Street, and also in relation to the means of discharging the water from said Street, by the purchase of land, or otherwise, - is presented and read.

Do. Resolved, That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and directed to pay from the Appropriation for "Contingencies," the amount of the Executions on the judgment recovered by Edward Dexter against the City, at the last December Term of the Court of Common Pleas for the County of Providence.  
(Concurred.)

Do. Upon the communication from the Mayor, this day made to the City Council, relative to the water which has been turned from Pawtucket Street upon private land, it is resolved, that the same be referred to the Standing Committee on Finance; and that said Committee be and they are hereby authorized to contest all claims against the City, in relation to the premises, and to contract for the purchase of any land, and to make all other contracts in relation to the premises which they may deem the interest of the City to require.

Concurred, with this amendment, viz: that the Mayor be added to the Committee.  
The Common Council concur in the Amendment.

18.  
101.  
Reports of }  
Taxes. }  
Accts. }  
A communication from the Mayor, enclosing two accounts of the Reports of Taxes, for opening the Registry and Mill-tary Taxes, in the years 1843 and 1844, is presented

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and read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same, together with the accompanying accounts, be referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.  
(Concurred.)

City Funds }  
101.  
Resolved, That the Standing Committee on Finance be and they are hereby authorized to make an arrangement with one or more of the Banks in this City, for the deposit of the City Funds, for the year commencing on the first day of January instant, upon such terms as they may deem most for the interest of the City.  
Concurred, with the following Amendment, viz: that the words "or any part thereof," be added after the words "January instant."  
The Common Council concur in the Amendment.

129.  
102.  
A Petition of Coley A. Rhodes and others, for a crosswalk across Brown Street, on the South side of Benevolent Street, is presented, and read received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

104.  
103.  
A Memorial from the Clerk of the Municipal Court, representing that it is necessary that assistance be procured in his Office, and requesting the City Council to make such provision therefor, as may be found requisite, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.  
(Concurred.)

105.  
104.  
A Petition of Thomas Brown, for liberty to move a wooden building, is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine

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and report thereon: which Committee recommend that the prayer thereof be granted.

Do. Upon the Petition of Thomas Brown, for liberty to move a certain wooden building, it is resolved, that the prayer thereof be granted; and that said petitioner be and he is hereby authorized to remove said building, (being the same now occupied in part by the Exchange Bank,) from its present location on Westminster Street, - and to place the same on the North side of Fulton Street, upon his land, adjoining land of Carl Carpenter. (Concurred.)

H. Williams. A Petition of Henry Williams, for liberty to move a wooden building, is presented and read received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Finance Department, to examine and report thereon: which Committee recommend that the prayer thereof be granted.

Do. Upon the Petition of Henry Williams, for liberty to move a certain wooden building, it is resolved, that the prayer of said petition be granted; and that said petitioner be, and he is, hereby authorized to remove said building, (being a two-story house,) from its present location on Exchange, (late, Hydraulics,) Street, and to place the same in the rear of his house on Westminster Street. (Concurred.)

J. M. Bartwick. A Petition of James M. Bartwick, for the remission of City Tax, is presented and read, received, and laid upon the Table.

Alvater & Schubart. An Account of Messrs. Alvater & Schubart, for surveying & plotting, on the North Burial Ground, by request of the joint Committee appointed on the 12<sup>th</sup> of August last. North Burial Ground. 86.

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is presented and read.

Do. Resolved, that the sum of eighty one Dollars be and the same is hereby allowed to Messrs. Alvater & Schubart, in payment of their Bill this day presented to the City Council; and that the same be paid by the City Treasurer, from the appropriation for "Contingencies." (Concurred.)

Edw. L. Peckham. The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom on the 9<sup>th</sup> of December last, was referred the Account of Edward L. Peckham, make Report, recommending that he have leave to withdraw the same; which Report is received, and it is resolved, that said Peckham have leave to withdraw said Account.

Brown Street. A Report of the Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 6<sup>th</sup> of November last was referred by the Board of Aldermen, a Petition of Solomon Townsend & others, relative to the grade of Brown Street, which Report was presented to the Board of Aldermen on the 9<sup>th</sup> of December last, and by that Board referred to this day, - is now presented to the Common Council; and together with said Petition, is read. And the parties present are heard in relation to the subject, - (the Board of Aldermen being present, for the purpose of such hearing.) After which, (the Board of Aldermen having retired,) - the following Resolution is read and passed, viz:

Do. Upon the Report of the Standing Committee on Highways, on the Petition of Solomon Townsend & others, respecting the grade of Brown Street, established by the Street Commissioners in May A.D. 1843, praying for an alteration of said grade, - it is resolved, that all proceedings for carrying said grade into effect, be suspended until the far

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their order of the City Council.  
(Concurred.)

City Attorney. Resolved that the Committee for the revision of the City Ordinances be instructed to inquire into the expediency of providing for the annual appointment of a City Attorney, and to define his duties and salary; - should said Committee deem the appointment of such an officer expedient.  
(Concurred.)

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday the 10<sup>th</sup> day of February next, (being the second Monday in said month,) at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

- Mr. President,
- " Aldrich,
- " Madford,
- Carpenter,
- Crocker,
- Fairbanks,
- Goodhue,
- J. Greene,
- H. Greene,

- " Widdien,
- Hutchins,
- Murray,
- Robrie,
- Peck,
- Smith,
- Himson,
- Viall,
- Williams,

18.

Albert G. Greene,  
Clerk.

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Common Council, February 10<sup>th</sup> 1845.

The Common Council met pursuant to a adjournment.  
A Quorum present.

Eddy Street. A Petition of William Ham & others, for the paving of Eddy Street, from Ship to Saint Street, is presented and read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

City Funds. The Standing Committee on Finance, who were on the 13<sup>th</sup> of January last, authorized to make an arrangement with one or more of the Banks in the City, for the deposit of the City Funds, make Report, that they have made an arrangement with the "American Bank," for the year ending on the 31<sup>st</sup> day of December next, - said Bank allowing interest at the rate of 4 1/4 per cent per annum, which Report is read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received.

(Concurred.)

Monthly Statement. The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20<sup>th</sup> 1844, is presented and read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

102. The Standing Committee on Finance to whom on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of January last, was referred the communication from the Mayor, respecting the accounts of the Assessors of Taxes for assessing the Property and Military Taxes in the years 1843 & 1844 - make Report, in favour of allowing the Account for the year 1844, and against allowing the Account for the year 1843. - which Report is read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received.

(Concurred.)

Do. <sup>101.</sup> Resolved, That the sum of Forty five Dollars be and the same is hereby allowed to the Assessors of Taxes for the year 1844, in full payment for their services in opening the Registry and Military Pass for that year, and that said sum, so appropriated, be paid by the City Treasurer from the appropriation for "Contingencies;" (Concurred.)

H.H. Mun }  
Trustee. } The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of December last, was referred the petition of Hugh H. Brown, Trustee, for the repayment of a tax, make Report, which is read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received. <sup>89</sup>

Do. Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to Hugh H. Brown, the sum of eight dollars and three cents, being the amount of City Tax paid by said Brown, as Trustee of the Estate of Thomas M. Waterman, which tax was assessed by mistake. (Concurred.)

State Laws }  
relative to }  
the City }  
<sup>95.</sup> The Committee who were on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of January last, appointed to request the Hon. General Assembly to pass into Law, the Bills entitled "An Act authorizing the City of Providence to restrain certain Animals from going at large," & "An Act in amendment of an Act entitled "An Act to prevent the spreading of contagious or infectious sickness in the State;" and the Committee who were on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of December last, appointed to request the Hon. General Assembly to pass into a Law, the Bill entitled "An Act concerning the Appointment of Watchmen and Special Constables in the City of Providence;" make Report that said Bills have been severally passed and are now Laws of the State, - which Report is read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received. (Concurred.) <sup>91.</sup>

City Marshal }  
} Resolved, That the Treasurer be authorized to pay to Henry G. Mumford, out of the Appropriation for the "Police Department," the sum of ten Dollars and sixty seven cents, it being the amount of costs recovered against him, at the December Term of the Court of Common Pleas, for the County of Providence, as Complainant against William Fiske, for the violation of a City Ordinance. (Concurred.)

City Watch }  
} A Bill entitled "An Ordinance repealing an Ordinance passed on the second of September, A.D. 1844, entitled "An Ordinance in Amendment of an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance providing for the establishment of a Public Watch,"" having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do not concur therein. <sup>75.</sup>

Do. A Bill entitled "An Ordinance providing for the establishment of a Public Watch," is read and passed. (Concurred.)

Old Deeds }  
& Papers } Certain Resolutions respecting sandy old Deeds and other old papers in the City Clerk's Office, having passed the Board of Aldermen, and having been sent down for concurrence, - are read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon. <sup>112.</sup>

Surveyor }  
Gen'l } A Resolution, in the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and is read: viz: "Hiram Bell, Surveyor General of the State having made his Annual Report, of the Surveyor Surveyor. Resolved that said Report be received, recorded, and published in the papers employed to do the City Printing." -

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

Police Court City Marshal

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

"Resolved, that the joint Committee on Police be instructed to enquire into the expediency of providing rooms for the use of the Police Court, City Marshal and City Constables, at the expense of the City."

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

Williams A Petition of Abner Hall and others, for repairs on Mill Street, from Benefit to Hope Street, is presented 122, and read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

177. Clerk of the Standing Committee on Finance, to whom on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of January last, was referred the Memorial of the Clerk of the Municipal Court, made Report, which is read, whereupon it is resolved that the same be received.

191. 20. Resolved That the sum of one Hundred and Fifty dollars be appropriated and paid out of the appropriation for "Contingencies," to the order of the Clerk of the Municipal Court, for assistance in recording the papers now on file in his Office. (Concurred.)

95. Amendment of City Charter. The Bill which was on the 13<sup>th</sup> of January last, reported to the City Council, entitled "An Act in amendment of an Act entitled 'An Act to incorporate the City of

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170. "Providence," and which was then referred to this meeting, with an order that it should be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City Printing, - having been printed pursuant to said order, - is now taken up; and the following Resolution thereon, is now read and passed: viz;

Resolved. That the Bill which was reported to the City Council on the 13<sup>th</sup> of January last, entitled "An Act in amendment of an Act entitled 'An Act to incorporate the City of Providence,'" be recommended to the same Committee by whom the same was reported; and that said Committee be and they are hereby instructed, to report a Bill providing for the election of Mayor and Aldermen by the qualified voters of the City; and providing that such election be determined by a plurality of votes on the second trial.

(Concurred, March 10. 1845.)

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Conventions

William Will is elected Surveyor General of Lumber.

James Barber is elected one of the City Watchmen.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the 10<sup>th</sup> day of March next, (being the second Monday in said month,) at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present,

- |               |               |
|---------------|---------------|
| Mr President. | .. Fairbanks, |
| " Aldrich,    | Goodhue,      |
| Barnes,       | Dyrene,       |
| Carpenter,    | R. Greene,    |
| Crocker,      | Widdow,       |

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" Hutchins,  
Jens.  
Murray,  
Rabode,  
Beck.

" Rhodes,  
Smith  
Stimson,  
Tingley  
Williams.

20.

Albert G. Greene,  
Clerk.

Common Council, March 10<sup>th</sup> 1845.

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

1. J. Sprague A Petition of Thomas J. Sprague, for liberty to move a certain wooden building, is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon; which Committee make Report in favour of granting the prayer thereof; which Report is read and received.

20 Upon the Petition of Thomas J. Sprague, for liberty to move a certain wooden building, it is resolved, that the prayer thereof be granted; and that said petitioner be and he is hereby authorized to move said building from its present location on Patton Street, and to place the same at the corner of Pine Street & Beck's Wharf. (Concurred.)

Green & Curry. A Petition of Greene & Curry, for liberty to move a certain wooden building, is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon; which Committee make Report in favour of granting the prayer thereof; which Report is read and received.

30. Upon the Petition of Messrs Greene & Curry, for liberty to move

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a certain wooden building, it is resolved, that said petitioner be and they are hereby authorized to remove said building from its present location on Patton Street, and to place the same on the opposite side of said Street.

(Concurred.)

Moving of Buildings. A Resolution relative to the moving of wooden buildings in the compact parts of the City is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be laid upon the Table.

Pine Street. A Petition of Sylvester R. Jackson and others, that Pine Street from Plane to Stewart Street, may be finished and the gutters therein paved, is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Friendship Street. A Petition of Samuel D. Wickes and others, that Friendship Street, from Plane Street to Pearl Street or Nantuxet Road, may be finished according to the established grade, is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

D. G. Jencks. A Petition of Daniel C. Jencks, for the repayment of a City Tax assessed in the year 1844, is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

Buying Lot. A Petition of Joseph W. Capwell, for liberty to enclose a buying lot in the North Barial Ground, is presented and read, received, and laid upon the Table.

20 George E. Carl 2d and John A. Taft. A Petition of George Carl 2d and John A. Taft, for liberty to enclose a lot in the North Barial Ground and to build a tomb thereon, is presented and read, received and laid

upon the Table; and on request of said petitioners, leave is given them to withdraw the same.

Cattle. 3 A Petition of Matthew Watson and others, praying that an Ordinance may be passed, relative to the running at large of Cattle in this City, is presented and read. 117. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, and referred to the joint Committee who were on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of November last, appointed to revise and prepare for publication, the Ordinances of the City.

City Gauges. 120. Resolved, that the special Committee on Ordinances be instructed to enquire into the expediency of procuring such alterations in the law appointing Gauges, as will authorize the appointment of one gauge for the City of Providence, with authority to appoint Deputies therein; and also, what regulations may be expedient to insure greater correctness and uniformity in the gauging of casks. (Concurred.)

Contract with Engineer. 113. Resolved, that Messrs. Hadden, Williams and Viall, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to contract with a competent Engineer, to do such engineering as may be required by the City, for one year from the first day of April next. (Concurred, and Alderman Fenner added.)

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

School in 5<sup>th</sup> Ward. A Communication from the School Committee, rela-

tion to the primary Schools in the Fifth Ward, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received.

Do. Upon the Application of the School Committee, this day, made to the City Council, it is resolved, that the School Committee be, and they are hereby authorized to establish a new Primary or Intermediate School in the Fifth Ward, and to cause the room in the lower story of the Richmond Street School House, to be used for school purposes. (Concurred.)

City Ordinances. The joint Committee, who were, on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of November last, appointed to revise the City Ordinances and to prepare the same for publication, present their Report, accompanied by sundry Bills in amendment of 88. certain Ordinances; which Report is read. 115. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received and laid upon the Table.

Leasing of City Property. A Resolution for an enquiry into the expediency of causing the City Property to be leased at public auction, on the first Monday in March annually, is presented and read, received and laid upon the Table.

Angell Street. The Report of the Standing Committee on Highways, recommending certain repairs on Angell Street, which was, on 84. the 14<sup>th</sup> of October last, laid upon the Table, is called up and read.

Do. Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby authorized to lay a Drain, continuing from Benefit Street to Congdon Street, in Angell Street, and to cause said Angell Street to be finished according to the grade established by the Street Commissioners; when-

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-over the owners of the adjoining lands shall furnish curb stones.  
(Concurred.)

South Water St. }  
84. The Report of the Standing Committee on Highways, recommending certain repairs on South Water Street, which was, on the 14<sup>th</sup> of October last, laid upon the Table, is called up and read.

Do. Resolved That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby authorized to cause that portion of South Water Street between the Carington Block, now owned by Man- ton & Wadett, to the South West corner of Gray Taft's stone store to be paved; and also to pave the gutter on the East side of said Street, whenever the owners of the adjoining lands shall furnish curb stones.  
(Concurred.)

Williams St. }  
85. The Report of the Standing Committee on Highways, recommending certain repairs on Williams Street, which was, on the 14<sup>th</sup> of October last, laid upon the Table, is called up and read.

Do. Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby authorized to cause a drain or culvert laid from the foot of Williams Street, through South Main Street, to the River.  
(Concurred.)

Eddy St. }  
101. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 10<sup>th</sup> of February last, was referred the Petition of William Ham and others, for the paving of a part of Eddy Street, make Report, in favor of granting the prayer thereof; which Report is read and received.

Do. Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby authorized, to cause Eddy Street, from Ship to Point Street, to be paved, on the grade established by the Street Commissioners, whenever the owners of the adjoining lands shall

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furnish the curb stones therefor.  
(Concurred, March 19 1845.)

Seckell, }  
Plane, }  
Brigham }  
Clavick }  
Water, }  
Foster's Lane }  
85. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 14<sup>th</sup> of October last, was referred a Resolution providing for the laying of curb walks across the several streets leading into Pawtucket Street, - make Report in favor thereof; which Report is read and received.

Do. Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be directed to cause flagging stone curb walks to be laid across the several streets leading into Pawtucket Street, viz: Seckell, Plane, Brigham, and Clavick Streets, and Foster's Lane.  
(Concurred.)

Margaret }  
Farrell }  
92. A Petition of Margaret Farrell, a convict, praying for relief, is presented and read

Do. Upon the Petition of Margaret Farrell, now confined in the State Jail in the County of Providence, under sentence for a violation of the License Law, - praying for relief, it is resolved, that the same be received, and the prayer thereof granted, and that the portion of the fine imposed on her, to which the City is entitled, (being twenty-five Dollars,) be, and the same is hereby remitted.  
(Concurred.)

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

S. A. Phillips }  
126. A Petition of Stephen A. Phillips, for an alteration in the basement of the Market House, is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on City

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Property, to examine and report thereon.

Washington Street, } A Petition of D. J. Goddard and Amos D. Smith for a cross  
walk across Washington Street, is presented, read, received,  
119 and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways,  
to examine and report thereon.

Old Indian seeds, & } The Standing Committee on City Propety, to whom on the 10<sup>th</sup>  
old papers, } of February last, were referred certain Resolutions which  
102. } had passed the Board of Aldermen and were then sent  
down for concurrence, respecting sundry old Deeds and  
other old papers in the City Clerk's Office, make Report  
which is read and received, and it is thereupon resolved  
that the Common Council do concur in said Resolutions,  
with the Amendment - that the old Indian Deeds therein  
named, "be placed in a suitable box, for their better  
preservation," instead of being framed and hung up in  
the City Clerk's Office, as provided in the first of said  
Resolutions. (Board of Aldermen concurred, March 9, 1845)

Extending } A Resolution for an enquiry into the expediency of extending  
Washington } Washington Street across the Cove, to Steeple Street, and  
Street and } of filling up so much of the Cove as may lay between  
the Cove, } such Street and Cove Street, is presented and read. Where-  
upon it is resolved that the same be laid upon the Table.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

Wiram Hill, Surveyor General of Lumber, having nominated  
sundry persons as his Deputies, the same are now approved  
by the City Council.

Henry J. Walling is elected a Sawyer of Casks, for the remainder

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of the present municipal year.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Wednesday,  
the 19<sup>th</sup> day of March instant, at 7 o'clock P.M. - for  
the purpose of considering the Report, this day, made by  
the joint Committee appointed to revise the City Or-  
dinances.

Members present.

Mr. President,  
" Aldrich,  
Burns,  
Carpenter,  
Custer,  
Fairbanks,  
Goddard,  
D. Green,  
Hadden,  
Hatchins,

" Jones,  
Mowry,  
Pabodie,  
Pech,  
Rhodes,  
Smith,  
Stinson,  
Tingley,  
Wall,  
Williams.

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Albert Greene, Clerk.

Common Council March 19 1845.

The Common Council met pursuant to adjournment.  
A Quorum present.

Resolved, that the Resolution passed by the City Council  
on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of March instant, authorizing a joint Com-  
mittee "to contract with a competent Engineer, to do such  
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engineering as may be required by the City for one year from the first day of April next," be, and the same is hereby rescinded.

Resolved, That Messrs. Hadden, Williams and Wall, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to enquire into the expediency of contracting with a competent Engineer, to do such engineering during said year; and to report thereon to the City Council.

(Concurred, March 21, 1845; Alderman Fenner added)

Highways. Appropriation for Highways, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

North Main St. A Resolution relative to the paving of the gutters in North Main Street, from the Canal Market to Randall Street, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Thomas Phillips. A Petition of Thomas Phillips, for liberty to enclose a burying lot in the North Burial Ground, is presented, read, viewed, and laid upon the Table.

Wm. S. Coleman. A Communication from the Mayor, relative to a complaint made by the City Marshal against Messrs. Coleman, for the erection of a building on their Wharf West of South Water Street is presented and read.

Resolved, that the Standing Committee on City Property be, and they are hereby authorized to employ counsel to act with the Attorney General, in the indictment and any

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other legal proceedings in behalf of the City of Providence, against the Messrs. Coleman, for the erection of a building on their Wharf West of South Water Street.

Culvert between Friendship & Pine Streets.

A Resolution in the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and is read, viz: "Whereas certain owners of property between Friendship and Pine Streets, are about to construct a Culvert in continuation of the culvert built by the City under Friendship Street, in the neighborhood of Mumfords Meadow, and it is for the interest of the City, that said culvert should be sufficiently large;

Therefore Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be instructed to ascertain whether the proposed culvert will be sufficient, and to defray the expense of making it larger than said owners of property intend, if he deem it necessary; provided, that the Surveyor shall not make any payment on account of such culvert, unless the individuals interested shall have paid at least one Dollar and fifty cents per foot."

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

City Ordinances. The Report of the joint Committee who were on the 11<sup>th</sup> of November last, appointed to revise the City Ordinances and to prepare the same for publication, - which Report was, on the 10<sup>th</sup> Day of March instant laid upon the Table, is taken up, (the Board of Aldermen being present by invitation of the Common Council,) and the several Ordinances contained in the Digest of the City Ordinances which was printed and published in the year 1835, in which amendments are recommended by said Committee, are read, amended, and adopted as amended.

The Board of Aldermen having retired, - the Common Council

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adjourn to meet on Friday, the 21<sup>st</sup> Day of March instant, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present,

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|---------------|-------------|
| Mr. President | " Jones,    |
| " Aldrich,    | " Mowry,    |
| " Bradford,   | " Pabodie,  |
| " Burrows,    | " Potter,   |
| " Carpenter,  | " Smith,    |
| " Fletcher,   | " Stinson,  |
| " D. Greene,  | " Tingley,  |
| " H. Greene,  | " Viall,    |
| " Hidden,     | " Williams, |
| " Hutchins,   |             |

19.

Albert G. Greene, Clerk

Common Council, March 21. 1845.

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

D.C. Jencks. The Standing Committee on Finance to whom on the 18<sup>th</sup> of March instant was referred the Petition of Daniel C. Jencks for relief, make Report in favor of granting the prayer thereof, which Report is read and received.

Do. Upon the Petition of Daniel C. Jencks, it is resolved, that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to pay to said Jencks, the sum of five Dollars and forty cents, being the amount paid by him for City Tax assessed on him in the year 1844.

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The Report of the Joint Committee who were on the 11<sup>th</sup> of November last, appointed to revise the City Ordinances and prepare the same for publication, (which Report was under consideration at the last meeting of the

115. Common Council, - is again taken up; (the Board of 193. Aldermen being present by invitation of the Common Council.) And the following Bills, reported by said

Committee, are severally read and adopted; viz. A bill entitled "An Ordinance providing for the establishment of a Public Watch:"

A bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to Nuisances:"

A bill entitled "An Ordinance to prohibit bathing in certain places:"

A bill entitled, "An Ordinance describing and establishing the City Market-Place:"

A bill, entitled "An Ordinance concerning the City Debt:"

A bill, entitled "An Ordinance establishing Street Commissioners, prescribing the Duties thereof, and for other purposes:"

A bill, entitled "An Ordinance in relation to Public Schools:"

A bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the Interment of the Dead:"

A bill entitled "An Ordinance concerning the Hay Market:"

A bill entitled "An Ordinance concerning Crops-Walks:"

108. \* A bill entitled "An Ordinance, to prevent the going at large of certain Animals:"

\* The bill, entitled "An Ordinance to prevent the going at large of certain Animals, - which was this day adopted as reported, - is read and passed.

(Continued, April 14, 1845.)

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the 14<sup>th</sup> Day of April next, (being the second Monday in said month, at half past 7 o'clock P.M.

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Members present.

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|---------------|-----------|
| Mr. President | Leves.    |
| Alonick       | Moury     |
| Bradford      | Patric    |
| Barnes        | Peck      |
| Carpenter     | Whides    |
| Fairbanks     | Smith     |
| Goodhue       | Stimson   |
| D. Green      | Ringley   |
| C. Green      | Viall     |
| Hidden        | Williams. |

Albert Green, Clerk.

Common Council, April 14<sup>th</sup> 1845.

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

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

A Communication from the City Treasurer, requesting authority to hire certain sums of money, is presented and read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon; which Committee make Report in favour of the measures proposed; which Report is read and received; and the following Resolution is thereupon read and passed; viz.

Resolved, that the City Treasurer, acting under the advice and direction of the Standing Committee on Finance, be and he is hereby authorized to hire from the Comptrol-

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mission of the Dexter Denabin, the sum of Two Thousand Dollars, for one year, at a rate of interest, not exceeding five per cent per annum; and also to hire the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars, to be applied to the payment of bonds held by the State against the City. (Concurred.)

A Petition of Amasa Moanton & others, for a cross walk across Washington Street, at its junction with Snow Street, is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon; which Committee make Report, in favour of granting the prayer thereof, and also in favour of granting the prayer of the petition of Daniel J. Goodhue and Amos D. Smith, for another cross walk across said Street, which was referred on the 10<sup>th</sup> Day of March last: -

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to cause cross walks to be laid across Washington Street, as follows; viz, one from the corner of Mrs. Matthews's House to the corner of George C. Arnold's lot, and one at the junction of said Street with Snow Street. (Concurred.)

A Petition of George M. Richmond, in behalf of the persons interested in, and residing near, the Monaquetucket Print Works, for the establishment of a new Primary School in the Sixth Ward, is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Public Schools, to examine and report thereon.

A Petition of Samuel B. Wheaton and others, praying that Benevolent Street may be gravelled and the gutters therein paved, according to the established grade, is presented and read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

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Lots.

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Petitions of Lyman G. Grant,  
Elisha Emerson,  
George S. Peckham  
Stephen B. Weedon,  
Luther Horton,  
Ephraim Horton,  
and William Mansir, for liberty to fence in  
burial lots, in the North Burial Ground, are presented  
and read, received and laid upon the Table.

Guaguers. The joint Committee who were on the 11<sup>th</sup> of November  
last, appointed to revise the City Ordinances and pre-  
pare the same for publication, to whom on the  
10<sup>th</sup> of March last, was referred the subject of the  
law for the appointment of Guaguers, make Report  
that they do not consider the subject a proper one  
for the attention of the City Council; which Report  
is read; whereupon it is resolved that the same be  
received and adopted.  
(Concurred.)

City Charter. The joint Committee who were on the 11<sup>th</sup> of November  
last, appointed to revise the City Ordinances and prepare  
the same for publication, - to whom on the 10<sup>th</sup> of  
February last was committed a Bill which had been  
by them reported as a proposed amendment of the City  
Charter, - which Committee were then instructed  
to report a Bill providing for the election of Mayor  
and Aldermen by the qualified voters of the City, by  
a plurality of votes on a second trial, - make Re-  
port by Bill, pursuant to said instructions; which  
Report is read, whereupon it is resolved that the same  
be received, and together with said last mentioned Bill,  
be referred to the Standing Committee "to engross  
Ordinances," to <sup>examine and to</sup> report by Bill.

The Standing Committee on City Property, to whom, on the

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St. Phillips } 10<sup>th</sup> of March last, was referred the Petition of Stephen A.  
Market } Phillips, for an alteration in the basement story of the Mar-  
House } ket House, make Report, in favour of granting the prayer  
thereof; which Report is read and received.

Do. Upon the Petition of Stephen A. Phillips - it is resolved,  
that the Clerk of the Market be and he is hereby  
directed to cause the South-East Door in the Market  
House to be removed, and its place to be filled with  
a window. (Concurred.)

D. Boston } A Petition of David Barton, for authority to deepen the  
channel } water in the Providence River, from his wharf on West  
Water } Water Street, to Anthony's Wharf, (so called,) a distance  
River } of about 400 feet, about 40 feet from the line of  
125. the wharves on West Water Street, - is presented and  
read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be  
received, and referred to the Standing Committee on  
City Property, to examine and report thereon.

J. Babcock } A Petition of John Babcock and J. Pero, for liberty to  
J. Pero } move a certain small wooden building, is presented  
and read, received, and referred to the Standing Com-  
mittee on the Fire Department, to examine and re-  
port thereon; which Committee make Report, in  
favour of granting the prayer thereof; which Report  
is read and received.

Do. Upon the Petition of John Babcock and J. Pero,  
for liberty to move a certain wooden building, it  
is resolved that the prayer thereof be granted, and  
that said petitioners be and they are hereby authorized  
to remove said building from its present location on  
their lot, East of Union Street, and to place the  
same in the centre of said lot.  
(Concurred.)

Pine St. } The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the  
10<sup>th</sup> Day of March last, was referred the Petition of Sylvester  
107. } to B. Jackson and others, for repair on Pine Street,  
make Report in favour of granting the prayer there-  
of: which Report is read and received.

Do Upon the Petition of Sylvester B. Jackson & others,  
it is resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be  
and he is hereby directed to cause Pine Street,  
from Plane to Stewart Street, to be finished, according  
to the grade established by the Street Commissioners,  
and the gutters paved, whenever the owners of the  
adjoining lands shall furnish the curb-stones.  
(Concurred.)

Williams } The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the  
Street. } 10<sup>th</sup> Day of February last, was referred the Petition of Albert  
104. } Hall and others, for repair on Williams Street, make  
Report, by a Resolution: which Report is read and re-  
ceived.

Do Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is  
hereby authorized to cause Williams Street, from Hoyer  
to Hope Street, to be repaired agreeably to the grade,  
whenever the owners of the adjacent lands shall comply  
with the following requirements on their part, viz that  
the wall on the North side of said Williams Street be  
moved back into line with the Street: that a wall  
be laid on the South side of said Williams Street, for pro-  
tection to side-walks; and that curb-stone shall be  
furnished by them, for protection of the gutters, on each  
side of said Street. (Concurred.)

H. E. Hudson, A Resolution in the words following, having passed the Board  
of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and is read:  
viz. "Resolved, That the City Treasurer be

directed to pay to Horatio E. Hudson, the sum of six Dol-  
lars, for damage done to his carriage in December last,  
and that the same be paid out of the Appropriation  
for Contingencies:—

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

City Ord. } The Report of the Joint Committee who were on the 11<sup>th</sup>  
referred } of November last, appointed to revise the City Ordinan-  
117. } ces, and prepare the same for publication, — which  
125. } Report was under consideration at the last meeting  
of the Common Council, — is again taken up;  
and the following bills, reported by said Committee,  
are severally read and adopted: viz:

A bill entitled "An Ordinance to prohibit the opening  
of places of Trade or Entertainment on Sundays or  
late at night:—

A bill, entitled "An Ordinance directing the mode of  
publishing the Ordinances of the City of Philadelphia:—

A bill entitled "An Ordinance prescribing the time when  
certain Ordinances shall take effect, and the manner  
of publishing the same.

Friendship } The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the  
Street. } 10<sup>th</sup> of March last, was referred the Petition of Sam-  
107. } uel D. Wickes & others, that Friendship Street, from  
141. } Plane Street to Pearl Street, or Sawtucket Road, may  
be finished according to the established grade, — make  
Report which is read, and received.

Do Upon the Petition of Samuel D. Wickes & others, it is  
resolved that the Surveyor of Highways be and  
he is hereby directed to cause Friendship Street,  
from Plane Street to Sawtucket Road, to be  
finished according to the grade established by  
the Street Commissioners, in lump sum form.

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Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

J. West  
Measures.

Jonathan West is elected a measurer of Grain, Salt and Sea-Coal, for the remainder of the present municipal year.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Friday the 18<sup>th</sup> day of April instant, at half past 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr President,	Hutchins
Ward	Jones,
Bradford,	Mauzy,
Blumen,	Peck,
Carpenter,	Rhodes,
Crocker,	Smith,
Fairbanks,	Stinson,
D. Greene,	Viall
Hidden,	Williams.

Albert Greene, Clerk.

Common Council, April 18<sup>th</sup> 1845.

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

Colored  
Children  
Public  
Schools.

A Petition of William Allen and others, for the admission of the colored children in the City, to the Public Schools in the wards in which they respectively reside, is presented and read.

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presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received, and referred to the School Committee.

Benefit  
Hepkins  
Streets.

A Petition of Joshua Moanan and others, for a sidewalk in Benefit and Hepkins Streets, is presented and read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Chestnut  
Street.

A Petition of Samuel James and others, for repairs on Chestnut Street, from Pauline Street to Clifford Street, is presented and read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

David  
Barton.  
Channel  
of the  
River.

The Standing Committee of City Property, to whom was referred the Petition of David Barton, for liberty to deepen the channel of the river, make Report, in favor of granting the prayer thereof: which Report is read and received.

Do.

Upon the Petition of David Barton, praying for liberty to deepen the water in a part of Providence River, it is resolved, that liberty be, and is hereby granted to said Barton, to deepen the channel of said River, ten feet in width, to a depth three feet below the average depth of the present bottom of the channel, - from a point opposite the North end of said Barton's wharf on West Water Street, southerly, for the distance of four hundred feet; provided that said channel shall not be deepened within forty feet of the present line of the wharves on said Street, and provided that said Barton shall not in any manner infringe upon or interfere with the rights of any other person or persons; nor do any act which may subject the City to any loss, injury, damages or costs whatsoever.

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City Ordinances } The Report of the Joint Committee who were on the 11<sup>th</sup> of  
 123. } November last, appointed to revise the City Ordinances, and  
 prepare the same for publication, - which Report was  
 under consideration at the last meeting of the Common  
 Council, - is again taken up: and the following named  
 Bills accompanying the same, which have been hereto-  
 fore read and adopted, are again read, and are  
 severally passed: viz:

"An Ordinance designating the Officers to be appointed  
 annually by the City Council, in addition to those  
 specially designated and required to be appointed  
 by the City Charter: -"

"An Ordinance appointing the times and place for  
 holding the Municipal Court: -"

"An Ordinance prescribing the manner of notifying Ward  
 Meetings for the purposes of Elections: -"

"An Ordinance fixing the Compensation of Wardens  
 and Ward Clerks: -"

"An Ordinance prescribing the Duties of the City  
 Marshal: -"

"An Ordinance prescribing the Duty of the City Clerk  
 & City Sergeant, in certain cases: -"

"An Ordinance prescribing the Duties of the Owners  
 of the Public Bridges: -"

"An Ordinance designating the Builders of the City Quait: -"

"An Ordinance for the prevention of Fires: -"

"An Ordinance appointing Town Meetings in relation  
 to the Dexter Donation: -"

"An Ordinance in relation to the Streets and Highways: -"

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"An Ordinance for the preservation of Side Walks: -"

"An Ordinance for the regulation of the City Markets  
 and Market-Place: -"

"An Ordinance relative to the City Pumps and Wells: -"

"An Ordinance in relation to the North Burial Ground: -"

"An Ordinance respecting Quarantines: -"

"An Ordinance to prohibit the Depositing Animal or  
 Vegetable Substances in certain Waters of the City: -"

"An Ordinance relative to the removal of the contents  
 of Privy Vaults: -"

"An Ordinance to prevent swelling and other  
 disturbances in the Public Streets: -"

"An Ordinance to prevent the firing of Guns and  
 Pistols in the Streets and other public places: -"

"An Ordinance to prevent the ringing of Bells  
 between Sunset and one hour after Sunrise: -"

"An Ordinance in relation to Dogs: -"

"An Ordinance establishing the City Seal and Seals  
 for the Board of Aldermen and Municipal Court: -"

"An Ordinance providing for the establishment of a  
 Public Watch: -"

"An Ordinance in relation to Nuisances: -"

"An Ordinance to prohibit Barking in certain places: -"

"An Ordinance describing & establishing the City Market-Place: -"

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"An Ordinance in relation to the Burial of the Dead Bodies of Animals:"

"An Ordinance in relation to the Bonds of Collector of Taxes:"

"An Ordinance in relation to Engine Horses and Fire Apparatus:"

"An Ordinance in relation to Wood and Coal Carts:"

"An Ordinance in relation to the City Debt:"

"An Ordinance establishing Street Commissioners, prescribing the Duties thereof, and for other purposes:"

"An Ordinance in relation to Public Schools:"

"An Ordinance in relation to the Interment of the Dead:"

"An Ordinance in relation to the Hay Market:"

"An Ordinance in relation to Crops Walks:"

"An Ordinance to prohibit the opening of places of Trade or Entertainment, on Sundays, or late at night:"

"An Ordinance directing the mode of publishing the Ordinances of the City of Providence:"

"An Ordinance prescribing the time when certain Ordinances shall take effect, and the manner of publishing the same."

Indian Deeds, to } Resolved, that such Indian Deeds, together with such Deeds from Roger Williams to the freemen of town of Providence, as the joint Committee to revise the City Ordinances may deem expedient, be printed in the new book

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of City Ordinances which is now in preparation.

82. Gangways } The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 14<sup>th</sup> of October last, was referred the Petition of B. G. Carle and others, for a continuation of the Culvert in the public gangway, south of the Carle Mannan Store, to the river, - make Report, in favour of granting the prayer thereof; which Report is read and received.

Do. Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby instructed to cause a Culvert to be built, in continuation of the Culvert in the Street or Gangway between the Carle Mannan Store and Benjamin & George Carle's lot, for the termination of the present Culvert, to the River.

Brown Street } 97. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 13<sup>th</sup> of January last, was referred the Petition of Peleg Rhodes and others, for a crop walk, across Brown Street, make Report in favour of granting the prayer thereof; which Report is read and received.

Do. Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby instructed to cause a crop walk to be laid across Brown Street, on the south side of Benvenuto Street.

City Charter } 120. The Standing Committee "to engross Ordinances," to whom on the 14<sup>th</sup> of April instant, was referred a Report of the joint Committee appointed to revise the City Ordinances, &c, together with a Bill accompanying said Report, being a proposed amendment of the City Charter, make Report by a new Bill, entitled "An Act in Amendment of an Act entitled 'An Act to incorporate the City of Providence'"; which Bill is read, whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, and laid

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upon the Table; and it is ordered that the same be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the 12<sup>th</sup> Day of May, next, (being the second Monday in said month,) at half past 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

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|---------------|----------|
| Mr. President | Monroy,  |
| " Aldrich,    | Pattee,  |
| " Burrows,    | Peck,    |
| " Carpenter,  | Potter,  |
| " Cusker,     | Rhodes,  |
| " Fairbanks,  | Smith,   |
| " Goodhue,    | Tingley, |
| " J. Greene,  | Wall,    |
| " Widden.     |          |

17.

Albert Greene, Clerk.

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Special Meeting.

copy. "Map of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, City of Providence, &c."

T. D.

To the members of the Board of Aldermen and of the Common Council of said City, Greeting.

Whereas it is deemed expedient that

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certain proposals from the Providence and Worcester Rail Road Company, concerning the establishment of a Depot, should receive the consideration of the City Council upon an earlier Day than that to which you have adjourned, - you are hereby requested to assemble in your respective Chambers, at 7 1/2 P.M. on Tuesday the twenty ninth of April in-stant, to consider said proposals, and also the expediency of making an appropriation for Highways and any other business that may lawfully come before you.

Witness my hand and the seal of said City, this twenty-eighth Day of April, A.D. one thousand eight hundred and forty-five.  
Thos. M. Burgess Mayor.

"Notified the members of the Board of Aldermen and the members of the Common Council, as required.  
Edward Kerwin, City Sergeant."

Pursuant to the requisition of the aforesaid Warrant, the Common Council are now assembled at half past 7 o'clock P.M.

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

Providence  
Worcester  
Rail Road  
Co. } A Communication from the Mayor, relative to the proposal of the Providence and Worcester Rail Road Company to build a Depot for their Road in the Cove above the Great Bridge, is presented, and read, together with a Draft of an Act accompanying the same, entitled "An Act in addition to an Act entitled 'An Act relative to the Harbor and Public Waters of the Town of Providence.'" Whereupon it is moved, "that a Committee be appointed to apply to the General Assembly for authority to permit the Providence and Worcester Rail Road Company to use a portion of the Cove North of the Great Bridge for

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the purposes of a Depot, under the Direction of the City Council;" on which motion, the question is taken by yeas and nays, which are ordered to be entered on the Journal, as follows. viz

<u>Yeas.</u>	<u>Nays.</u>
Wesley Aldrich,	Wesley Stimson,
Bradford,	Williams 2.
Hanus,	
Carpenter,	
Crocker,	
Fairbanks,	
Hitcher,	
Ge. Shaw,	
D. Greene,	
H. Greene,	
Hadden,	
Hutchins,	
Jones,	
Murray,	
Robbie,	
Teller,	
Whide,	
Smith,	
Tingle,	
Vickell, 20.	

30. Upon the Communication from the Mayor this Day, made to the City Council, it is Resolved, that Wesley Patten, Robie, Hutchins and Aldrich, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to request the Honorable General Assembly, in the name of the City Council - to pass into a law the Bill now lying before the City Council, entitled "An Act in addition to an Act entitled 'An Act relative to the Harbor and Public Waters of the Town of Providence,'" (Concurred, & the Mayor added.)

The Resolution referring to the School Committee the Pe

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colored children } petition of William Allen and others, for the admission of the  
 Public Schools } colored children in the City into the Schools in the sev-  
 124. eral Wards where they reside, - which Resolution passed the Common Council on the 18<sup>th</sup> of April instant and was then sent up for concurrence, is now returned by the Board of Aldermen, who concur therein, with the following Amendment, viz: that the following words be added thereto after the words "School Committee," viz: "with authority to grant said Petition, under such regulations as they may prescribe; any thing in any Ordinance of the City to the contrary notwithstanding." Which amendment is read. Whereupon it is resolved that said Resolution be laid upon the Table.

Edward } A Communication from the Mayor enclosing a Communica-  
 Dexter } tion from Edward Dexter relating to damage to his land  
 situated } on Pawtucket Street, the same being a notice from said  
 Dexter to the City, that he intends to commence a suit  
 96. } for damages, - is presented and read. Whereupon, it  
 137 } is resolved that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on City Affairs, to examine and report thereon.

Appropriation } The following Resolution is reported by the Standing Committee  
 for Finance } for Finance, and is read and passed, viz  
 114. } Resolved, that the sum of Fifteen Hundred Dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for Highways. (Concurred.)

India } A Petition of Uriah Baker and others, for the grading  
 Street } of Hill Street and India Street, is presented and read.  
 Hill Street } Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received and refer-  
 140. } red to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

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Cranton Resolutions in the words following, having passed the Board of Street Aldermen, are sent down for concurrence, and are read,

140: viz: "Upon the petition of Oliver Angell and others, praying for certain repairs on Cranton Street, Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be directed to cause Cranton Street to be graded according to the established grade fixed by the Street Commissioners and the gutters to be paved so far as the curb stones shall be furnished by the proprietors of property on said Street, in continuous lines.

Resolved That the Surveyor be also directed to cause the remainder of said Street to the line of the City, to be made up in turnpike form, and to build any street or drift way that shall be laid out from said Cranton Street by the Board of Aldermen, so that the water may be taken from said Street to Long Pond."

Whereupon it is resolved that the same be laid upon the Table.

144. Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby requested to cause North Main Street to be graded and the gutters paved, from the Canal Market to North Hill Street, whenever the owners of the lands adjoining shall furnish curb stones for the same.

(Concurred, May 5<sup>th</sup> 1845.)

The Common Council adjourn to meet pursuant to the vote of adjournment passed on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of April instant; to wit, a meet on Monday the 12<sup>th</sup> day of May next, at half past 5 o'clock P.M.,

Members present.

Mr. President  
" Aldrich  
" Bradford  
" Burrows  
" Carpenter,  
" Crocker,  
" Fairbank,  
" Fletcher,

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Godhue,  
" J. Green,  
" N. Greene,  
" Hidden,  
" Hutchins,  
" Jones,  
" Mowry,  
" Robodie,

" Peller,  
" Rhodes,  
" Smith,  
" Stinson,  
" Tingley,  
" Vint,  
" Williams

23.

Albert Greene, Clerk,

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The Common Council met pursuant to adjournment. A Quorum present.

The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer under the Resolution of the Common Council of October 20<sup>th</sup> 1834, is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, which Committee thereupon report the following Resolution, which is read and passed: viz:

Resolved, that the several sums hereinafter named be, and the same are hereby appropriated for the following purposes respectively, to wit:

For the payment of Interest on the City Debt, one hundred and fifty Dollars;

For the support of the Public Watch, three hundred and fifty Dollars;

For the Police Department, one hundred Dollars.

And that said sums, so appropriated, be paid out of any monies in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated.

(Concurred.)

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Burial Lots. Petitions of Paris Winsor Jr.  
Daniel Copell,  
Sarah Grey,  
Hugh W. Brown,  
Gamaliel L. Dwight,  
+ Hovea Ballen Jr, for liberty to enclose burying  
lots in the North Burial Ground, are presented, read, and  
received.

Do. Pending petitions for liberty to enclose burial lots in the  
North Burial Ground, which were received and laid  
upon the Table, October 14 1844, November 11<sup>th</sup> 1844,  
January 13<sup>th</sup> 1845, March 10<sup>th</sup> 1845, March 19<sup>th</sup> 1845,  
and April 14<sup>th</sup> 1845, are now again taken up.

Do. Upon the several Petitions of Avery Pettis,  
31, Hezekiah Lakin Jr  
John Hamilton,  
John Galloway,  
James Blingar,  
Lewis Day,  
87, Phillis Church,  
94, Joseph W. Copwell,  
107, Thomas Phillips,  
114, Lyman F. Grant,  
120, Elisha Emerson,  
George S. Peckham,  
Stephen W. Meeden,  
Luther Vorton,  
Cephalet Vorton,  
William Mansie,  
Paris Winsor Jr,  
Daniel Copell,  
Sarah A. Grey,  
Hugh W. Brown,  
Gamaliel L. Dwight,  
and Hovea Ballen Jr, - requesting  
liberty to fence in and enclose Burying Lots supposed for  
their respective families in the North Burial Ground, - it is

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Resolved, that the prayer thereof be generally 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 Overseers of the  
North Burial Ground, with the sanction of the Mayor; and  
provided 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.  
(Concurred May 15<sup>th</sup> 1845.)

Edward Dexter. A Communication from the City Treasurer, enclosing a copy  
of a Writ of Summons, "Edward Dexter vs the City of Providence," is presented, read and received.

Do. The Standing Committee on City Property to a dem, on the  
19<sup>th</sup> of April last, was referred the Communication  
133, from the Mayor enclosing a Communication from Ed-  
ward Dexter relating to alleged damage to his land on  
Fountain Street, -- make Report that they "find it im-  
possible to make an amicable settlement with him";  
and recommend that counsel be employed to defend  
the said communication by him against the City; - which  
Report is read; Whereupon, it is ordered that the same  
be received. (Concurred.)

Do. Resolved, that the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed  
to cause the said communication against the City by Ed-  
ward Dexter, as the next Bar Term of the Court of Com-  
mon Pleas, within and for the County of Providence  
to be answered; and that he be and is hereby  
directed, under the advice and direction of the Stand-  
-ing Committee on City Property, to employ counsel  
in behalf of the City, in the defense of said suit.  
(Concurred.)

Joseph C. Whiting. An Account of Joseph C. Whiting, for extra services as Clerk  
of the North Ward, which was referred by the City Council to

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The City Council, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

Thomas Memory } An Application from Thomas Memory, for the purchase of a small piece of land belonging to the City, lying Easternly of his lot on South Main Street, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon.

George Street } A Petition of Thomas Hares and others, that George Street from Brown Street to Governor Street, may be graded and the gutters paved therein, is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Main through Donance Street } A Petition of Robert Carl and others, for a Conain, from Broad Street, through Donance Street to the River, is presented and read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

George Jr. Fire works } A Communication of Isaac Edge Jr, relative to a Display of fire works on the evening of the 4<sup>th</sup> of July next, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be laid upon the Table.

Wardens } A Resolution in the words following having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and is read: viz: "Resolved, that the Wardens shall receive, for attendance upon the Ward Meetings, on Wednesday the 14<sup>th</sup> instant, the same compensation as they are entitled to by the revised Ordinances after the thirty-first instant."

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

Providence Worcester Rail Road Co. } A Resolution in the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and is read: viz: "Upon the Application of the Providence and Worcester Rail Road Company, Resolved, that the Mayor, with Aldermen Pearce and Knight, (with such as the Common Council may add,) be a Committee to examine any propositions that may be made by said Company, in relation to establishing a Depot in the City, and to report to the City Council thereon." Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be laid upon the Table.

Management Boat Club } A Resolution in the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and is read: viz: "Resolved, that the Management Boat Club, and they are hereby authorized to remove their Club House from its present situation near to the Aborn Estate, on the West Side of the River, to a new location near the foot of Peck Street." Whereupon it is resolved that the Common Council do concur therein.

Court } Resolved that Messrs. Charles Stinson, Kell, Williams, Alcock and Soladie, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be a Committee to select seven Justices of the Peace, to be nominated to the City Council, to constitute the Magistrate's Court for the City of Providence as required by law.

A Resolution in the words following, having passed the Board

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Benefit Street } of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and is read as follows:  
 "Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be directed to cause the curb stones and gutter on the West side of Benefit Street, from Church Street, Northward, to Mr. McLeod's North line, to be carried out to a line with the curb stones and gutters above, keeping the grade of the Street as the land now is, or nearly so. Whereupon it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein.

Cranston Street } The Resolutions from the Board of Aldermen relative to certain repairs on Cranston Street, which were on the 29<sup>th</sup> day of April last laid upon the table; are now taken up and again read. Whereupon, it is resolved that the Common Council do not concur therein.

Do. Upon the Petition of Oliver Angell and others, praying for certain repairs on Cranston Street. - Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be authorized to cause Cranston Street to be graded according to the established grade fixed by the Street Commissioners, and the gutters to be paved as far as the curb stones shall be furnished by the proprietors of property on said Street.

Resolved, That the Surveyor be also authorized to cause the remainder of said Street, to the line of the City, West, to be made up in turnpike form, agreeable to grade, so that it may be placed in good travelling order. (Concurred.)

Hill Street } The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 29<sup>th</sup> day of April last was referred the Petition of Uriah Barber and others, for the grading of Hill Street and India Street, make Report, which is read and received.

Do. Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to cause Hill Street to be repaired, at

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an expense for said repairs not exceeding three hundred Dollars, whenever the proprietors of the adjoining lands shall furnish curb-stones for the protection of the gutter or gutters.

(Concurred, with the following Amendments viz, that the word "suitable" be inserted after the word "furnish"; and that the words "at an expense for said repairs not exceeding three hundred Dollars," be stricken out.)

The Common Council concur in the Amendments.

Friendship Street } The Resolution for repairs on Friendship Street, which was passed on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of April last, and then sent up for concurrence, is now returned by the Board of Aldermen, who concur therein with the following amendments to wit, that the words "to Paaturant Road, to be finished," and that the words "to Stewart Street, to be graded," be inserted; and that the words "in turnpike form," be stricken out; and the words "and the gutters to be paved, whenever the owners of the Estates furnish curb stones for the same," be inserted in their place. - which Amendments are read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur in said Amendments.

Benefit } The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of April last, was referred the Petition of Joshua Maasan and others, for a cross walk in Benefit and Hopkins Streets, make Report, which is read and received.

Do. Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to cause a cross walk, over Benefit Street, to connect with the North side of Hopkins Street; also, a curb walk over the head of Hopkins Street, parallel with Benefit Street. (Concurred.)

Propriet } The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of August last, was referred the petition of Alva Wood and others,

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relative to sidewalks in Prospect Street, make Report, which is read and received.

Do Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to cause Prospect Street, from Meeting Street to fifty or one hundred feet North of Bowen Street, to be finished agreeably to grade, and the gutters paved, whenever the owners of the adjoining land shall furnish curb stones for said purpose. (Concurred.)

Repairs of Streets. } A Resolution giving directions to the Surveyor of Highways, relative to the order of time in which repairs of streets ordered to be repaired, are to be made, - is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be laid upon the Table.

Benevolent Street, } The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 14<sup>th</sup> Day of April last was opened the Petition of Samuel B. Wheaton and others, for repairs on Benevolent Street, make 119. Report, - which is read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, and laid upon the Table.

Surveyor of Highways, } A Resolution directing the Surveyor of Highways to make 158. Report to the City Council, at the next Meeting thereof, of the amount of work on the Highways and Streets of the City, which he has been authorized or directed to cause to be done, and which has not been completed, with an estimate of the probable expense of completing each piece of said work, - is read and passed.

Vote of Thanks to the President, } Resolved, that the Common Council tender their thanks 160. to their President, William S. Follen Esq, for the courteous and impartial manner in which he has discharged the duties of his office.

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

The Common Council adjourns, "without Day," &c.

Members present,

- W. President
- " Aldrich,
- Bradford,
- Burns,
- Carpenter,
- Crocker,
- Fairbanks,
- Goodhue,
- J. Greene,
- R. Greene,
- Widdowson

- " Hulchins,
- Jones,
- Murray,
- Robinson,
- Sells,
- Shields,
- Smith,
- Harrison,
- Tingley,
- Wall,
- Williams

Albert Greene, Clerk,

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Organization of the City Government of the City of Providence, for the Municipal Year commencing on the first Monday in June, C. D. 1845.

Monday, June 2<sup>d</sup> 1845.

This being the day designated by the City Charter for the organization of the City Government for the ensuing Municipal Year, the Mayor and Aldermen elect and members elect of the Common Council assembled in the Council Chamber at 10 o'clock A.M.

The Certificate of the election of Thomas N. Bangs as Mayor, is presented and read; and the oath prescribed by law is administered to him by His Excellency W. Hoopes one of the Justices of the Supreme Court.

The Certificate of the election of Edward P. Knobel, Nathan Wilson, Samuel N. Sheldon, Thomas C. Heppin, Phineas Patton and Robert Knight, as Aldermen, for said year, is presented and read; and they are severally engaged by the Mayor according to law.

The Certificate of the election of the members elect of the Common Council for said year, are presented and read; and all of said members, excepting James P. Smith, are present or engaged by the Mayor according to law.

Albert Sabine is, by ballot, elected City Clerk, for

the year, and is engaged by the Mayor, according to law.

The Council is dissolved by the Mayor, relative to the municipal affairs of the City during the past year, after which, the two Boards separate.

Members of the Common Council  
of the  
City of Providence,  
for the Municipal Year commencing  
on the first Monday in June  
A.D. 1845.

First Ward. William B. Bradford,  
Isiah S. Crocker,  
George B. Peck,  
Josh. Metcalf.

Second Ward. John J. Hinman,  
William S. Patten,  
Charles C. Moring,  
Samuel King, Jr.

Third Ward. William M. Fairbanks,  
William Wick,  
John S. Jones,  
Walter B. Lockwood.

Fourth Ward. Amos A. Smith,  
Edward S. Williams,  
Richard Bransell,  
Samuel Gooding.

Fifth Ward. James C. Hildon,  
Daniel E. Corpinks,  
Russell Greene,  
Grove Hartshorn.

Sixth Ward. William Salove,  
Gaty Greene,  
Joseph Harris Jr.,  
Nathaniel F. Patten.

The members elect of the Common Council, (excepting Mr. Smith,) having been engaged by the Mayor, in presence of the Board of Aldermen, are called to order by Mr. Patten the President of the Common Council for the past municipal year.

William S. Patten and James C. Hildon, are mutually announced as candidates as President of the Common Council.

The question being taken by ballot, the city has voted as follows:

for Mr. Patten, there are 11,  
for Mr. Hildon, there are 11.

Mr. Patten declines being a candidate.

Whereupon, James C. Hildon is elected President of the Common Council, for the present municipal year.

Albert G. Greene is selected Clerk of the Common Council for the present municipal year, and is duly sworn by the Mayor, in the presence of the Board of Aldermen, according to law.

Standing Rules. The Standing Rules of Order of the last Common Council, are read. Whereupon it is ordered, that the Standing Rules of Order of the last Common Council be received and adopted as the Standing Rules of Order of this Council.

Resolved, That the same rules which were on the third day of June A.D. 1844, adopted as the Standing Rules

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of the City Council for the municipal year last past, be and the same one hereby adopted as the Standing Rules of the City Council for the present municipal year.  
(Concurred.)

Standing Pursuant to the requisitions of the Standing Rules this Committee, say adopted by the City Council, the following joint Standing Committees are now appointed according to the Rules of the respective Boards. to-wit:

On Finance.

Messrs. Stinson, Williams, Smith. } Alderman Heppin.

On Highways.

Messrs. Cady Green, Carpenter, Fairbanks. } Alderman Peckham.

On Engineering Ordinances.

Messrs. Peck, Hurlston, Lockwood. } Alderman Knowles.

On the Public Schools.

Messrs. Potter, Yarnwell, Viall. } Alderman Watson.

On the Fire Department.

Messrs. Babcock, Slinger, Cady Green. } Alderman Watson.

On City Property.

Messrs. Potter, Harris, Henry. } Alderman Potter.

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On Police.

Messrs. Jones, Crocker, Gladstone. } Alderman Knight.

Resolved, That Messrs. Jones, Gladstone and Lockwood, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to wait upon the Mayor, and request him to furnish for publication, a copy of the Orders that day, followed by him to the City Council, and to cause the same to be published in such manner as they may deem expedient.

(Concurred, & Alderman Knowles added.)

Resolved, That Messrs. Stinson, Yarnwell and Henry with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to contract for the City Printing for the present municipal year.

(Concurred, & Alderman Watson added.)

Resolved, That Messrs. Stinson, Williams and Smith 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 municipal 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, agreeably to the requisition contained in the fourth Section of the City Charter.

(Concurred, & Alderman Peckham added.)

Resolved, That Messrs. Stinson, Williams and Smith, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and

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They are hereby appointed a Committee to take a Bond of the City Treasurer, with sufficient surety or securities, 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. (Concurred, and Alderman Hoppin added.)

Resolved, That Messrs. Hinson, Williams and Smith, 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, as at the first day of June instant. (Concurred, & Alderman Beckham added.)

Whereas Messrs. Hinson, Williams and Smith have this day been appointed by the Common Council of the City of Providence, a Committee on their part, for the reduction of the City Debt, for the present municipal year, pursuant to the requisition contained in the first section of the Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the City Debt"; - It is thereupon resolved, that the names of said Committee be communicated to the Board of Aldermen, in order that said Board may choose Aldermen to said Committee pursuant to the requisition contained in said section. (Alderman Hoppin added.)

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 enable them to contribute to the benefit of the funds of that 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. (Concurred.)

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Resolved, That each Assessor of Taxes in and for the City shall be allowed and paid One hundred Dollars, as a full compensation for attending the City Tax for the present municipal year. (Concurred.)

Resolved, That Messrs. Crocker, Gladney and Lockwood, 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. 170.

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 to the order of said Committee by the City Treasurer, out of any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated. (Concurred, & Alderman Beckham added.)

A Bill providing for the assessment and collection of a City Tax for the present municipal year, is read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine & report thereon. 161.

A Bill, making certain Appropriations for the present municipal year, is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon. 161.

A Bill entitled "An Ordinance fixing the Compensation of certain Officers, for the year ending on the first Monday in June A.D. 1846," - is read. Whereupon, it is resolved that the same be referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon. 159.

A Communication from William B. Greene, Owner of

158. A Report of the Board, relative to the compensation for said Office, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

Comm from Mayor. A Communication from the Mayor, relative to the Wall on the bank of the river, near Mill Bridge, and to a deposit made by the Culvert that runs from Brook Street, - is presented and read.

Wall, or Mill Bridge. Resolved that the Surveyor of Highways, under the advice of the Mayor, cause the wall on the bank of the river near Mill Bridge, part of which has recently fallen in, to be repaired, and to contract with all parties interested, for crowing off the water, if necessary for such repair. (Concurred.)

Deposit from Brook Street. Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways cause the deposit made at the mouth of the Culvert that runs from Brook Street into the channel, to be cleared away. (Concurred.)

Report of School Committee. The Annual Report of the School Committee is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received and recorded. (Concurred.)

128. Indian Seeds, &c. The first Committee appointed to revise the City Ordinances, who were on the 18<sup>th</sup> of April last authorized to cause such Indian Seeds and Seeds from Roger Williams, as they might deem expedient, to be printed in the next Book of City Ordinances, make Report, which is read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received. (Concurred.)

159. A Petition of Joseph M. Church in behalf of a Committee of "the Democratic citizens of the City of Providence," for the use of the Town House, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received, and laid upon the Table.

160. A Petition of Jonathan B. Nichols, for liberty to move a certain wooden building, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received.

161. Upon the Petition of Jonathan B. Nichols, for liberty to move a certain wooden building, it is resolved that liberty be and the same is hereby granted to him, to move said building from its present location, on his lot, and to place the same on the rear of the same lot at the junction of Westminster Street and Sugar Lane. (Concurred.)

162. Petitions of Benjamin W. Salisbury, Lotemen W. Young, Esther Holbrook, Leander W. Sweet, & W. J. Barrings, for liberty to enclose Sargyng lots, in the North Ward Square, are presented and read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon.

163. The Quarterly Report of the City Treasurer, of the Issues and payments of the City Debt, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received. (Concurred.)

164. The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20<sup>th</sup> 1834, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the

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same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

The Common Council adjourns to meet at 3 o'clock P.M. this day.

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

158. Loan. } A Communication from the City Treasurer, respecting a temporary loan for the use of the City, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved that the same be received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

Ward Street. } A Petition of John W. Richman & others, for a culvert from South Main Street, through Ward Street, to the River, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

159. } A Petition of Winam Barker and others, for cuts across Camp Hospital, Dapeth and Chestnut Streets, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

160. Wickenden Street. } A Petition of Henry Armington & others, for the paving of Wickenden Street, &c. is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and

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report thereon.

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

161. } "Resolved, That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to purchase for the City, any lot in the Sixth Ward which the School Committee may designate, as a lot for a primary school house, at a cost of not exceeding eight hundred dollars; and that he pay for the same out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated."

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

162. } A Communication from the voters in the Fifth Ward, requesting that the City may be divided into two Districts and that a Surveyor of Highways may be appointed for each, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved that

162. } the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee to engross Ordinances, to examine and report thereon.

Joined in Convention of the City Council,

In Convention,

The City Council proceed to the election of City Officers for the present municipal year; and complete the same, (with the exception of, Surveyor of Highways, Clerk of the Market, City Marshal, Court of Magistrates, and members of Fire Hook and Ladder Company No. 1, Engine Company No. 1, & Engine Company No. 9.)

162. } Court of Magistrates. Alderman Peckham, and Messrs Patten, Whidden, Crocker, Brownell and Doty Greene are appointed a Committee to nominate candidates to the City Council, for election,

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to propose the Court of Magistrates for the City, for the present Municipal Year.

The two Boards separate.

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

Members present,

- |              |           |
|--------------|-----------|
| W. President | Lockwood, |
| Wm Bradford, | Metcalf,  |
| Manell,      | Mary,     |
| Barnes,      | Parodie,  |
| Carpenter,   | Patten,   |
| Crocker,     | Peck,     |
| Fairbanks,   | Petter,   |
| Gladding,    | Hinson,   |
| D. Greene,   | Fingsey,  |
| R. Greene,   | Viall,    |
| Wartshorn,   | Williams, |
| Jones,       |           |

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Albert Greene, Clerk,

Common Council, June 9<sup>th</sup> 1845.

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

Amos D. Smith a member elect of the Common Council from the Fourth Ward, is present, duly engaged, and takes his seat.

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A Petition of Richmond Brownell, for liberty to move a certain wooden building, is read and received.

Do. Upon the Petition of Richmond Brownell, for liberty to move a certain wooden building; it is resolved, that said petitioner be and he is hereby authorized to move said building from its present location in the South end of the yard in the rear of No 102 Westminster Street, and to locate the same at the North end of said yard. (Concurred.)

A Petition of Henry S. Franklin, for liberty to move a certain wooden building is presented and read.

Do. Upon the Petition of Henry S. Franklin, for liberty to move a certain wooden building. - It is resolved that said petitioner be and he is hereby authorized to move said building from its present location on land belonging to Gamaliel L. Dwight, to said petitioner's land adjoining. (Concurred.)

Petitions of J. M. Matthews, Charles S. Capron, Joseph Capron, Polly Olney, Minna W. Hubbard, Nathan Luther,

and J. F. Foster, for liberty to fence in hanging lots in the North Burial Ground, are presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon.

The Standing Committee to engross Ordinances, to whom, on the 28 day of June instant, was referred the communication from the Surveyors of Highways, 5<sup>th</sup> Ward the votes in the Fifth Ward, requesting that the City may be divided into two Surveyors Districts, and that a Surveyor of Highways may be appointed for each, - make Report

that in their opinion, it is inexpedient to take any further action thereon; which Report is read. Whereupon, it is resolved that the same be received.

(Concurred.)

Surveyor of Highways } Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be requested to report to the Common Council, what work upon the Highways, Directed by the City Council, he has now in hand, Designating the work he has commenced and not yet completed, and the work not yet commenced, together with an estimate of the probable expense of each job separately.

City Weigher & Layer } A Petition of William Noyes and others, for the appointment of a City Weigher, and that James Burroughs may be appointed to that office, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee to engross Ordinances, to examine & report thereon.

Loan. } The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 2<sup>d</sup> of June instant, was referred the communication from the City Treasurer, recommending a temporary loan for the use of the City, make Report recommending such loan; which Report is read and received.

do. } Resolved, that the City Treasurer, acting under the advice and direction of the Standing Committee on Finance, be, and he hereby is authorized to raise by temporary loan or loans, at a rate of interest not exceeding six per cent, such sum or sums of money, not exceeding in all, the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars, as may be required for the use of the City, before the Tax for the present municipal year be payable. (Concurred.)

Overseer of the Poor } The Standing Committee on Finance to whom, on the 2<sup>d</sup> of June instant, was referred the communication of the Overseer of

the Poor, respecting the compensation of said office, make Report, which is read and received.

Compensation Ordinance. } The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 2<sup>d</sup> of June instant, was referred the Bill entitled "An Ordinance fixing the compensation of certain officers, for the year ending in the first Monday in June, O.D. 1846," now report said Bill; which Report is read and received; and said Bill is amended, read and passed. (Concurred.)

City Bonds } The joint Committee who were, on the 2<sup>d</sup> of June instant, appointed to take a bond from the City Treasurer, for the faithful discharge of the duties of his office for the present municipal year, make Report, that they have taken such bond, and have deposited the same in the office of the City Clerk; which Report is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received. (Concurred.)

City Printing } The joint Committee who were on the 2<sup>d</sup> of June instant, appointed to contract for the City Printing, for the present municipal year, make Report, that they have contracted with Messrs Knoble, Voss and Anthony, & with Messrs Pitman & Amosby; which Report is read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received; and that so much thereof, as relates to the contract made with Messrs Knoble, Voss & Anthony, be recommended to said Committee, for further report.

Crop Walks } The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 2<sup>d</sup> of June instant, was referred the petition of Miriam Barker and others, for certain crop walks, make Report which is read and received.

do. } Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby, Directed to cause crop walks to be laid as follows;

to wit:

- One acre Hospital Street, at the South side of Bapett Street;
  - One acre Bapett Street, at the West side of Chestnut Street;
  - One acre Bapett Street, at the East side of Chestnut Street;
  - One acre Chestnut Street, at the North side of Bapett Street;
  - One acre Chestnut Street, at the North side of Clifford Street.
- (Concurred.)

Drain through Bonance Street. } The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 12<sup>th</sup> of May last, was opened the petition of Robert Earl and others, for a Drain through Bonance Street, make Report 138. in favour of granting the prayer thereof; which Report is read and received.

Do. Upon the Report of the Standing Committee on Highways, on the petition of Robert Earl and others, it is resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to cause a suitable stone culvert to be laid from Broad Street, through the middle of Bonance Street, to the river.

Census. Resolutions in the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen, are sent down for concurrence, and are read:

viz: "Resolved, That Aldermen Bonawles and Peckham, with such as the Common Council may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to cause a Census of this City to be taken; and that the person or persons who are employed to take such Census, shall, in addition to the number of inhabitants, collect the names of all persons liable to be enrolled in the militia, the number of insane, of blind, and of deaf and dumb persons, respectively; with the names and age of each blind and of each deaf and dumb person who is more than six and less than twenty years old; the number of white persons under the age of fifteen years, and the number of col.

ored persons between the ages of ten and twenty-four years, together with such other particulars as said Committee shall direct.

Resolved, that the bills for taking such census, shall be certified by said Committee to the City Treasurer, who shall pay the same out of the Appropriation for Contingencies."

Whereupon it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein; and that Messrs Patten, Hall, Peck Brownell, Hartshorn and Potter be added to the Committee,

Primary School House, 6<sup>th</sup> Ward.

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

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viz: "Resolved, That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to contract, with the advice of the Joint Committee on Public Schools, for the erection of a Primary School House on the lot authorized to be purchased by Resolution of the City Council passed on 2<sup>d</sup> Inst; and that there be appropriated for the purpose of paying for the same, Thirteen Hundred Dollars, from any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated."

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

Tax.

156.

The Standing Committee on Finance to whom on the 2<sup>d</sup> of June instant, was opened the Bill providing for the assessment and collection of a Tax for the present municipal year, make Report by Bill entitled "An Ordinance providing for the Assessment and Collection of a Tax of thirty eight cents on each one hundred Dollars in value of the Rateable Property in the City of Providence;" which Report is received; and said Bill is read and passed.

Appropriation 157.

The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 2<sup>d</sup>

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of June instant, was referred the Bill making sundry appropriations of money for the present municipal year, new report said Bill, which Report is received, and said Bill is read and passed.

(Concurred, with amendments.)

The Common Council concur in the Amendments,

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

Court of Magistrates.

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The Committee who were on the 2<sup>d</sup> of June instant, appointed to nominate candidates for election, to compose the Court of Magistrates for the City, for the present municipal year, make Report containing such nomination.

The City Council proceed to complete the election of City Officers for the present municipal year, and having completed the same, the two Boards separate.

In Common Council.

Court of Magistrates.

Town House.

155.

Resolved, that Messrs Lockwood, Peck and Jones, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be a Committee to alter, and prepare in the Town House, a Court Room, for the sittings of the Court of Magistrates; and, if said Committee deem it expedient that they also prepare therein, an Office or Offices for the transaction of the Police business of the City, provided the cost of such alterations do not exceed the sum of five hundred Dollars, which sum is hereby appropriated therefor, payable by the City Treasurer upon the orders of the Committee.

Voted, that the same Committee be authorized and instructed to provide some suitable temporary place, at the expense of the City, for the sittings of the Magistrates

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Court, until the Court Room in the Town House shall be made ready.

(Concurred, & Alderman Potter added.)

Police Court. Resolved, That from the Justices assigned to keep the Peace within this City, Henry L. Bowen, Samuel Brown,

and Joseph S. Pitman, be and they are hereby selected to compose the Police Court of this City, during the present municipal year.

(Concurred.)

Rev. & Minister R.R. Co.

Cove.

139.

214.

An Application from Messrs. J. J. Jones & others in behalf of the Providence and Worcester Rail Road Company, requesting the appointment of a Committee to confer with the Director of said Company relative to the occupation of a portion of the Cove above Weybosset Bridge as a Depot for said Rail Road, — is presented and read, received and referred to Messrs Williams, Patten, Peck, Lockwood, Carpenter and G. J. Green, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon.

(Concurred, June 21, 1845. & the Mayor and Alderman Watson added.)

David Barton.

Channel of the River.

125.

Resolved, That liberty be and is hereby granted, to David Barton, to deepen the channel of the River, below Weybosset Bridge ten feet in width, to a depth three feet below the average depth of the present bottom of the channel, from a point opposite the North end of said Barton's wharf on West Water Street, southerly, for the distance of four hundred feet; provided that said channel shall not be deepened within forty feet of the present line of the wharves on said Street.

(Concurred.)

Benefit of Street.

A Petition of William Foster and others, for repairs on

164. June 9<sup>th</sup> June 21<sup>st</sup> 1845.

Report Sheet from Transit Street to Wickenden Street, is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the 14<sup>th</sup> Day of July next, at half past 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr. President,  
" Madford,  
" Mannell,  
Bancroft,  
Carpenter,  
Creeker,  
Fairbanks,  
D. Greene,  
N. Greene,  
Jones,  
Lockwood,  
Metcalf,

" Murray,  
" Sabovic,  
Patten,  
Peele,  
Peter,  
Smith,  
Stinson,  
Tingley,  
Viola,  
Williams,

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Albert Greene, Clerk

Common Council, June 21, 1845.

Special Meeting.

Copy. "State of Rhode Island Providence Plantations,  
City of Providence, R.I."

L.S.

To the Members of the  
Board of Aldermen and of the Common  
Council of said City, Greeting.

165. June 21<sup>st</sup> 1845.

It having been usual for the City Council of this City to render in an appropriate manner the Decease of those distinguished citizens who have held the office of President of the United States I respectfully request you to meet on Saturday the twenty-first Day of June instant, at 8 P.M. in your respective Chambers, that you may take such action in respect to the memory of Ex-President Jackson, as may seem to you proper, and that you may transact any other business which may lawfully come before you.

Witness my hand and the seal of said City, this nineteenth day of June, A.D. one thousand eight hundred and forty-five.

Thos M. Burgess, Mayor.

"Providence June 21 1845. Notified the members of the Board of Aldermen, except Aldermen Knight & Hoppin, who are out of the City, and I have notified the members of the Common Council, except John J. Stinson and Willard W. Fairbanks, who are out of the City. Edward Harwood, City Sergeant."

Pursuant to the requisition of the foregoing Warrant, the Common Council are now assembled at 8 o'clock P.M. a Quorum present.

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

President Jackson's A Communication from the Mayor, relative to the Decease of Ex-President Jackson, is presented and read.

Do.

Whereas since the last meeting of the City Council, intelligence has been received of the Death of Andrew Jackson Ex-President of the United States who after having honorably served his Country, as a brave soldier and a successful General, was twice

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called by the suffrages of his fellow citizens, to perform the high duties of their Chief Magistrate:-

It is therefore, Resolved, that in testimony of respect for his memory, minute guns, corresponding in number with the years of the age of the deceased, be fired, on Tuesday next, commencing at noon; that the bells of the Churches of the City, be tolled during such firing; and that the commanders of the military companies in the City and of the shipping in the harbour, be requested to display their flags at half mast, on that day, from 10 Am. until sunset.

Resolved, that the Mayor be requested to cause the foregoing arrangements to be carried into effect, and that these proceedings be published in all the City newspapers.

(Concurred.)

20. Resolved, That the Communication of the Mayor, this day made to the City Council, relative to the Decree of Ex President Jackson, be published with the Resolutions, this day, passed by the City Council upon the same subject.

(Concurred.)

Henry L. A Petition of James A. Leet, for liberty to fence in or burying lot in the North Burial Ground is presented and read, waived, and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon.

N. Dodge et al.

A Petition to the Hon<sup>ble</sup> General Assembly from Nathaniel Dodge & Samuel Staples, praying that certain Swelling houses on the Eastern side of Benefit Street, South of the Swelling house of said Dodge, may be exempted from the operation of the Law in relation to the erection of buildings in the City of Providence, is, together with the Bill

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accompanying the same, presented by said petitioners, with a request that the City Council may recommend the passage of said Bill by the General Assembly. And the same having been read, it is resolved that the General Assembly be requested to pass said Bill (Concurred.)

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

"Resolved, that the Clerk of the Market be authorized to cause the roof of the Fish Market to be repaired in a permanent manner."

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

The Common Council adjourn, to meet pursuant to the vote of adjournment passed on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of June instant, - to wit, to meet on Monday the fourteenth day of July next, at half past 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

- Mr President,
- " Bradford,
- Brunell,
- Barnes,
- Carpenter,
- Crocker,
- Gladstone,
- D. Greene,
- Hartshorn,
- Lockwood

- Metcalf,
- Murray,
- Palmer,
- Patten,
- Perko,
- Potter,
- Smith,
- Tingley,
- Viola.

Albert Greene, Clerk.

Common Council, July 14<sup>th</sup> 1845.

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

City printing, A communication from the Mayor, in relation to the City Advertising, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be laid upon the Table.

E. J. Mallett, A communication from the Mayor enclosing a communication to him from E. J. Mallett, in relation to the proposal of Thomas Henry to purchase a small piece of land of the City, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same together with said communication from E. J. Mallett, be referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine & report thereon.

C. Belcher, A Petition of Colch Belcher, for liberty to move a certain wooden building, is presented, read and received.

Do Upon the petition of Colch Belcher, for liberty to move a certain wooden building it is resolved that said petitioner be and he is hereby authorized to move said building, being No 93, on Westminster Street, and to place it about fifty feet directly in the rear of its present location, and to elevate the same to the height allowed by law. (Concurred)

Chemut & Convent Streets, A Resolution in the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and is read: viz: "Upon the Petition of Samuel Warner and others, praying that measures be taken to continue Chemut and Convent Streets to the Sawtuck Turnpike; Resolved,

that the joint Committee on Highways be instructed to enquire whether the proposed improvement be of sufficient importance to the Public, to warrant the payment by the City, of Damages for opening such proposed Street, and expenses for building the same, or whether it is a case in which the Standing Rules of the Board of Aldermen, concerning the reception of streets, ought to be asked to.

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

Highway, A Petition of Josiah Chapin and others, praying that High Street, from Stewart Street, to the junction of Broad and Westminster Streets, may be repaved, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, and laid upon the Table.

W. Van Naman, A Petition of Hezekiah Van Naman, praying for relief from a penalty incurred by a violation of the Law "concerning the erection of Buildings in the City of Providence," is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved that the same be received, and dismissed.

Crosswalks, A Petition of Hiram Barker and others, for three crosswalks across Sawtuck Street is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, which Committee make Report recommending the granting of the prayer thereof; which Report is received.

Do. Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to cause crosswalks to be laid as follows: viz: One across Tanner Street, at its junction with Sawtuck Street. One across Sawtuck Street, at the southerly corner of the New Market.

One and a half Pasture Street, at its junction with Stone Street,  
One and a half Pasture Street at its junction with Stewart Street,  
(Continued.)

Buying  
Lots.

Petition of Charles Piess,  
Alleging that the same, for liberty to fence in buying  
lots in the North Manual Ground, are presented and read  
and referred to the Standing Committee on City  
Property, to examine and report thereon.

4<sup>th</sup> July. A Communication from the joint Committee of Arrangements  
for the Municipal Celebration of the late anniversary of  
American Independence, is presented and read. Whereupon,  
157. it is resolved that the same be received.

Do. Resolved that a further sum of two hundred and twenty-  
five dollars, be and the same is hereby appropriated for  
the payment of the expenses of the Municipal Celebration  
of the recent Anniversary of American Independence,  
and that the same be paid by the City Treasurer, to  
the order of the joint Committee of Arrangements  
for that occasion, from any monies in the Treasury  
not otherwise appropriated.  
(Continued.)

Report of Surveyor of Highways. Pursuant to the Resolution of the Common Council, passed  
on the 9<sup>th</sup> of June last, the Surveyor of Highways makes  
Report, that the estimated expense of the works  
on the Highways, directed by the Council, is  
158 as follows, viz:

- Work commenced, but not completed. 1225 "
- Work not yet commenced. 13549 "

which Report is read & received and it is ordered that the  
same be placed on file.

Field's Point Farm. A Resolution in the words following, have passed the  
Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and is

read: viz:  
Resolved, that the City Treasurer, (under the advice of  
the joint Committee on City Property,) be authorized to  
contract for the building of a Barn on the Field's Point  
Farm; and that the sum of two hundred dollars  
be appropriated for the payment of the same, out  
of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropria-  
ted.

Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Coun-  
cil do concur therein.

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

Resolved, that the Overseer of the Poor be authorized,  
under the advice of the Mayor, to contract with some  
Asylum or Hospital for the insane, for the support of  
Caroline Price, now an inmate of the Decker Asylum,  
and that the expense of her support and of sending  
her to such Asylum or Hospital, be paid from  
the appropriation "for the Support of the Poor."

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

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

Alleg W. Gardiner. A Petition of, Peleg W. Gardiner, is presented read and re-  
ceived.

Clarinda and Street. Upon the Petition of Peleg W. Gardiner, it is resolved,  
That the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed,  
to cause the side walk in Claverick Street, in front of  
the Estate of said Gardiner, to be carried out to the  
Do.

line of the other side walks on the same side of said street, and to cause the gutter on the south side of Pine Street, from the corner of Pine and Clavericks Streets, to Chestnut Street, to be repaired.

(Concurred.)

Williams, A Petition of Noah Baker & others, for the grading and repairing of Williams Street, between Benefit and Governor Streets, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Board of Firewards, An Application from the Board of Firewards, requesting the City Council to cause the lot at the corner of Friendship and Richmond Streets, to be purchased, for the erection thereon of buildings for housing Stationary Engine No 1, & Fire Hook and Ladder Company No 2, - is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved that the same be received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon.

Board of Firewards, An Application from the Board of Firewards, for liberty to dig a fountain on the land at the junction of Plane and Friendship Streets, is presented, read, and received.

Land at the Junction of Plane & Friendship Streets. Resolved, that the Board of Firewards be authorized to dig a fountain on the lot belonging to the City, at the junction of Plane and Friendship Streets, for the purpose of receiving a <sup>forcing</sup> Stationary Engine. (Concurred.)

City Printing 16a The joint Committee who were on the 20<sup>th</sup> of June last, appointed to contract for the City Printing for the present Municipal year, - and to whom, on the 9<sup>th</sup> of said June,

was re-committed a portion of the Report then made by them, now make final Report.

Do. Whereas, the joint Committee who were on the second day of June last, appointed to contract for the City Printing for the present municipal year, have made Report, that they have contracted with Messrs Pitman & Amosbury, to advertise in the Daily Transcript and Chronicle, on the same terms as last year, namely, for seventy five Dollars, and with Messrs Knowles, Vase and Anthony, to advertise in the same papers as last year, for one year from the 9<sup>th</sup> day of July instant, for one hundred and seventy-five Dollars; - and with Messrs Pitman & Amosbury, to do the job printing, for 20 per cent less than the usual prices for job printing; - It is resolved that said Report be received,

Police Court. A Communication from Samuel Brown, declining to accept his appointment as a member of the Police Court, is presented, read and received.

Do. Resolved, that from the Justices assigned to keep the Peace within this City, Henry L. Bowen, Joseph S. Pitman, and Edwin Metcalf, be and they are hereby selected to compose the Police Court of the City, for the present municipal year. (Concurred.)

Calvert through Bonance Street. The Resolution for the construction of a Calvert through Bonance Street to the river, which on the 9<sup>th</sup> of June last, passed the Common Council and was then sent up for concurrence, is now returned by the Board of Aldermen, who concur therein, with the following Amendment: viz: that the following words be added: viz: "And that the sum of two thousand Dollars be appropriated for the same, to be expended during the pres-

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-out municipal year, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated." Which amendment being read, it is resolved that the same be laid upon the Table.

North Burying Ground.

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A Resolution appointing a Committee to cause the North Burying Ground to be enclosed with a suitable fence, to agree with the owners of the adjoining lands, relative to the bounds thereof; and to cause the same to be laid out into lots, with suitable avenues, - is presented, read, and referred to the next meeting of the Common Council.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention,

Charles T. Little is elected Sealer of Weights & Measures for the remainder of the present municipal year.

The Court of Magistrates are elected for the remainder of the present municipal year.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday the 11<sup>th</sup> Day of August next, at half past 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present,

Mr President.  
Madison  
Brennell  
Burrows  
Carpenter  
Crocker,  
Fairbanks,

" Gladding  
D. Greene  
R. Greene  
Hartshorn  
Jones  
Lockwood,  
Murray,

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" Pabodie,  
Follen  
Peck  
Petter,

Smith,  
Stinson,  
Voll,  
Williams,

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Albert Greene, Clerk

Common Council, August 11<sup>th</sup> 1845.

The Common Council met pursuant to adjournment. A Quorum present.

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

Petitioners of Maxwell Chase, Lafayette Pidge, and Eliza Dillingham, for liberty to fence in burying lots in the North Burying Ground, are presented, and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the City Property, to examine and report thereon.

A Petition of Peleg Johnson and others, that the curb stones may be set and the gutters paved, in South Street, from Hospital to Stone Street, is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

The Standing Committee on the Street Department, to whom on the 14<sup>th</sup> of July last, was referred the application from

August 11 1845.

The Board of Firewards, requesting the purchase of the lot at the corner of Friendship and Richmond Streets, make Report, in favour thereof, which is read and received.

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and directed to purchase for the use of the City, the lot of land at the junction of Friendship and Richmond Streets, measuring about seventy-five by eighty-five feet; and to pay therefor, the sum of two thousand five hundred Dollars, from any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, or receiving from the owner or owners thereof, a warranty deed, conveying the same in fee simple to the City.

Resolved, That after the purchase thereof, the Board of Firewards be and they are hereby authorized to cause buildings to be placed thereon, for the use of the Fire Department. (Concurred.)

North Burial Ground. } The Committee to whom, on the 12<sup>th</sup> of August, A.D. 1844, was referred the petition of Zachariah Allen and others, requesting the City Council to take measures for improving the condition of the North Burial Ground, - make Report accompanied by certain Resolutions relative to the subject; which Report and Resolutions are read. (The Board of Aldermen being present by invitation of the Common Council.) Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

Samuel Jackson<sup>D</sup> is appointed a weigher of Anthracite or other coal, for the remainder of the present municipal year.

The two Boards separate.

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In Common Council.

North Burial Ground. } The Resolution relative to the North Burial Ground, which was presented at the last meeting of the Common Council, and then referred to this meeting, for consideration, is now withdrawn.

Do. } The Report on the North Burial Ground, this day made to the City Council, is again taken up. Whereupon, it is resolved that the same be received.

Do. } The following Resolutions, accompanying said Report, are read: viz.

1. Resolved, That Messrs Follen, Henson and Peck, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to lay out in and around the North Burying Ground, proper lanes and avenues for passing in and through the same, not to be filled up or encroached upon, marking the same, as far as can be, with permanent monuments.

2. Resolved, That the same Committee lay out said Burying Ground into suitable lots and ranges of lots, for burying the Dead: - that after setting off a sufficient quantity of land for free use, they appraise the lots; - and all grants of lots, not now taken up and enclosed, or hereafter taken up, shall be from the appraised lots and at the valuation set thereupon; upon the payment of which to the City Treasurer, and the production to him of the Certificate of the Superintendent or Overseer of the Burying Ground, that he is entitled thereto, the party entitled thereto, shall receive a fee simple deed, executed by the City Treasurer, conditioned to use said lot only for purposes of a Burying Lot, under such general regulations as shall, from time to time, be adopted, - not affecting the title thereto.

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The Board of Firewards, requesting the purchase of the lot at the corner of Friendship and Richmond Streets, make Report, in favour thereof, which is read and received.

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and directed to purchase for the use of the City, the lot of land at the junction of Friendship and Richmond Streets, measuring about seventy-five by eighty-five feet; and to pay therefor, the sum of two thousand, five hundred Dollars, from any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, or receiving from the owners or owners thereof, a warranty deed, conveying the same, in fee simple to the City.

Resolved, That after the purchase thereof, the Board of Firewards be and they are hereby authorized to cause buildings to be placed thereon, for the use of the Fire Department. (Concurred.)

North Burial Ground. } The Committee to whom, on the 12<sup>th</sup> of August, A.D. 1844, was referred the petition of Zachariah Allen and others, requesting the City Council to take measures for improving the condition of the North Burial Ground, - make Report accompanied by certain Resolutions relative to the subject; which Report and Resolutions are read. (The Board of Aldermen being present by invitation of the Common Council.) Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

Samuel Jackson<sup>D</sup> is appointed a weigher of Rutkrantz's better coal, for the remainder of the present municipal year.

The two Boards separate.

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In Common Council.

North Burial Ground. } The Resolution relative to the North Burial Ground, which was presented at the last meeting of the Common Council, and then referred to this meeting, for consideration, is now withdrawn.

Do. } The Report on the North Burial Ground, this day made to the City Council, is again taken up. Whereupon, it is resolved that the same be received.

Do. } The following Resolutions, accompanying said Report, are read: viz.

"1." Resolved, That Messrs Fatten, Stimson and Peck, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to lay out in and around the North Burying Ground, proper lanes and avenues for passing in and through the same, not to be filled up or encroached upon, marking the same, as far as can be, with permanent monuments.

2.<sup>d</sup> Resolved, That the same Committee lay out said Burying Ground into suitable lots and ranges of lots for burying the Dead: - that after setting off a sufficient quantity of land for free use, they appraise the lots; - and all grants of lots not now taken up and enclosed, or hereafter taken up, shall be from the appraised lots and at the valuation set thereupon; upon the payment of which to the City Treasurer, and the production to him of the Certificate of the Superintendent or Overseer of the Burying Ground, that he is entitled thereto, the party entitled thereto, shall receive a fee simple deed, executed by the City Treasurer, conditioned to use said lot only for purposes of a Burying Lot, under such general regulations as shall, from time to time, be adopted, - not affecting the title thereto.

That said Committee examine the lots already enclosed, taken up or appropriated, whether under grants of the City Council, or not; and upon the payment of the valuation put thereon, and the production of a Certificate as aforesaid, the holder shall receive a fee simple fee, as aforesaid.

3<sup>d</sup> Resolved, That the same Committee cause a suitable fence to be erected around the North Burying Ground; and that the City Treasurer pay the expense thereof, upon the order of the Committee, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, not exceeding the sum of twenty five hundred dollars;

That said Committee be empowered, by agreement and contract with the owners of land adjoining the North Burying Ground, to fix and establish the bounds of said Burying Ground and to make such exchanges of land in regard to the same as said Committee shall deem expedient and advantageous for the Burying Ground; and that they cause the bounds to be marked by durable monuments and evidences

4<sup>th</sup> Resolved, That the same Committee prepare, and report to the City Council a Draft of Regulations for the North Burying Ground, papers to be adopted and passed into an Ordinance of the City,

5<sup>th</sup> Resolved, That the Committee on City Property cause the strip of land on the easterly side of Sexton Street, authorized to be sold by vote of the General Assembly, in October, 1795, to be graded, and divided into suitable house-lots, and to be sold at public auction, or otherwise, in their discretion.

6<sup>th</sup> Resolved, That the City Treasurer keep a special Account of receipts and expenditures on Account of the North Burying Ground, crediting also to said Account, all monies received on account of sales of land

Land East of Sexton Street

body of Sexton Street,

7<sup>th</sup> Resolved, That the City Clerk keep a special Record Book of Deeds of North Burying Ground Lots; the fees for recording to be paid by the grantees.

Whereupon it is moved, that the third of said Resolutions be amended, as follows: to wit, that the first six lines be stricken out, and the following words inserted in their place: viz "Resolved, That said Committee be authorized to sell the land lying between Sexton Street and the Sawtucket Turnpike; and from the proceeds thereof, or the proceeds of sales of Burying Lots, as proposed, that said Committee be authorized to erect a fence around said Ground."

Upon which motion, the question is taken by ayes and nays, which are ordered to be entered in the Journal, as follows,

viz.		<u>Ayes.</u>	<u>Nays.</u>
Supr.	Brunell	Supr. Bradford,	
	Barnes,	Jones,	
	Carpenter,	Lockwood,	
	D. Greene,	Metcalf	
	R. Greene	Murray,	
	Patten,	Palovick,	
	Smith	Patten	
	Williams, 8.	Peck	
		Simon	
		Tingley,	
		Viall,	11.

Said motion is therefore lost.

On the motion for the passage of said Resolutions, the question is taken by ayes and nays, which are ordered to be entered in the Journal as follows; viz.

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<u>Ayes.</u>	<u>Nays.</u>
Alger, Madford,	Alger, Brownell,
Jones,	Burns,
Lockwood,	Carpenter,
Metcalf,	D. Greene,
Mauzy,	N. Greene,
Palodis,	Peller,
Patten,	Smith,
Rock,	Williams, 8.
Himson,	
Singley,	
Viall 11.	

Said Resolutions are therefore passed.  
(Concurred, and Alderman Knowles added)

<sup>category</sup> A Resolution in the words following, having passed the Board  
<sup>crop walks</sup> of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and is read.  
<sup>Benefit St</sup> viz:

"Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be directed to pave the gutters and lay the crop walks, under in Benefit Street, between College and Hopkins Streets, upon such grades as he may think convenient for the adjacent estates."

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

<sup>Receipts +</sup> <sup>Expenditures</sup> The Committee who were on the 2<sup>d</sup> of June last, appointed, to prepare and publish a particular Account of the receipts and expenditures for the past municipal year, and a Schedule of the property of the City, make Report that they have discharged that duty, which Report is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received.  
(Concurred.)

<sup>See a/c.</sup> The Committee who were on the 2<sup>d</sup> of June last, appointed to audit and settle the Accounts of the City Treasurer with the City, up to the first day of said June, make Report,

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that they find said Accounts correct & properly vouched, and together with their Report, present the Treasurer's Account current with the City, - which Report is read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, and together with said Account, be received.  
(Concurred.)

<sup>Magistrates</sup> <sup>Court Room</sup> <sup>Town House</sup> The Committee who were on the 9<sup>th</sup> of June last, appointed to prepare in the Town House, a Court Room, for the sittings of the Court of Magistrates, and an office or offices for the transaction of the Police Business of the City, &c., make Report, that they have discharged that duty, which Report is read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received.  
(Concurred.)

<sup>City</sup> <sup>Magistrates</sup> <sup>George</sup> The Standing Committee to enquire Ordinances, to whom on the 9<sup>th</sup> of June last, was referred the petition of William Hodget &c., and others, for the appointment of a City Engineer and Surveyor, and that James Barrington be appointed to that office, - make Report by a Bill, entitled "The Ordinance providing for the Election of Weighers of Merchandise" which Bill is read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be laid upon the Table.

<sup>crop walks</sup> <sup>Market St</sup> A Resolution in the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and is read:

viz: "Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause a crop walk to be laid across Market Street, in such Direction as may conveniently accommodate persons passing from the North walk of Newmarket Bridge to the Post Office." Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein.

<sup>Jackson Clark</sup> <sup>Mauzy Wood</sup> <sup>buildings</sup> A Sketch of Messrs Jackson & Clark, for liberty to move two wooden buildings, is presented, read and received.

50 Upon the Petition of Messrs Jackson & Clark, for liberty

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to move two wooden buildings, it is resolved, that said pe-  
titioners be, and they are hereby authorized to move one of  
said buildings, (being a blacksmiths shop,) from its present  
location at the corner of Dyer and Commerce Streets, and  
to place the same at the corner of Dyer and Central  
Streets; and to move the other of said buildings from  
its present location on Dyer Street, and to place it about  
twenty-five feet further Westward, in the same lot.  
(Concurred.)

Edwards & Dexter. A communication from the City Treasurer, stating that a  
suit in Chancery has been commenced by Edward Dexter  
against the City, before the Supreme Court, in the County  
of Providence, is presented and read. Whereupon it is  
ordered, that the same be received and referred to the  
Mayor with authority to employ counsel to appear  
and act in behalf of the City.  
(Concurred.)

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the  
8<sup>th</sup> day of September next, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present,

Mr. President  
" Bradford  
Brownell,  
Bancroft,  
Carpenter,  
D. Greene,  
R. Greene,  
Jones,  
Lockwood,  
Metcalf.

Murray,  
Robbie,  
Patten,  
Rich,  
Pitter,  
Smith,  
Stimson,  
Tingley,  
Viall,  
Williams.

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Albert G. Greene, Clerk.

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

For Monthly Statement. The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the  
Statement. Association of the Common Council, of October 20<sup>th</sup> 1834,  
is presented, read, received, and referred to the Stand-  
ing Committee on Finance.

Job Minor. A Petition of Job Minor, for liberty to sell fruit on the  
sidewalk in front of the cellar occupied by him on  
Market Square, is presented and read. Whereupon,  
it is resolved that the same be received and re-  
ferred to the Mayor, with authority to act in the  
premises.

(Concurred, with this amendment, viz: that  
all the words after the word "Resolved" be  
stricken out and the words "that the  
said Petitioner have leave to withdraw  
his petition", be inserted in their place.)  
The Common Council concur in the Amendment.

Schools. A Bill, entitled "An Ordinance in addition to an Or-  
dinance entitled "An Ordinance in relation to Public  
Schools", having passed the Board of Aldermen, is  
sent down for concurrence, and is read: (said bill  
authorizing the establishment of two additional pri-  
mary or intermediate schools.) Whereupon it  
is resolved, that the Common Council do concur  
therein.

Do. A Bill entitled "An Ordinance in addition to an  
Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance in relation to Pub-  
lic Schools", having passed the Board of Aldermen,

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is sent down for concurrence: and is read; (said bill authorizing the establishment of one additional primary school for colored children.) Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein.

*Chesnut & Convenient Streets.* The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 14<sup>th</sup> of July last, was referred the petition of Samuel Warner and others for the continuation of Chesnut and Convenient Streets to the Centuret Turnpike, make Report, that the improvement proposed, is not in their opinion, of sufficient importance to the public, to authorize the payment of damages and expenses, and that the case is one in which the Standing Rules of the Board of Aldermen should be adhered to; - which Report having been received by the Board of Aldermen, it is resolved that the Common Council do concur in the reception thereof.

*T. Hull.* The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 21<sup>st</sup> of April last, was referred the Account of Thomas C. Hull against the City, make Report, which is read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and adopted; and that said Thomas C. Hull have liberty to withdraw his Account. (Concurred.)

*Remission Taxes.* A Resolution for the remission of certain Taxes assessed in the year 1844, represented by James Mansfield Collector of Taxes, as not collectable, by reason of errors in the assessments thereof, to, amounting in the whole to \$731. 7/100, is read and passed. (Concurred.)

*C. Holden.* A Petition of Charles Holden 2<sup>d</sup> for liberty to move two wooden buildings, is presented and read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, which Committee make Report in favour of granting the prayer whereof; which Report is read and received.

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*Do.* Upon the Petition of Charles Holden 2<sup>d</sup>, for liberty to move two wooden buildings, it is resolved, that said petitioner be and he is hereby authorized to move one of said buildings from its present location on the Thurber Lot on Canal Street, and to place the same on the rear of said lot, with its end on the gangway; and to move the other of said buildings from its present location on the lot on Canal Street, belonging to James and Anna Arnold, and to place the same upon said Thurber Lot. (Concurred.)

*City Debt.* The City Treasurer presents his Quarterly Report of the Issues & payments of the City Debt, which is read. Whereupon, it is resolved that the same be received.

*City Sr. Loan from Boston Donation.* A Communication from the City Treasurer, for liberty to hire money from the Commissioners of the Boston Donation, is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance; which Committee make Report recommending that authority be given to the Treasurer to hire said money, amounting to about \$800; and that an equal amount be added to the Appropriation for the payment of the City Debt, which Report is read and received.

*Do.* Resolved, that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to hire from the Commissioners of the Boston Donation, for the use of the City, the sum of Eight Hundred Dollars, at a rate of interest not exceeding five per cent. (Concurred.)

*City Debt.* Resolved, that the sum of Eight Hundred Dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated towards the payment of the City Debt; and that said sum so appropriated, be paid from any monies in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated. (Concurred.)

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Burying Lot. } A Petition of George W. Leggett, for liberty to fence in a burying lot in the North Burial Ground, is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon.

Pearl Street. } A Petition of Daniel Bound & others, for the grading of Pearl Street from Pearl Street to Pearl Street is presented and read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine & report thereon.

George Street. } A Petition of Collet Earle & others, for repairs on George Street, is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine & report thereon.

Benefit Street } The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 11<sup>th</sup> of August last, was referred the Resolution then sent down for concurrence from the Board of Aldermen directing the laying of crop walks and paving of the gutters in Benefit Street from College to Hopkins Street, - make Report, recommending that the same be referred to the Street Commissioners, for their opinion, and for them to report what is the established grade on Benefit Street, between College and Hopkins Streets; - which Report is read and received.

Do. } Resolved, That the Street Commissioners be and they are hereby requested to report to the City Council, the grade established by them, of Benefit Street, from College to Hopkins Street, and also to state to the City Council, whether, in their opinion, the gutters ought to be paved or crop walks laid therein, on any other grade than that which they have established; - and if so, - on what grade. (Concurred.)

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Donance Street. } A Petition of Nathan Gordon & others, for a crop walk across Donance Street, at Clifford Street, is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine & report thereon.

Census. } The Committee who were on the 9<sup>th</sup> of June last, appointed to cause a Census of the City to be taken, make the report that they have discharged that duty; and that the whole number of inhabitants is 31,763. That the number in 1840, by the United States census, was 23,171 exhibiting an increase in 5 years, of 8,582, which Report is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received and recorded. (Concurred.)

Railway Canal & Cove Streets. } The Standing Committee on Highways, who were, on the 9<sup>th</sup> of December last, instructed to enquire into the expediency of building a railway in Canal Street from Mangle Bridge to the Fish Market, &c. on Cove Street, from the Bridge to Washington Street, make Report, that it is inexpedient to do the same, but recommending that the railing at the foot of Washington and Fulton Streets, be repaired and replaced: which Report is read and received.

Do. } Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be directed to cause the railing on Cove Street, at the foot of Washington and Fulton Streets, to be repaired and replaced as it formerly was. (Concurred.)

High St. } A Petition of John Waterman and others, for the grading of High Street from Dealer Street to the line of the City, is presented and read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Harrington's Lane. } A Petition of Ira Allen and Zebulon Wetmorell, for liberty to repair Harrington's Lane at their own expense, under the direction of the Surveyor of Highways, is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Exchange Street. } A Petition of the Directors of the Exchange Bank, that Exchange Street may be paved, is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine & report thereon.

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

"Whereas, it is contemplated to improve Hope Street, from the Friends' School Gate to Power Street, by making the same fifty feet wide; and it is not practicable to remove the wall upon the Asylum Farm; — Therefore, Resolved, that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to pay the owners of the land upon the Asylum Farm, for one half of the land taken for the improvement of said street, and for half of the expense of removing their walls; and that the value of said land be fixed in such manner as the Mayor and Aldermen may direct, and that such payment be made from the Appropriation for 'Contingencies';"

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

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

"Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be and he

is hereby directed, (in case the Mayor and Aldermen shall lay out a continuation of Dexter Street to Long Pond,) to cause the water from Cranston Street, to be turned through said continuation, towards said pond; and that he be also directed to construct such reservoirs or embankments as shall prevent said water from the streets from running into the main body of said Long Pond."

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

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

"Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be directed to continue the brick side walk on Benefit Street, from the North line of Mauran's Block, to the corner of College Street."

Whereupon it is resolved that the same be laid upon the Table.

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

"Resolved, that the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby authorized, to lease for a term of years, the Refuge Lot, (so called,) or any part of the same, on such terms as shall meet the approbation of the Committee on City Property."

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

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention,

Christopher Rhode, Having been ap.

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pointed a Surveyor of Lumber by the Surveyor General of Lumber, said appointment is confirmed by the City Council.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday, the 13<sup>th</sup> day of October next, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

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|---------------|-----------|
| W. President, | Metcalf,  |
| " Bradford,   | Murray,   |
| " Braunnell,  | Nobodie,  |
| " Bunino,     | Patten,   |
| " Carpenter,  | Peck,     |
| " Crocker,    | Petter,   |
| " Gladding,   | Smith,    |
| " D. Greene,  | Stimmon,  |
| " N. Greene,  | Tingley,  |
| " Hartshorn,  | Wall,     |
| " Jones,      | Williams, |
| " Lockwood,   |           |

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Albert Greene, Clerk.

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

The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20<sup>th</sup> 1844, is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Com-

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mittee on Finance.

A Petition of James Talbot and others, for a cross walk across Tallman's Lane, is presented, read, and received.

Resolved that the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause a cross walk to be laid across Tallman's Lane, in Eddy Street. (Concurred.)

A Petition of Joseph Belcher and others, for cross walks in Elm and Hospital Streets, is read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

The Standing Committee on City Property who were, on the 11<sup>th</sup> of August last, directed to cause the strip of land on the Eastern side of Sexton Street to be sold, make Report that they have sold the same, at private sale, to John Carter Brown, for \$2500, for cash in the delivery of the Deed. - which Report is read. Whereupon, it is resolved that the same be received. (Concurred.)

A Memorial from the Clerk of the Municipal Court, stating that the appropriation made for procuring a printer in his Office, on the 10<sup>th</sup> of February last, has been exhausted, and requesting some provision for future assistance, - is presented and read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

Resolved, that the sum of one hundred and fifty Dollars be appropriated, and paid out of the appropriation for Contingencies, to the order of the Clerk of the Municipal Court, for assistance in recording the papers in his Office. (Concurred.)

A Resolution in the words following, having passed the Board



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Colvert, Calvert in Brook Street, from Arnolds to Transit Street, may  
in } be finished as the same is finished above and below said  
Brook St. } section of Brook Street, is presented and read, received, and  
referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to  
examine and report thereon.

Order to. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the  
Long Pond. } 8<sup>th</sup> of September last, was referred the Resolution then  
Grand St. } passed by the Board of Aldermen and sent down for  
concurrence, in relation to the turning of the water  
from Cranston Street, towards Long Pond, make Report  
recommending that the Common Council concur in  
said Resolution; which Report is read and received,  
and it is thereupon resolved, that the Common  
Council do concur in said Resolution.

Benefit St. } The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the  
from Transit } 9<sup>th</sup> of June last, was referred the petition of William Pater  
& Wickenden St. } and others, for repairs in Benefit Street from Transit to  
Wickenden Street, make Report recommending that the  
prayer thereof be granted; which Report is read and  
received.

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is  
hereby directed to cause the section of Benefit  
Street, between Transit and Wickenden Streets, to be  
finished according to the grade established by the Street  
Commissioners; whenever the owners of the adjoining lands  
shall furnish curb stones.  
(Concurred.)

Peartree St. } The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 8<sup>th</sup> of  
September last, was referred the petition of Daniel Rowland  
and others, for repairs in Peartree Street, make Report in favour  
of granting the prayer thereof; which Report is read and received,

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Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby  
directed to cause the section of Peartree Street between  
Summer and Pearl Streets, to be finished, and the gutters  
therein paved, according to the grade established by the  
Street Commissioners; - whenever the owners of the adjoining  
lands shall furnish the curb stones.  
(Concurred.)

South } The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 11<sup>th</sup>  
Street. } of August last, was referred the petition of Selig Johnson  
and others, for repairs in South Street, make Report, in favour  
of granting the prayer thereof; which Report is read and  
received.

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be and he is  
hereby directed to cause the section of South Street,  
between Hospital and Howe Streets, to be finished,  
and the gutters therein to be paved, according to the  
grade established by the Street Commissioners, when-  
ever the owners of the adjoining lands shall furnish  
the curb stones.  
(Concurred.)

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

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be and  
he is hereby directed, to cause the following cross-walks  
to be laid; viz:  
One across Swan Street on the South side of Washington Street;  
One across Eddy Street, on the North side of Point Street;  
One across Richmond Street, on the North side of Point Street;  
One across Elm Street, on the East side of Richmond Street;  
One across South Street, on the East side of Richmond Street;  
One across Richmond Street, on the North side of Elm Street.  
Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do  
concur therein.

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Mr. Fenner's Resolution in the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and is read: viz: "Resolved, that the application of Thomas Fenner, for compensation for injury to his cow, be referred to the joint Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon." - Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein.

Asp. Walk. Resolution directing the Surveyor of Highways, to cause a asp. walk to be laid across Bennett Street, near the head of President Street, for the accommodation of the High School, is read and passed.

Atwell's Avenue. Resolution in the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and is read: viz: "Upon the Petition of John P. Jones and others, praying for certain repairs upon Atwell's Avenue, it is Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause Atwell's Avenue, from Sabine Street, to the West side of Bradford Street, to be graded according to the grade established by the Street Commissioners, and the gutters to be paved therein, whenever the proprietors of the adjacent estates shall furnish the curb-stones." - Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein.

George St. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 12<sup>th</sup> of May last, was referred the petition of Thomas Pearce and others, for repairs on George Street, make Report, which is read, and received.

Ps. Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to cause George Street, from Brown

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Street, Easterly, as far as the Culvert, to be finished according to the Grade established by the Street Commissioners, and the curb-stones set and gutters paved therein, whenever the owners of the adjoining lands shall furnish the curb-stones. (Concurred.)

Exchange Street. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 8<sup>th</sup> of September last, was referred the petition of the Directors of the Exchange Bank, setting forth, for the paving of Exchange Street, make Report, in favour of granting the prayer thereof; which Report is read and received.

Ps. Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to cause Exchange Street to be paved. (Concurred.)

Hamington's Lane. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 8<sup>th</sup> of September last, was referred the petition of Ira Allen and Leister Wetherell, for liberty to repair Hamington's Lane at their own expense, make Report, recommending that said petitioners have leave to withdraw; which Report is read and received; and it is thereupon Resolved, that said petitioners have leave to withdraw their petition.

Broad St. The Standing Committee on Highways having made Report to the Board of Aldermen, recommending the granting of the prayer of a petition of James Snow and others, for the repaving of Broad Street from Sugar Lane to the foot of High Street, (which petition was referred by the Board of Aldermen to said Committee,) - and a Resolution in the words following, having thereupon passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and is read: viz:

"Resolved, that the petition of James Snow and others

Com of Highways,  
 paving of  
 streets.

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be recommitted to the joint Committee on Highways, with instructions to enquire what streets in the City ought to be paved, and in what streets the pavements ought to be re-laid; and that said Committee be requested to report at the meeting of the City Council in January, or at some earlier time." Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein with the following amendment viz: That the words "that the petition of James Snow and others be recommitted to the joint Committee on Highways, with instructions to enquire;" be stricken out; and the words "that the prayer of the petition of James Snow and others be granted; and that the joint Committee on Highways be instructed to enquire" be inserted in their place.

(The Board of Aldermen concur in the Amendment.)

Broad St. } Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to cause Broad Street, from Sugar 35<sup>th</sup> Lane, to the foot of High Street, to be repaved.  
(Concurred.)

Calvert } The Amendment proposed by the Board of Aldermen to the Resolution of the Common Council, passed on the 9<sup>th</sup> of June last, directing a Calvert to be laid from Broad Street, through the middle of Demance Street, to the River, - which was on the 14<sup>th</sup> of July last, laid upon the Table, is again read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur in said Amendment.

The Common Council adjourn to meet, on Monday the 10<sup>th</sup> Day of November next, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present,

Mr. President,  
Bunnell,  
Hemons,  
Carpenter,  
Crocker,  
Fairbanks,  
Gladding,  
Greene,  
K. Greene,  
Kartshorn,

Jeves,  
Lockwood,  
Metcalf,  
Patten,  
Peck,  
Petter,  
Smith,  
Stimson,  
Viell.

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Abert H. Greene, Clerk.

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

City Hall. Resolutions in the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen, are sent down for concurrence, and are read.

215. " Resolved, that they Mayor and Aldermen Hoppin, with such as the Common Council may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to cause one or more plans for a City Hall to be prepared, with estimates of the cost of carrying the same into execution; such estimates not to exceed, exclusive of the cost of the land, the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars; and that the cost of such plans be paid by the City Treasurer from the appropriation for contingencies.

Resolved, That the City Clerk be and he is hereby directed to cause three thousand ballots to be printed.

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ed, and distributed at the Ward Meetings holden next after the passage of these Resolutions, upon one half of which ballots shall be printed the words "City Hall," and on the other half, "No City Hall"; and that every citizen who by the Constitution of this State is entitled to vote "upon any proposition to impose a tax or for the expenditure of money, or for members of the City Council," be and he is hereby invited to give in to the Warden, one of such ballots, endorsed with his name; - and further, that every such citizen who shall vote "City Hall," be invited to write upon his ballot, any one location he may prefer for such edifice; and that said ballots be returned to the City Clerk, and by him counted."

Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein, - with the following Amendment, viz: that all the words after the word "Resolved," be stricken out; and the following words inserted in their place, viz: "That in the opinion of the City Council, the safety of the City Records and the convenience of the City Government and of the Citizens generally, require more safe and ample accommodations,

Resolved that a Committee of one from each Ward, viz. Meigs, Beck, Hinson, Lockwood, Williams, Carpenter and Potter, with such as the Board of Aldermen shall add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to cause one or more plans for a City Hall, to be prepared, with estimates of the cost of carrying the same into execution; - that said Committee report said plan and estimates to the City Council, and some mode of paying for said City Hall, - also a suitable location therefor; - and that the costs of such plans and estimates be paid by the City Treasurer, out of the appropriation for contingencies, upon the order of the Committee."

The Board of Aldermen concur in said Amendment, with the following Amendment thereto, viz: that the following words be added: viz: "and that said Committee report at the meeting in January."

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The Common Council concur in said Amendment of the Board of Aldermen.

J. W. Smith. A Memorial of John W. Smith, requesting a lease of a part of the Town House Lot, for the purpose of building an office therein, is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon; which Committee make Report in favour of granting said request; which Report is received; and it is thereupon resolved, that the memorialist have leave to withdraw.

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

viz: "Upon the petition of Joseph Mansan; Resolved, that permission be, and is hereby granted to the said Mansan, to remove the building belonging to him, now standing on his estate at the corner of South Main and Hopkins Streets, and to locate the same on the Eastern part of his said estate."

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

J. Mumford. A Petition of James Mumford Collector of Taxes, that certain monies paid by him into the City Treasury, by mistake, in the settlement of his accounts with the City, may be repaid to him, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

W. H. Walker & N. Main St. Petitions of Jonathan Congdon & others, and of Robert H. Jones & others, for crop walks across North Main Street, are presented, read, and severally received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon; which

Committee make Report which is read and received.

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to cause crop walks to be laid as follows.

viz: One across North Main Street, from the North side of Thomas to the North side of Temple Street.

One across North Main Street, in front of St. John's Church (Concurred.)

The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 13<sup>th</sup> of October last, was referred the Petition of Joseph Belcher and others for crop walks across Elm St. Elm and Hospital Street, make Report in favour of granting the prayer thereof, which is read and received.

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to cause a crop walk to be laid across Elm Street, on the West side of Hospital Street, and one across Hospital Street, on the North side of Elm Street. (Concurred.)

Resolving Lett. Petitions of Joseph Robinson, Charles F. Phillips, Sylvanus Baker, and Edward P. Batta, for liberty to fence in and enclose buying lots in the North Normal Ground, are presented, and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon.

The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20<sup>th</sup> 1844, is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, which Committee report the following Resolution, which is read and passed: viz

Resolved, That the sum of Three Hundred Dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated, for repairs of the Asylum

Walls and buildings. (Concurred.)

The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom on the 13<sup>th</sup> of October last, was referred the Accounts of the Assessors of Taxes, for an increase of compensation, make Report, which is read and received

Resolved, That each Assessor of Taxes in and for the City, be allowed and paid the sum of Fifty Dollars, in addition to the sum allowed on the second day of June last, as a full compensation for appertaining the City Tax for the present municipal year; the same to be also a full compensation for appertaining the Militia Tax, still to be assessed; the said Assessors paying the bill of the City Clerk, for ten Dollars, for copying the Tax Book in August last.

(Concurred, with the following amendment: viz. that the words "Militia Tax, still to be assessed," be stricken out and the words "Militia and Registry Taxes" be inserted in their place.)

The Common Council concur in the Amendment.

A Bill entitled "An Ordinance in addition to the Ordinance in relation to the North Normal Ground," is read and passed. (Concurred.)

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

Resolved, That the joint Committee on Highways be instructed to enquire into the expediency of maintaining Teams at the City's expense, for the highway work, instead of hiring them as is now practiced.

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

Clifford } Petition of James Snow and others, that Clifford Street, from  
Street } Chesnut, to Richmond Street, may be finished according  
to the grade established by the Street Commissioners,  
is presented and read, received, and referred to the  
Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and  
report thereon.

North } Attention in the words following, having passed the  
Main St. } Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and  
culvert } is read: viz.

Arnold Whipple: "Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be,  
and he is hereby directed to cause a culvert to be  
constructed from the termination of the City culvert opposite  
Arnold Whipple's Estate in North Main Street, to Turpin's  
Brook, - upon condition that said Arnold Whipple pay  
to the City Treasurer, One hundred Dollars, towards the  
expense of the same; and provided also, that the consent  
of the owners of land, interested in the water to be di-  
-verted, be given to the construction of said Drain."

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

Culvert in } The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 13<sup>th</sup> of  
Brook Street } October last, was referred the petition of Thomas F. Potter  
& others praying that the Culvert in Brook Street, from Ar-  
nold to Transit Street, may be finished as the same is  
finished above and below said section of said Street, make  
Report, that said section of Brook Street has never been received,  
which Report is read and received.

20. Upon the Report of the Standing Committee on Highways upon  
the petition of Thomas F. Potter & others, for repairs of Brook Street,  
29. It is resolved, that said Report be received and adopted; and  
that said petitioners have leave to withdraw their petition.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention,

Richard W. Bush is elected a fireward, for the remainder  
of the present municipal year.

George W. Crocker  
& Henry Mumford are elected fence viewers, for the remain-  
-der of the present municipal year.

The two Boards separate

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday  
the eighth day of December next, at half past 6  
o'clock P.M.

Members present.

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|----------------|-----------|
| Mr. President, | " Jones,  |
| " Bradford,    | Lockwood, |
| Beaune,        | Metcalf,  |
| Nanus,         | Murray,   |
| Carpenter,     | Palodie,  |
| Becker,        | Pattens,  |
| Fairbanks,     | Potter,   |
| Gladding,      | Smith,    |
| D. Green,      | Stinson,  |
| R. Green,      | Tingley,  |
| Wartshorn,     | Williams  |

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Albert Greene, Clerk.

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Common Council, December 8<sup>th</sup> 1845.

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

The Clerk being absent by reason of illness, Abraham Payne is appointed Clerk pro tempore, and is engaged to the faithful discharge of the duties of said appointment.

*By Monthly Statement* The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20<sup>th</sup> 1844, is presented and read, received, and ordered to be placed on file.

*D. Jencks* A Petition of D. C. Jencks for liberty to move a certain wooden building, is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon; which Committee make Report in favor of granting the prayer thereof; which Report is received; and it is thereupon resolved that said petitioner have leave to withdraw his petition.

*Langdon Street* A Petition of L. H. Elliott & others, that Congdon Street may be finished according to the established grade, is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

*Burying Lot* Petitions of Jeremiah Wilcox, David B. Thonghton and Lewis Wilcox, for liberty to fence in burial lots in the North Burial Ground, are presented and read, received, and referred to the Committee on

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the North Burial Ground.

*Free Chapel Drain* A Petition of George Lamed and others, Board of Managers of the Ministry at Large, is presented, read and received.

*Do.* Resolved that the Board of Managers of the Ministry at Large have permission to let the Drain under the Free Chapel now erecting by them on Benefit Street, empty into the City Drain in said Street, under the advice of the Surveyor of Highways, without any charge or expense by the City; said Drain to continue to empty into the City Drain as aforesaid, only during the time that the Chapel shall be used as a Free Church. (Concurred.)

*For Quarterly Report* The Quarterly Report of the City Treasurer, of the issues and payments of the City Debt, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received. (Concurred.)

*Music in Public Schools* A Communication from the School Committee, recommending that provision be made for instruction in vocal music in the Public Schools, is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Public Schools, to examine and report thereon; which Committee make Report by Bill entitled "An Ordinance in addition to the Ordinance in relation to Public Schools;" which Bill is read and passed. (Concurred.)

*School for colored children* A Communication from the Mayor, recommending the purchase of a lot and the erection of building for a School for colored children, on the West side of the River is presented and read, and is referred to the Standing Com-

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mitter on Public Schools, to examine and report thereon. which Committee report the following Resolution: - which is read and passed: viz

Resolved That the City Treasurer, under the advice of the School Committee purchase a lot of land on the West side of the River, and erect thereon a suitable building for a Public School for colored children; and that the sum of eighteen hundred Dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated therefor, - payable out of the City Treasury. (Concurred)

North  
Burial  
Ground.

The joint Committee who were appointed by the Resolutions passed by the City Council on the 11<sup>th</sup> of August last, to perform certain Duties in relation to the North Burial Ground, - make Report, accompanied by a Bill entitled "An Ordinance in alteration of, and in addition to "An Ordinance in relation to the North Burial Ground": which Report is read and received: - and said Bill is read and passed. (Concurred)

City Market  
Place.

A Bill entitled "An Ordinance in addition to an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance for the regulation of the City Market and Market Place," having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein.

James  
Mumford  
Collector  
of Taxes.

The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 10<sup>th</sup> of November last, was referred the Memorial of James Mumford, Collector of Taxes, make Report, which is read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received.

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Do. Resolved, That the sum of Four Hundred and Six Dollars and eighty seven cents, overpaid by James Mumford, Collector of <sup>City</sup> Taxes, by mistake, be refunded, and that the City Treasurer be directed to pay said sum to the order of James Mumford, out of any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated. (Concurred)

Brook  
Street.

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The Resolution giving leave to Thomas F. Potter & others, to withdraw their petition for repairs on Brook Street, which passed the Common Council on the 10<sup>th</sup> of November last, and was then sent to the Board of Aldermen, for concurrence, is now returned by the Board of Aldermen, who concur therein, with the following Amendment, viz. "That all after the word "Resolved," be stricken out, and the following words inserted, viz "That the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to build a Calvert from Arnold Street to Transit Street, through Brook Street, and to fill said Street, whenever there shall be paid by individuals to the City Treasurer, the sum of three Dollars per foot of the Drain required, towards the expenses of said work."

Whereupon it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur in said Amendment.

Sealer of  
Weights  
& Measures.

Resolved, that the Committee to enquire Ordinances be instructed to enquire whether the City Sealer of Weights and Measures has made to the City Treasurer such a Report as he is required by Law to make: whether he has kept a record of the names of persons using weights and measures; whether he has sent certified copies of the Ordinance in relation to Weights and Measures to such persons: and whether he charges the owners of the weights and measures, for sealing. (Concurred with the following Amendment,

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viz. That all the words after the word "whether" be stricken out, - and the following words inserted in their place: viz. "Any alteration ought to be made in the Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance in relation to Weights, Measures, Scales and Balances'; or whether there has been any misapprehension in the meaning of the provisions of said Ordinance; which Amendment is read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the Common Council do not concur in said Amendment.

Oa. A Resolution in the words following is read and passed by the Common Council: viz.  
Resolved, That the Committee to engross Ordinances be instructed to enquire whether the City Sealer of Weights and Measures has made to the City Treasurer, such a Report as he is required by law to make; whether he keeps a record of the names of persons using weights and measures; whether he has sent a certified copy of the Ordinance in relation to Weights & Measures, to such persons; and whether he charges the owners of weights and measures, for sealing.

City Eng<sup>y</sup> Resolved, That the Committee on Highways be authorized, and they are hereby authorized, to make a contract with some suitable person, to do the City Engineering for the remainder of the present municipal year.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

Jacob Weaver is elected an Undertaker, for the

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remainder of the present Municipal year.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the 12<sup>th</sup> day of January next, at half past 6 o'clock, P.M.

Members present.

Mr. President,

" Bradford,

Brunell,

Burrows,

Carpenter,

Crocker,

Fairbanks,

Gladfing,

J. Greene,

N. Greene,

Whitcomb,

Jones,

" Lockwood,

Metcalf,

Mowry,

Parodie,

Patten,

Peterson,

Smith,

Stimson,

Tingley,

Walt,

Williams,

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Common Council, January 12<sup>th</sup>. 1846.

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

*Read* The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20 1844, is presented and read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance; which Committee report the following Resolution, which is read and passed: viz:

*Appropriation* Resolved, That the several sums hereinafter mentioned be and the same are hereby appropriated for the following purposes, respectively, to wit:

For Highways. Two Thousand Dollars.  
For the Fire Department, and for payment of the expenses of the erection of the new building on Friendship & Richmond Streets, Four Thousand, Eight Hundred Dollars.

For the expenses of the erection of the School House on the West side of the River, for colored children, in addition to the sum appropriated on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of December last, Five Hundred Dollars.

And that said sums, so appropriated, be paid out of any monies in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

(Concurred.)

*Referred* The Report of the Standing Committee on Highways, on the petition of Samuel B. Wheaton & others, for repairs on Benevolent Street, which was on the 12<sup>th</sup> of May last, laid

upon the Table, is now called up, & the following Resolution, then reported by said Committee, is read and passed: viz:

*Resolved*, That the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to cause Benevolent Street, from Brown to Governor Street, to be repaired according to the grade now established, and to pave the gutters therein, - whenever the owners of the land adjoining the same shall furnish curb-stone for said purposes. (Concurred.)

*Resolved* The Standing Committee on Finance to whom in the 13<sup>th</sup> of October last was referred the Memorial of the Clerk of the Municipal Court, and who were, on the same day, directed by the City Council to enquire whether the 191. fees now paid in said Court are equal to an adequate compensation to the Clerk thereof, &c. - make Report, accompanied by a Bill entitled "An Ordinance prescribing the time when the Financial Year shall end, and for other purposes" Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received and laid upon the Table, and that said Bill be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing.

*Resolved* A Memorial of James Arnold respecting a wooden building on Canal Street, sold by him to Daniel C. Jenkes, is presented and read, / said building being the same which said Jenkes, on the 8<sup>th</sup> of December last, requested liberty to remove to South Water Street, - which request was not granted. / And a Memorial of Seth Adams & others, requesting that such liberty may not now be given, - is also presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be severally received, and that said James Arnold have leave to withdraw his said Memorial.

*Resolved* The Joint Committee who were on the 10<sup>th</sup> of November last appointed to consider the subject of a City Hall,

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and to make Report at this meeting, report prepared, which Report is read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received. (Concurred.)

Primary & Int. Schools } A Communication from the School Committee, recommending further accommodations for the Primary and Intermediate Schools on the West side of the River, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Public Schools, to examine & report thereon. (Concurred.)

Deposit of City Funds. A Communication from the City Treasurer, relative to the contract for the Deposit of the City Funds, is presented, read, and received.

Do. Resolved, That the Standing Committee on Finance be, and they are hereby authorized to make an arrangement with one or more of the Banks in this City, for the Deposit of the City Funds, for the year commencing on the first Day of January instant, or any part thereof, - upon such terms as they may deem for the interest of the City. (Concurred.)

Providence & Worcester R.R. Co. } The joint Committee who were on the 25<sup>th</sup> Day of June last, appointed to consider the application of the Providence & Worcester Rail Road Company, for authority to occupy a part of the Cove above Weybosset Bridge, make Report containing the general outlines of a plan proposed by said Company, together with a Draft of certain Resolutions, the passage of which is recommended by said Committee, which Report is read and received; and said Resolutions are read and passed, as follows viz:  
Resolved, That the Report of the Committee appointed to consider the Application of the Providence and Worcester Rail Road Company, for authority to use a portion of the Cove for a Depot, be and the same is hereby accepted, and that the

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general outlines of the proposed plan and the suggestions of conditions in said Report, are approved.

Resolved, That said Report is hereby referred to the Mayor, and Alderman Nation, and to Messrs Williams, Patten, Peck, Carpenter, Tabodie and Fairbanks, of the Common Council, to adjust the Details of said plan and conditions with the Providence and Worcester Rail Road Company, and to report such Resolutions for carrying the same into effect, as it is lawful and expedient for the City Council to pass. (Concurred.)

Thomas Fenner } The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 13<sup>th</sup> of October last, was referred the petition of Thomas Fenner for compensation for injury to his cow, - make Report 196. that in their opinion the City is not liable for said injury, which Report is received; and it is resolved that said Fenner have leave to withdraw his petition. (Concurred.)

Do. A Resolution in the words following having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and is read, viz:  
Resolved, That the sum of Twenty Dollars be paid to Thomas Fenner, out of the money appropriated for Contingencies, - for Damage to his cow, which, though 223. the City may not be legally liable for it, occurred from changes in the ground made by the Surveyor of Highways. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be laid upon the Table.

Barry of Streets } The Standing Committee on Highways, who were on the 13<sup>th</sup> of October last directed to enquire what streets in the City ought to be repaired, and in what streets the pavements ought to be relaid, make Report, which is read, Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received. 197 (Concurred.)

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Books of Weights & Measures, } The Standing Committee to enquire Ordinancees who were by a Resolution of the Common Council passed on the 8<sup>th</sup> of December last instructed to make certain enquiries relative to the Sealer of Weights and Measures, make Report, which is read. Whereupon, it is resolved that the same be received and referred to the next meeting of the Common Council, for consideration.

Calvert } A Resolution in the words following, having passed the Board from Friendship Street, } of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and is read.

222. Resolved, if the Common Council concurs, that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to build for a distance not exceeding three hundred feet below Friendship Street, a continuation of the Calvert now extending from Mumfords Meadows to the Southernly line of Friendship Street, whenever the proprietors of the adjacent lands shall pay one Dollar and fifty cents per foot of the length of the Calvert to be built.

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

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the 9<sup>th</sup> Day of February next, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr. President  
Madford,  
Brounck,  
Ruman,  
Carpenter,  
Crocker,  
Frisbender,  
Gladding,  
D. Greene,

W. Greene,  
Charishew,  
Jones,  
Lockwood,  
Stetefeld,  
Moury,  
Patten,  
Peck,  
Potter,

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Smith  
Stimson,

Viall,  
Williams.

Albert Greene, Clerk. 22.

Common Council, January 29<sup>th</sup> 1846.

Special Meeting.

Copy State of Rhode Island Providence Plantations,  
City of Pawtucket.

I. S.

To the Members of the Board of Aldermen  
and of the Common Council of said City,  
Greeting,

Whereas it is expedient that a Report from the Committee appointed on the 19<sup>th</sup> of January instant to adjust the details of a plan for a Depot for the Providence and Worcester Rail Road Company, should receive the consideration of the City Council upon an earlier Day than that to which you have adjourned, you are hereby requested and notified to assemble in your respective Chambers, on Thursday the twenty ninth Day of January instant, at seven o'clock P.M., for the transaction of said business as may lawfully come before you.

Witness my hand and the seal of said City, this twenty eighth Day of January, A.D. one thousand eight hundred and forty six.  
Thos M. Burgess, Mayor.

Providence R.I. January 29<sup>th</sup> 1846, 2 o'clock P.M.  
I have served the within Citation, by reading the

sent to the following named gentlemen, in their presence and hearing; to wit, William B. Bradford, J. F. Crocker, Geo. B. Beck, Joel Metcalf, J. J. Stinson, M. S. Patten, C. C. Mayry, S. Tingley Jr., W. W. Fairbanks, W. M. Vail, J. D. Jones, M. B. Luskwood, A. D. Smith, E. S. Williams, Richmond Brunell, Samuel Gladding, J. C. Hildren, D. G. Carpenter, Russell Greene, Isaac Bartshorn, W. P. Sabers, D. W. Greene, Jas. Barnum Jr., N. F. Peller, E. L. Knicker, M. Water, S. W. Peckham, J. C. Koppin, P. Potter, R. Knight, P. W. Chaffee, Const.

Pursuant to the requisition of the opening Warrant, the Common Council on an adjourned at 7 o'clock P.M.; a Quorum present.

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

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A Petition of Charles Holden 2<sup>d</sup> for liberty to move a certain wooden building, is presented and read, received and referred to the Standing Committee in the Fire Department, to examine & report thereon.

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The Joint Committee to whom on the 12<sup>th</sup> of January instant, was referred the Report of a former Committee upon the Application of the Providence and Worcester Rail Road Company, for authority to use a portion of the Cove above Weymouth Bridge, for a Depot, - make Report, accompanied by a Plat, together with a Draft of certain Resolutions, the passage of which is recommended by said Committee; which Report is read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received.

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Mr. Williams, a member of said joint Committee makes a Report counter to the Report this Day made by the majority of said Committee, accompanied by a Plat, which Report is read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received.

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A Memorial of Zachariah Allen and others, against the plan

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proposed for the occupation of a part of the Cove as a location for the Depot of the Providence and Worcester Rail Road Company, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received.

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A Memorial of Richmond Ballou and others, remonstrating against the proposed plan for filling up a part of the Cove, is presented and read: (said Memorialists being owners of wharf estates below Weymouth Bridge.) Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received.

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A Memorial of Tristram Burges, remonstrating against the proposed plan for filling up a part of the Cove, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received.

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Resolved, that the Resolution this Day passed receiving the Memorial of Tristram Burges, this Day presented, be rescinded.

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Resolved, that the Memorial of Tristram Burges, this Day presented, be not received.

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Resolved, that the Reports this Day made to the City Council by the joint Committee to whom on the 12<sup>th</sup> of January instant, was referred the Report of a former Committee upon an Application of the Providence and Worcester Rail Road Company, for authority to use a portion of the Cove for a Depot, together with the documents accompanying the same, and also, the Memorials of Zachariah Allen & others and of Richmond Ballou & others, be referred to the next meeting of the City Council; and that, in the mean time, the same be published in the newspapers employed to do the City printing; and that the City Clerk be, and he is hereby directed to cause two hundred copies thereof to be printed in pamphlet form, together with two hundred copies of each of the plats accompanying said Reports, for the use of the City Council.  
(Concurred.)

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

Resolved, That the Mayor and Alderman Knowles, with such as the Common Council may add, be appointed a Committee to receive the views of those citizens who have memorialized the Council in favor of an improvement of the Cove, unconnected with any rail road plan; and that they be authorized to employ a competent engineer to place before the Council a Draft of such proposed improvement, with an estimate of the expense."

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

Do, <sup>Printed copies for Memorials</sup> Resolved, That the Clerk be directed to procure one hundred copies of the Reports and other papers and plans this day ordered by the City Council to be printed for their use; and to deliver the same for the use of the memorialists who have this day appeared before the City Council.

A. Payne. A Communication from the Mayor, stating that he had received from Abraham Payne, a communication resigning his office as a Justice of the Court of Magistrates, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be referred to the next meeting of the City Council.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet pursuant to the stated adjournment posted at their last meeting, viz: to meet on Monday the 9<sup>th</sup> Day of February next, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present,  
Mr President  
Bradford.

Brennell,  
Blomros.

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| Carpenter, | Murray,   |
| Crocker,   | Palmer,   |
| Fairbanks, | Paterson, |
| Gardner,   | Reed,     |
| J. Greene, | Patel,    |
| R. Greene, | Smith,    |
| Hartshorn, | Simons,   |
| Jones,     | Singley,  |
| Lockwood,  | Williams  |
| Metcalf,   |           |

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Albert Greene, Clerk.

Common Council, February 9<sup>th</sup> 1846.

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

<sup>C. Holden & W. Lyman et al.</sup> A Remonstrance of John W. Lyman & others, against the granting of the prayer of the Petition of Charles Holder Esq, for liberty to move a certain wooden building on Canal Street, (which petition was referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department on the 29<sup>th</sup> of January last,) is presented and read, received, and referred to the same Committee.

<sup>Resoluted</sup> The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council of October 20<sup>th</sup> 1834, is presented and read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance; which Committee report the following Resolution; which is read and passed: viz.

Resolved, that the sum of Five Hundred Dollars be, and the same is lawfully appropriated for the Police Department, and that said sum, so appropriated, be paid out of any

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monies into the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated.  
(Concurred.)

City Council  
Petition of J. W. Gardner & others, for a foot walk across Pine  
Street and Friendship Streets, is presented and read, received, and re-  
ferred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine  
233, and report thereon.

City Council  
The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 12<sup>th</sup> of  
January last, was referred the Resolution from the Board  
of Aldermen for a continuation, below Friendship Street,  
of the Culvert now extending from Mumford's Meadow to  
the southerly line of Friendship Street, - make Report,  
in favor thereof, which Report is received, and it is  
thereupon resolved that the Common Council do con-  
-cur in said Resolution.

Friendship  
Petition of O. W. Prince and others, for repairs on Friendship  
Street and Saint Streets, is presented and read, received, and re-  
ferred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to exam-  
-ine and report thereon.

Green & Berry  
A Petition of Green & Berry, for liberty to move a certain  
wooden dwelling house from Market Street to the junction of  
Cove and Fallon Streets, is presented and read, received, and  
referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department,  
to examine and report thereon.

Surveyor  
Communication from the Mayor, enclosing the Annual  
Report of the Surveyor General of Lumber, is presented and  
read.

Do.  
Viram Holt, Surveyor General of Lumber, having made  
his Annual Report of Lumber surveyed, it is resolved, that  
said Report be received, recorded and published in the papers

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employed to do the City printing.  
(Concurred.)

City Council  
The Resolution from the Board of Aldermen, for the relief of  
Thomas Fenner, which was, on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of January  
last, laid upon the Table, is again taken up; and it  
is resolved that the Common Council do not con-  
-cur therein.

Financial  
The Bill entitled "An Ordinance prescribing the time when  
the Financial Year shall end; and for other purposes," which  
was reported by the Standing Committee on Finance, on the  
12<sup>th</sup> of January last, and then received and laid upon  
the Table, with an order that the same should be  
printed in the newspapers employed to do the City  
printing, - having been printed pursuant to said  
order, is now taken up, amended, and passed.  
(Concurred, with an amendment.)  
The Common Council in the Amendment.

City Council  
The Report of the Standing Committee to enquire Ordinance,  
relating to the City scales of Weights and Measures, which  
was on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of January last received and referred  
to the next meeting of the Common Council, is taken up;  
and the following Resolution is read and passed, viz:  
Resolved, That the City Treasurer be directed to withhold  
the salary of the City Scales of Weights and Measures, until  
further instructions be given by the City Council.  
Resolved, That the City Clerk be directed to communicate  
the above Resolution to Mr. Little, the present incumbent,  
and that the subject of declaring the said Office vacant  
will be considered at the next regular meeting of the  
City Council; and that said Little is hereby notified  
to appear, at that time, before the City Council, and  
show cause, (if he see fit,) why said Office shall not  
be declared vacant.  
(Concurred.)

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High St. The Petition of Josiah Chopin & others, for the opening of High Street, from Stewart Street to the junction of High and Broad Streets, which was on the 14<sup>th</sup> of July last, received and laid upon the Table, is taken up, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Joint Convention of the City Councils

In Convention.

William Hill is elected Surveyor General of Lumber.

220. Joseph S. Pitman is elected a Justice of the Court of Magistrates, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Abraham Payne.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Friday, the 13<sup>th</sup> day of February instant, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr. President.

Madison,

Brownell,

Norris,

Carpenter,

Crocker,

Gladding,

D. Greene,

R. Greene,

Hartshorn,

Jones,

Lockwood,

Metcalf

Murray,

Robbie,

Ratten,

Peck,

Peter,

Smith,

Thomson,

Tingley,

Viall,

Williams.

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Albert H. Greene, Clerk.

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Common Council, February 13<sup>th</sup> 1846.

The Common Council met pursuant to adjournment. a Quorum present.

Primary & Int. Schools. West Side } The Standing Committee on Public Schools, to whom on the 12<sup>th</sup> of January last was referred the communication from the School Committee recommending further accommodations for the Primary and Intermediate Schools on the West side of the River, make Report, in favour thereof, which is read and received.

214. Do. Resolved, That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and directed to cause the Primary School House on Federal Street, to be raised, and a room to be fitted in the basement or lower story thereof; for an Intermediate School; and also, to contract for, and cause to be erected, either upon the Hospital Lot, or such other land in the Southern part of the Fifth Ward as the School Committee may designate, a new school house, of a class similar to the Richmond Street School House, for the accommodation of two schools; and, in case any land, other than the Hospital Land, shall be selected by the School Committee, for that purpose, then to purchase such land for the City.

Resolved, That the sum of Three Thousand Five Hundred Dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for carrying the foregoing Resolution into effect; and that said sum, so appropriated, be paid out of any monies in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated. (Concurred.)

A Memorial of Stephen Harris and others, recommending the adoption of the plan proposed by the majority of the joint Committee of the City Council on the 29

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of January last for the occupation of a part of the Cove above Maybasset Bridge, as a location for the Depot of the Providence and Worcester Rail Road Company; is presented, read, and received.

A Memorial of Zachariah Allen and others, against the proposed occupation of a part of the Cove, as a location for Rail Road depots, accompanied by a plat, is presented, read, and received; (said Memorial being in addition to their memorial presented on the 29<sup>th</sup> of January last.)

The Resolutions reported by the majority of the joint Committee for granting authority to the Providence and Worcester Rail Road Company to occupy a part of the Cove, for a Depot; which Resolutions were reported on the 24<sup>th</sup> Day of January last, and then received and referred to this meeting, are again taken up, and are read, and the Specifications annexed to said Resolutions, are read and amended.

Several new plats and plans for the improvement of the Cove are presented by citizens, for the examination of the City Council.

Resolved, That the Reports made to the City Council on the 29<sup>th</sup> Day of January last, by the Committee to whom was referred the Report of a former Committee on an Application of the Providence and Worcester Rail Road Company, with the Drafts of Resolutions and Specifications accompanying the same, be referred to the same Committee, for a revision and amendment of said drafts, and for further Report; and that said Committee make Report at the next meeting of the City Council.

Resolved, That the Memorials of Stephen Harris and others, and Zachariah Allen and others, this Day presented to the City Council, with the plats accompanying the same, and the other plats and plans this Day presented, be referred to said Committee, to examine and report thereon.

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Resolved, That said Committee be authorized to employ legal Counsel to assist and advise them in filling and preparing the Specifications between the said Rail Road Company and the City, and the form of the bond from said Company to the City. (Continued.)

The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to whom on the 9<sup>th</sup> of February instant, was referred the petition of Messrs. Greene & Curry for liberty to move a certain wooden building, make Report, in favor of granting the prayer thereof; which Report is read and received.

A Remonstrance of George A. Howard and others, against the granting of the prayer of said petition, is read and received.

Whereupon it is resolved, that said Petition and Remonstrance be referred to the next meeting of the Common Council.

The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to whom on the 2<sup>d</sup> of January last, was referred the Petition of Charles Holden 2<sup>d</sup>, for liberty to move a certain wooden building, make Report, referring said petition to the City Council; which Report is read and received.

A Memorial of Charles Holden 2<sup>d</sup>, in relation to the subject of said Petition, is presented, read, and received.

Whereupon it is resolved, that said Report and Memorial be referred to the next meeting of the Common Council.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Tuesday the 17<sup>th</sup> Day of February instant, at 7 o'clock P.M.

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Members present,

Mr. President	Lockwood,
" Bradford,	Metcalf,
" Mearns,	Murray,
" Norris,	Robbie,
" Carpenter,	Peck,
" Crocker,	Peter,
" Fairbank,	Smith,
" Gladding,	Timson,
" D. Greene,	Tingley,
" R. Greene,	Viatt,
" Hartshorn,	Williams,
" Jones,	

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Albert Greene, Clerk.

Common Council, February 17<sup>th</sup> 1846.

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

Holden 2<sup>d</sup>. The Report of the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, upon the petition of Charles Holden 2<sup>d</sup>, for liberty to move a certain wooden building, on Canal Street, which was on the 13<sup>th</sup> of February instant, referred to this meeting, - is taken up and read, together with the papers accompanying the same.

A Memorial of Samuel H. Hales and others, against the granting of the prayer of said petition; and a Memorial of Enoch Store and others, in favour of granting the same, are severally read and received.

Whereupon it is resolved, that said Charles Holden 2<sup>d</sup>, have leave to withdraw his petition.

The Report of the Standing Committee on the Fire Department

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upon the petition of Messrs. Greene & Barry, for liberty to move a certain wooden building from Market Street to the junction of Cove and Fulton Streets, - which was, on the 13<sup>th</sup> of February instant, referred to this meeting; is taken up and read, together with the papers accompanying the same.

A Memorial of Messrs. Greene & Barry, in relation to the subject of said petition, is presented, read, and received.

A Memorial of George A. Howard & others, against the granting of the prayer of said petition, is read and received.

Whereupon, it is resolved, that said Greene & Barry have leave to withdraw their petition.

Providence & Worcester Rail Road Co. A Memorial of Truman Beckwith and others, against the plan proposed by the Resolutions reported on the 29<sup>th</sup> of January last by the joint Committee on the Application of the Providence and Worcester Rail Road Company, for the use of a portion of the Cove above Wykepat Bridge, for a Depot, is presented and read: (The memorialists suggesting to the City Council, that, before final action is taken upon the subject, the value of the land which it is proposed to fill up, be appraised; & requesting the City Council to take into consideration the expediency of filling the portion of the Cove intended for rail road purposes, at the expense of the City, & leasing the same.) Whereupon, it is resolved that said Memorial be received, and laid upon the Table.

Do. The joint Committee on the Application of the Providence and Worcester Rail Road Company, to whom on the 13<sup>th</sup> of February instant, were recommended the Reports made by said Committee on the 29<sup>th</sup> of January last with the Drafts of Resolutions and Specifications accompanying the same, for a revision and amendment of said Drafts; - and to whom, at the

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same time, were referred sundry Memorials and Plans relating to the subject, - make Report accompanied by amended Drafts of said Resolutions and Specifications, which Report is read and received.

Said Resolutions are read and amended, being entitled, (as amended) "Resolutions granting to the Providence and Worcester Rail Road Company, the Right and Privilege of establishing a Depot upon a portion of the Land covered by the Public Waters above Weybosset Bridge, in the City of Providence, passed this seventeenth Day of February, A.D. 1846."

On the motion that said Resolutions pass, the question is taken by ayes and nays, (which are ordered to be entered upon the Journal,) as follows, viz.

<u>Ayes.</u>	<u>Nays.</u>
Mr. Barrows,	Mr. Bradford,
Carpenter,	Brownell,
Craker,	Murray,
Gladding,	Williams. 4.
D. Green,	
R. Green,	
Hartshorn,	
Jones,	
Lockwood,	
Metcalf,	
Tobodie,	
Patten,	
Peck,	
Peter,	
Smith,	
Stimson,	
Tingby,	
Viall,	

Said Resolutions are therefore passed.

(Concurred with two amendments.)

The Common Council concurred in the Amendments.

The Specifications accompanying said Report, are read and amended; and a Resolution adopting the same as

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the basis of the agreement between the City Council and the Providence and Worcester Rail Road Company, for improving the Cove, and accommodating said Company with ground for a Depot, - is read and passed. (Concurred.)

The Common Council adjourns, to meet on Monday, the 9<sup>th</sup> Day of March next, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present,

Mr. President,

Bradford

Brownell,

Barrows,

Carpenter,

Craker,

Gladding,

D. Green,

R. Green,

Hartshorn,

Jones,

Lockwood,

Metcalf

Murray,

Tobodie,

Patten,

Peck,

Peter,

Smith,

Stimson,

Tingby,

Viall,

Williams.

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Albert G. Greene,  
Clk. C.

Common Council, March 9<sup>th</sup> 1846.

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

A memorial of Eben Stimson and J. proposing to purchase an old scow from the City, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received, and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, and that said Committee be

authorized to sell said saws at such price as they may deem expedient. (Concurred.)

Mayor's Salary } Resolved, That the Salary of the Mayor, for the year ending the first Monday in June next, shall be One Thousand Dollars, payable quarterly. (Concurred.)

Treas. } The City Treasurer having this day presented his Account with the City, to the 28<sup>th</sup> of February last, it is resolved, that the same be referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to be by them audited and settled.

City Tax. } Resolved, That said Committee be and they are hereby directed to report a bill, providing for the assessment and collection of a Tax on the rateable property in the City, for the Municipal year commencing on the first Monday in June next. (Concurred.)

Tri-Monthly Statement } The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20<sup>th</sup> 1834, is presented and read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance; which Committee report the following Resolution, which is read and passed. viz

Appropriations } Resolved, That the several sums hereinafter mentioned be and the same are hereby appropriated for the following purposes respectively, to wit:

- For Contingencies, One Thousand Dollars.
- For Repairs of Public Buildings, Two Hundred Dollars.
- And that said sums, so appropriated, be paid out of any monies in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated. (Concurred.)

School House } A Resolution in the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and is read. viz: Resolved, That the School Committee be and they are hereby authorized to occupy for a school, the old School-

House in Bond Street, if they find it necessary to open an additional school before the School House on Federal Street is raised and the basement prepared for use."

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

A Bill entitled "An Ordinance in addition to an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance in relation to Public Schools;" having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and is read; (said bill providing for the establishment of three new Primary or Intermediate Schools.) Whereupon, it is resolved that the Common Council do concur therein.

Highways } The Standing Committee on Highways to whom on the 9<sup>th</sup> of February last, was referred the petition of Peleg W. Gardner and others, for cross walks across Pine and Friendship Streets, make Report in favour of granting the prayer thereof; which Report is read and received.

Do } Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to cause cross walks to be laid as follows. viz.

- One across Pine Street, on the East side of Clarendon Street.
- One across Friendship Street, from the junction of Friendship and Clarendon Streets, to the Market.
- One across Fountain Street, on the East side of Franklin Street. (Concurred.)

North Main St. } The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 10<sup>th</sup> of November last, was referred the Resolution, which then came from the Board of Aldermen, directing the construction of a Calvert from the termination of the City's Calvert opposite Amos Whipple's Estate on North Main Street, to Turpin's Brook, - make Report in favour thereof, which Report is received, and it is resolved that the Common Council do concur in said Resolution.

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

Resolved, (if the Common Council concurs) that the Surveyor of Highways be and he hereby is directed to construct a Culvert upon North Main Street, from opposite Barr's Lane, westerly, to unite with the Culvert which empties into Steepin's Brook."

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

Committee on School Houses and Estates. The joint Committee who were on the 3<sup>d</sup> of September 1838, appointed to contract for and superintend the erection of the School Houses then ordered to be erected, make Report relative to the erection of said School Houses, and to the improvements made by them in the Public School Estates, which Report is read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Public Schools, to report what action ought to be taken by the City Council in relation to the same.

(Concurred.)

Carp walk, North Main Street. A Resolution in the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and is read.

Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to cause a carp-walk to be laid across North Main Street, at its junction with Olney Street. Whereupon it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein.

A Memorial of Thomas C. Hartshorn, proposing to purchase of the City a small piece of land formerly a part of the North Burial Ground, is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon.

C. T. Little Charles T. Little, Sealer of Weights and Measures, appears before the Common Council, pursuant to notice given him under the Resolution of the City Council passed on the 9<sup>th</sup> of February last; and is heard. Whereupon it is moved, that the office of Sealer of Weights and Measures be declared vacant, which motion is lost.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

Hiram Hill, Surveyor General of Lumber, having nominated sundry persons as his deputies, the same are now approved by the City Council.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the 13<sup>th</sup> Day of April next, at half past 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

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| Mr President. | " | Mary      |
| Bradford,     | " | Parsons,  |
| Brunell,      | " | Patten,   |
| Carpenter,    | " | Peck,     |
| Crocker,      | " | Smith,    |
| Gladwin,      | " | Stinson   |
| Greene,       | " | Tingley   |
| H. Greene,    | " | Niell,    |
| Lockwood,     | " | Williams. |
| Metcalf,      |   |           |

Albert Greene, Clerk.

Common Council, April 13<sup>th</sup> 1846

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

The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council of October 26<sup>th</sup> 1834, is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, which Committee thereupon report the following Resolution, which is read and passed: viz -

*Appropriating* 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 City Watch, Eight Hundred Dollars,  
For Lighting the Streets, One Hundred Dollars,  
and that said sums so appropriated, be paid out of any monies in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated.  
(Concurred.)

*Loan from* The following Resolution, is reported by the Standing Committee on Finance, read and passed: viz

*Comms of Dexter Donation.* Resolved, That the City Treasurer, acting under the advice and direction of the Standing Committee on Finance, be and he is hereby authorized to hire from the Commissioners of the Dexter Donation, for the use of the City, a sum of money, not exceeding Two Thousand Dollars, for one year, at a rate of interest not exceeding five per cent.  
(Concurred.)

*James Arnold.* A Petition of James Arnold, for liberty to move a certain wooden building, is presented, read, and received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon, which Committee report

in favour of granting the prayer thereof.

*Do.* Upon the petition of James Arnold, for liberty to move a certain wooden building it is resolved, that the same be received, and the prayer thereof granted, and that said petitioner be and he is hereby authorized to remove said building from its present location on the South gangway in his lot between North Main and Canal Streets, and to place the same about three feet easterly of its said present location.  
(Concurred.)

*Cleveland & Brothers.* A Petition of Cleveland & Brothers, for liberty to move a certain wooden building is presented, read, received, & referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon; - which Committee make Report, in favour of granting the prayer thereof.

*Do.* Upon the Petition of Cleveland & Brothers, for liberty to move a certain wooden building, it is resolved, that the same be received, and the prayer thereof granted, and that said petitioner be and they are hereby authorized to remove said building from its present location on North Main Street, and to place the same about fifty feet westerly, on the same lot.  
(Concurred.)

*Chesnut Street.* A Petition of Luther Ainsworth Tethers, for the paving of Chesnut Street, is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

*Records of Municipal Court.* A Certificate of the Judge of the Municipal Court, that all the records in the Clerk's office of said Court, now made up to the thirtieth day of March last, and

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that all the books, papers and records in said office are in good order, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received.  
(Concurred.)

Benefit Street. } A Petition of Warren Lippitt & others, for cross walks in Benefit Street, at its intersections with Williams and 246 Power Streets, is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

N.Y. Prov. } A Communication from the Mayor, relative to a Petition Boston R.R. } of the New York, Providence and Boston Rail Road Company, now before the General Assembly, for liberty to continue their Rail Road through or around the City, is presented, and read.

Co. Resolved, that the Senator and Representatives elected from this City to the next General Assembly, be and they are hereby requested to use their exertions to procure the granting to any Rail Road Corporation permission to locate or use any rail road across or in any public highway or over any of the public waters in this City, excepting in such manner as the City Council may approve.

Resolved, that a copy of these Resolutions be sent by the City Clerk, to said Senator, and another copy thereof to said Representatives.  
(Concurred.)

City Treasurer } A Memorial from the City Treasurer, in relation to the salary of his office, is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

Treas. } The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom on the 9<sup>th</sup> of March last, was referred the Account of the City Treasurer with the City, to the 28<sup>th</sup> of February last, <sup>for settlement</sup> make Report.

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that they have examined said Account, with the vouchers, and find the same to be correct. Whereupon it is resolved that said Report be received, and that the Account be recorded.  
(Concurred.)

City Tax. } The Standing Committee on Finance, who were, on the 9<sup>th</sup> of March last, directed to report a Bill, providing for the assessment and collection of a Tax on the rateable property in the City, make Report, by Bill entitled "An Ordinance providing for the Assessment and Collection of a Tax of forty cents on each One Hundred Dollars in value, of the Rateable Property in the City of Providence," which Report is read and received, and said Bill is read and passed.

Concurred, with two Amendments, viz.: That the word "forty" in the title, and in the 1<sup>st</sup> Section, be stricken out, and the word "thirty eight" inserted in its place. - And that the word "three eighths" in the 3<sup>d</sup> Section, be stricken out, and the word "three quarters" inserted in its place.

The Common Council do not concur in either of the Amendments.

The Board of Aldermen insist upon their Amendments, and request a Conference.

The Common Council resolve to unite in a Conference, and Messrs Stimson, Smith, and Williams are appointed Conferees on their part, Aldermen Houghton & Watson are appointed Conferees on the part of the Board of Aldermen.

Thomas Fenner } A Petition of Thomas Fenner, for relief, for damage to his cow, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that, <sup>the same be received, and that</sup> said petitioner have leave to withdraw the same.

Moving } A Memorial of Thomas Pearce and others, in relation to the moving of wooden buildings from the portions <sup>Representatives</sup> 244

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of the City included in the limits described in the 5<sup>th</sup> section of the Act entitled "An <sup>act</sup> concerning the erection of Buildings in the City of Providence." - and placing the same in other portions of the City, - is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon.

Market Place. A bill entitled "An Ordinance in addition to An Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance for the regulation of the City Market and Market Place", in relation to the standing of houses in the Market Place, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be referred to the Standing Committee to propose Ordinances, to examine and report thereon.

Brooks Street. A Resolution in the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and is read: viz: - "Upon the Petition of Amherst Corbett and others: Resolved, That the Resolution passed by the City Council on the 8<sup>th</sup> of December last, be so amended, that the Surveyor of Highways be instructed to build the Culvert in Brooks Street, therein named, and fill said Street, - upon payment of one Dollar and fifty cents per foot, instead of three Dollars as directed in said Resolution."

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

Benj<sup>r</sup> Aborn. A Resolution in the words of saying, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and is read: viz: "Upon the Petition of Benjamin Aborn, praying for permission to remove the building on Abildale Street,

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formerly occupied as a Board House, from its present location to his Estate on the road of the State, lately owned by Col. Coles; it is Resolved, that permission be and it is hereby granted, to remove said building, as prayed for. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein.

Visa Str. A Petition of O. W. Thine & others, for cross walks across Friendship and Friendship Street, is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention,

Engineers. Tending persons are elected members of Fire Engine Company No 1, and of Taring Stationary Engine Co, No 1, for the remainder of the present municipal year.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday the 11<sup>th</sup> Day of May next, at half past 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present,

Mr President	Lockwood,	Stimson!
" Burrows,	Atwell	Rogley
Carpenter,	Murray,	Walt
D. Greene,	Patrick	Williams 11.
R. Greene,	Patten	
Jones,	Smith	

Albert Greene, Clerk

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### Common Council, May 11<sup>th</sup> 1846.

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

Read & Resolved. A communication from the Mayor relative to a Master claim of the City for damages for a part of the N.R. Co. York-House Lot (so called), taken by the Providence & Worcester Rail Road Company, for their road, - is presented and read, and is referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon.

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City Tax. The Committee appointed at the last meeting to confer with the Committee of the Board of Aldermen, relative to the Re-arrangement of the Boards, on the Bill for the improvement of a City Tax, make Report, which is received. Whereupon it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur in the second Amendment to said Bill, made by the Board of Aldermen.

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The Board of Aldermen recd from their first Amendment,

Thomas A Petition of Thomas Fenner, for relief, for damage to his Fenner's cow, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved that the same be received, and laid upon the Table.

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Clifford Street. A Resolution in the words following, is reported by the Standing Committee on Highways, and is read and passed: viz:

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be directed to cause the sidewalks on Clifford Street to be widened, and said Street to be filled up to the established grade, between Richmond Street and Chestnut Street. (Concurred.)

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In Reading Document. The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20<sup>th</sup>, 1834, is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance; which Committee thereupon report the following Resolution, which is read and passed: viz:

Loan

Resolved, That the City Treasurer, acting under the advice and direction of the Standing Committee on Finance, be and he is hereby authorized to hire, 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 Ten thousand Dollars, for a term not exceeding one year, at a rate of interest not exceeding six per cent. (Concurred.)

City Treasurer. The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 13<sup>th</sup> of April last, was referred the Memorial of the City Treasurer, relative to the salary of his office, make Report, recommending an increase of \$200 on said salary, commencing on the first day of June next; which Report is read and received.

Do. Resolved, that in the opinion of the City Council, the salary of the City Treasurer, for the ensuing municipal year, ought to be eight hundred Dollars. (Concurred.)

Report of Sealer of Weights, &c. The City Treasurer communicates a Report made to him pursuant to the provisions of the Ordinance in relation to Weights, Measures, Scales and Balances; which is read and received; and the following Resolution is, thereupon, read and passed: viz:

Do. Upon the Communication from the City Treasurer, relating to the Report made to him by the Sealer of Weights and Measures, it is resolved, that the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed not to commence any prose-

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action against George Baker, for any violation of the Ordinance in relation to Weights, Measures, Scales and Balances," so reported to him by said scales of Weights & Measures. (Concurred.)

Market Place. The Standing Committee to enquire Ordinances, to whom, on the 13<sup>th</sup> of April last, was referred the Bill from the Board of Aldermen entitled "An Ordinance in addition to an Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance for the regulation of the City Market and Market Place,'" made Report, recommending that the Common Council do not concur therein, which Report is received; and it is thereupon resolved that the Common Council do not concur in the passage of said Bill.

Moving of Buildings. The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to whom, on the 13<sup>th</sup> of April last, was referred the Petition of Thomas Pearce & others, in relation to the moving of wooden buildings, made Report, by Bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the removal of Wooden Buildings;" which Report is received, and said Bill is read, amended, and passed.

Appropriations. Resolutions, making Appropriations for the purposes therein mentioned, for the year ending on the last Day of February A.D. 1847, are reported by the Standing Committee on Finance, read, and passed. (Concurred.)

Angell Street. Whereas, the owners of the lands on the South side of Angell Street, have proposed to straighten the South line of said Street, and to widen the same, from Hope to Governor Street, by throwing out a portion of their land into said Street; it is resolved that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to pay to Rufus Waterman, for the use of said owner, the sum of twenty six Dollars & 12 1/2 cents, whenever the Section of said Street from Hope to Governor Street, shall be made ten feet wider than it now is, and whenever the land so thrown out into said Street, shall be conveyed to the City, for a public Highway. (Concurred.)

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Donance Street. Resolved, That the City Treasurer be directed to charge to the Account of Appropriations for "Highways," all Bills for the construction of the Donance Street Culvert, beyond the Appropriation of two thousand Dollars specially appropriated for that purpose. (Concurred.)

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

Tax.

Isaac Thayer.

Charles Holden.

George W. Hall.

Alva Pease.

Daniel Field.

and William Shelton are elected to assess

the City Tax this Day, ordered to be assessed.

The two Boards separate.

In Common Council.

Compensation of Officers. Resolved, That the Officers, this Day, appointed to assess and appraise the City Tax, this Day, ordered by the City Council, shall be allowed and paid one hundred and fifty Dollars each, as a full compensation for appraising said Tax, and also for the appraising the Registry and Militia Tax, and for copying of tax books. (Concurred.)

Pauper's Street.

A Petition of William Barker & others, for the paving of a part of Pauper's Street, is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Com on School Houses & Estates.

The Standing Committee on Public Schools, to whom, on the 9<sup>th</sup> of March last, was referred the Report of the Joint Committee appointed September 3<sup>rd</sup> 1838 to contract for and superintend the erection of the Public School Houses, under the

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new organization of the Public Schools, make Report, accompanied by the following Resolutions, which Report is read and received; and said Resolutions are read and passed: viz.

Resolved, That the arduous and gratuitous labours of Thomas B. Holden and Joseph Sady, late Aldermen, and of Edward P. Knowles, Henry Anthony, Amherst Everett, John L. Hughes, David Andrews and Seth Padelford, late of the Common Council, and of Crastus F. Knollton, deceased, late of the Common Council, - who constituted the Committee of the City Council, under whose supervision and direction, the commodious, permanent and tasteful buildings for Public Schools, in the City of Providence, from the year 1838 to 1844, were erected, - deserve a grateful public acknowledgement; - to render which, the City Council hereby direct this expression thereof to be recorded <sup>upon</sup> their Journal, and to be printed together with the Report of said Joint Committee.

Resolved, That the Report of said Joint Committee to superintend the building of Public School Houses, made to the City Council, March 9<sup>th</sup> 1846, be referred to said Committee, together with the Mayor and Clerk of the Common Council, after the same has been revised by said Committee, to cause two thousand copies thereof to be printed, in form and style like the City Ordinances, and to be distributed for public use.

(Concurred.)

Cross Walks. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 8<sup>th</sup> of September last, was referred the Petition of Nathan Gordon 187  
Donna St. 187  
Benefit St. 187  
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Pine St. 241  
Friendship St. 241  
the 13<sup>th</sup> of April last, were referred the Petitions of Warren Leppitt & others, for cross walks in Benefit Street, and of O. W. Prince & others, for cross walks in Pine and Friendship Streets, make Reports, which are received.

Do. Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to cause cross walks to be laid, as follows:

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viz: One cross Benefit Street, at its junction with Williams Street; -

One cross Benefit Street, at its junction with Tower Street.

One cross Pine Street, opposite Plane Street.

One cross Friendship Street, opposite Plane Street.

One cross Friendship Street, opposite Prince Street.

And also, one cross Donance Street, at its junction with Clifford Street, after the Culvert in Donance Street shall be built; (provided the Surveyor shall think it expedient.)

(Concurred.)

Wickendon Street.

The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 2<sup>d</sup> of June last, was referred the petition of Henry Comington & others, for the paving of Wickendon Street, make Report which is read & received.

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Friendship & Pine Sts.

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The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 9<sup>th</sup> of February last, was referred the Petition of O. W. Prince & others, for repairs on Friendship & Pine Streets, make Report, which is read and received.

Wickendon St.

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Friendship St.

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Pine St.

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Mill St.

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Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause repairs to be made on certain of the Public Streets in the City, as follows: viz:

To cause Wickendon Street to be paved, from South Main Street, to the corner of John Morand's house, and to be gravelled, from that point, to Hope Street; and to cause the gutters in said Street to be paved, whenever the owners of the adjoining lands shall furnish curb stones therefor: -

To cause Friendship Street, from Stewart Street to the Culvert, to be put in good order; and the gutters therein paved, whenever the owners of the adjoining lands shall furnish curb stones therefor: -

To cause Pine Street to be finished in turpentine form, from the Burying Ground to its junction with Friendship Street.

To cause Mill Street to be paved, whenever the owners

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of the adjoining lands shall furnish cart. stones therefor.  
(Concurred, May 18. 1846.)

Charles St. Mill St. } The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 13<sup>th</sup>  
192 } of October last, was referred the Petition of Fletcher &  
Britten & others, for repairs on Charles and Mill streets,  
make Report, in favour of paving Mill Street, and of  
247 } Charles Street, from Smith to Orms Street, which is  
B.S. J. } read and received; and the recommendation therein con-  
tained, in relation to Mill Street, having been adopted,  
said Report, so far as it relates to Charles Street, is laid  
upon the Table.

High St. } The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 9<sup>th</sup>  
224 } of February last, was referred the Petition of Josiah Chapin  
237 } & others, for the repairing of a part of High Street, make  
Report, in favour thereof; which is read and received, and  
it is resolved that the same be laid upon the Table.

Chesnut St. } The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the  
237 } 19<sup>th</sup> of April last, was referred the Petition of Lester Davis.  
236 } & others, for repairs on Chesnut Street, make Re-  
-port, in favour thereof; which is read and received; and  
it is resolved, that the same be laid upon the Table.

High St. } The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on  
187 } the 8<sup>th</sup> of September last, was referred the Petition of John  
Waterman & others, for repairs on High Street, from Dexter  
Street to the line of the City, - make Report, which is  
read and received; and it is resolved that the same be  
laid upon the Table.

Teams. } The Standing Committee on Highways, who were, on the 10<sup>th</sup>  
103 } of November last, directed to enquire into the expediency of  
maintaining Teams at the City's expense, for the Highway  
work, instead of hiring them as is now practised, - make  
Report, that it is inexpedient for the City to maintain  
such teams at its own expense; which Report is

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read and received; and it is resolved, that the same be  
laid upon the Table.

Reports } Resolved, That the Clerk of the Common Council be  
for } and he is hereby authorized to procure such solar lamps  
Council } for the Council Chamber, as he may deem necessary,  
Members. } together with a time-piece and thermometer.

Vote of } Resolved, That the Common Council tender their thanks  
Thanks } to their President, James C. Whidden Esq, for the courteous,  
to the } able, and impartial manner in which he has dischar-  
President } ged the Duties of his Office.

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

The Common Council adjourn, "without Day," &c

Members present,

- Mr. President
- Bradford,
- Bunnell,
- Barnes,
- Carpenter,
- Crocker,
- Fairbanks,
- Gladstone,
- D. Greene,
- H. Greene,
- Hartshorn,
- Jones,

- Lockwood,
- Metcalf,
- Murray,
- Palmer,
- Patten,
- Peck,
- Smith,
- Simson,
- Thayer,
- Walt,
- Williams.

Albert Greene,  
Clerk.

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Organization of the Municipal Government  
of the City of Providence, for the Municipal  
Year commencing on the first Monday in  
June, A.D. 1846.

Monday, June 1<sup>st</sup> 1846.

This being the day designated by the City Charter,  
for the organization of the City Government for the  
ensuing municipal year, the Mayor and Alder-  
men elect and the members elect of the Common  
Council, assembled in the Council Chamber, at  
10 o'clock A.M.

The Certificate of the election of Thomas M. Burgess  
as Mayor, is presented and read; and the oath  
prescribed by law is administered to him by Hon.  
William R. Staples, one of the Justices of the Su-  
preme Court.

The Certificate of the election of Edward P. Knowles,  
Matthew Watson,  
William Vail,  
Thomas C. Whipple,  
Bradford Hodges,  
and Robert Knight,  
as Aldermen, for said year, is presented and read;  
and they are severally engaged by the Mayor,  
according to law.

The Certificate of the election of the members of the  
Common Council, for said year, is presented and  
read; and all of said members are engaged  
by the Mayor, according to law.

Abner Peabody is, by ballot, elected City Clerk,

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for said year, and is engaged by the Mayor according to law.

An Address is delivered by the Mayor, on the municipal affairs of the City, during the past year.

The two Boards separate.

Members of the Common Council  
of the  
City of Providence,  
for the Municipal year, commencing  
on the first Monday in June  
A. D. 1846.

First Ward

Joel Metcalf,  
George P. Daniels,  
Josiah Seagrave Jr.,  
Allen Baker.

Second Ward.

William S. Patten,  
John F. Stimson,  
Charles C. Mowry,  
Samuel Tingley Jr.

Third Ward.

John D. Jones,  
Meres B. Lockwood,  
Allen C. Mathewson,  
Enoch Steere.

Fourth Ward.

Amos D. Smith,  
Edward S. Williams,  
Richmond Brownell,  
Samuel Gladding.

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Fifth Ward. James C. Hidden  
Daniel E. Carpenter,  
Buzell Greene,  
Daniel Martin.

Sixth Ward.

William Sabadie,  
Duty Greene,  
Christopher C. Potter,  
Watson B. Hatch.

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

Mr. Stimson is elected as Chairman, to preside during the election of a President.

James C. Hidden and William S. Patten are severally nominated as candidates as President of the Common Council.

The question being taken by ballot, twenty three ballots are cast, of which,

for Mr. Hidden, there are 15.

for Mr. Patten, there are 7.

for W. A. Hidden  $\frac{1}{23}$ .

James C. Hidden is therefore elected President of the Common Council, for the present municipal year.

Albert Greene is elected Clerk of the Common Council, for the present municipal year; and is duly sworn in the presence of the Board of Aldermen, by the Mayor, according to law.

The Standing Rules of Order, of the last Common Council, are read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the

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Standing Rules of Order, of the last Common Council, be received and adopted as the Standing Rules of Order, of this Council.

Resolved, That the same Rules which were, on the second Day of June A.D. 1845, adopted as the Standing Rules of the City Council, for the municipal year last past, be, and the same are hereby adopted as the Standing Rules of the City Council, for the present municipal year.  
(Concurred.)

Standing Committees, Pursuant to the requisitions of the Standing Rules the Day adopted by the City Council, the following joint Standing Committees are now appointed, according to the Rules of the respective Boards, to wit:-

On Finance.

Messrs Hinson, Williams, Smith, } Alderman Keppin

On Highways.

Messrs Dwyer, Green, Carpenter, Baker, } Alderman Viell.

To engraft Ordinances.

Messrs Daniels, Jones, Hatch, } Alderman Knowles

On the Public Schools.

Messrs Potter, Brownell, Potter, } Alderman Watson.

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On the Fire Department.

Messrs Lockwood, Robb, Cooper, Greene, } Alderman Watson.

On City Property.

Messrs Gladding, Murray, Mathewson, } Alderman Boddy

On Police.

Messrs Tingley, Seagrave, Martin, } Alderman Knight.

Resolved, That Messrs Lockwood, Seagrave & Potter, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to wait upon the Mayor, and request him to furnish, for publication, a copy of the Address this Day delivered by him to the City Council, and to cause the same to be published in such manner as they may deem expedient.  
(Concurred, & Alderman Knowles added.)

Resolved, That Messrs Hinson, Brownell & Murray, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to contract for the City Printing, for the present municipal year.  
(Concurred, & Alderman Viell added.)

Resolved, That Messrs Hinson, Williams & Smith, 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 municipal year, and a Schedule of the property of the City, and to cause the same to be

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published in the newspapers employed to do the City printing, agreeably to the requisition contained in the fourth Section of the City Charter.  
(Concurred & Alderman Whipple added.)

263. Resolved, That Messrs. Hinson, Williams & Smith, 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 securities, for the faithful discharge of the Duties of his Office for the present Municipal year; and that said bond be for the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars.  
(Concurred, & Alderman Whipple added.)

Com. and City Clerk. Whereas Messrs. Hinson, Williams and Smith, have, this day, been appointed by the Common Council, as the Committee, on their part, for the reduction of the City Debt, for the present Municipal year, pursuant to the requisition contained in the first Section of the Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the City Debt," - It is resolved, that the names of said Committee be communicated to the Board of Aldermen, - in order that said Board may add an Alderman to said Committee, pursuant to the requisition contained in said Section.  
(Alderman Whipple added.)

50 cts for each fireman or 4. 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, respecting the appointment of said Firemen, out of the Appropriation for the Fire Department.  
(Concurred.)

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268. Resolved, That Messrs. Martin, Potter and Seagrove, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee of Arrangements for a Municipal Celebration of the Approaching Anniversary of American Independence.

Resolved, That the sum of Five Hundred Dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for defraying the expenses of said Celebration; to be paid to the order of said Committee, by the City Treasurer, out of any monies in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated.  
(Concurred, & Alderman Hodges added.)

Compensation of Officers. A bill entitled "An Ordinance fixing the compensation of certain Officers, for the year ending on the first Monday say in June, A.D. 1847," is read. Whereupon, it is ordered that the same be referred to Messrs. Hinson, Williams & Smith, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report, in what manner the blanks therein ought to be filled.  
(Concurred, & Alderman Whipple added.)

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

The City Council proceed to the election of City Officers, for the present Municipal year; and having made progress therein, - the two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet at 4 o'clock P.M. this Day.

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

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be directed to pay to Atwater & Schubert, five dollars, for a plot of the bone made by them, for purposes of showing the wishes of Caleb Carlo & others, while the subject of the Rail Road Depot was under consideration.  
(Concurred.)

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to pay to Charles T. Little, the balance due him, of his salary as Sealer of Weights & Measures, for the Municipal year last past.  
(Concurred.)

The joint Committee to whom was, this day, referred the bill of Officers, entitled "An Ordinance fixing the compensation of certain Officers, for the year ending on the first Monday in June A.D. 1847" - make report, which is received: and said bill is read and passed.  
(Concurred; with two amendments.)  
The Common Council concur in the Amendments.

A bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the removal of Wooden Buildings" is read and passed.  
(Concurred.)

Resolved, That from the Justices assigned to keep the Peace within this City, Samuel W. Peckham, Henry S. Bowen and Francis L. Hopkin be, and they are hereby selected to compose the Police Court of this City, during the present Municipal year  
(Concurred.)

The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20<sup>th</sup> 1844

is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

The Annual Report of the School Committee, is presented, and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received & recorded.  
(Concurred.)

Resolved, That the Report of the School Committee, this day made to the City Council, be and the same is hereby referred to the Mayor and the Clerk of the Common Council, to cause two thousand copies thereof to be printed for public use, in the form and style of the City Ordinances.

Resolved, That the City Clerk be directed to cause said Report to be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City Printing.

Resolved, That said Report be referred to the Standing Committee on Public Schools, to examine and report whether any legislation is necessary relative to the suggestions therein made.  
(Concurred.)

A Resolution in the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is next given, for concurrence, and is read:-

Resolved, That so much of the Mayor's Address as refers to the subject of Steam Boilers, be and the same is hereby referred to Aldermen Knowles & Watson; and that said Committee be intrusted to report whether any further legislation be required upon the subject; and if any, that they report a Bill to be presented to the General Assembly:-

Whereupon it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein: and that Messrs. Baker, Patten, Lockwood, Brewster, Carpenter & Patten be added to the Committee.

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

Resolved, That the Mayor be a Committee to apply to the General Assembly, for the passage of an Act prohibiting the raising of buildings within the District described in the 6<sup>th</sup> Section of "an Act concerning the erection of Buildings in the City of Providence," to a greater height than three feet above what they now stand at, without the permission of the City Council. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be laid upon the Table.

The Quarterly Report of the City Treasurer, of the Issues and Payments of the City Debt, is presented and read. Report. Whereupon, it is resolved that the same be received. (Concurred.)

Thomas Fenner. The Petition of Thomas Fenner, for relief for Damage to his Cow, which was on the 11<sup>th</sup> of May last, laid upon the Table, is again taken up; and is referred to Messrs. Williams, Smith & Potter, to examine & report thereon.

P. M. Gardiner. A Petition of Peleg W. Gardiner, for liberty to widen the sidewalk in front of his two new houses at the corner of Friendship & Cloverville Streets, under the Direction of the Surveyor of Highways, to the width established by the Street Commissioners, - is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, and the prayer thereof granted. (Concurred.)

Next Monday. Resolved, That Messrs. Satter, Stinson, Daniels, & Alderman Knowles be and they are hereby appointed a Committee upon the North Burying Ground, - with full power under,

and to continue & to carry into effect, the provisions of any Ordinance or Resolution existing in relation to said Burying Ground. (Concurred.)

Do. Resolved, That the sum of Five Hundred Dollars, be appropriated to pay expenses in laying out and making lanes & avenues in the North Burying Ground; and that the City Treasurer pay the same upon the order or orders of the Committee on said Burying Ground, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated. (Concurred.)

Council. Resolved, That the Clerk of the Common Council be authorized and he is hereby authorized to cause such repairs and additions to be made in and to the furniture of the Council Chamber, and to provide such accommodations for the reporters attending the Council Meetings, as he may deem necessary.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

The City Council proceed in the election of City Officers for the present Municipal Year; and having completed the same, (with the exception of Presidents of Fire Wards,) the two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday the eighth Day of June instant, at half past 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

- Mr. President,
- " Baker
- " Brownell.
- " Compester.

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" Daniels	" Maury
D. Greene	Palmer
E. Greene	Patten
Gladding	Peter
Hatch	Seagrave
Jones	Smith
Lockwood	Steele
Martin	Timson
Mathewson	Tingley
Metcalf	Williams 24

Albert Green, Clerk.

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The Common Council met pursuant to adjournment. a Quorum present.

272. Petition of George Baker & others, for a cross walk across North Main Street at the foot of President Street, is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

285. Petition of Paris Hill and others, for the paving of Washington Street between Walker and Cove Streets, is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

225. A Communication from the Mayor, relating to the school house in the Southern part of the Fifth Ward, which the City Treasurer was directed to contract for & cause to be erected by the Resolution of the City Council passed on the 13<sup>th</sup> of February last, is presented and read, and is referred to the Standing Committee on Public Schools, to examine and report thereon; which Committee report the fol-

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lowing Resolutions, which are read and passed, viz.

Do. Resolved, that the City Treasurer, he and he is, be and he is, hereby authorized and directed to contract for, and erect upon the lot on Hospital Street, recently purchased by the City of Ferdinand Barber, such a School House as the School Committee may recommend, instead of that which he was directed to erect by the Resolutions passed by the City Council on the 13<sup>th</sup> of February last.

Resolved, that the sum of twenty five hundred Dollars, in addition to the amount appropriated on said 13<sup>th</sup> of February, be and the same is hereby appropriated for the completion of said School House, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated. (Concurred.)

267. A Communication from the Mayor, recommending the City Council to enquire into the expediency of selling the Falls Point Farm, is presented and read, and is referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon.

260. The Committee to whom on the 1<sup>st</sup> of June instant, was referred the Petition of Thomas Fenner, for relief from Burroughs to his Cow, make report in favour of granting the prayer thereof; which Report is read and received. 266. And it is thereupon resolved, that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

26. The Board of the joint Committee who were on the 1<sup>st</sup> of June instant, appointed to take a bond from the City Treasurer, for the present municipal year, make Report that they have discharged that duty, and that they have deposited said bond with the City Clerk; which Report is read; whereupon it is resolved that the same be received. (Concurred.)

Salaries. A Communication from the School Committee recommending an increase of the salaries of the Teachers of the

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Grammar Schools and of the <sup>male</sup> Assistant Teachers in the High School, is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Public Schools, to examine and report thereon.

Resolved, That the Standing Committee on the Fire Department Presidents, be and they are hereby directed to enquire and report whether it is advisable for an application to be made to the General Assembly for an alteration of the Law relative to Presidents of Fire-wards.  
(Concurred.)

Resolved, A Petition of Gamahiel L. Baight & others, that the City Council may provide some more convenient place or places for Wash Stands, that the present one in front of the Steam Mill House, is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon.

Passed in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention,

Henry Peun is elected President of Firewards for the present municipal year.

Sundry persons are elected members of Engine Company No 2, in addition to the number elected on the 1<sup>st</sup> of June instant.

After completing the election of City Officers for the present municipal year, the two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the 13<sup>th</sup> Day of July next, at half past 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr President,  
Waker,  
Brounell,  
Carpenter

" Daniels,  
J. Greene,  
H. Greene,  
Gladding

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Witch,  
Jones,  
Lockwood,  
Martin,  
Mathewson,  
Metcalf,  
Mouy,  
Robbie,  
Vatten.

" Pether,  
Lagran,  
Smith,  
Steele,  
Tingley,  
Williams.

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Albert Greene,  
Clerk.

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The Common Council met pursuant to Adjournment, a Quorum present.

A Petition of Israel G. Monckton & others, for curb walks in Cranston Street, is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine & report thereon.

A Communication from a Committee of the Board of Firewards, recommending the purchase of a lot of land belonging to Calvin Dean, lying a short distance West from Pearl Street, is presented, read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine & report thereon; which Committee make Report in favor of such purchase. Whereupon it is resolved, that the City Treasurer be authorized to purchase said lot of land for the City, and to pay therefor, the sum of one hundred Dollars, on receiving a Deed thereof conveying to the City, a full and absolute estate in fee simple in the same.  
(Concurred)

A Petition of Henry Hopkins Fisher, praying that

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Jefferson, Davis, Cherry and Malberry Streets, may be graded, and the gutters paved and cobble stones set therein, is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

A Petition of Benjamin Greene, for liberty to move a certain wooden building, is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon.

A Petition of Thomas Penner, for relief, for damage to his cow, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be not received.

The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council of October 20 1834, is presented and read, received, and ordered to be placed on file.

A Communication from the Mayor, enclosing a Communication made to him by Hon. Stephen Branch one of the Commissioners from this State appointed relative to the dividing line between Rhode Island & Massachusetts is presented and read.

Upon the Communication from the Mayor, this Day made to the City Council, enclosing a Communication made to him by Hon. Stephen Branch, one of the Commissioners from this State to confer with Commissioners from the State of Massachusetts, relative to the dividing line between the two States; - It is resolved, that said Communications be referred to Messrs. Williams, Patten & Potter, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, who are hereby appointed a Committee, with instructions to take all necessary measures for the protection of the rights and interests of the City, in the premises; with

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power to employ counsel, if they deem it necessary. (Concurred August 10. 1846. Alderman Watson added.)

A Communication from the Mayor, informing the City Council, that he has received a map of the State of Massachusetts, presented by that State to the City and that he has acknowledged the receipt thereof, - is presented and read.

A Petition of J. Winchley, Master of Transportation, of the Boston & Providence Rail Road Co, praying that certain places in the vicinity of the Depot at India Point may be designated as hack-stands, - is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Police, to examine and report thereon.

The Standing Committee on City Property, to whom on the 8<sup>th</sup> of June last, was referred a Communication of the Mayor, relative to a sale of the Fields Point Farm, make Report, which is read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received and committed to the same Committee, with directions to make further Report, with a plot of the Farm. (Concurred.)

The Standing Committee on City Property, to whom on the 8<sup>th</sup> of June last, was referred the petition of Gamaliel L. Dwight & others, relative to the Hack Stands in front of the Market House, make Report, recommending that certain other places in Market Square and on Weybosset Bridge, be designated as Hack Stands: which Report is read; and it is resolved, that the same be received and adopted, - and that the same be referred to the Standing Committee to engross Ordinances, to report a Bill thereon. (Concurred.)

A Resolution, in the words following, having passed

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

"Upon the petition of Brown & Pres, & others, praying for the erection of a Culvert on Charles Field Street. Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be directed to erect a Culvert across Charles Field Street, whenever the owners of the Estates on said Street shall pay to the City Treasurer, the sum of one dollar and fifty cents per foot, for the length of said Culvert, and shall consent that the Surveyor may use the stones in the neighborhood of the Brook for which said Culvert is needed."

Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein with the following Amendments: viz: That the following words be added: viz: "and shall agree to cause such part of said Street as has not been received by the City, to be graded according to the grade which may be established by the Street Commissioners."

(The Board of Aldermen concurred in the Amendment.)

4<sup>th</sup> July. Resolved, That the sum of Two hundred and twenty five Dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the payment of the expenses of the late Municipal Celebration of the Anniversary of American Independence, in addition to the sum heretofore appropriated; - to be paid to the order of the Committee of Arrangements, by the City Treasurer, out of any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated. (Concurred.)

273. Made in the Council to be Surveyor. Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be directed, under the advice of the Standing Committee on City Property, to cause a critical survey to be made of the present surface of the road in the Cove, within the circle proposed to be left open in conformity with the Plat adopted by the City Council; and make Report thereof, at the next meeting of the Council.

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Surveyor. Resolved That the Surveyor of Highways be charged with changed the examination of the works now being performed around with the the Cove in conformity with the specifications heretofore examination of the works adopted by the City Council. (Concurred.)

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

Nathan Thorton is elected a measurer of wood, for the unexpired of the present municipal year.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday the 10<sup>th</sup> Day of August next, at half past 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

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|---------------|------------|
| Mr President. | Martin.    |
| Baker.        | Mathewson. |
| Brunell.      | Metcalf.   |
| Carpenter.    | Murray.    |
| Daniels.      | Pabodie.   |
| D. Greene.    | Patten.    |
| H. Greene.    | Patten.    |
| Gladding.     | Smith.     |
| Hetch.        | Steele.    |
| Jones.        | Tigley.    |
| Lockwood.     | Williams.  |

Albert Greene, Clerk

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

Comm. from City, Resolved  
Claims for Damages, Demerice St Drain.  
A communication from the City Treasurer in relation to sundry claims made upon the City, for Damages arising from the construction of the Drain in Demerice Street, and also in relation to the purchase of land of Calvin Dean, - is presented and read, received, & referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

Do. Resolved, that the bills for Damages arising from the construction of the Demerice Street Drain, this day communicated by the City Treasurer, viz:

- 278. of Lewis Peck's Estate, for \$30.62,
- " Residence Aqueduct Co. for \$62.58,
- " William Melcher, for \$114.34,

and the bill of the Field Fountain Society, this day presented by that Society, for \$37.90, be severally received, and laid upon the Table.

Lot of Calvin Dean  
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Upon the communication from the City Treasurer, this day made to the City Council, - it is resolved that the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby, authorized to purchase for the City, from Calvin Dean, the lot of land lying a short distance West from Pearl Street, and to pay therefor the sum of one hundred Dollars, - on receiving a deed thereof in fee simple: - the land to be conveyed to the City, to measure forty by one hundred feet. (Continued.)

A resolution in the words following is reported by the Standing Committee on Finance, and is read and passed, viz:

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Appr. Resolved that the sum of Three Thousand Dollars be  
18000. } and the same is hereby appropriated for the Fire Department, and the said sum, so appropriated, be paid out of any monies in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated. (Continued.)

By Monthly Statement  
The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the <sup>Common</sup> Council, of October 20<sup>th</sup> 1844, is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

Loan. Resolved, that the City Treasurer be authorized under the direction of the Committee on Finance, to borrow for the use of the City, in a temporary loan, such sums as may be necessary, not exceeding Fifteen Thousand Dollars in the whole, - at a rate of interest not exceeding six per cent, - for a time not exceeding six months. (Continued.)

Pumps, with  
A Petition of William Pea, for the removal of the City pumps, at the junction of North Main and Pine St Streets, is presented and read, - received, and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon. 276.

J. Sumner. A Petition of Isaac Sumner, for liberty to move a certain wooden building, is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine & report thereon.

Field's Point Farm  
The Standing Committee on City Property, to whom, on the 13<sup>th</sup> of July last was re-committed their Report relating to a sale of the Field's Point Farm, - make Report, with 267 a plot of the Farm; which Report is read and received, and it is resolved, that the same be laid upon the

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Table, until the next meeting of the Common Council.

Crop  
Walks,  
M.H. St.  
262  
Granton St.  
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The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 8<sup>th</sup> of June last, was referred the petition of George Baker and others, and to whom on the 13<sup>th</sup> of July last, was referred the petition of Charles G. Manchester & others, for certain crop walks, - make Report in favour of granting the prayers thereof, which Report is read and received.

Do. Resolved that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to cause crop walks to be laid, as follows, to wit: One across North Main Street, from the North side of President Street:

Three across Granton Street, viz. <sup>one</sup> at the southerly end of Knight Street; one at the southerly end of Burgess Street; and one at the southerly end of Godding Street. (Concurred.)

Hope St. A Petition of Rufus Waterman & others, owners of lands on Hope Street, between Angell and Power Streets, for repairs on Hope Street, is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Georg St. A Petition of Samuel Foster & others for repairs on Georg Street, is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Salaries of Teachers. The Standing Committee on Public Schools, to whom, on the 8<sup>th</sup> of June last, was referred the communication from the School Committee recommending an increase of the salaries of the Masters of the Grammar Schools & of the male Assistant Teachers in the High School, - make Report in favour thereof, by Bill, entitled "An Ordinance in ab-

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stration of the Ordinance in relation to Public Schools," which is read and passed. (Concurred.)

Streets. Resolved, That the Standing Committee to enquire Ordinances be instructed to report an Ordinance regulating the manner in which the Streets shall be used by persons erecting new buildings in the City.

Mad in the Cove. The Surveyor of Highways who was on the 13<sup>th</sup> of July last, directed to cause a survey to be made of the mud in the Cove within the Circle proposed to be left open, in conformity with the plat adopted by the City Council, makes Report accompanied by a Plat of said survey, which Report is read.

Do. Resolved, That the Report this Day made to the City Council by the Surveyor of Highways, relative to a survey made by him of the mud in the Cove, by order of the City Council, together with the plat of said survey accompanying said Report, be received, and that the same be referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, who are hereby directed to confer with the Providence and Worcester Rail Road Company, in relation to the subject. (Concurred.)

Hog pens. Petitions of Thomas J. Stead & others; of Ada Fairbanks & others; and of Samuel Bowers & others, in relation to the keeping of hogs in the City, are presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be severally received, and referred to the Standing Committee to enquire Ordinances, who are directed to report a Bill, defining the limits within which hogs may be kept in the City. (Concurred.)

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In Convention,

Hepten S. Salisbury is elected a Weigher of Anthracite & other coal, during the remainder of the present Municipal Year.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the 14<sup>th</sup> day of September next, at half past 9 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr. President,  
Baker,  
Brannell,  
Daniels,  
D. Greene,  
B. Greene,  
Gladding,  
Jones,  
Lockwood,  
Martin,  
Mathewson,

Metcalf,  
Murray,  
Robison,  
Patten,  
Petter,  
Leagnare,  
Smith,  
Steer,  
Stinson,  
Tingley,  
Williams,

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Albert Greene, Clerk

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The Council met pursuant to adjournment, a Quorum present.

Hacks  
& in  
Fees St.

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The Standing Committee on Police to whom on the 13<sup>th</sup> of July last, was referred the <sup>petition of</sup> the Master of Transportation of the Boston and Providence Rail Road Company, make Report by Bill, entitled "An Ordinance regulating the standing of Hacks and Public Carriages in Fees Street;" which Report is read and received, and said bill is read and passed.

(Concurred.)

Staging in  
the streets.

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The Standing Committee to engross Ordinances, who were on the 10<sup>th</sup> of August last, directed to report an Ordinance regulating the manner in which the Streets shall be used by persons erecting new buildings in the City, make Report, by Bill, entitled "An Ordinance, in addition to an Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance in relation to the Streets and Highways;' which Report is read and received; and said bill is postponed until the next meeting, and it is ordered that the same be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing.

Hogs.

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The Standing Committee to engross Ordinances, who were on the 10<sup>th</sup> of August last, directed to report a Bill defining the limits within which Hogs may be kept in the City, make Report by Bill, entitled "An Ordinance in relation to Hogs;" which Report is read and received; and said bill is read, amended, and passed.

Attention  
Street,  
City, Walker,  
285.

A Petition of Israel G. Manchester & others for two crop walks in Braintree Street, is presented and read.

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received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Pumps } The Standing Committee on City Property, to whom on  
Benefit } the 10<sup>th</sup> of August last, was offered the petition of  
Street. } William Red, for the removal of the pumps from the  
city well in Benefit Street, make Report, which  
is read and received.

271. A Remonstrance of Thomas Lloyd Holsey & others, against the removal of said pumps, is presented, read and received.

272. Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause the City Pumps, standing in the public well in Benefit Street near its junction with North Main Street, to be removed, together with the platform which now covers said well; and to cause said well to be safely covered with stone, on a level with the Street; and to cause a pump to be placed in said well, within the curb stone, on the Easterly side of the Street.  
(Concurred.)

Taxes } A Resolution for the remission of certain Taxes unpaid  
remitted } in the year 1845, presented by James Mumford, Col-  
lector of Taxes, as not collectable, by reason of errors in the assessments thereof, &c, amounting in the whole, to \$482 <sup>22</sup>/<sub>100</sub> - is read and passed.  
(Concurred.)

John M. } A Resolution in the words following, having passed  
Shaw. } the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence,  
and is read, viz:  
"Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to John M. Shaw, out of the money appropriated for Police Expenses, the sum of Thirty Dollars, to remunerate the said Shaw for Damage done to his clothing, when engaged as a City Constable, in arresting Dennis Dwis."

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-coll, on the evening of Saturday the 5<sup>th</sup> of September instant."

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

Steam } The joint Committee, to whom, on the 1<sup>st</sup> of June  
Boilers. } last was offered so much of the Mayor's Address to the City Council, as relates to the subject of Steam Boilers, make Report, that they do not deem it advisable at this time to recommend further legislation thereon; which Report is read and received.

(Concurred.)

School  
House  
Pond St.  
Engine Co  
No 5.

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

"Resolved, That the Board of Firewards be and they are hereby authorized to occupy such parts of the old School House, on Pond Street, as may be convenient, for the use of Engine Company No 5.  
Resolved, That the City Treasurer be authorized, under the advice of the Committee on City Property, to cause the lot on which said building stands, to be enclosed with a substantial fence, and the roof and windows to be repaired."

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

Train } A Petition of William P. Ballou & others, for a Drain  
in } in Benefit Street is presented and read, received &  
Dues } referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to  
St. } 286. } examine and report thereon.

State } The joint Committee who were on the 13<sup>th</sup> of July last,  
Lines } appointed relative to the subject of the boundary line between  
286. }

this Hon and the State of Massachusetts, make Report in part, which is read and received.

(Concurred.)

Claims, } Communication from the Mayor, relative to the claims  
for Damages } made upon the City by the heirs of Lewis Peck, & others  
for damages arising from the construction of the Don-  
27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> } rane Street Drain, (which claims were laid on the  
Table, on the 10<sup>th</sup> of August last,) is presented and  
read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be  
referred to the City Audit together with the claims therein  
mentioned; and that the City Audit be directed to  
consult counsel, and to report whether the City is  
liable to pay said claims.

(Concurred, with the following Amendment: viz  
That all the words after the word "mentioned", be  
stricken out; and the words, "with instructions to  
audit said claims," be inserted in their place.)  
The Common Council do not concur in the  
amendment.

The Board of Aldermen recede from their Amendment.

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

"Upon the Petition of Charles L. Fisher and others,  
Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and  
he is hereby directed to cause the gutter on the East  
side of Brown Street, to be continued southerly to  
Charles Field Street; and to remove the gutter  
now paving across Brown Street; and that if  
he thinks it may be expedient in order to save  
the trees standing on said Street he may make  
the side-walk wider than fixed by the Commis-  
sioners, and omit setting the curb stones, and vary  
the grade, in paving the gutter."

Whereupon it is resolved that the Common Council

do concur therein.

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is here-  
by directed to pay to the Sheriff of the County of  
Providence, from the appropriation for the Police  
Department, the sum of fifty-one Dollars and twelve  
cents, being the amount of an Execution in favour  
of Gideon Pettis against Henry G. Bamford, issued  
in a judgment of the Court of Common Pleas within  
and for the County of Providence, at the last May Term  
thereof. (Concurred.)

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

Resolutions are read and passed, naming Liberty to  
the following persons, to survey certain wooden buildings,  
viz. David W. Battey,  
Elias S. Battey,  
Nathan Gorton,  
Increase Skinner,  
James Sherburne  
& Lake Green.  
(Concurred.)

Smith } A Resolution in the words aforesaid, having passed the  
Street. } Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and  
is read: viz:

Resolved, that the Committee on Highways be instructed  
to enquire what repairs are required on Smith Street.  
Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do  
concur therein.

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A communication from the Mayor, recommending the establishment of two new Intermediate Schools, and also the enlargement of two school houses, for their reception, is presented and read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on Public Schools, to examine and report thereon; - which Committee make Report, by bill entitled "An Ordinance, in addition to an Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance in relation to Public Schools', which is read and passed. (said ordinance authorizing the establishment of two new Intermediate Schools.)

Said Committee also report the following Resolutions, which are read and passed: viz:

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby authorized to cause the Primary School House on Lane Street and one of the Primary School Houses in the First Ward, to be raised, and rooms erected under them, for the accommodation of Intermediate Schools; and that said work be done whenever the School Committee may direct.

Resolved, That the sum of Two Thousand Two Hundred Dollars be appropriated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for carrying the preceding Resolution into effect.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday the 19<sup>th</sup> day of October next, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

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|---------------|------------|-----------|-----------|
| Mr President, | Jones      | Palmer    | Hinson    |
| Carpenter,    | Lockwood   | Patten    | Pingley   |
| Daniels,      | Martin,    | Petter,   | Williams, |
| D. Greene     | Mathewson, | Seagrave, |           |
| R. Greene     | Metcalf    | Smith     |           |
| Hoock,        | Murray,    |           | 20.       |

Albert Greene, Clerk

October 2<sup>d</sup> 1846.

Common Council, October 2<sup>d</sup> 1846.

Special Meeting.

Copy. "State of Rhode Island & Providence Plantations, City of Providence, &c."

To the Members of the City Council of the City of Providence, Greeting,

Whereas it appears, that the Providence and Worcester Rail Road Company have, in the erection of walls around the Cove, deviated from the plan as recorded, and said Company are desirous of having the consent of the Council, to said deviation, and the Board season under delay inconvenient, - you are hereby requested and notified, to assemble in your respective Chambers, this Day, at seven o'clock P.M., to consider any proposition which said Company may present, - and for the transaction of any business which may lawfully come before you.

Witness my hand and the seal of said City, this second Day of October, A.D. one thousand, eight hundred and forty six.

Thos M. Joseph, Mayor.

"Notified the City Council, except Samuel Gladstone & Allen C. Mathewson, who are out of the State. Edward Hamrod, City Sergeant."

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

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

A communication from the Mayor, relative to the subject

282, October 2<sup>d</sup>, 1846.

Row & Worcester R.R. Co. } named in his Warrant for the present meeting, is present. ed and read, Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be referred to Messrs Patten, Lockwood, and Smith, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon; which Committee report the following Resolutions, (Alderman Watson's Minutes having been added to the Committee by the Board of Aldermen,) which Resolutions is read and passed; viz:

242. Resolved, That the Providence and Worcester Rail Road Company be permitted to continue the Netherly line of the passage way for the water from the Cove, so it is by the piles now driven, - except two hundred feet on the Eastern end, which is to be carried to meet the corner of Cove and Canal Streets as now laid down on the Plat: provided, that the Merchandise Depot to be erected near Steeple Street, be carried back Northwaly, so as to make the distance between it and the Netherly line of said passage way as wide as it is now represented in the Plat on record: And provided also, that the South wall of said passage-way shall be not less than one hundred and fifty feet from said North wall, and that the position of the ellipse shall not be changed. (Concurred.)

Brook Street Culvert } A Communication from the Mayor, relative to the Deposit of mud at the outlet of the Brook Street Culvert, is presented and read, and is referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

286. The Common Council adjourn, to meet pursuant to the vote of adjournment passed on the 14<sup>th</sup> of September last, to wit: to meet on Monday the 12<sup>th</sup> Day of October instant, at 7 o' clock P.M.

283, October 2<sup>d</sup>, October 12<sup>th</sup>, 1846.

Members present,

Mr President,	" Talbot,
" Baker,	" Patten
" D. Greene,	" Potter,
" N. Greene,	" Seagrave,
" Hatch,	" Smith,
" Lockwood,	" Steere,
" Martin,	" Stinson,
" Metcalf,	" Tingley
" Mowry,	

Albert G. Green, Clerk

Common Council, October 12<sup>th</sup>, 1846.

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

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

"Resolved, That the sum of fifty Dollars be paid to Samuel Brown, out of the appropriation for contingencies, for his services in enrolling the Militia as directed by the Report of Taxes."

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

322. A Petition of Benjamin Holpin & others, for a sewer in Pine Street, is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

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

20<sup>th</sup> 1834, is presented and read, received, and placed on file.

Claims for Damages }  
 Street Drain }  
 The City Audit to whom on the 14<sup>th</sup> of September last, was referred the communication from the Mayor relative to the claims made upon the City by the heirs of Lewis Peck, & others, for damages arising from the construction of the Bonane Street Drain, make Report, that pursuant to the directions then given them, they have consulted counsel upon the question whether the City is liable to pay said claims, and present with their Report, the written opinions of Samuel Ames, John Whipple, Richard W. Greene and Thomas F. Carpenter Esquires; - and that they find, as advised by said counsel, that the City is not so liable; - which Report and Opinions are read, Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received, and placed on file.  
 (Concurred.)

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

Resolved That the Board of Firewards be and they are hereby authorized to cause a Reservoir to be constructed upon the Federal Street School House Lot.

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

Hogs. }  
 The bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to Hogs," which passed the Common Council on the 14<sup>th</sup> of September last, and was then sent up for concurrence, is now returned by the Board of Aldermen, who do not concur therein.

Co. }  
 A bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to Swine," having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and is read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be referred to the Standing Committee to engross Ordinances, to examine

and report thereon.

The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 13<sup>th</sup> of July last, was referred the Petition of Henry Hopkins & others, for the grading of Jefferson, Cherry, Davis and Malberry Streets, - and who were on the 14<sup>th</sup> of September last directed by Resolution, to enquire what repairs are required on Smith Street, - and to whom on the 7<sup>th</sup> of September last was referred by the Board of Aldermen, the Petition of John Waterman & others, for repairs on High Street, - and to whom on the 10<sup>th</sup> of August last, was referred the Petition of Rufus Waterman & others, for repairs on Hope Street, - and to whom, on the 8<sup>th</sup> of December last, was referred the Petition of L. C. Elliot & others, for repairs on Congdon Street, - and to whom, on the 8<sup>th</sup> of June last, was referred the Petition of Paris Bell and others, for the paving of a section of Washington Street, - and to whom, on the 14<sup>th</sup> of September last, was referred the Petition of Israel G. Manchester & others, for cusp walks in Cranston Street; - make Reports, in favour of granting the prayers of said petitions, and in favour of certain repairs of Smith Street; which Reports are read and received

Do. } Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to cause repairs to be made on the following named Streets, as follows: viz.

To cause Jefferson Street, Davis Street, Cherry Street, and Malberry Street to be finished according to the established grade, and the gutters paved, whenever the owners of the adjoining lands shall furnish the curb stones;

To cause Smith Street, from the Nail Road Bridge to Jefferson Street, to be finished according to the established grade; and the gutters paved, whenever the owners of the adjoining lands shall furnish the curb stones;

To cause High Street, from Dexter Street to the line of the City, at Olneyville, to be finished acc-

-according to the established grade; and the gutters paved, whenever the owners of the adjoining lands shall furnish the curb stones.-

To cause Hope Street, from Russell to George Street, to be tumpiked, according to the established grade; whenever the owners of the adjoining lands shall remove their walls from the Street, and place the same on the line of said Street; - and to finish said Street, from Power to Benevolent Street, and to pave the gutters in said last-named section thereof, whenever the owners of the adjoining lands shall furnish the curb-stones; -

To cause Congdon Street to be finished according to the established grade; and the gutters paved, whenever the owners of the adjoining lands shall furnish the curb stones; -

B.S. 22.

To cause Washington Street, from Walker to Cove Street, to be paved; -

248.

To cause Chestnut Street, from Pawtucket to Clifford Street, to be paved; -

To cause two curb walls to be laid across Croston Street; as follows; viz: one at the head of Pearl Street, and one at the North end of Pearl Street.

(Carried over, November 2<sup>d</sup> 1846.)

Drain in Benevolent Street.

The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 14<sup>th</sup> of September last, was referred the Petition of William P. Ballock and others, for a Drain in Benevolent Street, make report, that they do not recommend the granting of the prayer thereof; which Report is received and accepted, and it is resolved, that said Petitioners have leave to withdraw.

277.

Brook Street Culvert.

The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 25<sup>th</sup> of October last, was referred the Communication from the Mayor, relative to the Deposit of mud at the outlet of the Brook Street Culvert, make Report, recommending that said deposit be removed at the expense of the City; - which Report is read and received.

282.

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause the mud deposited at the outlet of the Brook Street Culvert, to be removed, at the expense of the City. (Carried over.)

Pawtucket Street. } The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 11<sup>th</sup> of May last, was referred the Petition of Vivian Barker and others, for the paving of 245. Pawtucket Street, from its junction with Broad Street, to Stewart Street, make Report, that they do not recommend the granting of the prayer thereof; which Report is read and received; and it is resolved, that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

High St. } The Petition of Josiah Chopin & others, for the repairing of High 248. St. & Westminster Streets, which with a Report of the Standing Committee on Highways thereon, was laid on the Table on the 11<sup>th</sup> of May last, - is again taken up; read, and laid upon the Table

Wickenden & Bridge St. } A Petition of Allen J. Gladding & others, for a Drain from 324. the West end of Wickenden Street, through Bridge Street, to the Brook Street Culvert, is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the 9<sup>th</sup> Day of November next, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

- Mr. President, Brunell,
Baker, Carpenter.

288. October 12<sup>th</sup> November 9<sup>th</sup> 1846.

J. Greene,  
B. Greene,  
Bach  
Jones,  
Mathewson,  
Metcalf  
Moore  
Patten.

Peter,  
Seagrove,  
Smith,  
Steele,  
Stinson,  
Tingley,  
Williams.

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Albert Greene, Clerk,

Common Council, November 9<sup>th</sup> 1846.

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

<sup>289</sup> A Petition of James Y. Smith & others, for a cross-  
walk across Westminster Street, is presented, read,  
received, and referred to the Standing Committee on  
Highways, to examine and report thereon.

<sup>289</sup> A Petition of Daniel T. Goddard and others, from cross-  
Chapel walks across Chapel and Mathewson Streets, is  
presented and read, received, and referred to the  
Standing Committee on Highways, to examine  
and report thereon.

<sup>291</sup> The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer,  
under the Resolution of the Common Council  
of October 20<sup>th</sup> 1834, is presented and received, and  
referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

A communication from the Mayor, relative to the subject

289. November 9<sup>th</sup> 1846.

<sup>293</sup> A bill of a reward to John M. Shaw, City Constable, for procuring  
testimony for the conviction of certain boys, for breaking  
into some of the City School Houses, - is presented and  
read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be  
referred to the Standing Committee on Police, to  
examine & report thereon.

<sup>291</sup> A communication from the Mayor, in relation to  
the work ordered on Highways, is presented and read.

<sup>291</sup> A bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment  
of an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance providing  
for the establishment of a Public Watch," having  
passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for  
concurrence, and is read. Whereupon, it is resolved,  
that the Common Council do concur therein.

Joined in Convention of the City Council,

In Convention,

<sup>294</sup> <sup>299</sup> Henry persons are elected members, for the re-  
mainder of the present municipal year, of Engine  
Company No 8, which Company was incorporated  
in October, 1846.

<sup>299</sup> John S. Ormillee is elected a Fireward, for the re-  
mainder of the present municipal year.

The two Boards separate.

In Common Council,

<sup>288</sup> The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom were referred  
the petitions of James Y. Smith & others and of Daniel T. Goddard

and others, for cross walks, make Reports in favour of granting the prayers thereof, which Reports are read & received.

Do Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to cause cross walks to be laid as follows, viz:

One across Westminster Street, from the corner of Mathewson Street:-

One across Chapel Street, at its intersection with Mathewson Street:-

One across Mathewson Street, at its intersection with Chapel Street. (Concurred.)

Made in the Com. of the City of Providence, 273, 292. The Standing Committee on City Property, to whom, on the 10<sup>th</sup> of August last, was referred the Report of the Surveyor of Highways, of a Survey made by him, of the mud in the Cove by order of the City Council; which Committee were then directed to confer with the Providence and Worcester Rail Road Company, in relation to the subject, - make Report that said Rail Road Company have agreed to accept the survey so made, which Report is read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and adopted. (Concurred.)

Made in the Com. of the City of Providence, 298. The Standing Committee on City Property, to whom on the 11<sup>th</sup> Day of May last, was referred the Communication from the Mayor, then made to the City Council, relative to the claim of the City upon the Providence & Worcester Rail Road Company, for Damages for land taken by said Company, from the Estate known as the "Wash House Lot," make Report that they have examined the premises, and have conferred with said Company, and estimate the Damages at \$1500, and recommend that the land taken be conveyed to said Company, for that sum; the Company to finish in a proper manner, the wall upon the whole line of the lot so taken

by them, and to fill in in rear of the wall, as high as the present surface of the remainder of the lot; - which Report is read; Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and adopted.

Pick & Market. Resolutions in the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen, are sent down for concurrence, 295, and are read, viz:

"Resolved that the Committee on City Property, be instructed to enquire into the expediency of building a new Pick Market; and if they deem it expedient, that they cause a suitable plan to be prepared."

Resolved, that said Committee be authorized to cause the Pick Market to be removed, if they deem it advisable, in order to complete the walls now building by the Providence and Worcester Rail Road Company."

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

Teams in the Streets. Resolved that Messrs. Potter, Martin & Gladingle a Committee to report on an Ordinance to prevent unnecessary impediments in the Public Streets, by carriages, teams, drays, & other vehicles, while standing, or loading or unloading therein. 297,

Appropriation for Highways. The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom was referred the Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer this day made, make Report recommending a further appropriation of \$1000 for Highways, instead of \$400, as recommended by the City Treasurer; which Report is read and received. 288, 259.

Do Resolved, that the sum of One Thousand Dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for Highways.

and that said sum so appropriated be paid out of any moneys in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated.  
 Concurred, with the following Amendments, viz that the following words be added, viz "and that the Surveyor of Highways be directed to proceed to complete the work mentioned in the communication from the Mayor, made this Day, or as far as the season will permit."  
 The Common Council do not concur in the Amendment.  
 The Board of Aldermen recede from their Amendment.

Resolved, That Messrs Williams, Smith and Mathewson with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be appointed a Committee to enquire whether the Providence and Worcester Rail Road Company are constructing the improvements in the Cove, in accordance with the specifications adopted by the City Council; and also whether the Plat adopted by the City Council, is or is not correct; and if incorrect, how and by whom, the error has been made; and make Report at the next meeting of the City Council.  
 Concurred, & Alderman Hodges added.

Wickenden Street. A Petition of Solomon Ingraham and others, for a foot walk in Wickenden Street, is presented, read, and received.

Do. Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to cause a foot walk to be laid as follows: viz:  
 One at the junction of South Main and Bridge Streets;  
 One on each side of Wickenden Street, at its intersection with Benefit Street;  
 One at the foot of Princes Street;  
 One across the Street leading into Wickenden Street, West

of the residence of Richard Harding.  
 (Concurred.)

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the 14<sup>th</sup> Day of December next, at half past 6 o'clock P.M.

Members present,

- |                |             |
|----------------|-------------|
| Mr. President, | Mr. Murray, |
| " Baker,       | " Peabody,  |
| O. Greene,     | Patten,     |
| B. Greene,     | Patten,     |
| Gladding,      | Seagrave,   |
| Jones,         | Smith,      |
| Lockwood,      | Stearns,    |
| Martin,        | Stinson,    |
| Mathewson,     | Tingley,    |
| Metcalf,       | Williams,   |

Albert G. Greene,  
 Clerk.

Common Council, December 14<sup>th</sup> 1846.

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

J. Mathewson. The Standing Committee on Police, to whom on the 9<sup>th</sup> of November last, was referred the communication from the Mayor in relation to the payment of a reward to John M. Shaw, make Report in favour of the payment thereof, which Report is read and received.

Do. Resolved, That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and directed to pay to John M. Shaw, one

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of the Constables of the City, from the appropriation for the Police Department, the sum of one hundred Dollars, in full payment and satisfaction of his claim for procuring testimony against certain boys, charged with breaking into sundry of the School Houses of the City.  
Concurred.

Comm. from Mayor. A Communication from the Mayor recommending an amendment of the Ordinance prohibiting the opening of places of trade and entertainment on Sundays or late at night, is presented and read: the same being accompanied by a Bill entitled "An Ordinance to prohibit the opening of Places of Trade or Entertainment on Sundays, or late at night;" - which Bill is read and passed. (This Bill providing for the repeal of the former Ordinance bearing the same title.)

Concurred, with the following amendment: viz. That the words "heretofore existing" be inserted after the word "Ordinance" in the 3<sup>d</sup> Section.

The Common Council concur in the Amendment.

Engine No 8. Pioneer Co. A Communication from the Board of Firewards in relation to the Pioneer Engine Company and the Engine No 8, late in charge of that Company, (which Engine has been by the Firewards taken from that Company and delivered to the Engine Company No 8, who were elected by the City Council on the 9<sup>th</sup> of November last,) - is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that said Communication be received and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, and that said Committee investigate the facts necessary to the just disposition of said Communication; and report the same to the next meeting of the City Council.  
(Concurred.)

High Street. A Petition of William Sheldon & others, for the paving of High Street, from the Boyle Tavern to Valley Lane, is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

December 14<sup>th</sup> 1846.

J. W. Robinson } A Petition of J. W. Robinson, for himself and others, }  
for a culvert across a street leading from Windmill Street, Southwark, to the Old Pasture Road, is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Fish Market. The Standing Committee on City Property who were on the 9<sup>th</sup> of November last, instructed to enquire respecting the expediency of building a new Fish Market, make Report, that they do not deem it expedient at present, that a new Fish Market be built, but recommend that the present building be sold and removed: which Report is read and received.

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby directed, under the advice of the Standing Committee on City Property, to sell the building now used as a Fish Market; the same to be removed by the purchaser, on or immediately after the first Day of January next.  
(Concurred.)

Treasurer's Quarterly Report of the City Treasurer, of the Gross Receipts and Payments of the City Debt, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received.  
(Concurred.)

The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20<sup>th</sup> 1844, is presented and read: said Statement being accompanied by a Communication in relation to the following subjects, viz: 1<sup>st</sup> The state of certain Appropriations heretofore made: - 2<sup>d</sup> The repairs on the Pond Street School House; & the bonds of its lot: - 3<sup>d</sup> The damages done by the Providence & Worcester Rail Road Company to certain leases of the City, on Smith Street. Whereupon it is resolved, that said Statement and Communication be received, and referred to the Standing Committee

on Finance.

The Standing Committee on Finance report the following Resolu-  
tion, which is read and passed: viz:

Appropriations }  
295 } Resolved, That the several sums hereinafter mentioned,  
be and the same are hereby appropriated for the fol-  
lowing purposes respectively: to wit:

For the payment of the City Debt, Six hundred & fifty Dollars.

For the Fire Department, Four thousand Dollars.

For the Primary School House and lot, on the West Side,  
for colored children, one hundred Dollars.

For grading and improving the North Burial Ground, Five  
hundred Dollars;—

and that said sums so appropriated, be paid out of  
any monies in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated.  
(Concurred.)

Pond St. School House }  
295 } The Standing Committee on Finance report the following Res-  
olution, which is read and passed: viz:

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby  
authorized, under the direction of the Standing Committee  
on City Property, to cease such additional repairs to be  
made upon the School House in Pond Street, as may  
be necessary for the preservation thereof, and for its use  
for school purposes. (Concurred.)

Leases on Smith Street }  
295 } The Standing Committee on Finance report the following  
Resolution, which is read and passed: viz:

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby  
authorized, under the advice and direction of the Stand-  
ing Committee on City Property, to adjust and settle the  
claims upon the City of the Lessees of the City lots on  
Smith Street, which have been injured by the location  
of the Residence and Worcester Rail Road.  
(Concurred.)

Residents of Firewards }  
294 } The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, who were  
304 } on the 8<sup>th</sup> of June last, directed to enquire and report whether  
It is advisable for an Application to be made to the General

Assembly, for an alteration of the law relative to Presidents  
of Firewards, make Report, recommending that applica-  
tion be made to the General Assembly for such altera-  
tions in the present law as will adapt the same to the  
existing state of the Fire Department, without materially  
changing its provisions respecting the Presidents of Firewards.  
— which Report is accompanied by a Draft of a Bill  
entitled "An Act providing in case of Fire breaking  
out in the City of Providence." Whereupon, it is  
resolved that said Report and Draft be received  
and referred to the next meeting of the Common  
Council; and in the mean time, be printed in the  
newspapers employed to do the City printing.

North Burial Ground }  
297 } Resolved, That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby  
authorized and directed to make, execute and deliver  
in behalf of the City, such deeds or other legal instru-  
ments as are necessary or proper to carry into effect any  
agreements or contracts with owners of land adjoining  
the North Burial Ground, made by said Committee  
in making exchanges of land, in fixing and es-  
tablishing the bounds of said North Burial Ground  
in conformity with the Resolution of the City Council,  
passed August 11<sup>th</sup> 1845.  
(Concurred.)

Hay Scales }  
297 } Resolved, That the Standing Committee on City  
Property be instructed to enquire into the expediency of  
placing a larger set of Hay Scales on the Hay-  
Market Lot; and also, of erecting a suitable building  
over the same.

Teams in the Public Squares }  
291 } The Committee who were in the 9<sup>th</sup> of November last,  
appointed to report an Ordinance to prevent unneces-  
sary impediments in the Public Squares, by carriages, teams, drays,  
and other vehicles, while standing, or loading or un-  
loading therein, — make Report, which is read, received,

and laid upon the Table.

Work House  
Lot,  
Pr. W. R. Co.

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and directed, as the special agent of the City, to make and execute to the Providence and Worcester Rail Road Company, a deed conveying to said Company their succession and appurtenances, a certain piece of land, being a part of the Work House Lot (so called) bounded and described as follows: to wit: - beginning at the original corner of Smith and Back Streets, being the South-west corner of the land to be conveyed; thence Eastwardly, along the line of Smith Street, forty one feet, to the point where said line intersects the front top angle of the bank wall erected by said Company; thence turning and running Northwesterly, along the front top angle of said wall, one hundred and fourteen feet and six inches, to the point where said line intersects the East line of said Back Street; thence Southwesterly, along the East line of said Back Street, one hundred and seven feet, more or less, to the place of beginning: - whenever said Providence and Worcester Rail Road Company shall pay to him, for the use of the City, the sum of one thousand, five hundred Dollars; and whenever said Company shall have finished in a proper manner, the wall upon the whole line of said piece of lands, and shall have filled in the rear of said wall, as high as the present surface of the remainder of said piece of lands.

(Concurred.)

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Pr. W. R. Co.

A Petition of Beafell Women & others for cross walks in Pine, Page, and Friendship Streets, is presented read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Case,  
Pr. W. R. Co.

The joint Committee appointed on the 9<sup>th</sup> of November last to enquire whether the Providence and Worcester Rail Road Company are constructing the improvements in the Cove, in accordance

with the specifications adopted by the City Council; and also whether the Plot adopted by the City Council, is or is not correct; and if incorrect, how and by whom the error has been made; - and to make Report at the present meeting; - pursuant thereto Report, which is read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received (Concurred.)

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

289.  
294.  
302. Several persons are elected members for the remainder of the present municipal year, of Engine Company No. 8, which company was incorporated in October, 1846.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourns, to meet on Monday the 11<sup>th</sup> Day of January next, at half past 6 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr President,  
Baker,  
Brunell,  
Carpenter,  
Daniels,  
J. Greene,  
N. Greene,  
Gladding,  
Hatch,  
Jones,  
Lockwood,  
Martin,

Mathewson,  
Metcalf,  
Murray,  
Patton,  
Patten,  
S. S. Greene,  
Smith,  
Stearns,  
Stinson,  
Tingley,  
Williams.

Albert Greene, Clerk.

1847.

Common Council, January 11<sup>th</sup> 1847.

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

The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20<sup>th</sup> 1844, is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance; which Committee report the following Resolution; which is read and passed; viz:

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 Support of the City Watch, One Thousand Dollars.  
For the Police Department, Five Hundred Dollars.  
For Highways, One Thousand Dollars;  
and that said sums so appropriated be paid out of any monies in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.  
(Concurred.)

Accounts of Augustus Ellis  
William M. Merwetter,  
and James Sheldon, City Constables, for services in committing sundry persons to the Watch House, which accounts were presented to the City Audit, and one by the Audit referred to the City Council, - are presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Police, to examine and report thereon; - with instructions, - if they find it necessary, - to report a Bill for the regulation of such commitments in future.

A Petition of William H. Greene et al, for a cross walk in Board Street, at the head of Denoue Street, is presented, read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Communication from the Mayor, recommending an appropriation, for regulating the numbers on the houses in the streets already numbered, and for the placing of numbers on the houses in the streets which have not been numbered, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be referred to the Standing Committee to engross Ordinances, to examine & report thereon.

A Petition of George W. Hall and others, praying, for reasons therein stated, that John P. Jones may be removed from his office of Gauger of Casks, - is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received, and referred to Messrs. Stearns, Potter and Jones, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, - to examine and report thereon, and that said Committee be directed to appoint a time and place of meeting, and to give notice to Mr. Jones and such of the petitioners as they deem it necessary to notify; and to report at the next meeting of the City Council.  
(Concurred, & Alderman Hall added.)

A communication from Thomas J. Hill, who offers to purchase from the City, a part of the Hospital Estate (referred to), is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon.

A Petition of Henry L. Wendall and others, for a cross walk across Clifford Street, on the East side of Eddy Street, is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

By W. Rail Road Co. Care. A Communication from the Providence and Worcester Rail Road Company relative to the Report made to the City Council on the 14<sup>th</sup> of December last by the Committee appointed on the 9<sup>th</sup> of November last, - is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received.

Do. Resolved, That the Report of the Committee appointed on the 9<sup>th</sup> of November last, to enquire whether the Providence and Worcester Rail Road are constructing the improvements in the Cove in accordance with the Specifications adopted by the City Council, - and also the Communication of said Rail Road Company, upon the same subject, be referred to Messrs. Whidden, Will. Liams and Stenson, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, who are instructed to enquire what measures, if any, may be necessary and proper to secure the public right and interest in the premises. (Concurred, and Alderman Hodges added.)

Com. to Superintend Chimneys & Stoves. A Resolution from the Board of Aldermen, referring to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, for examination and report, a Communication from the "Committee to superintend the building of Chimneys and the placing of Stoves and Stove-pipes," - is sent down for concurrence, and is read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein.

Engine No. 8. Pioneer. The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to whom on the 14<sup>th</sup> of December last was referred the Communication from the Board of Firewards in relation to the Pioneer Engine Company, and the Engine No. 8, late in the charge of that Company, - make Report, recommending that said Company be set aside and that the Senator and Representatives from this City, in the General Assembly, be requested to urge upon that body the necessity of the repeal of the Charter of said Company, - which Report is read; and it is thereupon resolved, that the

same be received and adopted. (Concurred.)

Do. A Petition of John W. Clarke and others, praying that the City Council may continue to the Pioneer Engine Company, all their rights and privileges as Firemen, - is presented and read.

Do. Whereas, the Act of the Fire Engine Company No. 8, sometimes known as the "Pioneer Company", in passing certain Resolutions in the month of October last, and causing the same to be inserted in a public newspaper, is, in the opinion of the City Council, an act of Misconduct, which requires the removal of the members of said Company, from office: - It is therefore Resolved, that for said Act of misconduct, the members of said Company be and they are hereby severally removed from their office and trust of Firemen of this City.

Resolved, that the Senator and Representatives from this City, in the General Assembly, be, and they are hereby requested to procure a repeal of the Act of the General Assembly, by which said Company was incorporated.

Resolved, That the City Clerk be, and he is hereby directed to transmit to said Senator and Representatives, a certified copy of these Resolutions.

The Preamble and Resolutions last aforesaid having been read, it is moved that the same pass: eighteen members being present. The question being put, fourteen members vote in favour of the passing thereof, and one member against the same. The same are therefore passed; (two thirds of the members present, voting in the affirmative, as required by the City Charter.) (Concurred.)

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Presidents }  
 Records }  
 Fire. } The Report of the Standing Committee on the Fire Department,  
 which was on the 14<sup>th</sup> of December last, presented, accom-  
 panied by a draft of a Bill entitled "An Act providing  
 in case of Fire breaking out in the City of Providence; -  
 296. and which, together with said draft, was then received  
 and referred to this meeting, with an order that the  
 same should be printed in the newspapers employed  
 to do the City printing, - having been printed  
 pursuant to said order, - are now taken up and  
 read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same  
 be recommitted with instructions to said Committee  
 to consider and report upon the expediency of amend-  
 ing said Bill, so as to provide that the Damages  
 occasioned by the blowing up or destroying any build-  
 ing, or other property, to prevent the spread of fire,  
 be paid by the City; - and to suggest any other  
 alterations and amendments therein, which they may  
 deem expedient; and that said Committee report  
 by bill.

Bowling }  
 Alleys. } Resolved, that the Standing Committee to engraft  
 Ordinances be instructed to enquire whether any  
 308. legislation is required to enable the citizens of this  
 City, to receive the benefits of the Statute in rela-  
 tion to the erection of Bowling Alleys.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday  
 the 8<sup>th</sup> Day of February next, at half past 6 o'clock  
 P.M.

Members present

- |               |            |
|---------------|------------|
| Mr President, | W. Hatch,  |
| " Baker,      | Jones,     |
| " Brunell,    | Lockwood,  |
| Carpenter,    | Martin,    |
| Daniels,      | Mathewson, |
| J. Greene,    | Metcalf,   |
| H. Greene,    | Murray,    |

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| " Pabodie, | " Smith,  |     |
| Patten,    | Stear,    |     |
| Potter,    | Stinson,  |     |
| Seagrave,  | Wilbourn, | 22. |

Albert Greene, Clerk.

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

For Money }  
 Material. } The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the  
 Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20<sup>th</sup> 1834,  
 is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing  
 Committee on Finance; - which Committee there-  
 upon report the following Resolutions, which is read  
 and passed: viz:

Appropriating }  
 Money. } 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, One thousand Dollars.  
 For the Police Department, Five hundred Dollars.  
 For the Repairs of Public Buildings, Four hundred Dollars.  
 For Primary School House and Lot, in the Fifth Ward,  
 for colored children, Seventy Dollars.  
 For Salaries, Sixty-five Dollars; -  
 and that said sums, so appropriated, be paid out of  
 any moneys in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated,  
 (Concurred.)

Deposit }  
 of City } Resolved, that the Standing Committee on Finance be  
 Funds. } and they are hereby authorized to make an arrange-  
 ment with one or more of the Banks in this City, for  
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the deposit of the City Funds for the year commencing on the first day of January last, or any part thereof, upon such terms as they may deem for the interest of the City. (Concurred.)

Resolved That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to pay to Charles W. Childs, the sum of twenty-four dollars, being the amount of his bill for carriages for the use of the City Council, at the Funeral of the late Governor Fenner. (Concurred.)

The Standing Committee on Police, to whom, on the 11<sup>th</sup> of January last, were referred the Accounts of Augustus Ellis, William G. Merewether and James Sheldon, City Constables, - make Report, in favour of the payment thereof, which is read and received.

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to pay to William G. Merewether, the sum of nineteen dollars; - to James Sheldon, the sum of thirty-two dollars and twenty five cents; - and to Augustus Ellis, the sum of twenty one dollars and fifty cents; - being for the amount of their respective Accounts for services rendered by them, as Constables in making commitments of sundry persons to the Watch House; and that the same be paid out of the Appropriation for the Police Department. (Concurred.)

An Account of Peleg Johnson and an Account of John M. Shaw, against the City, are presented, read & received.

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to pay to Peleg Johnson, the sum of eighteen dollars and seventy cents, and to John M. Shaw, the sum of twenty-eight dollars; being for the amount

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of their respective Accounts for services rendered by them, as Constables, in making commitments of sundry persons to the Watch House, and that the same be paid out of the Appropriation for the Police Department. (Concurred.)

Resolved, That the Standing Committee on Finance be and they are hereby directed to report, at the next meeting of the City Council, a Bill providing for the assessment and collection of a City Tax for the year ensuing the last day of February instant; and also, at the same time, to report a Bill making Appropriations for said year. (Concurred.)

A Copy of certain Resolutions passed by the Pioneer Fire Company, on the 16<sup>th</sup> of January last, are presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, - to examine and report thereon.

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to pay to George A. Abbey, or his Attorney, the sum of four dollars and eighty one cents, being the amount of a judgment in his favor for costs of suit, against Jobey J. Potter, rendered by the Municipal Court, at the last November Term thereof. (Concurred.)

The Standing Committee to engross Ordinances, who were on the 13<sup>th</sup> of July last, directed to report a bill in relation to Back Stands in the vicinity of the Market House, make Report; which is read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received. (Concurred.)

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Bowling, }  
 Alleys, }  
 304. The Standing Committee to engraft Ordinances, to whom, on the 11<sup>th</sup> of January last, directed to enquire whether any legislation is required to enable the citizens of this City to receive the benefits of the Statute in relation to the erection of "Bowling Alleys," make Report, that in their opinion, no further legislation is required therefor, either by Statute or Ordinance; - which Report is read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received. (Concurred.)

Hogs, }  
 Swine, }  
 284. The Standing Committee to engraft Ordinances, to whom, on the 19<sup>th</sup> of October last, was referred the Bill which then passed the Board of Aldermen, entitled, "An Ordinance in relation to Swine;" make Report, that, in their opinion, the provisions of said Bill are not so well adapted to secure the public comfort, as those which were contained in the Bill which was reported by said Committee on the 14<sup>th</sup> of September last, entitled "An Ordinance in relation to Hogs;" and that they accordingly now report a Bill containing the same provisions which were contained in their said former Bill; which Bill, now reported, is 304. entitled "An Ordinance in relation to Swine"; - which Report is read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, and laid upon the Table.

Numbering }  
 Streets, }  
 301. The Standing Committee to engraft Ordinances, to whom, on the 11<sup>th</sup> of January last, was referred the communication from the Mayor, relative to the numbering of the houses in the Streets of the City, make Report, which is read and received. (Concurred.)

Do. Resolved, That the Board of Aldermen be, and they are hereby authorized to cause the numbers of the houses in those Streets in the City which

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have already been numbered, - to be rearranged and properly regulated; and the numbers to be numbered in the Streets which are without numbers; and to cause street signs to be placed at the corners of the streets, whenever they may deem it necessary; and that the sum of Three Hundred Dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated, for carrying this Regulation into effect; to be paid out of any monies in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated. (Concurred.)

29<sup>th</sup> Hunt, }  
 N. S. Bayler, }  
 A. Shinkwin, }  
 309. A Memorial of Daniel J. Hunt and Walter Blages, requesting that the City Treasurer may be authorized to execute to them, a lease of a part of the City's land on Smith Street, for the unexpired term of time for which he was heretofore authorized to lease the same to A. Shinkwin: (the lease to said Shinkwin not having been executed,) - is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon.

S. B. Poley, }  
 P. Peter, }  
 J. O. Field, }  
 Mining }  
 Buildings, }  
 Petitions of Samuel Boyd Poley, Phineas Peter, and John O. Field, for liberty to move certain wooden buildings, are presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon; - which Committee make Reports in favor of granting the prayers thereof; which Reports are read and received, and said petitions are severally granted. (Concurred.)

E. Boyder, }  
 Mining }  
 Buildings, }  
 310. A Petition of Elijah Boyder, for liberty to move a certain wooden building, is presented and read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire De.

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partment, to examine and report thereon; which Committee make Report in favor of granting the prayer thereof; which Report is read and received; and it is thereupon resolved that the same be postponed until the next meeting of the Common Council,

J. G. Smith  
et al.  
Standing Building  
Memorial  
H. B. H. } A Petition of James G. Smith and others, for liberty to move a certain wooden building; and a Memorial of Benjamin Anthony, against the same, are severally presented and read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon.

Engine No. 6  
Town House Lot } A Memorial from the Board of Firewards, requesting that a part of the Town House Lot may be appropriated as a site for the erection of a new building for Engine Company No. 6, - is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon.

P. W. R. R. Co. } A Communication from the Providence and Worcester Rail Road Company, accompanied by plans and elevations of the Depot Buildings which they propose to erect on the lands to be filled in by them in the Cove above Weybosset Bridge, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property to examine and report thereon.

Benefit Street  
Cup Walk } A Petition of Benjamin Whippin and others, for a cross-walk across Benefit Street, near the Free Chapel, is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

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J. P. Jones } Resolved, That the Committee to whom was referred on the 11<sup>th</sup> of January last, the Memorial of George W. Hall and others, for the removal of John P. Jones, weigher and gauger, be and the same is hereby continued, with the same powers, to the next meeting of the City Council.  
(Continued.)

T. J. Hill } The Standing Committee on City Property, to whom, on the 11<sup>th</sup> of January last, was referred the communication from Thomas J. Hill, offering to purchase from the City, a part of the Hospital Lots, (so called), make Report adverse to such sale, which Report is read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and accepted.  
(Continued.)

Hay Scales  
Hay Market } The Standing Committee on City Property, who were, on the 14<sup>th</sup> of December last, directed to enquire into the expediency of placing a larger set of Hay Scales in the Hay Market Lot; and of erecting a building over the same, - make Report, recommending that such Scales be procured, and that such building be erected; - which Report is read and received.

Do. } Resolved, That the City Treasurer, acting under the advice and direction of the Standing Committee on City Property, be and he is hereby authorized and directed to purchase for the City, a pair of Scales, sufficient to weigh ten tons; and to place the same upon the Hay Market Lot, and to cause a suitable building to be erected over the same.

Calvert  
Raine  
avenue } The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 14<sup>th</sup> of December last, was referred the Petition of J. W.

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Robinson and others, for a Culvert across the Street leading from Windmill Street, southerly, to the Old Pawtucket Road, make Report, which is read and received.

(No. Upon the Report of the Standing Committee on Highways, upon the Petition of J. W. Robinson and others, it is Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to continue the Culvert in Pearl Street to a point thirty feet Easterly of Prairie Avenue, (so called,) whenever the owners of the land through which the same shall pass, shall pay one Dollar and fifty cents per foot, towards defraying the expense of building the same. (Concurred.)

(County Jail) A Communication from the Mayor, in relation to the use of the State's Jail in the County of Providence, as a place of confinement for the City prisoners, and also in relation to the erection of a House of Correction, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be referred to Messrs Patten, Stimson and Smith, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon. (Concurred, and the Mayor and Aldermen voted added)

(North Burial Ground) A Communication from Samuel Angell and Stephen Randall, a Committee of the Town of North Providence, accompanied by copies of certain Resolutions of said Town, relative to the North Burial Ground, and to the division-line between said Town and the City, are presented and read. Whereupon it is Resolved, that Messrs Patten, Doty, Greene, Patten and Lockwood, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a

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Committee, to meet and confer with, any Committee from the Town of North Providence, relative to the boundary lines between said Town and this City; and to report to the City Council, if any alteration is advisable of said boundary lines; - and in conjunction with said Committee of North Providence, to revise and set up bounds and monuments on the existing division lines between said Town and this City, if they deem it necessary or expedient; - and that the City Clerk be, and he is hereby directed to transmit a certified copy of this Resolution, to the Town Clerk of said North Providence.

(Concurred: & the Mayor & Alderman Knowles added)

(Friendship Street) A Petition of Ezek Tallman and others, owners of estates in Friendship Street, praying, that said Street, from the Culvert, to the Pawtucket Road, may be cut down to the established grade, and the gutters paved; is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

(Sinks Drains) A Bill entitled "An Ordinance in addition to an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance in relation to Streets and Highways," having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and is read. (Said Bill relating to the running of water from private lands into the Streets and Highways.) Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be referred to the Standing Committee to engross Ordinances, to examine the same, and to report thereon at the next meeting of the Common Council; and that, in the mean time, the same be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing.

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Report of } The Annual Report of the Surveyor General of Lam-  
Surveyor } ber, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved,  
General } that the same be received and recorded.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

Wm. Hill having declined a reelection as Surveyor General of Lumber, Robert Manchester is elected Surveyor General of Lumber.

Georg. Thurber is elected Inspector of Saleratus and Bi-carbonate of Soda.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council, adjourn, to meet, on Monday the 8<sup>th</sup> Day of March next, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr President,	" Masterson,
" Baker,	Metcalf,
Counsell,	Murray,
Carpenter	Pabodie
Daniels	Patterson
P. Greene,	Salter,
R. Greene,	Seagrave,
Gladding,	Smith
Hatch,	Steele,
Jones	Timmon,
Lockwood	Williams
Martin.	23.

Albert Greene, Clerk

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The Common Council, met pursuant to adjournment; a Motion present;

1 Brown, Esq.  
J. L. Perkins  
P. Clarke.

Petitions of Thomas Brown & others,  
Ira M. Horton  
and Pardon Clarke, for liberty to move certain wooden buildings are presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon; which Committee make Reports in favour of granting the prayer thereof; which Reports are received, and it is resolved that the prayer of said petitions be severally granted. (Concurred.)

C. Hayden  
Meeting  
Building.

The Petition of Elizabeth Byder, for liberty to move a certain wooden building, which was refused from the last meeting, is again read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the prayer thereof be granted. (Concurred.)

High Street.

A Petition of Isaac W. Holden & others, for cross-walks across High Street, is presented and read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

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

The annual Account of the City Treasurer with the City, for the year ending on the first Day of March instant, is presented and read, together with a Communication ac-

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comparing the same. Whereupon it is resolved that said Account be referred to Messrs. Henshaw, Williams and Smith, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, who are appointed a Committee to audit and settle the same.

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Resolved, that the Communication from the City Treasurer, accompanying said Account, be received and referred to the same Committee, to examine and report thereon, (Concurred, and Alderman Hoppin added.)

Haystacks. The Resolution directing the City Treasurer to purchase for the City a new set of Hay Scales for the Hay Market Lot, and to cause a suitable building to be erected over the same, - which Resolution passed the Common Council, on the 8<sup>th</sup> of February last, and was then sent up for concurrence, is now returned by the Board of Aldermen, who concur therein, with the following Amendment, to wit, that the words "and to cause a suitable building to be erected over the same," be stricken out. Which Amendment is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that said Resolution be referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon.

New School. A Communication from the School Committee, requesting authority to locate one or more new schools in the Western part of the Sixth Ward, South of Cranston Street, and to purchase a lot and erect a building therefor, - is presented and read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on Public Schools, to examine and report thereon.

New Worcester. The joint Committee to whom on the 11<sup>th</sup> of January last, was referred the Report of the Committee appointed on the 9<sup>th</sup> of November last, to enquire whether the Providence and Worcester Rail Road Company were constructing the improvements in the Cove in accordance with the Specifications adopted by the City Council, together with a

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Communication from said Rail Road Company, on the same subject, made to the City Council on said 11<sup>th</sup> day of January, which Committee were instructed to enquire what measures, if any might be necessary and proper to secure the public right and interest in the premises, - make Report, accompanied by the following Resolutions, which Report is read and received, and said Resolutions are read and passed; - viz; -

Whereas, in the opinion of the City Council, the Providence and Worcester Rail Road Company have, in the erection of the walls, culverts and embankments in the Public Waters of this City, (which were authorized by resolutions of the City Council passed on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of February A.D. 1846,) departed materially from the Specifications approved and adopted by said Resolutions, without the consent of the City Council or other authority; which Departures are in the opinion of this Council, unlawful; and which are most evidently manifest in the building of the walls and the construction of the culverts, the former being built, in some places, nearly four feet above the foundation named in said Specifications; And whereas there is reason to fear that said departures from said Specifications may not only injure the appearance of the work, but may also entail upon the City Treasurer the burden of rebuilding said walls and the highways adjacent thereto; Therefore,

Resolved, that the City Council do solemnly protest against said departures from said Specifications, and against all other departures and variations from said Specifications, without the consent of said Council.

Resolved, That said Providence and Worcester Rail Road Company be and they are hereby notified that they will be held liable for all the consequences which may arise from their Departures from the Specifications originally approved and adopted by the Resolutions of

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the City Council, paper on said 7<sup>th</sup> day of February, A.D. 1846, and herein before referred to.

Resolved, that the City Clerk be and he is hereby directed to communicate a copy of these Resolutions to the President, and to the Treasurer of said Providence and Worcester Rail Road Company.  
(Concurred)

Resolved, that the Resolutions last aforesaid be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing.  
(Concurred)

*P.W. Rail Road Co. Plans of Depots.*  
The Standing Committee on City Property, to whom on the 8<sup>th</sup> of February last, was referred the Communication then made to the City Council by the Providence and Worcester Rail Road Company, accompanied by plans and elevations of the Depot buildings which they propose to erect on the land to be filled in by them in the Cove above Weybosset Bridge, make Report, referring back the whole subject, together with said plans to the City Council; - which Report is read and received.

Resolved, that upon the Communication from the Providence and Worcester Rail Road Company, made to the City Council on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of February last, it is Resolved, that said Company be and they are hereby authorized to erect their Passenger and Merchandise Depots on the land to be filled in by them in the Cove above Weybosset Bridge, according to the ground plans and elevations accompanying said Communication, which plans and elevations are herunto annexed, being three in number; provided that said buildings shall be erected of materials satisfactory to the City Council; and provided also that the central projection of said Merchandise Depot shall not encroach upon Canal Street; - the said Company having the privilege, at their option, either to reduce said projection, or to

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place the entire building so far back that said projection shall not encroach upon said Street, but that said Street shall be left eighty feet wide.  
(Concurred)

Resolved that the Salary of the Mayor, for the year ensuing on the first Monday in June next, shall be one thousand Dollars, payable quarterly.  
(Concurred)

*P.W. Rail Road Co. Depots.*  
Whereas the Agent of the Providence and Worcester Rail Road Company has stated that said Company wish to build their Depots of brick or stone, - to cover the roof with slate, and to make the gutters of copper; Therefore, Resolved, that the materials above named, be and they are hereby approved by this Council; provided the walls be faced with pressed brick or of rough hewn stone.  
(Concurred)

*D. J. Hart W. Barge's*  
The Standing Committee on City Property, to whom on the 8<sup>th</sup> of February last, was referred the Memorial of Daniel J. Hart and Walter S. Barges, in relation to a case of a part of the City's land on Smith Street, - make Report that the subject has been disposed of by the Board of Aldermen, by granting a new lease of the premises; - which Report is read and received.

*Deposit of City Funds.*  
The Standing Committee on Finance who were on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of February last, authorized to make an arrangement with one or more of the Banks in this City, for the deposit of the City funds for the year commencing on the first day of January last, or any part thereof, make Report, that they have made an arrangement with the American Banks; which Report is read & thereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received.  
(Concurred)

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Streets, }  
 Water }  
 Sewing }  
 in do. }  
 Sinks }  
 drains }

The Standing Committee to enquire Ordinances, to whom on the 8<sup>th</sup> of February last was referred the Bill entitled "An Ordinance in addition to an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance in relation to Streets and Highways" make Report, recommending the passage thereof: (said bill having been printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing, pursuant to the order made by the Common Council in said 8<sup>th</sup> of February last.) which Report is read and received; and it is thereupon resolved that the Common Council do concur in the passage of said bill: - (the same being passed the Board of Aldermen on the 8<sup>th</sup> of February.)

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City Tax. The Standing Committee on Finance, who were on the 8<sup>th</sup> of February last, directed to report a bill providing for the assessment and collection of a City Tax for the year ensuing the last day of said February, make Report, by Bill entitled "An Ordinance providing for the assessment and collection of a Tax of forty five cents on each one hundred Dollars in value, of the Rateable Property in the City of Providence: - which Report is read and received; and said Bill is read and passed.

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Appropriating }  
 aliens }

The Standing Committee on Finance, who were, on the 8<sup>th</sup> of February last, directed to report a Bill making appropriations for the year ensuing the last day of said February, make Report by Bill; which Report is received; and said Bill is read and passed.  
 (Continued.)

J.P. Jones. The joint Committee to whom on the 11<sup>th</sup> of January last was referred the Memorial of George W. Hoall and others, for the removal of John P. Jones from his Office of City Quager, make Report, ~~make Report~~, accompanied by sundry documents relative to the subject: which Report and Documents are read, (in the presence of the

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Board of Aldermen, who are present by invitation, to hear the same.) Whereupon it is resolved that said Report be received; and that the consideration thereof be referred to the next meeting of the Common Council.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention,

Robert Manchester, Lawyer General of Lumber, having nominated sundry persons as his Deputies, the same are now approved by the City Council.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday the 12<sup>th</sup> day of April next, at half past 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present,

Mr. President,  
 Baker,  
 Brownell,  
 Carpenter,  
 Daniels,  
 Greene,  
 H. Greene,  
 Gladding,  
 Hatch,  
 Jones,  
 Lockwood,  
 Martin,  
 Mathewson,

Murray,  
 Pattee,  
 Patten,  
 Potter,  
 Seagrave,  
 Smith,  
 Steere,  
 Stinson,  
 Tingley,  
 Williams,

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Albert Greene,  
 Clerk.

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

The following petitions are presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon: viz:

- 307 Pine St. Of Abner Sackett & others, for a cross walk in Pine Street.
- 308 Of John Kerville & others, for a cross walk in Pine Street.

309 For Monthly Statement. The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the City Council of October 20<sup>th</sup> 1846, is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, which Committee thereupon report the following Resolution, which is read and passed: viz:

310 Temporary Loan. Resolved, That the City Treasurer, acting under the advice and direction of the Standing Committee on Finance, he, and he is hereby authorized to raise 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 Forty Thousand Dollars, payable on or before the last day of October next, at a rate of interest not exceeding six per cent. (Concurred.)

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

311 Donations. Resolved, That the City Treasurer he, and he is hereby authorized to raise from the contributions of the Donations, for the use of the City, the sum of Two Thousand Dollars, for one year, at a rate of interest

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not exceeding five per cent. (Concurred.)

312 Approp. Resolved, That the sum of Two Thousand Dollars be, City Debt. and the same is hereby appropriated for the reduction of the City Debt, in addition to the sums appropriated in the 18<sup>th</sup> of March last. (Non concurred.)

313 Hay Scales. The Standing Committee on City Property, to whom, on the 8<sup>th</sup> of March last, was referred the Resolution for the purchase of a new set of Hay Scales for the Hay Market Lot, as amended by the Board of Aldermen, make Report, recommending a non concurrence in said Amendment, which Report is received; and it is thereupon resolved that the Common Council do not concur in said Amendment.

314 Request. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 8<sup>th</sup> of September, 1845, was referred the petition of Caleb Earle and others, for repairs on George Street, and to whom, on the 12<sup>th</sup> of October, 1846, was referred the petition of Benjamin Hoppin & others, for a drain in Pine Street, and to whom on the 8<sup>th</sup> of February last, was referred the petition of Creek Tallman & others, for repairs on Friendship Street, - make Reports, which are read and received, and the following Resolution is thereupon read and passed: viz:

315 Do. Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause repairs to be made on the following Streets: as follows: to wit: To finish George Street, from the Brook to Beryl Street, according to the established grade; and to set the curb-stones, and pave the gutters therein,

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whenever the owners of the adjoining lands shall furnish the curb stones.

Friendship Street

To grade so much of Friendship <sup>Street</sup> between the Calvers and Pastoret Street, as may be necessary to carry off the water from said Friendship Street, and to render the same safely passable.

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Pine Street.

To build a drain in Pine Street, from Richmond Street, to the Demance Street drain. whenever the owners of the lands on each side of said Pine Street, shall pay <sup>fifty cents per foot</sup> for each foot of land owned or occupied by them on said Street, within said limits, (Concurred.)

283.

High Street

The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 14<sup>th</sup> of December last, was referred the Petition of W. L. Ham Meeson & others, for the paving of High Street from the Hoyle Tavern to Valley Lane, make Report in favour thereof, (without designating the line for the work to be done), which Report is read, and received, and it is resolved, that the same be laid upon the Table.

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B.S. 24.

The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 12<sup>th</sup> of October last, was referred the Petition of Allen J. Gladding & others, for a Drain from the West end of Wickenden Street, through Bridge Street, to the Brook Street Culvert, make Report that they do not recommend the granting of the prayer thereof: which Report is read and received, and it is resolved that said petition be laid upon the Table.

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as walks.

The Standing Committee on Highways, make Reports in favour of granting the prayers of the following petitions, for side walks: viz: Of R. Warren & others, for walks in Pine, Page, & Friendship Streets, (referred Dec 14, 1846). —

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- 301 of Henry Kendall & others, for walk in Clifford Street, (referred Jan 11, 1847.)
- 315 of Isaac W. Holden & others, for walks in High Street, (referred March 8<sup>th</sup> 1847.)
- 310 of Benjamin Choppin & others, for walk in Benefit Street, (referred February 8<sup>th</sup> 1847.)
- 301 of William W. Greene & others, for walk in Broad Street, (referred January 11 1847.)
- 302 of John Pentie & others, for walk in Pine Street, (referred the day.)
- 302 of Abner Sacket & others, for a walk in Pine Street, (referred the day,) which Reports are read and received.

Resolved that the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause cross walks to be laid as follows: to wit:

- One across Clifford Street, on the East side of Eddy Street.
  - One across High Street, opposite Coddin Street.
  - One across High Street, opposite Bridgman Street.
  - One across High Street, opposite Harrison Street.
  - One across High Street, opposite Dexter Street.
  - One across Benefit Street, near the Free Chapel.
  - One across Pine Street, on the East side of Page Street.
  - One across Page Street, on the South side of Pine Street.
  - One across Friendship Street, on the East side of Page Street.
  - One across Page Street, on the North side of Friendship Street.
  - One across Broad Street, at the head of Demance Street.
  - One across Pine Street, on the West side of Page Street.
  - One across Pine Street, on the West side of Richmond Street.
- (Concurred.)

Meeting Building

G.S. Owen & N. G. Owen & Co.

Petitions of G. S. Owen & Nathan Gorton & Co, for liberty to move certain wooden buildings, are presented, received and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon; which Committee make Reports in favour of granting the prayers thereof.

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whenever the owners of the adjoining lands shall furnish the curb stones.

Friendship Street To grade so much of Friendship <sup>Street</sup> between the Calvert and Potomac Street, as may be necessary to carry off the water from said Friendship Street, and to render the same safely passable.

313.

Pine Street.

283.

To build a drain in Pine Street from Richmond Street to the Demaree Street drain. whenever the owners of the lands on each side of said Pine Street, shall pay <sup>fifty cents per foot</sup> for each foot of land owned or occupied by them on said Street within said limits, (Concurred.)

High Street } The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 14<sup>th</sup> of December last, was referred the Petition of Wm. Ham Sheldon & others, for the paving of High Street from the Hoyle Tavern to Valley Lane, make Report in favour thereof, (without designating the line for the work to be done.) which Report is read, and received, and it is resolved, that the same be laid upon the Table.

Wickenden, } The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 12<sup>th</sup> of October last, was referred the Petition of Allen J. Gladding & others, for a Drain from the West end of Wickenden Street, through Bridge Street, to the Brook Street Culvert, make Report that they do not recommend the granting of the prayer thereof; which Report is read and received, and it is resolved that said petition be laid upon the Table.

Asphalt } The Standing Committee on Highways, make Reports in favour of granting the prayers of the following petitions, for side walks: viz: Of R. Warren & others, for walks in Pine, Page, & Friendship Streets, (referred Dec 14, 1846.)

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- 301 of Henry Kendall & others, for walk in Clifford Street, (referred Jan 11, 1847.)
  - 315 of Isaac W. Holden & others, for walks in High Street, (referred March 8<sup>th</sup> 1847.)
  - 310 of Benjamin Choppin & others, for walk in Benefit Street, (referred February 8<sup>th</sup> 1847.)
  - 301 of William H. Greene & others, for walk in Broad Street, (referred January 11 1847.)
  - 302 of John Pantie & others, for walk in Pine Street, (referred the Day.)
  - 302 of Abner Sacket & others, for a walk in Pine Street, (referred the Day.)
- which Reports are read and received.

Do. Resolved that the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause cross walks to be laid as follows: to wit: One across Clifford Street, on the East side of Eddy Street. One across High Street, opposite Coddin Street. One across High Street, opposite Bridgman Street. One across High Street, opposite Harrison Street. One across High Street, opposite Dexter Street. One across Benefit Street, near the Free Chapel. One across Pine Street, on the East side of Page Street. One across Page Street, on the South side of Pine Street. One across Friendship Street, on the East side of Page Street. One across Page Street, on the North side of Friendship Street. One across Broad Street, at the head of Demaree Street. One across Pine Street, on the West side of Page Street. One across Pine Street, on the West side of Richmond Street. (Concurred.)

Moving Buildings } Petitions of G. W. Owen, & Nathan Gorton & Co, for liberty to move certain wooden buildings, are presented, received and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon; which Committee make Reports in favour of granting the prayers thereof.

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which reports are read and received; and said petitions are severally read and granted.

Do. Petition of Allen Goss, for liberty to move a certain wooden building, is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon. And a Memorial of Baxter & Co. Vickers, against said Petition, is presented, read, received, and referred to the same Committee: - which Committee make Report, that they do not recommend the granting of the prayer of said petition. Whereupon it is resolved, that said petitioner have leave to withdraw.

Do. Petition of James Payton, for liberty to move a certain wooden building, is presented and read received and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon. Which Committee make Report, that they do not recommend the granting of the prayer thereof; which Report is read and received; and it is resolved, that said petition be laid upon the table.

City Tax. The Bill entitled "An Ordinance providing for the assess- ment and Collection of a Tax of forty five cents on each one hundred Dollars in value, of the Rateable Property in the City of Providence," which passed the Common Council, on the 8<sup>th</sup> of March last, and was then sent up for concurrence, is now returned by the Board of Aldermen who concur therein, with the following Amend- ments; to wit: that the word "forty five," in the title and in the first section be stricken out; and the word "forty two" inserted in its place; - which Amendment is read. Whereupon, it is resolved that the Common Council do not concur therein. (The Board of Aldermen recede from their Amend- ment; and concur in the passage of the Bill.)

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

"Whereas, by an Act passed by the General Assembly, on the 1<sup>st</sup> of January 1847, A.D. 1847 the Pawtucket Turnpike Corporation were authorized to relinquish to this City so much of their Turnpike as is within the limits of this City for a public highway. Therefore, Resolved, that the City Council do hereby consent that said relinquishment be made wherever said Turnpike shall be placed in such good order as shall be satisfactory to the Board of Alder- men."

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

Benefit Street. A Petition of Nathaniel Bishop and others, for a cross-walk across Benefit Street nearly opposite the South line of New St. Hall's Church, - is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

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

Resolved, that the Joint Committee on Highways, be and they hereby are instructed to enquire whether changes in the cross-walks, in the Eastern part of Market Square, can be made, so as to accommodate the public better than at present; and that the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed, to cause such changes as said Committee shall deem expedient, to be forthwith made."

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

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amendment; viz. that all the words after the word "present" be struck out.

(The Board of Aldermen concur in the Amendment.)

Schools. A Bill entitled "An Ordinance in addition to an Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance in relation to Public Schools, is read and passed, (said Ordinance providing for the establishment of one new Intermediate and one new Primary School.) (Concurred.)

School House Lots Westside. Resolved, that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to purchase such land in the Western part of the City as the School Committee shall designate, and to contract for the erection thereupon, of a School House for the accommodation of two Schools; - and that the cost of the same be paid from the Appropriation for new School Houses and Lots." (Concurred.)

Pond Street. A Resolution in the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and is read. viz. Resolved, that the Board of Aldermen be and they are hereby authorized to draw upon the City Treasury, for the sum of One hundred and fifty Dollars, and to pay the same to the owners of estates on Pond Street, whenever said owners shall have opened said Street, from Summer to Stewart Street, as a public highway. (This appropriation being made because the City is the owner of School Estates on said Street.) Whereupon it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein.

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North Burying Ground. 260, 312, 341. Resolved, that the sum of Five Hundred Dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated for grading and improving the North Burying Ground, out of any moneys in the City Treasury not otherwise appropriated; and that the Treasurer pay the same upon the orders of the Committee on the North Burying Ground. (Concurred.)

Guaging of Casks. 354. Resolved, that the Senator and Representatives from this City, to the Legislature, be requested to use their efforts to procure the passage of a law regulating the guaging of casks in this State, in conformity with the standards of the gauge of the United States; and that Messrs. Timmon, Williams and Smith, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be a Committee from this City, to attend to the above. (Concurred; and Alderman Viell added.)

City Clerk's Report of Fees. The Annual Report of the City Clerk, of the amount of his fees charged during the financial year ending on the 28<sup>th</sup> of February last, and of the amount of said fees which have been collected, - accompanied by a Certificate from the Mayor, that all the Records in his office are made up, to said day, and that the books and papers in said office are in good order, - is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance. (Concurred.)

Clerk vs Ct. Report of Fees. The Annual Report of the Clerk of the Municipal Court, of the amount of his fees charged during the financial year ending on the 28<sup>th</sup> of February last, and of the amount of said fees which have been collected, - accompanied by a Certificate from

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the Judge of the Municipal Court, that all the Records in said Clerk's Office are made up to said Day, and that all the Records, Books, and papers in said Office are in good order, is presented and read, whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received and opened to the Standing Committee on Finance, (Concurred.)

Compensation of Officers

332.

Resolved, That the Standing Committee on Finance be and they are hereby directed to report at the next meeting of the City Council, a bill fixing the compensation of the City Officers, for the Municipal Year commencing on the first Monday in June next. (Concurred.)

John P. Jones

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The Report of the joint Committee upon the Memorial of George W. Hall and others, for the removal of John P. Jones from his office of City Gauger, which Report was, on the 8<sup>th</sup> of March last, opened to this meeting, is now taken up. And it is resolved that the same be referred to the Common Council to be elected in May next.

Compensation of Officers

Resolved, That the Appraisers of Taxes for the Municipal Year commencing on the first Monday in June next, shall be allowed and paid One hundred and fifty Dollars each, as a full compensation for appraising the City Tax this Day ordered, and also for appraising the Registry and Militia Tax and for copying of Tax Books.

(Concurred, with the following Amendment, viz:

That the words "for the Municipal Year commencing on the first Monday in June next," be stricken out.)

The Common Council concurs in the Amendment,

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Joined in Convention of the City Council,

In Convention.

Off. Court.

Isaac Warner, Charles Holden, George W. Hall, Ira Pease, Ephraim S. Jackson and William Sheldon are elected Assessors to assess the City Tax, this Day ordered.

Collector of Taxes.

James Mumford is elected Collector, to collect the City Tax this Day ordered.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet, on Monday the 10<sup>th</sup> Day of May next, at half past 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

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| Mr. President, | Matthewson, |
| " Baker,       | Stetcoff,   |
| Brownell,      | Murray,     |
| Carpenter,     | Pabodie,    |
| D. Greene,     | Patten,     |
| H. Greene,     | Potter,     |
| Gladding,      | Seagraves,  |
| Hotch,         | Smith,      |
| Jones,         | Steele,     |
| Lockwood,      | Hinsons,    |
| Martin,        | Williams,   |

Albert Greene,  
Clerk

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Common Council, May 10<sup>th</sup> 1847.

The Common Council met pursuant to adjournment. a Quorum present.

C. B. Potter. A Petition of Christopher B. Potter, for liberty to move a certain wooden building, is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon, which Committee to make report in favour of granting the prayer thereof; which Report is received, and it is resolved that the prayer of said petition be granted. (Concurred.)

C. Dyer and Allen G. Case, 343. Petitions of Charles Dyer, and Allen G. Case, for liberty to move certain wooden buildings, are presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon.

Judge of the amount of his fees charged during the financial year ending on the 28<sup>th</sup> of February last, and Report of the amount of said fees which have been collected, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received. (Concurred.)

West Water Street. A Communication from the Mayor, relative to a proposed connexion of West Water Street and Dyer Street, (stating the proceedings which have been had by the Board of Aldermen, upon the subject,) is presented, and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be laid upon the Table.

Compensation of Officers. The Standing Committee on Finance who were on the 12<sup>th</sup> of April last, directed to report a bill fixing the compensa-

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ration of the City Officers for the year commencing on the first Monday in June next, make Report, bill Bill, entitled "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 eight;" which Report is received; and said bill is read and passed.

(Concurred, with the following amendment, viz: That after the words "City Clerk," the words "two hundred and fifty" be struck out, and the words "four hundred" inserted in their place.) The Common Council do not concur in the Amendment. (The Board of Aldermen recede from their Amendment; and concur in the passage of the Bill.)

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

"Resolved, That the Board of Aldermen be, and they are hereby authorized to contract for ringing the Bell of the First Baptist Church, and to draw on the City Treasurer, for the compensation which they may agree to pay." Whereupon it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein.

Com to audit & settle the account of the City Treasurer, with the City, to the first day of said March. The joint Committee who were, on the 8<sup>th</sup> of March last, appointed to audit and settle the account of the City Treasurer, with the City, to the first day of said March, - make Report, that they have examined said account, and find the same correct. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received, and together with said account, be recorded. (Concurred.)

Financial Year. The joint Committee to whom on the 8<sup>th</sup> of March last, was referred a communication from the City Treasurer,

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that day made to the City Council, (which Communication relates to the subject of the Financial Year of the City, as now established by Ordinance,) - make Report, by Bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance prescribing the time when the Financial Year shall end, and for other purposes;" - which Bill is read, and passed. (Concurred.)

*Monthly Statement* The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20<sup>th</sup> 1834, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved that the same be received.

*Vote of Thanks to the President* Resolved, That the thanks of this Council be presented to James C. Withers Esq., for the courteous and efficient manner in which he has discharged the duties of President of the Common Council, for the past Municipal Year.

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

The Common Council adjourn, "without Day," &c

Members present,

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| Mr. President | " Hatch     | " Peter         |
| " Brunell     | " Jones     | " Leagnan       |
| " Carpenter   | " Lockwood  | " Smith         |
| " Daniels     | " Mathewson | " Steer         |
| " D. Greene   | " Murray    | " Stimson       |
| " H. Greene   | " Pabodie   | " Tingley       |
| " Gladding    | " Patten    | " Williams. 21. |

Alex. H. Greene, Clerk,

June 7<sup>th</sup> 1847.

Organization of the Municipal Government of the City of Providence for the Municipal Year commencing on the first Monday in June, A.D. 1847.

Monday, June 7<sup>th</sup> 1847.

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

The Certificate of the election of Thomas M. Burgess as Mayor is presented and read; and the oath prescribed by law, is administered to him by Hon. William H. Staples one of the Justices of the Supreme Court.

The Certificate of the election of Edward T. Knowles, Thomas Whitaker, Hiram Hill, Thomas C. Whipple, Bradford Hoopes, and Robert Knight,

as Aldermen for said year, is presented and read, and they are severally engaged by the Mayor, according to law.

Certificates of the election of the Members of Common Councils, for said year, are presented and read, and

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that day made to the City Council, (which Communication relates to the subject of the Financial Year of the City, as now established by Ordinance,) - make Report, by Bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance prescribing the time when the Financial Year shall end, and for other purposes." - which Bill is read, and passed. (Concurred.)

*is Monthly Statement* The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20<sup>th</sup> 1834, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved that the same be received.

*Vote of Thanks to the President* Resolved that the thanks of this Council be presented to James C. Widdowson Esq., for the courteous and efficient manner in which he has discharged the duties of President of the Common Council, for the past Municipal Year.

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

The Common Council adjourn, "without Day,"

Members present,

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|---------------|-----------|----------|-----|
| Mr. President | " Hatch   | " Potter |     |
| " Brunell     | Jones     | Leavane  |     |
| " Carpenter   | Lockwood  | Smith    |     |
| Daniels       | Mackerson | Steele   |     |
| D. Greene     | Henry     | Stimson  |     |
| H. Greene     | Nobodie   | Tingley  |     |
| Gladding      | Patten    | Williams | 21. |

Albert Greene, Clerk

June 7<sup>th</sup> 1847.

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Monday, June 7<sup>th</sup> 1847.

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

The Certificate of the election of Thomas M. Bangs as Mayor is presented and read, and the oath prescribed by law, is administered to him by Hon. William H. Staples one of the Justices of the Supreme Court.

The Certificate of the election of Edward T. Knowles, Thomas Whitaker, Hiram Hill, Thomas C. Whipple, Bradford Hoopes, and Robert Knight,

as Aldermen for said year, is presented and read, and they are severally engaged by the Mayor, according to law.

Certificates of the election of the Members of Common Councils, for said year, are presented and read, and

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all of said members, excepting John O. Waterman, are present, and are engaged by the Mayor, according to law.

Albert Tabodie is by ballot, elected City Clerk for said year, and is engaged by the Mayor, according to law.

An Address is delivered by the Mayor, on the municipal affairs of the City, during the past year.

The two Boards separate.

Members of the Common Council  
of the  
City of Providence,  
for the Municipal year commencing  
on the first Monday in June,  
A.D. 1847.

First Ward. George S. Daniels,  
Allen Baker,  
William W. Waterman,  
Parley M. Mathewson?

Second Ward. William S. Patten,  
John J. Hinson,  
Charles C. Mawry,  
Richard W. Bush.

Third Ward. John D. Jones,  
Allen C. Mathewson,  
Euseb Steere,  
William Carle?

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Fourth Ward. Richmond Brownell,  
Samuel Gladding,  
George W. Kappin,  
Edward S. Willard.

Fifth Ward. Daniel E. Carpenter,  
Daniel Martin,  
Charles Sherman,  
Charles Burnett Jr.

Sixth Ward. William Tabodie,  
Christopher C. Potter,  
Watson S. Hatch,  
John O. Waterman.

The members elect of the Common Council, (excepting John O. Waterman) having been engaged by the Mayor, in the presence of the Board of Aldermen, are called to order.

William S. Patten is elected as Chairman, to preside during the election of a President.

John J. Hinson is ~~is~~ elected President of the Common Council, for the present municipal year.

Albert Greene is elected Clerk of the Common Council, for the present municipal year, and is duly sworn by the Mayor, in the presence of the Board of Aldermen, according to law.

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

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Standing Rules. Resolved, That the same Standing Rules which were on the first Day of June A.D. 1846, adopted as the Standing Rules of the City Council, for the municipal year last past, be and the same are hereby adopted as the Standing Rules of the City Council, for the present municipal year; with the following Amendment, viz: That the words "the North Burial Ground, and other" in the 4<sup>th</sup> line of the ninth Rule, be stricken out; and the word "any" be inserted in their place.  
(Continued.)

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

On Finance.

Messrs Patten,  
Williams,  
William H. Waterman. } Ald<sup>r</sup> Hoopins.

On Highways.

Messrs Carpenter,  
J. O. Waterman,  
Parley M. Mathewson. } Ald<sup>r</sup> Hill.

To engross Ordinances.

Messrs Jones,  
Ketch,  
Hoppin. } Ald<sup>r</sup> Knowles.

On the Public Schools.

Messrs Brannell,  
Petter,  
Steele. } Ald<sup>r</sup> Whitaker.

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On the Fire Department.

Messrs Pabodie,  
Baker,  
Earle. } Ald<sup>r</sup> Whitaker.

On City Property.

Messrs Gladding,  
Bash,  
H. Mathewson. } Ald<sup>r</sup> Bridges.

On Police.

Messrs Daniels,  
Martin,  
Newry. } Ald<sup>r</sup> Knight.

Mayor's Address. Resolved That Messrs Pater, Steere and Barnett, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to wait upon the Mayor, and request him to furnish for publication, a copy of the Address this Day Delivered by him to the City Council, and to cause the same to be published in such manner as they may deem expedient.  
(Continued, & Alderman Whitaker added.)

City Printing. Resolved, That Messrs Brannell, Alderman and Barnett, 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?  
(Continued, & Alderman Hill added.)

Receipts & Expenditures. Resolved, That Messrs Patten, Williams and Waterman 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 municipal year, and a Schedule of the Property of the City; and to

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cause the same to be published in the newspapers employed to do the City printing; agreeably to the requisition contained in the fourth section of the City Charter.

(Concurred, & Alderman Hoppin added.)

<sup>350.</sup> Resolved, That Messrs. Patten, Williams and W. H. Waterman, 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.

(Concurred and Alderman Hoppin added.)

<sup>350 cents</sup> Resolved, That the sum of fifty cents be paid by the City for each 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 said sum be paid on the certificate of the City Clerk, respecting the appointment of said Firemen, out of the Appropriation for the Fire Department.

(Concurred.)

<sup>Comm. on City Debt.</sup> Whereas, Messrs. Patten, Williams and W. H. Waterman have this day been appointed by the Common Council, as the Committee on their part, for the reduction of the City Debt, for the present municipal year, pursuant to the requisition contained in the first Section of the Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the City Debt," it is Resolved, that the names of said Committee be communicated to the Board of Aldermen, in order that said Board may add an Alderman to said Committee, pursuant to the requisition contained in said Section.

(Alderman Hoppin added.)

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<sup>355.</sup> Resolved, that Messrs. Sellen, Martin and Hoppin, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee of Arrangements for a Municipal Celebration of the approaching Anniversary of American Independence.

Resolved, That the sum of Eight Hundred Dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated, for defraying the expenses of said Celebration, to be paid to the order of said Committee, by the City Treasurer, out of any monies in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated.

(Concurred, and Alderman Whitaker added.)

<sup>Police Court.</sup> Resolved, That from the Justices assigned to keep the Peace within this City, Samuel W. Peckham, Francis E. Hoppin, and James M. Clarke, be and they are hereby selected to compose the Police Court of this City, during the present municipal year.

(Concurred.)

<sup>Comm. on North Serial Ground.</sup> Resolved, That Messrs. Hinson, Patten, Daniels and Earle, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee upon the North Serial Grounds, with full power under, and to continue and carry into effect the provisions of, any Ordinance or Resolution existing in relation to said Serial Grounds.

(Concurred, and Alderman Knowles added.)

<sup>New York, Providence, & Boston Rail Road Co.</sup> A Memorial of the New York, Providence, and Boston Rail Road Company, requesting the City Council to grant them the privilege of extending their Rail Road through the City, and of uniting the same, by a connecting branch, with the Worcester and Providence, and the Boston and Providence Rail Roads; and of filling up a part of the Cove above Weybosset Bridge, as a location

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for an engine-house and machine-shops, - is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that said Memorial be received, and referred to Messrs Baker, Patten, A. C. Mathewson, Williams, Carpenter, and J. O. Waterman, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon.

(Concurred; and the Mayor and Alderman Knowles assented.)

Resolution of Hon. Henry Wheaton  
Whereas, The Honorable Henry Wheaton, a native of this City, who has, for the last twenty years, represented the United States at different European Courts, with distinguished ability, has recently closed his Diplomatic Career, and returned to his native City, -

Therefore, Resolved, that the City Council of the City of Providence avail themselves of the earliest opportunity afforded since the return of this distinguished Public Servant, to express their high sense of the valuable services rendered by him to our common Country, in the various Duties to which he has been called.

Resolved, That His Honor the Mayor be requested to communicate a copy of the foregoing preamble and Resolutions to the Honorable Henry Wheaton, and to bid him, in behalf of the City Council, a cordial welcome to the place of his nativity.  
(Concurred.)

Annual Address of the Mayor to be printed  
Resolved, That Messrs. Patten, Hooplin and Alderman, together with the Clerk of the Common Council, and such as the Board of Aldermen shall add, - be and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to cause all the annual Inaugural Addresses of the Mayors, at the Organizations of the City Council, together with such other official Communications and Reports relating to City affairs, as they deem of sufficient importance, made since the adoption of the City Charter, - to be printed in form to correspond with the last edition of the City

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Ordinances; and that five hundred copies thereof be published, and deposited in the Office of the City Clerk, to be distributed under the Direction of the City Council.

(Concurred; and Alderman Whitaker assented.)

Monthly Statement  
The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20<sup>th</sup> 1846, is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

Quarterly Report  
The Quarterly Report of the City Treasurer, of the issues and payments of the City Debt, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received.  
(Concurred.)

Report of the School Committee  
The Annual Report of the School Committee is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and recorded.  
(Concurred.)

Case  
The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to whom on the 10<sup>th</sup> of May last, were referred the Petitions of Charles Dyer and Allen G. Case, for Liberty to move certain wooden Buildings, - make Reports in favour of granting the prayers thereof, which Reports are received; and it is resolved, that the prayers thereof be severally granted.  
(Concurred.)

Memorial of Mechanics and Manufacturers  
A Memorial from the Providence Association of Mechanics and Manufacturers, in relation to the Confine-ment, Instruction and Reformation of idle and vicious persons, - is presented and read. Whereupon it is re-  
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resolved, that the same, together with so much of the Ad. drep of the Mayor, this Day made to the City Council, as relates to that subject, be referred to Messrs Daniels, Bush, Jones, Williams, Akerman and Hatch, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, - to examine and report thereon.  
(Concurred, & Aldermen Knowles & Whitaker added)

349. Petition of Ezek Tallman in relation to the water  
E. Tallman } which collects near the public reservoir in Pine  
Notes in } Street, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved,  
Pine St. } that the same be received, and referred to the Stand-  
ing Committee on Highways, to examine and  
report thereon.

332. The communication from the Mayor, relative to a pro-  
posed conversion of West Water Street and Gyer Street,  
340. which was on the 10<sup>th</sup> of May last, read, and laid upon  
the Table, is now again read; and is referred to  
Messrs P. M. Mathewson, Bush, A. C. Mathewson,  
Gladding, Carpenter, and J. O. Waterman, - to ex-  
amine and report thereon.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.  
In Convention,

The City Council proceed to the election of City Officers  
for the present municipal year: and ~~being~~ come  
365. ple to the same, (with the exception of the City Auditor.)

Pioneer } A List of members of "Pioneer Fire Company", is  
Fire Co. } presented. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same  
307 } be referred to the Common Council.  
The two Boards separate.

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The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday, the  
twelfth day of July next, at 8 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr President,	" Jones,
" Akerman,	" Martin
Baker,	A. Mathewson,
Barnes,	P. M. Mathewson,
Barnett,	Murray,
Bush,	Taber,
Carpenter,	Patten,
Daniels,	Potter,
Earle,	Teers,
Gladding,	W. B. Waterman
Hatch,	Williams,
Loppin,	

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Matthewson, Clerk.

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Special Meeting.

Copy.

State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations,  
City of Providence fc. &

L. S.

To the Members of the City Council  
of the City of Providence, Greeting.

You are hereby notified and requested  
to assemble in your respective chambers, this Day, at  
three o'clock P.M. for the purpose of transacting any

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business which may lawfully come before you,  
Given under my hand and the seal of  
said City this thirtieth day of June, A.D. one  
thousand, eight hundred and forty seven.  
Wm. M. Barzoff, Mayor

"City of Providence, June 30<sup>th</sup> 1847. I have, this Day,  
notified the members of the City Council, except  
Mr William H. Waterman of the Common Council,  
he being out of the City. James Nelson, Constable."

Pursuant to the requisition of the foregoing Warrant,  
the Common Council are now assembled, at 3 o'clock  
P.M. a Quorum present.

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

Mr John O. Waterman, a member elect of the Com-  
mon Council, from the Sixth Ward, appears, is duly  
engaged by the Mayor, and takes his seat.

President Polk, Whereas the Mayor has informed the Council, that he  
has reason to suppose that the President of the Uni-  
-ted States may visit this City before his return to  
Washington.

Therefore Resolved, That the Mayor be requested  
to tender to the President, the hospitalities of the  
City.

Resolved, That Messrs Peter A. C. Mathewson, Sumner,  
Bush, Brownell and W. H. Waterman, with such as the  
Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby  
appointed a Committee to assist the Mayor in  
making such arrangements as are proper, to show  
to the President those respectful attentions which  
are due to the Chief Magistrate of the Union,  
and that the expenses of discharging that duty,  
certified by said Committee, be paid by the

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City Treasurer,  
(Governor, & Aldermen Whitaker & Knight added.)

The Common Council adjourn to meet, pursuant  
to the vote of Adjournment passed on the 7<sup>th</sup> Day of  
June instant, to wit, to meet on Monday the  
twelfth Day of July next, at 8 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr. President,  
" Alderman  
Brownell,  
Barnett,  
Bush,  
Carpenter,  
Daniels,  
Earle,  
Gladwin,  
Hatch,  
Hoppin,

" Jones,  
Martin,  
H. Mathewson,  
P. M. Mathewson,  
Roberts,  
Patten,  
Patten,  
Stear,  
J. O. Waterman,  
Williams.

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Albert Greene, Clerk,

Common Council, July 12<sup>th</sup> 1847.

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

The Standing Committee on Highways to whom, on the  
12<sup>th</sup> of April last was referred the petition of Nathaniel  
Bishop and others, for a cross walk in Benefit Street,  
makes report in favour thereof, which is read and  
received.

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Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to cause a cross walk to be laid across Benefit Street, nearly opposite the South line of New Mr. Hall's Chanks. (Concurred.)

A Memorial from the Committee of Relief of the Providence Association of Firemen for Mutual Assistance, relative to the decease of Mr. Daniel Freeman, is presented, read and received.

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to the Committee of Relief of the Providence Association of Firemen for Mutual Assistance, the sum of thirty four Dollars, for the payment of the expenses of the funeral, and for medical attendance, for Mr Daniel Freeman, late a member of the Hydraulic Company, No 2, who was mortally injured in the discharge of his duty, on the 12<sup>th</sup> of April last; and that the same be paid from the appropriation for the Fire Department. (Concurred.)

A Preamble and Resolutions, in the words following having passed the Board of Aldermen, are sent for concurrence, and are read: viz.

"Whereas since the <sup>last</sup> Meeting of the City Council the decease of Ezra W. Fletcher, M.D. one of the Physicians employed by the City to attend the Hospital, has occurred, in consequence of a fever taken by him while engaged in the performance of his professional duties at the Hospital; Therefore Resolved, That the City Council express their regret at this sad dispensation of Divine Providence, which has taken from among us, one who gave such great promise of usefulness as a physician and a citizen; and that we respectfully tender to the parents of the Deceased,

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our sympathy in this their bereavement, Resolved, That the Mayor be requested to cause to be erected, at the grave of the Deceased, (with the permission of his family,) a monument, with a suitable inscription; and that the sum of One Hundred Dollars be appropriated, to carry this Resolution into effect."

Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein, with the following Amendment, viz: that the second Resolution be stricken out.

The Board of Aldermen non concur in the Amendment, The Common Council insist upon their Amendment, and request a conference; and appoint Messrs Patten, Hoppin and J.O. Waterman, conferees on their part.

Aldermen Wright & Whitaker are appointed conferees on the part of the Board of Aldermen.

The Board of Aldermen recede from their non-concurrence in the Amendment.

The Standing Committee on Highways to whom, on the 7<sup>th</sup> of June last, was referred the petition of Ezekiel Tallman, in relation to the water which collects near the public reservoir in Pine Street; praying that an opening may be made into the Culvert under said Street; - make Report, that they do not recommend the granting of the prayer thereof; which Report is received; and it is thereupon resolved, that said petitioner have leave to withdraw.

The joint Committee who were on the 7<sup>th</sup> of June last appointed to prepare and cause to be published, a particular account of the Receipts and Expenditures for the past municipal year, with a schedule of the Property of the City, make Report that they have discharged that duty. which Report is read; Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received. (Concurred.)

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Treas. The joint Committee who were on the 7<sup>th</sup> of June last, appointed to take a bond from the City Treasurer, for the present municipal year, make Report, that they have discharged that duty, and that they have deposited said bond with the City Clerk; which Report is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received.

(Concurred.)

City Printing. The joint Committee who were on the 7<sup>th</sup> of June last, appointed to contract for the City Printing for the present municipal year, make Report, that they have contracted with Messrs. Hume, Vose, and Anthony, & also with the proprietors of the Republican Herald & Daily Evening Transcript; which Report is read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received.

(Concurred.)

Cross Walk. A Petition of Seth Padesford & Co and others, for a cross walk across Westminster Street, opposite Dyer's block, presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways to examine and report thereon.

Petitions of Stephen C. Kenyon, and Samuel T. Thurber & Henry Westcott, for liberty to move certain wooden buildings, are presented and read, received and referred to the Standing Committee in the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon; which Committee make Reports, in favour of granting the prayer of said petition of Stephen C. Kenyon; and in favour of granting the prayer of said petition of Samuel T. Thurber and Henry Westcott, so far as the same relates to the dwelling houses therein named. which Reports are received, and it is resolved that the prayer of said petitions be severally granted, as so recommended.

(Concurred.)

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

"Resolved that the joint Committee on City Property be, and they are hereby instructed to report, at the next meeting of the City Council, a location and a plan for a Fish Market, with an estimate of the cost of the same; and that the expense of preparing said plan and estimate, be paid by the City Treasurer, from the appropriation for contingencies."

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

Broad Street. A Communication from the Mayor in relation to the repairing of that part of Broad Street, which the Surveyor of Highways was, on the 13<sup>th</sup> of October 1845, directed to repair, - is presented and read.

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed, to cause to be repaired, during the present season, one half of that part of Broad Street which he was directed to cause to be repaired by the Resolution of the City Council, of the 13<sup>th</sup> of October, A.D. 1845; and that said work be commenced at the junction of said Street with Westminster Street.

Concurred, with the following amendment, viz that the following words be added, viz: "And that the sum of five thousand Dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated out of any money in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated."

The Amendment of the Board of Aldermen having been read, it is resolved that the Common Council do not concur in said Amendment.

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City Auditors } A Resolution providing for the compensation of the City  
 + Auditors, having passed the Board of Aldermen,  
 is sent down for concurrence, and is read. Where-  
 upon it is resolved that the same, together with  
 the subject of the appointment of a City Auditor,  
 be referred to the Standing Committee on Fi-  
 nance, to examine and report thereon.

Sidewalk } A Resolution, in the words following, having passed the  
 Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and  
 is read: viz:  
 "Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be  
 directed to pave, with bricks, the side walk in  
 front of the Town House Lot, on Benefit Street;  
 Whereupon it is resolved, that the Common Council  
 do concur therein.

Rawtine } A Preamble and Resolution in the words following, hav-  
 Turnpike } ing passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down  
 for concurrence, and is read: viz:  
 "Whereas, the Board of Aldermen have received  
 that part of <sup>the</sup> Rawtine Turnpike which is situa-  
 ted in this City, as a public highway, and  
 the proprietors of the adjacent estates have paid  
 to the City, four hundred Dollars, towards grading  
 the same; Therefore,  
 Resolved, That the Surveyor  
 of Highways be directed to grade said highway,  
 in conformity to the grades established by the  
 Street Commissioners, and to pave the gutters,  
 whenever the proprietors of the adjacent estates  
 furnish curb-stones."  
 Whereupon it is resolved that the same be refer-  
 red to the Standing Committee on Highways, to  
 examine and report thereon.

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

Q. 5. 16. } "Resolved, That the joint Committee on City  
 Property be instructed to report a plan of the  
 Hospital Lands, shewing how said lands may  
 be best divided into Hospital sites and public  
 walks, and that they also report upon the ex-  
 pediency of making sale or leases of any part  
 of said lands."  
 Whereupon it is resolved that the Common Coun-  
 cil do concur therein.

Miathor } A Petition for the relief of Miathor Reynolds, sexton  
 Reynolds } of the Westminster Church, is presented and read,  
 received, and referred to the Committee of Arrange-  
 ments for the next celebration of the Anniversary of  
 American Independence - to examine and report  
 thereon; - which Committee report the following  
 Resolution, which is read and passed: viz:

Do. } Resolved, That the City Treasurer be and he is  
 hereby directed to pay from the Appropriation for  
 Contingencies, the sum of fifty Dollars to Mia-  
 thor Reynolds, who was injured while ringing the  
 bell of the Westminster Church, on the fourth  
 of July last. (Concurred.)

Market } A bill entitled "An Ordinance in addition to an Ordi-  
 nance } nance entitled "An Ordinance for the regulation of the  
 City } City Markets and Market-Place," having passed the  
 Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and  
 is read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be  
 referred to the Standing Committee to engross Ordinances, to  
 examine and report thereon.

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Hope Cemetery } A Resolution in the words following, - upon a Memo-  
+ } riel of David Britton and Benjamin Brewster a Com-  
Paint } mittee of the Trustees of Hope Cemetery, - having passed  
Plane } the Board of Aldermen, - is sent down for concur-  
Streets } rence, - and is read: viz:

"Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be directed to raise the curb stones around Hope Cemetery, on Paint and Plane Streets, five inches; and to pare the gutters so as to leave the paving three or four inches lower in the middle of the gutters, than along side of the curbing; and to make the outside of the side-walks to agree with the curbing after they shall have been reset as above directed."

364. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Accounts } Resolved, That the Mayor be requested to procure,  
+ } for publication, the abstract of the Account of the  
Dexter } Dexter Donation, for the year 1846-1847. - the Account  
Donation } of the Capital of the same; and the twenty-third  
Annual Report of the Commissioners of said Do-  
notion; and to cause the same to be published in the newspapers employed to do the City print-  
-ing. (Concurred.)

329. } A Memorial of S<sup>r</sup> M. Foster & others, recommending the  
357. } appointment of Joseph Adams as "Gauger General",  
under the Statute entitled "An Act in relation to Gauging, and for the appointment of Gaugers." is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received, and referred to the Standing Committee to engross Ordinances, - to examine and report thereon.

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Backs } A Resolution in the words following, upon a Pe-  
Street } tition of Fletcher & Brothers, and others, - having passed  
the Board of Aldermen, - is sent down for con-  
-currence, and is read: viz:

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Resolved, That the Board of Aldermen be authorized to appropriate any part of the estate be-  
-longing to the City, on the West side of Charles Street, which they may think the public convenience requires, for the laying out of Back Street, or for open land between Charles Street and the Hall Road."

Whereupon it is resolved that the consideration of the same be postponed until the first meeting of the Common Council in August next.

Clerk of } A Memorial from the Clerk of the Municipal Court,  
Municipal } stating that the appropriation made on the 13<sup>th</sup> of  
Court. } October A.D. 1845, for procuring stationery in his office,  
has been <sup>nearly</sup> exhausted, and requesting an appropriation  
191. } for future stationery, - is presented and read, re-  
363. } ceived, and referred to the Standing Committee on Fi-  
-nance, to examine and report thereon.

For } The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the  
Monthly } Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20<sup>th</sup> 1834,  
Statement. } is presented and read, received, and referred to the Stand-  
-ing Committee on Finance.

4<sup>th</sup> } Resolved, That the sum of One Hundred Dollars be, and  
July } the same is hereby appropriated for the payment of  
341. } the expenses of the recent Celebration of the Anniver-  
-sary of American Independence, in addition to the sum heretofore appropriated; and that said sum be paid by the City Treasurer, to the order of the Committee of Arrangements for that occasion, out of any monies in the Treasury, not otherwise ap-  
-propriated. (Concurred.)

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Joint Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

Robert Manchester, Surveyor General of Lumber having nominated Joseph N. Robinson as a Deputy Surveyor of Lumber, this appointment of said Robinson to said office, is approved.

H. G. Tucker and Hezekiah Van Neuren are elected Weighers of anthracite and other coal.

Seyles Thomas is elected a corder of wood

James Beattie is elected a measurer of grain salt, and sea coal.

Lundry persons are elected members of Engine Companies Nos 3 and 6.

330. 366. A petition of John P. Jones, that he might be elected a City Gauger &c, is presented, read, received and referred to the next meeting of the City Council.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourns to meet on Monday, the 19<sup>th</sup> day of July instant, at 8 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

- Mr. President,
- Akersen,
- Brunell,
- Bush,
- Carpenter,
- Daniels,
- Earle,

- Gladding,
- Hatch,
- Hopkin,
- Jones,
- R. C. Mathewson,
- P. M. Mathewson,
- Murray,

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- Robbie,
- Patten,
- Patten,
- Steele,

- J. O. Waterman,
- M. H. Waterman,
- Milwors,

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Albert Greene, Clerk.

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The Common Council met pursuant to adjournment. A Quorum present.

353 361. The Standing Committee to enquire Ordinances, to whom on the 12<sup>th</sup> of July instant was referred the Bill from the Board of Aldermen, entitled "An Ordinance in addition to an Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance for the regulation of the City Markets and Market Place,'" make Report recommending that the Common Council concur therein, with an Amendment, which Report is read, received, & referred to the next meeting of the Common Council.

354. A Petition of Chase & Dodge and others for the appointment of a Gauger General for the City, under the Act of the General Assembly passed at their last Session, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved that the same be received.

341 368. The Committee to whom on the 7<sup>th</sup> of June last, was referred the Memorial of the New York, Providence and Boston Rail Road Company, requesting the City Council to grant them the privilege of extending their Rail Road through the City, and of uniting

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the same, by a connecting branch with the Worcester and Providence and the Boston and Providence Rail Roads, and of filling up a part of the Cove above the Lyfset Bridge, as a location for an engine-house and machine shops; — make Report, accompanied by certain Resolutions marked "A" and a Plat, marked "A", and by certain Resolutions marked "B", and a Plat marked "B." which Report is read and received; and the said plat marked "A" is adopted, and the said Resolutions marked "A" are read and passed

Market Square, } The Standing Committee on Highways to whom on the 12<sup>th</sup> of April last was referred the subject of the crop walks in the Easterly part of Market Square, make Report, accompanied by a plat and the following Resolution; which Report is read and received, and said Resolution is read and passed. viz:

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause the crop walks in the Easterly part of Market Square and opposite the foot of College Street, to be taken up, and relaid in conformity with the plat accompanying this Resolution. (Concurred August 25, 1847.)

City Auditor } The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 12<sup>th</sup> of July instant, was referred the Resolution from the Board of Aldermen, for the compensation of the City Auditor, — and to whom, at the same time, was referred the subject of the appointment of a City Auditor, — make Report accompanied by a bill entitled "An Ordinance providing for the appointment of a City Auditor, and prescribing the Duties thereof" — and also, by a bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation

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to the City Treasurer;" which Report is read and received.

30. The bill reported, this day, by the Standing Committee on Finance, entitled "An Ordinance for the appointment of a City Auditor, and prescribing the Duties thereof;" is read, amended, and passed.

City Treasurer } The bill reported, this day, by the Standing Committee on Finance, entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the City Treasurer," is read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be indefinitely postponed.

Compensation of City Auditor } A Resolution in the words following, is reported by the Standing Committee on Finance; and is read and passed, viz.

Resolved, that the compensation of the City Auditor, for the present municipal year, be at the rate of two hundred Dollars per annum; the first payment whereof to be made on the first Monday in September next, and the residue thereof to be payable thereafter quarterly.

Compensation of City Auditor } The Resolution from the Board of Aldermen, providing for the compensation of the City Auditor, which was on the 12<sup>th</sup> of July instant, referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, is now read. Whereupon it is resolved that the City Council do not concur therein.

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

"Resolved, That the Mayor be requested to audit the Bills that may require attention before the next meeting of the City Council; and that Bills so audited, be paid by the City Treasurer."

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

Paving  
Stones, } Resolution in the words following, having passed  
the Board of Aldermen, is sent down, for con-

Sec. of }  
Highways, }  
" Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to purchase Three Thousand Tons of Paving Stones: and that the same be paid for by the City Treasurer, out of any funds not otherwise appropriated:

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

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the 9<sup>th</sup> Day of August next, at 8 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr. President,  
" Alderman,  
" Baker,  
" Brownell,  
" Bush,  
" Carpenter,  
" Earle  
" Hatch  
" Jones  
" Martin

" A. C. Mathewson,  
" P. A. Mathewson,  
" May,  
" Patten  
" Potter,  
" Steere,  
" J. O. Waterman,  
" W. H. Waterman,  
" Williams

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Albert Green,  
Clerk

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Common Council, August 9<sup>th</sup> 1847.

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

with walk }  
Westminster }  
Street. }  
The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 12<sup>th</sup> of July last, was referred the petition of Seth Palford & Co. and others, for a cross walk across Westminster Street make Report in favour thereof, which is read and received.

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Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to cause a cross walk to be laid across Westminster Street, opposite the entrance to the Manufacturers' Bank.  
(Concurred.)

Pastor }  
Tumpike }  
The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 12<sup>th</sup> of July last, was referred the Resolutions from the Board of Aldermen, relative to a part of the Pastoret Tumpike, make Report, recommending a concurrence in said Resolutions: which Report is received, and it is resolved that the Common Council do concur in the passage of said Resolutions.

Boys }  
making }  
tumult }  
on }  
carriages }  
A Petition of Isaac Brown and others, for an Ordinance prohibiting boys from placing themselves on carriages in the Streets, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved that the same be received, and referred to the Standing Committee to engross Ordinances.

Markets }  
situated }  
Place. }  
Stands on }  
Weymouth }  
Bridge. }  
The Report of the Standing Committee to engross Ordinances upon the Bill which was sent down by the Board of Aldermen on the 12<sup>th</sup> of July last, entitled "An Ordinance in addition to an Ordinance entitled An Ordinance for the Regulation of the City Markets

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and Market Place"; - which Report was on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of July last, presented; received, and referred to this meeting, is now again read. <sup>the papers of</sup> Whereupon it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur, in said Bill, with the following Amendment: viz: that the words "either of the sidewalks of Weybosset Bridge," be stricken out; and the words "any part of Weybosset Bridge, or of the bridge walk leading north from Weybosset Bridge," be inserted in their place.  
 (The Board of Aldermen concur in the Amendment.)

Remission of Taxes. A Communication from the Assessor of Taxes, recommending the remission of certain Taxes assessed in the year 1846, amounting to \$553. <sup>96</sup>/<sub>100</sub> is presented by James Mumford, Collector of Taxes, and is read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance to examine and report thereon; - which Committee make Report, in favour of such remission; and a Resolution remitting the same, is read and passed. (Concurred.)

For Monthly Statement. The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20<sup>th</sup> 1844, is presented and read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

crop walk. Petition of Omay Toff and others, for the extension across West High Street, of the crop walk at the head of West High Street, in Winter Street, is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon. 373

crop walk. A Petition of Charles Peter & others, for a crosswalk across College Street, on the West side of Benefit Street, is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon. 373

slip Municipal Clerk. The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom on the 12<sup>th</sup> of July last, was referred the Memorial of the Clerk of the Municipal Court, make Report, by the following Resolution; which is read and passed: viz: Resolved, That the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars be appropriated and paid out of the appropriation for contingencies, to the order of the Clerk of the Municipal Court, for assistance in recoding the papers in his office. (Concurred.)

North Burial Ground. The Joint Committee on the North Burial Ground (appointed June 7<sup>th</sup> 1847) present a Memorial recommending the purchase of about six acres of land with the buildings thereon, adjoining the North Burial Ground, and bounded thereby on three sides thereof, being the property of Samuel Wheeler; and that the sum of six thousand Dollars be appropriated therefor: - which Memorial is accompanied by a Draft of certain Resolutions, entitled "Resolutions for the purchase and appropriation of Land of Samuel Wheeler, adjoining the North Burial Ground;" - which Memorial is read and received; - and said Resolutions are read and passed. (Concurred; with an amendment.)  
 The Common Council concur in the Amendment.

Apize of Bread. A Petition of J. Seagrave Jr, & others, for the passage of an Ordinance for the apize of Bread, is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee to engross Ordinances, to report by Bill. 384

Compensation of City Auditor. The Resolution fixing the compensation of the City Auditor for the present municipal year, which passed the Common Council on the 19<sup>th</sup> of July last and was then sent up for concurrence, - is now returned by the 359.

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Board of Aldermen, who concur therein with the following Amendment: viz: That the words "two hundred" be stricken out, and the words "one hundred" be inserted in their place. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur in said Amendment.

City Auditor, } The Bill entitled "An Ordinance for the Appointment of a City Auditor, and prescribing the Duties thereof," which passed the Common Council on the 19<sup>th</sup> of July last, and was then sent up for concurrence, is now returned by the Board of Aldermen, who concur therein, - with an Amendment. Whereupon it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur in said Amendment.

Public Evening Schools, } A Bill providing for the establishment of Public Evening Schools, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be referred to the Standing Committee on Public Schools, who are directed to confer in relation to the subject, with the School Committee, and to make report thereon.

Swine, } The Bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to Swine," which was reported to the Common Council, on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of February, 1847, and then laid upon the table, is now called up; and is read and passed.

Hope Cemetery, } The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 12<sup>th</sup> of July last, was referred the Resolution from the Board of Aldermen relative to the curb stones & gutters on Point and Plane Streets, adjoining Hope Cemetery, made Report, by Resolution: which Report is read and received; and it is thereupon resolved, that the Common Council do not concur in said Resolution of the Board of Aldermen; and the

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following Resolution, (being the same which was reported by said Committee,) is thereupon read and passed: viz:

Upon the Petition of Hope Cemetery: Resolved, that the grade of Point and Plane Streets be altered, as follows: viz: That it be raised at the summit, at the North West corner of Union Cemetery, five inches higher than the established grade; thence continuing five inches above said grade, to the corner of Plane Street; thence to a point two inches above the said grade at the South East of the Hope Cemetery; and that the Surveyor of Highways be instructed to raise the curbing and gutters against the Hope Cemetery, to conform to the above grade. (Concurred, August 16, 1847.)

A Resolution in the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and is read: viz: Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to Joel P. Watchkip, nine Dollars, and to William H. Peter, twenty-three Dollars, in full for their bills for services and expenses in case Benjamin Hoigden vs. Joel P. Watchkip; said Watchkip being a City Watchman; and that the amount so paid, be charged to the Appropriation for "Police." Whereupon it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein.

Joint in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

Stephen T. Olney is elected City Auditor, for the remainder of the present municipal year. Wazillai Croston is elected a Street Commissioner, in the place of Asa Barwick deceased.

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Joseph Adams is elected a Guager of Casks, for the remainder of the present municipal year.

John P. Jones,

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The Petition of John P. Jones, that he may be elected a Guager of Casks, &c which was presented to the Convention, on the 12<sup>th</sup> of July last, is taken up and read. The Report of the Joint Committee on the memorial of George W. Hall and others, which Report was made to the Common Council on the 8<sup>th</sup> of March 1847, is also read, where-upon, it is resolved, that said Petition be referred to the next meeting of the City Council in Convention.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the 16<sup>th</sup> Day of August instant, at half past 9 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr. President,

" Alderman,

Baker,

Brownell,

Barnett,

Dash,

Carpenter,

Daniels,

Carle,

Hepkin,

" Jones,

A. C. Mathewson,

Pebodie,

Patten,

Peter,

Steele,

J. O. Waterman,

W. H. Waterman,

Williams.

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Albert Greene,  
Clerk.

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

Joined in Convention of the City Council

In Convention.

John P. Jones,

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The Petition of John P. Jones that he may be elected a Guager of Casks &c, for the remainder of the present municipal year, which was on the 9<sup>th</sup> of August instant, referred to this meeting, is taken up, and is read, together with the Report which was made to the Common Council on the 8<sup>th</sup> of March last and the Documents accompanying the same. And said John P. Jones is present in person and by counsel and is heard in relation to the subject of said Report: and sundry witnesses are examined on oath relative to the same. Where-upon it is moved, that John P. Jones be elected a Guager of Casks: - which motion is lost.

The two Boards separate.

In Common Council.

Schools, &  
Common School Committee

A Communication from the School Committee, recommending the establishment of one new Primary or Intermediate School in the First Ward and one new Primary or Intermediate School in the Third Ward, and the erection of suitable School Houses for the same, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Public Schools, to examine and report thereon.

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Harbour } A Petition of Capt Aldrich and others, for the appointment  
Master } of a Harbour Master for the port of Providence, is pre-  
sented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the  
same be received, and referred to Messrs Carpenter,  
375. Mury and Gladding, to examine and report  
thereon.

Williams } A Petition of Roger Williams Potter, for repairs on  
Street } Williams Street, from Benefit to South Main Street,  
386. is presented and read, received, and referred to the  
Standing Committee on Highways, to examine  
and report thereon.

Lot at } A Resolution in the words following, having passed the  
Corner } Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and  
Richard } is read: viz:  
+ } "Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be  
Friendship } and he is hereby directed to cause a fence to  
Streets, } be erected around the Lot at the corner of Rich-  
385. } mend and Friendship Streets, and to place the  
 } cob stones around the same; and that in carry-  
 } ing out this Resolution, the Surveyor act under  
 } the Direction of the Committee on City Property."  
 } Whereupon it is resolved, that the Common  
 } Council do concur therein.

N.Y. Prov } The Resolutions, (marked "A") giving the consent of the  
Boston } City Council to the construction of a Rail Road, by  
Rail Road } the New York, Providence and Boston Rail Road Com-  
 } pany) into and through a part of the City, - which  
387 } passed the Common Council on the 19<sup>th</sup> of July last,  
 } & were then sent up for concurrence, and now  
374. } returned by the Board of Aldermen, who concurred  
 } therein, - with an Amendment, had a Commem-  
 } oration from the Mayor to the Common Council,  
 } relative to the same is presented and read. Where-  
 } upon it is resolved, that said Resolutions and Com-  
 } munication be referred to the same Committee by whom

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said Resolutions were originally reported in the 7<sup>th</sup> of  
July last; - to examine and report thereon,  
Council } Resolved, That the Clerk of the Common Council be and  
Members } he is hereby authorized to cause such alterations ad-  
M.C.C. } ditions and repairs to be made in the Council  
261. } Chamber and furniture, as he may deem expedient.

The Common Council Adjourn, to meet on  
Monday the 13<sup>th</sup> Day of September next, at half  
past 4 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

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| Mr. President, | " Jones,         |
| Baker,         | " Martin,        |
| Brunell,       | " Mowry,         |
| Barnett,       | " Potter,        |
| Bark,          | " Patten,        |
| Carpenter,     | " Stearns,       |
| Cole,          | " J.O. Waterman, |
| Gladding,      | " W.H. Waterman, |
| Hoate,         | " Williams,      |
| Hopkin,        |                  |

Abel Green,  
Clerk.

Common Council, September 13<sup>th</sup> 1847.

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

Dr. Veto } A Petition of Barry & Potter for the laying of a cross-  
Sr. } walk across Westminster Street, opposite their Store.  
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is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Manchester. A Petition of the proprietors of the Manchester Burying Ground, for an appropriation in aid of the erect-  
ing of a new fence around said Burying Ground, is

377. presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon.

West Water & Dyer Streets. The Committee to whom, on the 7<sup>th</sup> of June last was referred the communication from the Mayor, relative to a proposed extension of West Water Street and Dyer Street, - make Report, recommending an application to the General Assembly, for the enactment of a special Law in relation to the subject; which Report is read and received, and it is thereupon resolved, that the same be recommitted to said Committee, with instructions to report, at the next meeting of the Common Council, a Bill to be presented to the General Assembly.

Schools in 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>d</sup> Wards. The Standing Committee on Public Schools, to whom on the 16<sup>th</sup> of August last, was referred the communication from the School Committee recommending the establishment of new schools in the First and Second Wards, make Report in favour thereof, which Report is read and received.

P.O. A Bill entitled "An Ordinance in addition to an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance in relation to Public Schools," is read and passed, (said Ordinance providing for the establishment of two new Primary and two new Intermediate Schools.) (Concurred.)

P.O. Resolved, That the City Treasurer be and he is

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35.91. hereby authorized and directed, to purchase for the City, such lot of land in the First Ward, and such lot of land in the Third Ward, as may be hereafter designated and approved by the School Committee; and to cause to be erected on each of said lots, a new School House for the occupation of a Primary and an Intermediate School. Resolved, that the sum of Eight Thousand Dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purchase of said lots and for the erection of said School Houses; and that said sum, so appropriated, be paid out of any monies in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated.

(Concurred, with the following Amendment: viz. that the second Resolution be stricken out.)  
The Common Council concurs in the amendment.

Boys on Carriage. The Standing Committee to engross Ordinances, to whom on the 9<sup>th</sup> of August last, was referred the petition of Isaac Brown and others, for the passage of an Ordinance prohibiting boys from playing themselves on carriages which the same are passing through the Streets, - make Report by Bill entitled "An Ordinance in addition to an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the Streets and Highways"; which Report is read and received; and said Bill having been again read, it is moved that the same pass. - which motion is lost.

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

viz. Resolved, That Alderman Whitaker with such as the

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Market Square

Heirs of Gov. Fenner

Common Council shall add, be a committee, to consider the proposals of the heirs of James Fenner, in relation to increasing the width of the Street opposite the Market, and to report whether it is expedient to purchase the needful land of said heirs, and whether there has ever been any contract by the Town of Providence that gives to said heirs any greater rights in Market Square than belongs to other proprietors of lands in said Square."

Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein. Messrs Carpenter, Baker, & A. C. Mathewson added to the Committee.

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

Resolved, That the Mayor and Alderman Hill, with such as the Common Council may add, be a committee to advise the Surveyor of Highways, as to the time and manner in which the wall in front of Canal Street shall be repaired or rebuilt, and that the Surveyor perform such work as they shall recommend."

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Whereupon it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein, with the following Amendment, viz: that the words "and that said Committee be instructed to enquire and report respecting the expediency of widening said Street, opposite said Wall," be added. Messrs Carpenter, J. O. Waterman and P. M. Mathewson added to the Committee.

(The Board of Aldermen concur in the Amendment.)

A Bill entitled "Resolutions for the purchase and appropriation of land to enlarge the North Ranging Ground, & for other purposes," is read and passed. (Concurred.)

North Ranging Ground

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Hospital Lands

Sand

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

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to prosecute all persons who shall hereafter take sand from the Hospital lands."

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

Asph Walks High St College St Broad St

The Standing Committee on Highways to whom on the 9<sup>th</sup> of August last, were referred the Petitions of Oray Taft & others, for a cross walk in High Street, and of Charles Potter and others, for a cross walk across College Street; and to whom on the 1<sup>st</sup> of September instant, was referred the subject of cross walks in Broad Street, - make Report, which is read and received.

Do. Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to cause cross walks to be laid as follows: to wit:

One across College Street, on the West side of Benefit Street, similar to the one at the head of Hopkins Street.

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One across High Street, in continuation of the one across the head of Westminster Street, in front of the residence of Oray Taft.

And that he cause the cross walk across Broad Street, from the East side of Chestnut Street, to be relaid, in a straight line from the East side of Chestnut Street to the South side of High Street. (Concurred.)

Bills Chaffin Shaw Payne

A Resolution in the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and is read, viz: Resolved, That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to pay to Daniel W. Chaffin, the sum of twenty.

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one Dollar and thirty four cents, and to Daniel K. Choffe and John M. Shaw, the sum of twenty one 14/100 Dollars, in full for their bills for costs paid by them in two actions; to wit, James N. Ashley vs Daniel K. Choffe, and James N. Ashley vs Daniel K. Choffe and John M. Shaw; - also to Abraham Payne Esq. the sum of twenty Dollars, in full for his services rendered for said Choffe and Shaw, in said actions, as their attorney; said Choffe and Shaw being City Constables; - and that the amount so paid, be charged to the appropriation for Police: -  
 Whereupon it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein.

N.Y. Paw  
 Boston  
 R.R.C.  
 Standing Com.  
 New Road

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The joint Committee to whom on the 16<sup>th</sup> of August last, were referred the Resolutions giving the consent of the City Council to the construction by the New York, Providence and Boston Rail Road Company into and through a part of the City, - as amended by the Board of Aldermen, - together with a Communication from the Mayor, relative thereto - make Report, accompanied by a Plat marked "D", - recommending the adoption of said Plat as the basis of an arrangement for connecting the New York, Providence and Boston Rail Road with the Providence and Worcester Rail Road: which Report is read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and postponed to the next meeting of the Common Council; and that said Committee be continued; and that the Common Council, when they adjourn, will adjourn to meet on Friday the 17<sup>th</sup> of September instant.

For Monthly Statement  
 The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20<sup>th</sup>

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1834, is printed and read received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

Bill of } A Bill of Charles Barnett Jr. referred to the City Council  
 O. Barnett } by the City Auditor, is read. Whereupon it is resolved  
 85. 53. } that the same be referred to Messrs. Williams, Cor-  
 peror and Mooney, to examine and report thereon.

Bill of } A Bill of J. J. Potter, City Constable, for sending commit-  
 J. J. Potter } ments to the Watch House, is referred to the  
 City Council, by the City Auditor and is read.

City } Resolved that in auditing the bills of Officers, for  
 Auditor } committing persons to the Watch House, the  
 City Auditor be and he is hereby authorized and  
 Com. to } directed to allow not more than fifty cents for  
 Watch } each commitment. (Continued, Sept 17, 1847.)  
 House }

Bill of } A Bill of Samuel Cuney, for fees and expenses as  
 S. Cuney } Coroner, on Inquest on the body of James M. Nulty,  
 Coroner } is referred to the City Council by the City Auditor,  
 and is read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same  
 383 } be returned to the Auditor, with directions to report to  
 the City Council, the usual amount of the charges  
 in such cases. (Continued, Sept 17, 1847.)

368 } The Committee to whom on the 16<sup>th</sup> of August  
 Harbor } last, was referred the petition of Gady & Brown  
 Master } & others, for the appointment of a Harbor Master  
 for the port of Providence, make Report; which is  
 read and received: and it is thereupon resolved,  
 that said Petition be referred to the Board of Al-  
 dermen, for such action thereon as they may deem  
 proper.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Friday the 17<sup>th</sup> Day of September instant, at half past 7 o' clock, P.M.

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Members present.

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| Mr President | Jones.           |
| Akerman,     | Martin,          |
| Baker,       | A. G. Mathewson, |
| Brunell,     | P. M. Mathewson, |
| Bush,        | Murray,          |
| Carpenter,   | Patten,          |
| Daniels,     | Petter,          |
| Earle,       | J. O. Waterman,  |
| Gladding,    | W. V. Waterman,  |
| Hotch,       | Williams,        |
| Hooppin,     |                  |

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Albert Greene, Clerk

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

The President being absent, Mr Williams is chosen President, pro tempore.

Crop walks Petitions of William Cuppell & others, for a crop walk in Broad St. & Maud Street; of William Tyler, for a crop walk across High Street; and of John Stokes & others, for two crop walks in High Street; are severally presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon, which Committee make Report in favour of granting <sup>the prayer thereof, and also</sup> the prayer of the petition of Carry & Patten, for a crop walk in Westminster Street, (referred September 13<sup>th</sup> 1847.) which Report is read and received.

Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to cause crop walks to be laid

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as follows: viz:

- One, from the corner of the Strand at its (so called) on Broad Street, to meet the crop walk from Chesnut Street to the New Market; -
- One across High Street, opposite St. Peter & St. Paul's Church; -
- One across High Street, near the line of the City; -
- One across High Street, near its junction with Broad-way and Valley Street; -
- One across High Street, nearly opposite the Angell House, (so called); -
- One across Westminster Street, opposite the store occupied by Carry & Patten; (the said Carry & Patten furnishing the materials.) (Concurred.)

North Burial Ground. Resolved That the sum of Five Hundred Dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for grading and improving the North Burial Ground; payable on the order of the Committee on said Ground, out of any money in the City Treasury, not otherwise appropriated. (Concurred.)

band Street. A Petition of A. B. Dike & others, for the widening of the southerly end of Canal Street, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, and referred to Messrs Carpenter, J. O. Waterman and P. M. Mathewson, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon. (Concurred & Alderman Hill added.)

Manchester Burial Ground. The Standing Committee on City Property, to whom, on the 13<sup>th</sup> of September last, was referred the Petition of the proprietors of the Manchester Burial Ground, for aid in the erection of a fence around said Ground, - make Report, in favour of granting the prayer thereof: which Report is read and received.

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Manchester  
Burying  
Ground.  
377. Upon the Petition of the proprietors of the Manchester Burying Ground, it is Resolved, that the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to said proprietors the sum of One Hundred Dollars, from any monies in the City Treasury, not otherwise appropriated; - to be appropriated by them, in defraying a part of the expense of building a new fence around their burying ground, in which the remains of the late Alexis Teste and his family are interred, and that said sum, when so paid, be charged by the City Treasurer, in Account with the Teste Estate. (Concurred.)

374. The joint Committee upon the subject of the Application of the New York, Providence and Boston Railroad Company for liberty to construct a Railroad through a part of the City, and to fill up a part of the Cove above Mylopets Bridge, as a location for an engine house and machine shops. which Committee on the 13<sup>th</sup> of September instant, made Report, accompanied by a plat marked "D," now report certain Resolutions marked "D," entitled "Resolutions, giving the consent of the City Council of the City of Providence, to the construction of a Railroad by the New York, Providence and Boston Rail Road Company, into and through a part of said City, pursuant to an Act passed by the General Assembly, at their October Session, A.D. 1846, entitled 'An Act in addition to, and in amendment of, 'An Act to incorporate the New York, Providence and Boston Rail Road Company' and the Acts in amendment thereto.'" which Resolutions are read, amended, and passed. (Concurred.)

West Water  
& 2<sup>d</sup> Street.  
379. The Committee who were, on the 13<sup>th</sup> of September instant, directed to report at this Meeting, a Bill to be presented to the General Assembly, for the opening of a new street,

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~~to connect West Water Street with 2<sup>d</sup> Street, make~~  
Report, accompanied by a Bill entitled "An Act to establish a new street in the City of Providence"; - which Report is read and received; and it is resolved, that the same be referred to the next meeting of the Common Council; and that said Bill be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing.

Joined in Convention of the City Council,  
In Convention.

382. A Petition of Henry Golden & others, for the election of Charles Scott as a City Constable, is presented, read, received, and laid upon the Table.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the 11<sup>th</sup> Day of October next, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

- |            |                 |
|------------|-----------------|
| W. Sherman | A. C. Mathewson |
| Baker      | P. M. Mathewson |
| Brownell   | Murray          |
| Bush       | Robbie          |
| Carpenter  | Patten          |
| Daniels    | Patten          |
| Earle      | Steele          |
| Gladding   | J. O. Waterman  |
| Hopper     | W. H. Waterman  |
| Jones      | Williams        |
| Martin     |                 |

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Albert Greene,  
Clerk.

### Common Council, October 11<sup>th</sup> 1847.

The Common Council met pursuant to Adjournment.  
a Quorum present.

Petitions of Cyrus Paff + others  
Carp Walks + of Charles Ellis + others for carp walks, are presented  
Weston St. } and read, received + referred to the Standing Committee  
on Highways, to examine and report thereon; which  
Committee make Reports in favour of granting the  
prayers thereof, which Reports are read + received

Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be + he  
is hereby directed to cause carp walks to be laid,  
as follows. viz.

One across the North end of Fenner Street, in High Street;

One across Westminster Street, at its junction with High Street, from the West side of Jackson Street, to meet the North end of the walk across High Street opposite the Catholic Church.

Resolved, that the Resolution which passed on the 13<sup>th</sup> of  
378. September last, directing the laying of a carp walk across the head of Westminster Street, be and the same is hereby repealed. (Concurred.)

Resolved, that the Resolution which passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and is read: viz.

"Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby authorized to make such changes in the location of the carp walks in the vicinity of the junction of High and Westminster Streets, as he may think the public convenience requires."

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

Fish Market. } The Standing Committee on City Property who were, on the 12<sup>th</sup> of July last, directed to report a plan for a new Fish Market, with an estimate of the cost of the same, make Report, accompanied by two plans marked "No 1" and "No 2," which Report is read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received.

Resolved, that the same be received; and that Messrs Gladding, Bush and A. C. Mathewson, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to cause a Fish Market Building, to be erected, in conformity with the plan this day reported, marked "No. 1."

Resolved, that the sum of Three Thousand Dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for defraying the expenses of the erection of said Building; and that said sum, so appropriated, be paid by the City Treasurer, out of any monies in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

(Concurred with the following Amendment: viz. that the words "No 1" be struck out, and the words "No 2" inserted in their place.)  
( Oct 18<sup>th</sup> 1847 The Board of Aldermen recede from their Amendment, and concur in the Resolutions. Alderman Hoopes added.)

Account of Charles Robbins, for \$60, having been referred to the City Council, by the City Auditor, is read.

Resolved, that the Account of Charles Robbins, for services in taking the names of the male inhabitants of the City, from 18 to 45 years of age, by direction of the Assessors of Taxes, - it is resolved, that, in the opinion of the City Council, the compensation provided for the Assessors, by the Resolution of the

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City Council, on the 12<sup>th</sup> of April last, was intended to include compensation for the services charged in said Account, and that said Account ought not to be paid by the City.

(Concurred, with the following Amendment: viz That all the words after the words "Resolved, that" be stricken out; and that the following words be added viz "the City Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to pay, to Charles Robbins, sixty Dollars, for his bill for taking names of the militia, out of the appropriation for contingencies.")

The amendment of the Board of Aldermen having been read, it is resolved, that the Common Council do not concur therein.

(The Board of Aldermen insist upon their Amendment, and request a conference.)

The Common Council unite in the request for a conference. Messrs Patten, Williams & W. H. Waterman appointed conferees on their part.

West Water & Dyer Streets. The Bill entitled "An Act to establish a new Street in the City of Providence," which was on the 17<sup>th</sup> of September last, reported, to be presented to the General Assembly for their action thereon, and which was then referred to this meeting, with an order that the same should be printed in the newspapers employed to the City Printing, - having been printed pursuant to said order is now again read.

Do. Resolved, that the Senator and Representatives in the General Assembly, from this City, be and they are hereby requested to apply to the General Assembly for the passage of an Act to authorize the Board of Aldermen of this City, to cause a new Street to be established and laid open in said City, to connect Dyer Street with West Water Street - with provisions in said Act, for opening, collecting or adjusting the

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Damages, or an equitable portion thereof, of and amongst the owners of property taken or injured, and the owners of property benefited thereby. (Concurred.)

James Street. A Petition of William Woodward Jr. and others for the grading of James Street, from South Main to Benefit Street, is presented and read. Whereupon, B.S. 155. It is resolved that the same be received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Point & Main Sts. Remonstrances from Allen T. Manchester & others, owners of lands on Point Street, above Plane Street, and of a Committee of the First Congregational Society, as proprietors of the West Burial Ground, against the alteration of the grade of said Street, as proposed by the Resolution of the City Council, of August 16<sup>th</sup> 1847 - having been this day received and referred by the Board of Aldermen, to the Standing Committee on Highways, with an order directing the Surveyor of Highways not to alter the gutters in said Street until further action is had upon said Remonstrances; - it is resolved that the Common Council do concur in said reference and order.

Fin. The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the City Council, of October 28<sup>th</sup> 1844, is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

Bill of S. Cursey. The City Auditor, to whom, on the 13<sup>th</sup> of September last, was returned the Bill of Samuel Cursey as Coroner, makes Report relative to the usual amount of fees, expenses &c, in similar cases; which Report is read 375 and received.

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On Upon the Account of Samuel Carney, as Coroner for expenses of Inquest on the body of James M. Nutty, 383. it is resolved, that, in the opinion of the City Council, the amount of money belonging to said deceased, which came to the hands of the Coroner, was more than sufficient to pay all lawful and necessary expenses of the inquest and burial.

(Concurred, with the following Amendment: viz: That all the words after the word "Resolved," be stricken out; and that the following words be inserted in their place: viz: "That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby directed, to pay Samuel Carney Esq. three (\$300) Dollars, out of the appropriation for Contingencies.")

The Amendment of the Board of Aldermen having been read, it is resolved that the Common Council do not concur therein

383. The Standing Committee to engross Ordinances, to whom Back. In the 9<sup>th</sup> of August last, was referred the Petition of J. Seagrave Jr. & others, for the passage of an Ordinance for the apsize of Bread. - make Report, that, in their opinion, it is inexpedient to report a Bill for that purpose; and request that they may be discharged; - which Report is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received, and that said Committee be discharged from further consideration of the subject

355. 389. The Resolution from the Board of Aldermen, relative to Back Street, &c, which was sent down, for concurrence, on the 12<sup>th</sup> of July last, and then postponed, is now taken up and read, together with the accompanying Report. Whereupon it is resolved, that the consideration thereof be postponed until the next meeting of the Common Council.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday

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the eighth Day of November next, at seven o'clock P.M.

Members present.

W. President.

Baker,

Brunell,

Barnett,

Bash,

Carpenter,

Cook,

Hatch,

Hoppin,

Jones,

Martin,

M. Mathewson,

P. M. Mathewson,

Mauy,

Robbie,

Patten,

Patter,

Steele,

J. O. Waterman,

Williams,

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Alfred Greene, Clerk.

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

Account of Charles Robbins, which Account was presented on the 11<sup>th</sup> of October last, - is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, and referred to Messrs. Patten, Williams and W. H. Waterman, the Committee of Conference appointed by the Common Council, on said 11<sup>th</sup> of October, relative to the disagreement of the two Boards respecting said Account.

393. A Petition of Henry Kolden & others for a cross walk across Post and Avenue, is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

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Benefit Street. A Petition of Resolved Waterman and others for a cross walk across Benefit Street, is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Clifford St. A Petition of Israel H. Day and others for a cross walk across Claverick Street and for one across Clifford Street, is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon; which Committee make Report in favour of granting the prayer thereof.

Do. Resolved that the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause cross walks to be laid, as follows: viz:  
One across Claverick Street, on the North side of Clifford Street.  
One across Clifford Street, on the West side of Claverick Street.  
(Concurred.)

Williams Street. The Standing Committee on Highways to whom on the 16<sup>th</sup> of August last, was referred the Petition of Roger Williams Pater, for repair on Williams Street, report the following Resolution, which is read and passed: viz:  
Resolved that the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause a Culvert to be constructed through Williams Street, from Benefit, to South Water Street, and to cause said Street to be finished according to the established grade, and the gutters paved and the curb-stones set therein, whenever the owners of the adjoining lands shall furnish the curb-stones.  
(Concurred.)

Do. A Resolution in the words following having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence: viz:  
"Resolved that the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause a Reservoir to be constructed, on South Water Street to receive the earth and sand passing down Williams Street; and also to pave a gutter through the middle of the gang

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-way) South of the Messrs Coleman's Estate; -  
Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein.

Point Street.

The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 11<sup>th</sup> of October last, was referred the Remonstrances of Allen T. Manchester and others, owners of lands on Point Street, and of a Committee of the First Congregational Society, as owners of the West Burial Ground, - against the alteration of the grade of said Street, as proposed by the Resolution of the City Council, of August 16, 1847, - make Report, accompanied by a Communication from said Committee of the First Congregational Society, withdrawing their objections, upon certain conditions; - which Report is accompanied by the following Resolution, which is read and passed: viz:

Do. Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause the curb-stones to be set, and the gutters paved, on the North side of Point Street, from Friendship to Prince Street, and on the South side thereof, from Friendship Street, to the Union Cemetery; whenever the owners of the adjoining lands shall furnish the curb-stones; and also, to cause a cross walk to be laid across Point Street, opposite Prince Street.  
(Concurred.)

Do. Resolved that the Resolution which passed on the 11<sup>th</sup> of October last, directing the Surveyor of Highways not to alter the gutters in Point Street, until further order of the City Council, be and the same is hereby rescinded.  
(Concurred.)

Fish Market.

The Resolutions adopting a plan for a new building for a Fish Market, and appointing a Committee to cause said building to be erected, which passed the Common Council on the 11<sup>th</sup> of October last, and

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were then sent up for concurrence, are now returned by the Board of Aldermen, who concur therein, with the following Amendment: viz. That the words "No 1" be stricken out, and the words "No 2" inserted in their place.

Do. Memorandum of Nathaniel Allen and others, against the erection of a Fish Market near the Depot of the Providence and Worcester Rail Road, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received.

Do. Resolved, that the subject of the erection of a new Fish Market, be indefinitely postponed.

Sheds on Washington Bridge. Resolved, That the Clerk of the Market be, and he is hereby directed, to cause all the booths and sheds now standing on Washington Bridge, to be removed therefrom, on the first day of April next.

Concurred, with the following Amendment: viz. That the word "April" be stricken out, and the word "January" be inserted in its place.

The Common Council concur in the Amendment.

Field's Point Farm. A communication from the Standing Committee on City Property, relative to a proposal of Messrs Chace & Davis, of Waver, to purchase a part of the Field's Point Farm, is presented and read, received, and laid upon the Table.

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

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"Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause the curb stones to be reset in Canal Street, from Washington Bridge to the old Jail Lot (so called) according to the established grade, whenever the Providence and Worcester Rail Road Company are ready to commence the paving of said Street."

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

Aborn Street. Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause cross walks to be laid across Aborn Street, at its junction with Fountain Street, on the North and South sides of Fountain Street. (Concurred.)

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

South Main Street. viz: "Resolved, that the City Treasurer be directed to pay from the appropriation for Highways, to Richmond Ballsch, the cost of paving his side walk, where he has recently widened South Main Street; or receiving from said Ballsch, a conveyance of the land thrown out in widening said South Main Street; providing, the sum paid does not exceed forty Dollars."

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

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

viz: "Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby ordered and directed to cause a walk to be laid across Mill Street, in the vicinity of Mill Bridge; provided the joint Committee on Highways think that the public convenience requires said walk to be laid."

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

Backs Street. The Resolution from the Board of Aldermen, to authorize the Board of Aldermen to appropriate any part of the estate 384. belonging to the City, on the West side of Charles Street.

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which they may think the public convenience requires, for the laying out of Back Street, or for open land between Charles Street and the Rail Road; - which Resolution was, on the 12<sup>th</sup> of July last, sent down for concurrence, and then passed; and which, on the 11<sup>th</sup> of October last, was referred to this meeting; - is now read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein, with the following Amendment, viz: That the words "or for open land between Charles Street and the Rail Road," be stricken out.

The Board of Aldermen concur in the Amendment.

N.Y.P. & B. Rail Road Co. Stonington R.R. Depot. 378. 393. A Petition from the New York, Providence and Boston Rail Road Company, for liberty to erect a freight and passenger house on a part of the land recently filled, in the Cove above Weybosset Bridge, by the Providence and Worcester Rail Road Company, is presented, accompanied by a Plat, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, and referred to Messrs P. M. Mathewson, Patten, A. C. Mathewson, Williams, Carpenter, and J. O. Waterman, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon. (Concurred, & Aldermen Knowles & Whitaker added.)

Insane Poor. A Bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to Insane Persons chargeable to this City;" is read and passed. (Concurred.)

For No. Statement. The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council of October 20<sup>th</sup> 1834, is presented, read, and received.

Appropriation for Highways. Resolved, That the sum of Three Thousand Dollars be, and the same is, hereby appropriated for repairs of Highways; and that said sum, so appropriated, be paid out of any monies in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated. (Concurred.)

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Joined in Convention of the City Council. In Convention.

W. W. Patten. James Haborn is elected a Constable, for the remainder of the present municipal year.

R. W. Patten. A Communication from Roger Williams Patten, resigning his office as a Fireward, is read and received, and said resignation is accepted.

Twenty persons are elected members of Engine Companies, for the remainder of the present municipal year.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the 13<sup>th</sup> Day of December next, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

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| No President, | " Martin,        |
| " Alderman    | P. M. Mathewson, |
| Brownell,     | Murray,          |
| Burnett,      | Parsons,         |
| Bush,         | Patten,          |
| Carpenter,    | Patten,          |
| Earle,        | Steele,          |
| Gladding,     | J. O. Waterman   |
| Hatch,        | W. H. Waterman,  |
| Keppin,       | Williams.        |
| Jones,        |                  |

Albert Greene, Clerk.

Common Council, December 13<sup>th</sup> 1847.

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

In Senate, The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council of October 20<sup>th</sup> 1844, is presented read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

Com. from Mayor, A communication from the Mayor, in relation to the expenditure for the relief of immigrant paupers, is presented, read, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

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

Resolved, That the several sums hereinafter mentioned, be and the same are hereby appropriated for the following purposes respectively, to wit: For Highways, Fifteen Hundred Dollars; For the Support of the Poor, Two Thousand Dollars; and that said sums, so appropriated, be paid out of any moneys in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated. (Concurred.)

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

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to the proper officer to receive the same, the sum of thirty five (\$35,000) Dollars, being the amount of an Execution in favour of Benjamin Clark against Henry G. Mansford, late City Marshal, returnable at the December Term 1847, of the Court of Common Pleas for the County

of Providence. (Concurred.)

Treas. A communication from the Assessors of Taxes, relative to an error in the assessment of the City Tax upon the estates of Frank Mason, Augustus C. Mason and Frank Mason, Trustees, - is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

Seckell Street, A Petition of Frederick A. Hicks and others, for repairs on Seckell Street, is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

N.Y. P. The joint Committee to whom on the 8<sup>th</sup> of November last, was referred the petition of the New York, Providence, and Boston Rail Road Company, for liberty to erect a freight and passenger house on a part of the land filled in upon the Cove above Weybosset Bridge by the Providence and Worcester Rail Road Company, - make Report, that they are unanimously of opinion that the prayer thereof ought not to be granted; - which Report is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received, and laid upon the Table.

The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 8<sup>th</sup> of November last, were referred the petitions of Solomon Waterman and others for a cross walk in Benefit Street, and of Henry Holden and others, for a cross walk in Pautuxet Avenue, make Report, by the following Resolution, which is read and passed: viz:

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause cross walks to be laid as follows: viz: One across Benefit Street, near St. Stephen's Church. One across Pautuxet Avenue, from the South corner

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of the Allen State, to the Holden State,  
(Concurred.)

North Providence line.

312 The joint committee who were, on the 8<sup>th</sup> of February last, appointed to meet and confer with any Committee of the Town of North Providence, relative to the boundary lines between said Town and this City, make Report, that they have caused the lines to be carefully surveyed, and bounds to be placed; which Report is accompanied by the Report of the Surveyors, and a Plat of the line from Four-Stack Meadow to Seekonk River; which Report is read; whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and adopted.  
(Concurred.)

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On Resolved, that the Mayor be and he is hereby appointed a Committee, to unite with such Committee as may be appointed by the Town of North Providence, in a petition to the Hon. General Assembly, for the passage of an Act to establish the line between said Town and the City of Providence, according to the Report and Plat this day made and submitted to the City Council.  
(Concurred.)

Providence

Business at

B. 5. 2.

A Petition of O. W. Prince and others, praying that measures may be taken for the removal of the awning-posts, barrels, boxes, barbers' poles &c, from the sidewalks in the public streets, is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Police, to examine and report thereon.

Mr. Sherburne

A Petition of Henry Sherburne, for liberty to move his dwelling house from the corner of Eddy and Elm Streets, to a lot on the North side of Elm Street, being the second lot West of the Elm Street School.

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Read, is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon, (said Petition having been advertised, according to law) - which Committee make Report, in favor of granting the prayer thereof, on condition that said Sherburne shall pay all damage, if any, to the trees on said Street; which Report is read and received, and a Resolution is passed, granting the prayer of said petition, with said provision.

(Concurred, with the following Amendment, viz: That the words "upon the conditions named in the above Report," be stricken out, and the words "provided the buildings can be removed without injuring any tree on a public highway" be inserted in their place.)

The Common Council concur in the Amendment.

North Bristol Grants

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A Resolution for the appropriation of Three Hundred Dollars for the use of the North Bristol Ground, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be laid upon the Table.

Providence Gas Co.

B. 5. 4.

Resolutions, for a subscription by the City for two hundred shares of the capital stock of the Providence Gas Company, upon certain conditions, - having passed the Board of Aldermen, are sent down for concurrence, accompanied by a Report upon the subject, made to the Board of Aldermen, by the Standing Committee on Finance to the subject had been referred by that Board. And said Resolutions having been read, it is resolved, that the same be referred to the next meeting of the Common Council; and that the same, together with said Report, be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing.

Account of Charles Robbins

The Amendment of the Board of Aldermen made on the 11<sup>th</sup> of October last, to the Resolution which then passed

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The Common Council, relative to the Account of Charles Robbins, is now again read, and it is resolved, that the Common Council do recede from their vote of non concurrence in said Amendment, and do concur in said Amendment.

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

Members present,

Mr. President,

Albeman,

Baker,

Brunell

Bark,

Carpenter,

Carle

Gladding,

Hatch,

Hopkin,

Jones,

Martin,

A. C. Mathewson,

J. M. Mathewson,

Murray,

Pelissier,

Potter,

Potter,

Stearns,

J. O. Waterman,

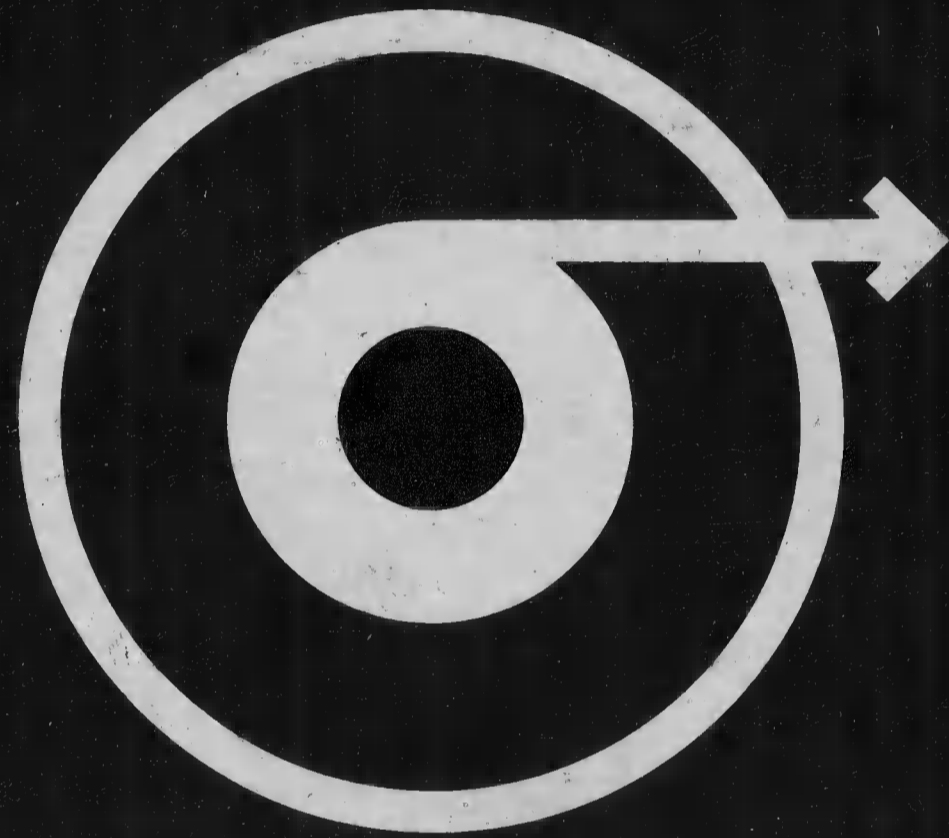
M. H. Waterman,

Williams,

22.

Albert Giffens, Clerk.

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