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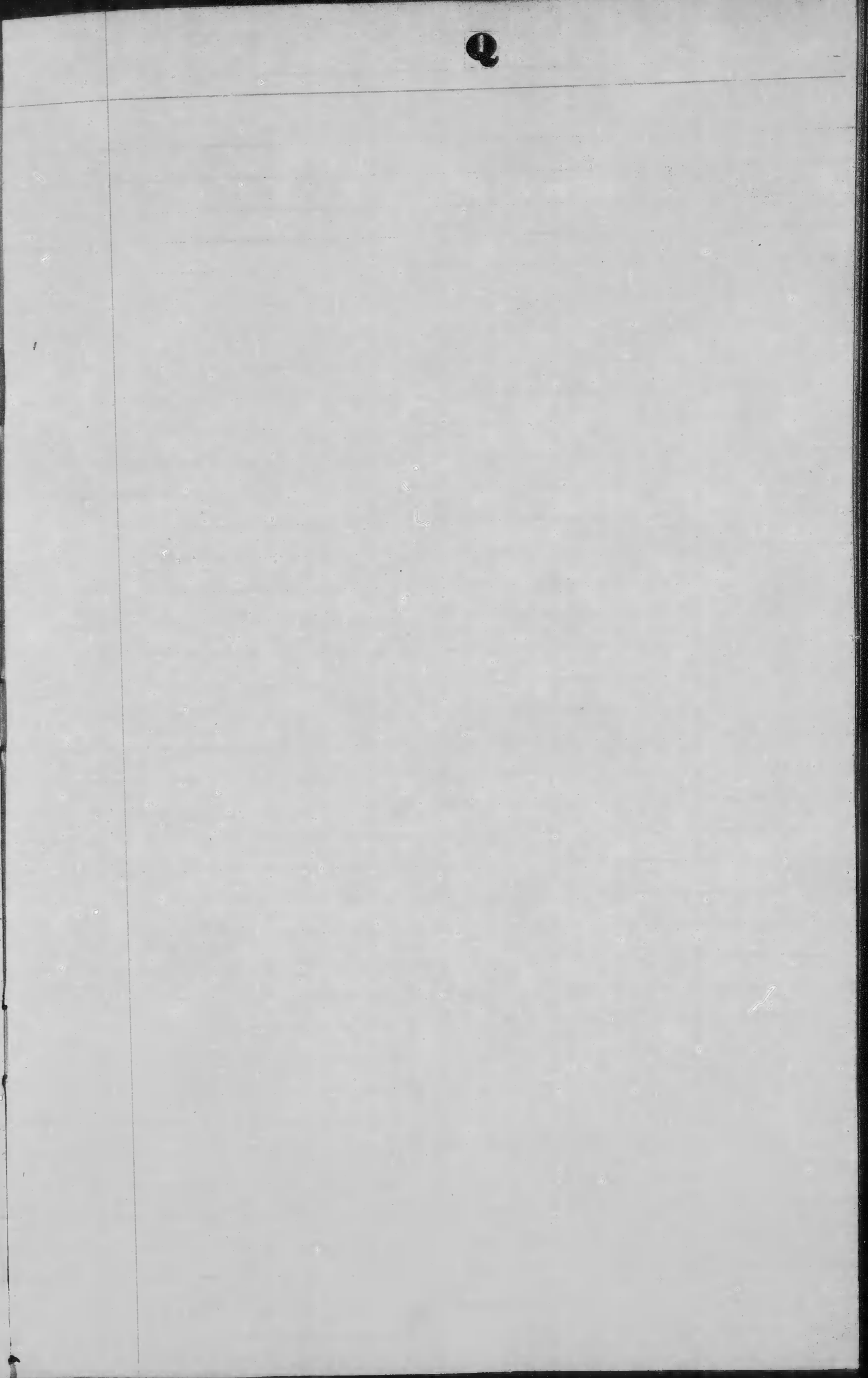
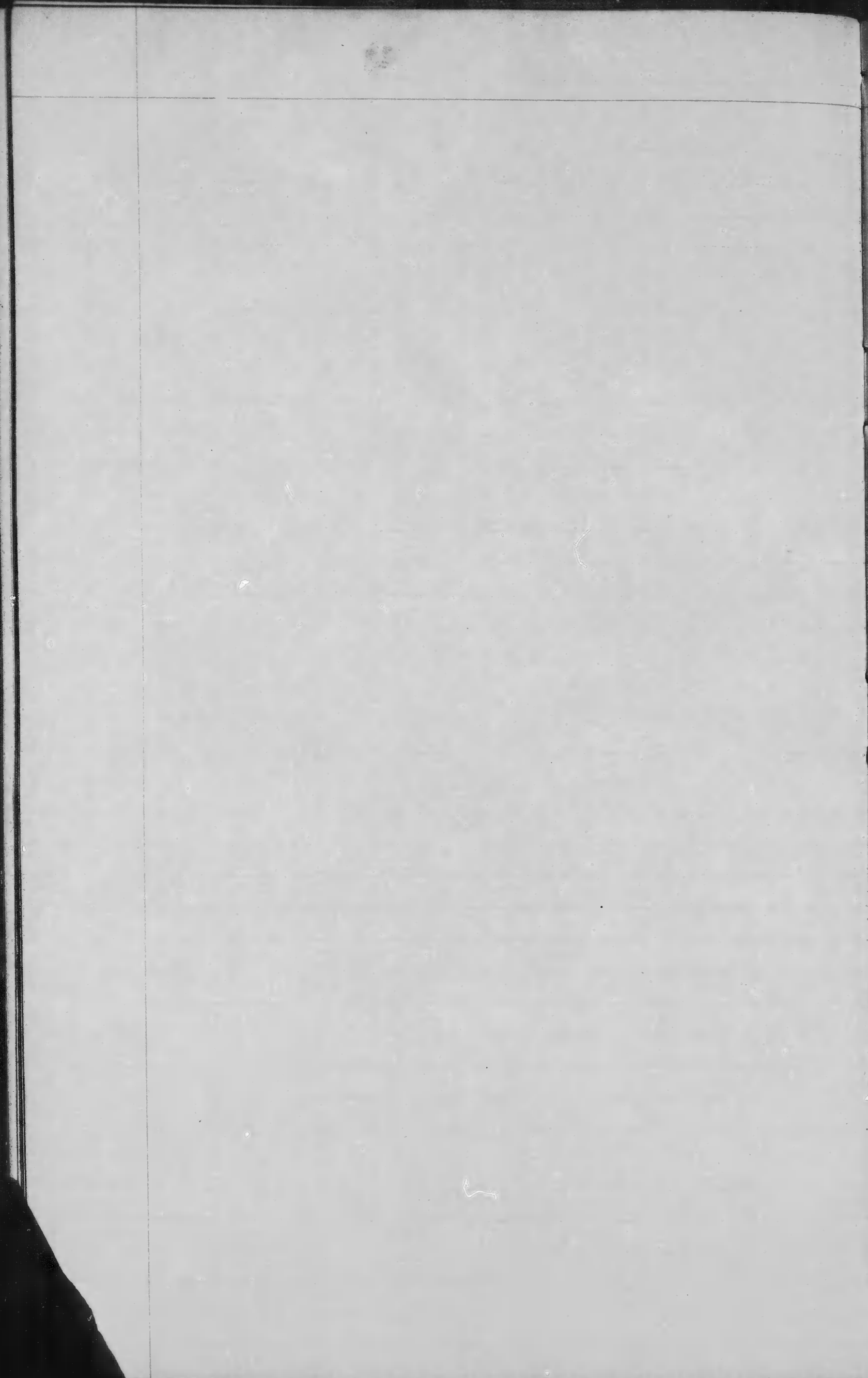
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of the

Common Council

of the

City of Providence:

Book N^o 2;

From May 10th 1836,

to

August 27th 1839.

1.
Common Council, May 10th 1836.
Special Meeting.

Copy
"The State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations,
City of Providence, &c. &c."

Mayor's
Warrant.



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

Deeming it expedient that a meeting of said
Common Council should be holden sooner than said Com-
mon Council are to meet either by adjournment or by due
course of Law, you and each of you are hereby requested
and required to meet in Common Council, at half past
seven o'clock this evening, at the City Council Chamber, to
transact such business as may be legally brought before
said Common Council either in separate Board or with
the Board of Aldermen of said City in Convention.

Given under my hand and the seal of said City,
this tenth day of May, A.D. 1836."

(Signed) Samuel W. Bridgman,
Mayor.

Providence, May 10th 1836.

Attested the members of the Common Council, as
commanded, by their reading the within"

(Signed) Edward Harwood, City Sergeant.

Pursuant to the foregoing Warrant, the Common Coun-
cil are now assembled, at half past seven o'clock P.M.
A Quorum present.

The Warrant of his Honor the Mayor, for the present
Meeting, is read.

May 10th 1836.

Com. from Mayor.

A communication from his Honor the Mayor, respecting an account against the City, in favor of Messrs Robinson, Brown & Co., for Oil furnished for the public lamps, is presented and read: whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, who thereupon report the following Resolution, which is read and passed; viz,

Bill of Oil.

Resolved, that the sum of eleven hundred and fifty-four dollars and sixty-five cents be and the same is hereby appropriated for the payment of the Account of Messrs Robinson, Brown & Co against the City, for Oil furnished by them for the use of the City, to the thirtieth day of April last: and that said sum so appropriated, be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Concurred.

Tolon Benson. A Petition from Rhoda Ann Benson wife of Tolon Benson, requesting that leave may be granted to her said husband to fence in and enclose a buying-lot in the North Burial Ground, is presented and read.

Do.

On the Petition of Rhoda Ann Benson, wife of Tolon Benson, praying, in behalf of her said husband, that leave may be granted him to fence in and enclose a buying-lot sufficient for his family, in the North Burial Ground, it is Resolved, that the same be received, and the prayer thereof granted; and that the said Tolon Benson be and he is hereby authorized to fence in and enclose such lot for such purpose; provided the same be done under the direction of the Overseer of the North Burial Ground, with the sanction of the Mayor concurred.

Land of S. Randall.

The Resolution directing the City Treasurer to purchase of Stephen Randall, twenty feet of land at the junction of North-Main and Randall Streets, which passed the Common Council on the second day of May instant,

May 10th 1836.

and was then sent up for concurrence, is returned from the Board of Aldermen who concur therein, with the following Amendments: viz, - that the words "to be forever kept open for a public highway;" be inserted next before the word "Twenty" in the seventh line; and that the words "the Southly line to run at right angles with North Main Street" be inserted next after the word "therefrom" in the tenth line: - which Resolution as amended is now read: Whereupon it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur in said Amendments.

Book 1, D. 224.

Assessors of Taxes.

The Resolution providing that the Assessors of Taxes in and for the City shall be allowed three fourths of one per cent, as a full compensation for appraising the City Tax for the ensuing year, - which passed the Common Council on the second day of May instant, and was then sent up for concurrence, is returned from the Board of Aldermen, who concur therein, with the following Amendment: viz, - that the words "three fourths of" in the third line, be stricken out; - which Resolution, as amended, is now read: - whereupon it is resolved, that the Common Council do non-concur in said Amendment.

Book 1, D. 228.

Justices Court-Room.

Resolved, that the sum of Twenty five dollars be allowed and paid out of the City Treasury, to the Justices of the Peace of the City, for the payment of one half of the rent of the Justices' Court Room during the political year ending in the present month of May; said room having been used by the Police Court of the City, during said year; and that the same be paid out of the appropriation for contingent expenses.

Concurred.

The Common Council adjourn, "without day,"

May 10th 1836.

Members present.

Mr. President
Messrs. Cady,
B. Cooke,
Everett,
Fenner,
Field,

Grant,
Greene,
Hughes,
Jackson,
Knowles,
Martin,

Mason,
Sabodie,
Tetter,
Phillips.

16.

Albert G. Greene, Clerk.

June 6th 1836.

Organization of the Government of the City of Providence, for the Municipal Year commencing on the first Monday in June A.D. 1836.

Monday June 6th 1836.

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

Saml. H. Bridgman Mayor. The certificate of the election of Samuel W. Bridgman as Mayor, is presented and read, and the oath prescribed by law is administered to him by Hon. William C. Staples one of the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court.

Election Aldermen. The certificate of the election of Silvanus G. Martin, Joseph Cady, Benjamin Cliffords, Thomas C. Hoppin, Hezekiah Anthony and Caleb Williams as Aldermen for said year, is presented and read, and they are severally engaged according to law, by the Mayor, to the faithful discharge of the duties of their office.

The certificates of the election of the members elect of the Common Council for said year, are presented and read; when all of said members excepting Joseph Cady appeared, and were by the Mayor, engaged according to law, to the faithful discharge of the duties of their office.

City Clerk R. M. Field. Richard M. Field was, by ballot, duly elected City Clerk for said year, and by the Mayor duly engaged to the faithful discharge of the duties of his said office.

An Address was delivered by the Mayor to the city

June 6th 1836.

Council, of the present condition of the municipal affairs of the City, and also in relation to the events connected with its original settlement, and to its progress at different periods during the two centuries since that time.

After which, the Convention separated; and the Mayor and Aldermen retired.

Members of the Common Council of the City of Providence, for the Municipal Year commencing on the first Monday in June A.D. 1836.

First Ward.

Jesse B. Sweet,
Dexter Angell
Edward P. Knowles,
George W. Bowen.

Second Ward.

George Curtis,
George W. Jackson
Benoni Cooke,
Henry Anthony. (elected June 27th 1836)

Third Ward.

Joseph S. Cooke,
Roger Williams Potter,
Amherst Everett,
Christopher C. Godfrey.

Fourth Ward.

Simon H. Greene,
John I. Hughes,
James G. Anthony,
James M. Warner.

Fifth Ward.

Amasa Mason,
Pardon Clarke,
William Ham,
David Andrews.

June 6th 1836.

Sixth Ward.

Duty Greene,
Erastus F. Knowlton,
John Gould
Mason Allen.

Proceedings
of the Common Council,
during the Municipal Year, commencing
on the first Monday in June, A.D. 1836.

The members of the Common Council, except Joseph Cady, having been duly engaged by the Mayor, in the presence of the Aldermen, are called to order by Mr. J. S. Cooke.

Geo. Curtis
Pres. Common Council

George Curtis is, by ballot, re-elected President of the Common Council.

A. G. Greene
Clerk.

Albert G. Greene is re-elected Clerk of the Common Council, and is duly engaged by the Mayor, to the faithful discharge of the duties of said office.

Standing
Rules

The Standing Rules of the last Council are read: whereupon it is Resolved, that the Standing Rules of the last Common Council be received and adopted as the Standing Rules of this Council, with the following addition to the 12th Rule: viz,

Comm. on
North Burial
Ground.

"A Standing Committee on the North Burial Ground, shall be appointed; whose duty it shall be to take into consideration all such petitions, matters and things relating to said Burial Ground as shall be presented, or shall come in question and be referred to them by the Board."

Resolved, that His Honor the Mayor be requested to furnish the City Council with a copy of the Address this

June 6th 1836.

day delivered, by him, for publication.
Concurred.

The following Communication is presented and read:

Providence June 6th 1836.

To the Common Council of the
City of Providence.

Gentlemen. Having been elected
Alderman for the Second Ward, on the 9th ult^o, I wish
you to accept my resignation as a member of your
Board. Permit me, on this occasion, to express the
feelings of satisfaction with which I have been as-
sociated with you; and please also to accept individ-
ually the assurances of my high respect and esteem.

Respectfully Yours,
Joseph Cady.

Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received.

Resolved, that a Meeting of the Free-men of the Second
Ward be and the same is hereby authorized and directed
to be held at the Town House, on Monday the 27th
day of June instant, at 3 o'clock P.M. for the purpose
of electing a member of this Board for said Ward,
in the place of Joseph Cady, who having been duly cho-
sen, declines serving.

Resolved, that the City Clerk be, and he is hereby
instructed, to notify said Meeting, in manner and
form as required in and by an Ordinance passed
on the tenth day of April A.D. 1834, entitled "An Ordi-
nance prescribing the manner of notifying Wards
Meetings for the purposes of Elections"; and that the
Clerk of this Board be, and he is hereby directed to
transmit a copy of these Resolutions to said City Clerk, and
also to the Warden of said Ward.

Resolved, that a copy of these Resolutions be com-
municated to the Board of Aldermen.

Resignation of
J. Cady

Ward Meeting
Second Ward.

June 6th 1836.

Adjourned to meet at 2 o'clock P.M. this day.

June 6th 1836. 2 o'clock P.M.

Council met, pursuant to adjournment. A Quorum
present.

Compensation
Ordinance

An Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance fixing the compensation
of certain officers, for the year ending the first Monday
of June A.D. 1837", is read and passed.
Concurred.

Compensation
of Assessors.

The following Resolution, having passed the Board of Al-
dermen, is sent down for concurrence, and is read, viz:
"Resolved, that the Assessors of Taxes in and for
the City of Providence, shall be allowed three fourths
of one per cent, as a full compensation for appor-
tioning the City Tax for the present year."

Whereupon it is resolved, that the Common
Council do concur therein, with this Amendment,
viz that the words "three fourths of" in the third
line be stricken out.

The Board of Aldermen now concur in the Amendment.

Whereupon it is resolved, that the Common
Council do insist upon their amendment.

A Resolution from the Board of Aldermen, appointing Alderman
Anthony a committee of Conference in the part of that Board
to confer with such Committee as may be appointed by
this Board, respecting the foregoing Resolution and Amend-
ment, is sent down, and is read; whereupon,

It is resolved, that a Committee of Conference be
appointed by the Common Council, to confer
with said Committee of the Board of Aldermen;
and that Messrs Mason & Hughes be and they are
appointed such Committee.

Said Committee of Conference report the following
form of a Resolution; which is read and passed: viz

Resolved, that the Assessors of Taxes in and for

This City shall be allowed seven eighths of one per cent, as a full compensation for apportioning the City Tax for the ensuing year.

Concurred.

The Committee to whom on the 2^d of May last, was referred a List of Taxes which were represented by John Hill Collector of Taxes to be uncollectable, make a verbal report thereon; whereupon it is resolved that the same be received.

Book 1, D, 210.

Whereas John Hill has represented to the City Council that the Taxes assessed upon certain persons in the year 1835 and committed to him to collect, are not collectable, by reason of errors in the assessment thereof, &c, &c, and whereas the City Council are satisfied that the Taxes in said year, in the respective amounts following, upon the persons hereinafter named; viz

upon Albert Aborn	for	1. 80
John Baxter		3. "
Henry Bowen 2 ^d + Orrin Claflin		1. 50
Francis Brinley Jr		. 60
George W. Cushing		. 30
Lucy Ann Davis		2. 10
Mary A. Field		1. 50
John B. Herreshoff,		. 60
Thomas J. Hill,		4. 80
Heirs of Henry Hoppin,		9. "
John B. Howell,		1. 20
Henrietta Hutchens		3. 60
William Howard Jr		. 60
Amey A. Jackson (daughter of Nathan W.)		3. 60
Richard Jackson (Scituate)		2. 40
James A. Jackson (son of Nathan W.)		3. "
Moses Kengen		1. 20
Alexis Ladd		. 90
Edward N. Mason		. 90
William S. Nichols		. 30
Catherine + Achsa Phillips,		1. 20.

William H. Russell,	1. 80
Heirs of Ebenezer Thompson,	285. "
Thomas White	. 60
Lamed Williams	2. 70
Joseph Wilkinson, (Smithfield)	7. 20.
	<u>\$341. 40.</u>

are not collectable: Therefore Resolved, that the respective Taxes aforesaid be remitted; and that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and directed to credit the amount thereof; viz, Three Hundred and forty one Dollars and forty cents, to the said John Hill, in account with him as Collector of Taxes, together with the interest which has accrued on the several sums aforesaid.

Concurred.

Report on Treasurer's account.

Book 1, D, 229.

The joint Committee who were on the 2^d day of May last, appointed to audit the accounts of the City Treasurer with the City, for the year ending on the last day of said month of May, make Report that they have examined said Account, and find it correct, and sustained by the proper vouchers, which Report is read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received.

Concurred.

Treasurer's Report.

The Report of the City Treasurer, accompanied by the following Documents, is presented and read: viz
1. A Schedule of the Receipts into the Treasury, + of the Expenditures therefrom, for the year ending May 31 1836;
2. A Schedule of Real Estate belonging to the City;
3. A Statement of the City Debt;
4. A Schedule of Rents;
5. The Treasurer's Account Current, from January to May 1836, inclusive: -
whereupon it is Resolved, that said Report, together with the accompanying documents, be received and recorded.

Concurred.

Receipts and Expenditures.

Resolved, that Messrs Mason & S. H. Greene with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to prepare a particular account of the Receipts and expenditures for the past year, and a Schedule of City Property, and 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, and Alderman Martin added.

City Tax.

An Ordinance, entitled "An Ordinance providing for the assessment and collection of a Tax of Forty five thousand Dollars, is read and passed
Concurred.

Centennial Celebration.

The Committee who were appointed on the 10th day of August last, to make arrangements for a suitable commemoration of the Second Centennial Anniversary of the Settlement of Providence, make Report, recommending a further appropriation for that purpose, which Report is read: whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received.

Book 1. D. 226.

Resolved, that a further sum of Three Hundred Dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated, to defray the expenses attending a Celebration of the Second Centennial Anniversary of the Settlement of Providence, in addition to the sum of two hundred dollars which was appropriated for that purpose on the second day of May last; and that the City Treasurer be authorized and directed to pay the same, together with said former appropriation, to the order of the Committee appointed in that subject, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.
Concurred.

Book 1. D. 226.

Report of School Committee.

The Report of the School Committee is presented and read, whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and

recused.

Concurred.

Return of Fire Department.

The General Return of the Fire Department, containing a Schedule of the Fire Apparatus belonging to the City, is presented, and read: whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received.

Concurred.

Firewards.

The Report of the Board of Firewards is presented and read, whereupon it is resolved that the same be received.

Concurred.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

Convention

In Convention:

A Communication from Joshua Bathum, declining a re-election to the offices of Overseer of the Poor, Overseer of the Town House, and Pound Keeper, - is presented & read.

A communication from Richard Burke, requesting to be elected Clerk of the Market, is presented and read.

A communication from Job Carpenter, requesting to be elected Clerk of the Market, is presented and read.

After proceeding in the election of City Officers for the ensuing year, the two Boards separate.

In Common Council.

Appropriations.

A Resolution appropriating \$39,675 for the purposes therein mentioned, being reported by the Standing Committee on Finance, is read and passed.

Concurred.

The Petition of William L. Field and others, for a cross walk in Chestnut Street, which was on the 26th day of April last,

Cross walk in
Chestnut Street.

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read, received, and referred to the standing Committee on High-ways, and which no Report has been made, is now again read, and referred to said Standing Committee, to examine and report thereon.

Resolved, that the Clerk of the Common Council be allowed and paid for his services, three Dollars, for each and every meeting of the Board which he shall attend.
Concurred.

Firemen.

Resolved, that the sum of fifty cents be paid by the City Treasurer, to the Treasurer of the Providence Association of Firemen for Mutual Assistance, for each of the Firemen of the City, in order to entitle them severally to the benefit of the funds of said Association; and that the same be paid, on the certificate of the City Clerks, respecting the appointment of said Firemen, out of the appropriation for the Fire Department.

Concurred.

Police Court.

Resolved, that from the Justices assigned to keep the peace within this City, Thomas White, William P. Olney, and George F. Mearns be and they are hereby selected to compose the Police Court of this City, for the ensuing year.
Concurred.

Treasurer's
Bond

Resolved, that Messrs Mason and S. H. Greene, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to take a Bond of the City Treasurer, with sufficient surety or sureties, for the faithful discharge of the duties of his office, for the year ensuing.

Concurred; and Alderman Gady added.

City Printing

21.

Resolved, that Messrs Everett and Allin, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to contract for the City Printing, for the ensuing year.

Concurred, and Alderman Gady added.

Copies of
Ordinances.

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Monthly
Statement.

Convention

William
Hull.

Jacobs
Otis.

Burying
Lots.

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Resolved, that copies of the City Ordinances be distributed as follows: viz.

To each member of the City Council who has not already been furnished with a copy thereof. - one copy.
Concurred.

The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20th 1834, is presented and read: Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

Joined in Convention of the City Council, for the election of City officers for the ensuing year.

In Convention:

Having completed the election of the City Officers for the ensuing year, the two Boards separate.

In Common Council.

A Petition of William Hull now confined in the State's Jail in this City, under sentence for keeping a disorderly house in Hewes Street, praying for liberation, - is presented and read: whereupon it is resolved, that the said Petitioner have leave to withdraw the same.

A Petition of Jacobs Otis now confined in the State's Jail in this City, under sentence as a disorderly person, praying for liberation, - is presented and read: whereupon it is resolved, that said Petitioner have leave to withdraw the same.

Petitions from John Sylesworth,
John Ezek Brown,
James Smith,

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and Jacob Stever, severally requesting leave to fence in and enclose buying lots sufficient for their families in the North Burial Ground, are presented and read: whereupon it is resolved, that the same be severally received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the North Burial Ground, to examine and report thereon.

The following Standing Committees are appointed: viz
Committee to engross Ordinances

Standing Committees }

Meprs. J. S. Cooke,
Jackson,
Hughes.

Committee on Highways.

Meprs. Potter,
B. Cooke,
D. Greene,

Committee on Finance.

Meprs. Mason,
J. H. Greene,
Everett.

Committee on the North Burial Ground.

Meprs. Knowles,
Angell,
Knowlton.

Adjourned to meet on Monday, the 11th day of July next, at 5 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr President.

Meprs Allin,
Andrews,
Angell,
Anthony,
Bowen,
Clarke,
B. Cooke,

J. S. Cooke,
Everett,
Godfrey,
Gard,
D. Greene,
J. H. Greene,
Ham,
Hughes,

Jackson,
Knowles,
Knowlton,
Mason,
Potter,
Sweet,
Warner.

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Abraham Greene, Clerk

July 11th 1836.

Common Council, July 11th 1836.

Council met pursuant to adjournment. A Quorum present.

H. Anthony.

Henry Anthony presents a certificate of his election as a member of the Common Council, from the Second Ward, he having been so elected at a Meeting of the Freemen of said Ward holden on the 27th day of June last, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Joseph Cady now Alderman from said Ward; - and said member elect appears, is duly engaged before the Board of Aldermen by the Mayor, and takes his seat.

Burning of
Zoo's.
J. Stever,
J. E. Brown,
J. Smith,
J. Aylesworth.

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The Standing Committee on the North Burial Ground, to whom on the 6th of June last, were referred the Petitions of John Aylesworth, James Smith, John Ezek Brown and Jacob Stever, for buying lots, make Report in favour of granting the prayers thereof, which is read; whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received.

Upon the Petitions of Jacob Stever,
John Ezek Brown,
James Smith,
and John Aylesworth, requesting leave

to fence in and enclose buying lots in the North Burial Ground, sufficient for their respective families, it is Resolved, that the same be severally received, and the prayers thereof granted; and that the said petitioners be and they are hereby severally authorized to fence in and enclose such lots for such purpose; provided the same be done under the direction of the Overseer of the North Burial Ground, with the sanction of the Mayor; and provided also, that the several privileges hereby granted, shall be subject to all future regulations of the City Council in relation thereto, and shall severally continue during the pleasure of the City Council, and no longer.

Concurred.

Cross walk
Chestnut
Street.

14.

The Standing Committee on Highways to whom on the 6th of June last was referred the Petition of William L. Field and others, for a cross walk in Chestnut Street, make Report in favour thereof: which is read; Whereupon it is Resolved, that the same be 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 in Chestnut Street, across Elbow Street.
Concurred.

Readers
Monthly
statement

The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council of October 20th 1834, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

Edw. A. Pike to
drain in
Benefit St.

25.

A Petition of Aza Pike and others, praying for repairs on the drain in Benefit Street, at Fox Point, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon.

Concurred, and Alderman Clifford added.

Edw. S. Thurler to
Cross Walk
Randall St.

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A Petition of Samuel Thurler and others, for a cross walk across Randall Street at its junction with North Main 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.

Edw. G. Clark to
in relation to
Dogs.

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A Petition of George G. Clark and others, praying for the repeal or amendment of the Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance in relation to Dogs," is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, and referred to Messrs Godfrey and Jackson, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon; and that said Committee be directed to report thereon, at the next meeting of the City Council.
Concurred, and Alderman Clifford added.

Edw. P. D. Hill to
Fountain
Street.

A Petition of the Providence, Dyeing, Bleaching and Calendering Company, respecting a stream of water flowing in Fountain and Galvin Streets, is presented and read; whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to Messrs J. G. Anthony, Mason, and Henry Anthony with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon.

Edw. T. C. Hoppin
Pavement
in Westminster
Street &c.

A Petition of Thomas C. Hoppin and others praying that the pavement in Westminster Street, from Walker Street to High Street and from High Street to Stewart Street may be repaired; and that a cross walk may be laid across Westminster Street opposite the residence of Gray Taft, is presented and read; Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon; and that the said Committee be and they are directed to enquire respecting the relative expense of stone and wooden pavements, and respecting the expediency of paving the parts of said Street named in said petition, with wood instead of stone; and that said Committee be and they are, directed and authorized to cause the lines of Westminster Street to be ascertained and run, from Walker Street to the junction of Westminster and High Streets; and also the lines of Broad Street from the New Market to the junction of Broad and High Streets; and also the lines of High Street, from the junction of the same with Broad Street, to the Hoyle Tavern; and that the said Committee be, and they are directed to report on the subjects contained in this Resolution, at the next meeting of the City Council.
Concurred, and Alderman Williams added.

J. Tillinghast

A Communication from Hon. Joseph L. Tillinghast, resigning his seat as one of the Representatives of this City in the General Assembly, is presented and read.

Rose House }
& Lot.

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Resolved, that Messrs Mason and Warner, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to ascertain the bounds of the "Rose Lot" (so called) and to cause the house thereon to be repaired and the said Lot to be fenced.

Resolved that the sum of one hundred dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated, to defray the expense of said repairs; and that the same be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated. Concurred, and Alderman Anthony assented.

James Madison. }

Whereas, since the last meeting of the City Council, intelligence has been received of the death of James Madison the able defender of our National Constitution, a patriot and a statesman, who after having worthily and honorably performed the duties of various important and responsible public offices both in the government of his native State and of the United States, was twice called by the voice of the American People to discharge the high trust of the Chief Magistracy of this Nation; It is therefore Resolved, that in testimony of regret for the loss and of respect for the character and public services of the deceased, the bells of all the churches in this City be tolled to-morrow, from half past six o'clock P.M. until sunset; and that Col. Martin of the United Train of Artillery be requested to cause minute guns to be fired during said time; and that it be recommended to the masters of all the shipping in the harbour, to the several military companies and the superintendents of the several flag-staves in this City, to suspend their flags at half mast, from noon until sunset.

Resolved, that the City Marshal be and he is hereby directed to cause such notice to be given of the foregoing Resolution, as may induce a due observance of the same.

Concurred, with this amendment, that the words "to-morrow" be stricken out, and the words "on Wednesday next" be inserted in their place.

The Common Council concur in the amendment.

Ariel Sayles. }

The Committee to whom on the 2^d of May last was referred the petition of Ariel Sayles, for relief, make Report recommending that said Petitioner have leave to withdraw the same, which is read: whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received.

Do.

Upon the Petition of Ariel Sayles praying for relief from a judgment of Court against him in favour of the City, it is Resolved, that the prayer thereof be granted, and that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and directed to receive from the said Sayles, one half of the amount of said judgment in full thereof; and on the receipt thereof, to give the said Sayles a discharge for the other half of the amount of said judgment. Concurred.

City Printing. }

14.

The joint Committee who were on the 6th of June last, appointed to contract for the City Printing for the present year, make Report, that they have contracted with the proprietors of the Providence Daily Journal, and Manufacturers' and Farmers' Journal, for the printing, in said papers, of all the City Ordinances, together with all the printing required by the City Offices, for the sum of fifty dollars, which Report is read: whereupon it is Resolved, that the same be received.

Concurred.

Deaf & Dumb Persons in City.

His Honor the Mayor who was by a Resolution passed on the 7th of March last authorized to take such measures as might be necessary for ascertaining the number of deaf and dumb persons in this City, and the age, sex, and pecuniary circumstances of each person and such of them, if any, who have been fully or partially educated, - in order that the City Clerk might be enabled to make returns of the same to the General Assembly, pursuant to a Resolution of the General Assembly passed at their Session in January last, - makes Report, that

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He has caused the necessary measures to be taken to ascertain all the persons respecting whom such inquiries were directed to be made; and presents with said Report, a list of the name, age, sex, and residence of each individual, which Report is read: Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and recorded
 Concurred.

Planet St. The joint Committee to whom on the 4th of April last, was referred the Petition of Tristram Burgess and others, for repairs on Planet Street, make Report, which is read: Whereupon it is Resolved, that the same be received.

do. On the Report of the joint Committee to whom on the 4th day of April last was referred the Petition of Tristram Burgess and others, requesting that certain repairs may be made in Planet Street, - it is Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby authorized and directed to cause a sewer to be laid in said Street, from Benefit Street to the West side of South Main Street, - under the advice and direction of Messrs Potter, B. Cooke, and D. Greene, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add
 Concurred, and Alderman Cady added.

Friendship St. Resolved; that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby authorized and directed to cause the gutters in Friendship Street, from Richmond Street to Chestnut Street, to be re-laid; provided the owners of the lands adjoining said Street, shall cause curb-stones to be erected in front of their respective lands.
 Concurred.

Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways, acting under the advice of Messrs Knowlton and Allin, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be directed to cause the Public Square on Federal Hill, belonging to the City, to be put in such order, as may be necessary to prevent

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accidents which are now liable to occur, owing to the present condition of said Square.

Concurred, and Alderman Williams added.

Thomas St. The Petition of Richard Jackson and others, for repairs on Thomas Street, which was on the 20th of April last presented, read, received and laid upon the Table, is again read

do. On the Petition of Richard Jackson and others, praying that Thomas Street may be repaired and graduated. It is Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways acting by and with the advice and direction of Messrs Potter, B. Cooke and D. Greene, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and he is hereby authorized and directed to remove the pavement from said Street, and to cause the same to be graduated; provided the owners of the lands adjoining thereon, shall erect curb-stones in front of their respective lands.

Concurred, and Alderman Martin added.

City Markets. An Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance for the regulation of the City Markets and Market Place';" repealing the Eighteenth Section of said last named Ordinance, is read and passed.

Concurred.

The Common Council adjourns to meet on Monday the 8th day of August next, at 5 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr President,	He. Anthony,	B. Cooke,
Messrs Allin,	J. G. Anthony,	J. S. Cooke,
" Andrews,	Bowen,	Everett
" Angell,	Blake,	Godfrey,

Gould,	Jackson,	Potter,
D. Greene,	Knowles,	Sweet,
Hamm,	Knowlton,	Warner
Hughes	Mason	

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Albert Greene
Clerk

Common Council, August 8th 1836.

Council met, pursuant to adjournment. A Quorum present.

Statement of the Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council of October 20th 1834, is presented and read. Whereupon it is Resolved, that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

Appropriations Resolved, that the several sums hereinafter mentioned be and the same are hereby appropriated to the following purposes respectively, to wit,
 For repairs on Bridge Street, eighteen dollars,
 For defraying the expenses of suit in favor of the City, against Martha Howell, two hundred & fifty dollars,
 For repairs of Arghum Wall and buildings, one hundred and fifty dollars,
 and that said several sums, so appropriated, be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.
 Concurred.

Rone Lot. The Joint Committee who were on the 11th of July last appointed to ascertain the bounds of the "Rone Lot" (so called) and to cause the house thereon to be repaired, and said Lot to be fenced, make Report, which is read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received and

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placed on file.

Randall St.

The Committee to whom was referred the petition of Samuel Thurber and others, on the 11th July last, for a cross-walk across Randall Street, make Report, which is read. Whereupon it is Resolved, that the same be received.

do.

On the Petition of Samuel Thurber and others, it is Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby authorized and directed to cause a cross-walk, across Randall Street, at its junction with North Main Street, to be laid, whenever the owners of the lands adjoining said Randall Street, on the North and South side thereof, shall have graduated their side-walks, and have erected their curb-stones on North Main Street, in conformity with such directions as may be given by the Commissioners of Side Walks.
 Concurred.

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Benefit St. Drain.

The Joint Committee to whom on the 11th July last, was referred the Petition of Asa Pike and others, praying for repairs on the drain in Benefit Street, at Fox Point, make Report, which is read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received.

do.

On the Petition of Asa Pike and others, it is Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby authorized and directed, under the advice and direction of Messrs Potter, B. Cooke & D. Greene, with such of the Board of Aldermen may add, to enlarge and properly secure the drain in Benefit Street, at Fox Point, provided the owners of lands adjoining said Street, shall continue said drain, and remove all obstructions thereof, agreeably to such directions as shall be given them by said Committee.
 Concurred, and Alderman Clifton added.

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Water in Fountain and Tabin Streets, make Report
 30. report fully in relation to the facts connected with
 the subject.

Burial Grounds. Petitions from Henry P. Yeomans and Amos D. Yeomans,
 and Abraham Hillwell, for himself and the heirs of John
 Davis, for leave to fence in and enclose, being
 ing lots in the North Burial Grounds, are presented and
 reads: whereupon it is Resolved, that the same be
 severally received and referred to the Standing Com-
 mittee on the North Burial Grounds, to examine
 and report thereon.

Star Street. A Petition from Nehemiah Dodge and others, praying
 for repairs on Star Street is presented and reads: where-
 upon it is resolved, that the same be received, and
 referred to Messrs Potter, B. Cooke and J. Greene,
 with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to
 33. examine and report thereon.

Concurred, and Alderman Martin added.

Channel
 in
 River.

A Petition of Sarah Chapin^{etc.} and others, setting forth,
 that said Petitioners have raised by subscription the
 sum of \$500. for the purpose of digging a channel
 fifty feet wide, in the middle of the River, from
 Keylopset Bridge to Seth Adams's wharf, and that
 the several owners of the wharf lots within said limits,
 have each subscribed one dollar per foot for the purpose
 of deeping said channel opposite their respective
 lands; and praying the City Council to appro-
 priate the sum of \$314 to defray the expense of digging

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opposite the public streets, gangways and landing-
 places, which, as stated by said petitioners, meas-
 ure 314 feet, - is presented and reads.

Deepening
 Channel. Upon the Petition of Sarah Chapin^{etc.} and others, re-
 questing an appropriation in aid of the design
 of said petitioners for deepening the channel of
 the River below Keylopset Bridge, - it is Resolved,
 that the same be received; and that the sum of
 Three Hundred and Fourteen Dollars be and the
 same is hereby appropriated for said purpose, to
 be paid by the City Treasurer, out of any money
 in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to the
 order of Mr. Benoni Cooke with such as the Board
 of Aldermen may add.

Non-concurred.

Grist Mill. Whereas the Town of Providence, at the November Term of
 the Court of Common Pleas, 1832, recovered a verdict
 of \$3187, against the proprietor of the ancient Grist Mill
 on Mooshansuck River, for damages sustained in
 consequence of the neglect of the proprietor to keep
 said Mill in ~~order~~ to grind the grain of the inhabi-
 tants; - and whereas the sole object of said Town
 was the enforcement of the original contract entered
 into between the proprietors of the mill and the Town
 of Providence; - it is therefore, in accordance
 with said object, voted, that Stephen Pillinghast,
 Samuel H. Arnold and Robert Angell be a com-
 mittee with full powers to relinquish in behalf of
 the City, the sum named in said verdict, when-
 ever the proprietor of said Mill puts the same in
 operation for grinding the grain of the inhabitants,
 in accordance with the terms of the original contract,
 and reimburses to said City all expenses which
 have been incurred in the prosecution of the suit;
 and whenever the said proprietor shall make and
 execute sufficient covenants to the City, to keep

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said Mill in repair and operation according to the terms of said original contract.

Concurred.

Resolved A Resolution for the appointment of a joint Committee to cause the lands which was devised to the Town of Providence by the late Ebenezer W. Dexter Esq for a Training Field, to be surveyed and platted, - is presented and read; whereupon it is resolved, that the same be laid upon the Table, and that the consideration thereof be postponed until the next meeting of the Common Council.

Resolved, that the sum of Ninety Dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated for repaying the expenses which have been incurred for repairs on the Public Square on Federal Hill, in pursuance with the Resolution of the City Council of the 11th July last: to be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Concurred.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

Kindly persons are admitted free men of the City having been duly pronounced; and kindly others are pronounced for admission as free-men.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday the 29th day of August instant, at 5 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr President

Messrs Allin

Angell

" N. Anthony.

" J. G. Anthony.

" Bowen

" Clarke

" B. Cooke,
" J. S. Cooke,
" Everett,
" Godfrey,
" Gould,

" B. Greene,
" S. H. Greene,
" Ham,
" Houghes,
" Knowles,

" Knowlton,
" Mason,
" Potter,
" Sweet,
" Warner. 22.

Albert H. Greene, Clerk

Common Council, August 29th 1836.

Council met, pursuant to adjournment. A Quorum present.

Hospital St. A communication from Isaac Field and Mary Manchester, proposing to convey to the City, in fee simple, two and a half acres of land on the Westerly line of the New Hospital Lot, and to quitclaim to the City that part of the Post-Office Lot which lies Westerly of the Pautucket Turnpike Road, - in exchange for a release by the City of the City's interest in all the land between said Turnpike and the shore, - is presented and read; whereupon it is resolved that the same be received and referred to Messrs Warner and Jackson, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon.

Concurred, and Alderman Williams added.

School for Colored Persons.

A communication from the School Committee stating that they have resolved to establish a School for colored persons on the West side of the river, and that they find it impossible to hire a suitable room for that purpose; and requesting the City Council to provide a suitable room therefor, either by building on land of the City, or otherwise, is presented and read; whereupon it is resolved that the

same be received and referred to Messrs Knutson & Gould, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon.

Concurred, and Alderman Hoppin added.

No. of Private Schools. A Communication from the School Committee, requesting the City Council to take measures for ascertaining the number of private schools in the City, the number of teachers, and the annual expenses of each school, - is presented and read; whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to Messrs Hughes and Allin, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, who are authorized to take measures for obtaining the desired information; and the sum of thirty Dollars is appropriated for defraying the expense thereof, to be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Chestnut St. A Petition of J. W. Gardiner and others for cross-walks and crosswalks, Chestnut Street, and across Pine Street at Claverick 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.

Water in Fountain St. The Committee to whom on the 5th of August instant, was referred the Petition of the Providence Dyeing, Bleaching and Calendering Company respecting a stream of water flowing in Fountain and Cabin Streets, together with a Report of a former Committee thereon, make Report, recommending that the subject be referred to the Board of Aldermen, which is read; whereupon it is resolved, that said Report, ^{be received and} together with the original Petition and the papers accompanying, be communicated to the Board of Aldermen.

State Penitentiary. A Communication from the Commissioners appointed by the State for the erection of a State Penitentiary, is presented and read; setting forth, that the State has no means of access to the Lot of Land purchased of the City for the location of said Penitentiary, except by passing over the lands of individuals; and requesting the City Council to cause the remaining part of the Street which "was platted by a Committee of the Town of Providence, and reported by them to the Town Council of said Town, on the 18th day of April, 1825," from said lot out, to a good passable street, to be so graded that the State may enjoy the use of said Lot purchased of the City. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received, and referred to Messrs Potter, B. Cooke and D. Greene, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon.

Concurred, and Alderman Martin added.

Reparations Boston and Providence Rail Road and Transportation Company. A Petition of a Committee of the Boston and Providence Rail Road and Transportation Company, praying for repairs on the Street leading from East Street, down the hill, to India Street, is presented and read; whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to Messrs Potter, B. Cooke & D. Greene, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon.

Concurred, and Alderman Clifford added.

Reparations Westminster and High Streets. The joint Committee to whom on the 11th of July last, was referred the Petition of Thomas C. Hoppin & others, for repairs on Westminster and High Streets, which Committee were also directed to enquire into the expediency of paving the parts of said Streets named in said Petition with wood instead of stone; and also to cause the lines of parts of said Streets and of Broad Street to be ascertained and run, make Report; which is read; whereupon it is

Repairs
Westminster

read: whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received

Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways, acting under the direction of Messrs Potter, B. Cooke and D. Greene, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be, and he is hereby authorized and directed to cause the pavement in Westminster Street from Walker Street to the junction of Westminster and High Streets, to be re-laid; and also to cause a cross-walk to be laid across said Westminster Street, opposite the residence of Oray Taft

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Eq.

No.

Resolved, that the sum of Twelve Hundred Dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated for defraying the expenses of relaying said pavement and laying said cross-walks; to be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Concurred, and Alderman Williams added.

Thomas
Street,

The joint Committee who were on the 11th of July last, appointed to cause Thomas Street to be graduated and re-paved, make Report, that they have caused the same to be done in pursuance of the terms of the Resolution by which they were appointed. Whereupon it is Resolved, that said Report be received.

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Concurred.

Arrangements
with
Banks to
Receive Money
for
the
Treasury

Resolved, that Messrs Mason and S. H. Greene with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be appointed a Committee to make such arrangements with any of the Banks in the City, to receive and allow interest for such monies as may come into the Treasury, as said Committee may deem most for the interest of the City.

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Concurred, and Alderman Anthony added.

Buying
Lots.

The Standing Committee on the North Burial Ground, to whom on the 8th of August instant, were referred the Petitions of Henry P. Germans and Amos B.

Yermans, and of Abraham Stillwell for himself and the heirs of John Davis deceased, make Report in favor of granting the prayer of said Petitions, which is read: whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received.

No.

Upon the Petitions of Henry P. Germans and Amos B. Yermans, and of Abraham Stillwell for himself and the heirs of John Davis deceased, requesting leave to fence in and enclose buying lots sufficient for their respective families, in the North Burial Ground, it is Resolved, that the same be severally received, and the prayer thereof granted; and that the said Petitioners be, and they are hereby severally authorized to fence in and enclose such lots for such purpose; provided the same be done under the direction of the Overseer of the North Burial Ground, with the sanction of the Mayor; and provided also, that the several privileges hereby granted shall be subject to all future regulations of the City Council in relation thereto, and shall severally continue during the pleasure of the City Council, and no longer.

Concurred.

Star Street.

The Committee to whom on the 8th of August instant, was referred the Petition of Nehemiah Dodge and others, for repairs on Star Street, make Report, that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer thereof; which is read: whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received.

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Concurred.

Resolved, that Messrs Potter, B. Cooke and D. Greene, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee, with power to direct the Surveyor of Highways, (if they may deem it expedient,) to cause the pavement to be removed from Planet Street, the gutter re-laid, and the

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middle of the Street graduated and gravelled: provided the owners of lands adjoining said Street shall erect curb-stones and graduate the side-walks in front of their respective lots.

Concurred, and Alderman body added.

Given in Convention of the City Council

In Convention. Sundry persons are admitted freemen of the City, having been duly pronounced; and Sundry others are pronounced for admision as freemen;

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the third day of October next, at 6 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr President,	Everett,	Knowlton,
Meprs. Allin,	Gould,	Moran,
Angell,	D. Greene,	Pettev
Clark,	Hughes	Sweet
B. Cooke,	Jackson	Warner
J. Cooke,	Knwles,	17

A. Greene, Clerk

Common Council, October 3^d. 1836.

Council met pursuant to adjournment. A Quorum present.

President A communication is received from the Board of Aldermen, pro tempore, informing the Common Council, that on account of the illness and absence of the Mayor, Alderman Anthony has been elected President, pro tempore, of the Board

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of Aldermen: which communication is read.

Anthracite coal. A Petition of Richmond Bullock and others, requesting the City Council to cause measures to be taken for ascertaining whether Anthracite Coal may not be found in the Northern part of the City, is presented and read: whereupon it is resolved that the same be received.

Do. Resolved, that Messrs Bowen, B. Cooke, J. S. Cooke, J. G. Anthony, Mason and Knowlton, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee, with power to cause such examination to be made, by boring or otherwise, as they may deem expedient, of the Lot belonging to the City, which was purchased of Mr. Thomas Jefferson, for the purpose of ascertaining whether Anthracite Coal may not be found in that location; provided that the expense thereof shall not exceed two thousand dollars.

Resolved, that the sum of two thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated for said purpose, to be paid to the order of said Committee, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

The question of the passage of the foregoing Resolutions, was taken by ayes and nays which on motion, were ordered to be entered on the Journal, - as follows.

Ayes	Nays
Messrs Allin	Messrs Knowlton,
Andrews,	Warner. 2.
Angell,	
H. Anthony,	
J. G. Anthony	
Bowen,	
Clarke,	
J. S. Cooke,	

Everett,
Godfrey,
J. Greene,
Ham,
Koughes,
Knowles,
Mason,
Potter,
Sweet,

17.

Ayes 17.
Nays 2.
15.

The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council of October 20th 1834, is presented and read; whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and placed on file.

Grist Mill
Mooshansuck
River
Stephen Tillinghast, Lemuel H. Arnold and Robert Angell, who were appointed by the Town of Providence a Committee to investigate the Town's interest in the ancient Grist Mill on Mooshansuck River, and to prosecute the same, make report, accompanied with sundry documents in relation to the suit in favour of the City against Martha Howell, the proprietor of said Mill, - which Report is read; whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, and together with the accompanying papers, referred to Messrs Everett, Sweet, & J. H. Greene, to examine and report thereon.

Petition
Boston
Parv. R.R.
The Joint Committee to whom on the 29th of August last, was referred the petition of the Committee of the Board of Directors of the Boston and Providence Rail Road and Transportation Company for repairs on the Street leading down the hill from East Street to India Street, make Report in favour of granting the prayer thereof, which

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

20. Upon the Petition of a Committee of the Boston and Providence Rail Road and Transportation Company, - it is Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways, be and he is hereby authorized and directed to cause the Street leading from East Street to India Street to be graded and gravelled; and that the said Surveyor be and he is hereby authorized and directed to cause the gutters in said Street to be paved, on one or both sides thereof, whenever the owners of the lands adjoining the same shall have erected curb-stones in front of their respective lots: the whole to be done under the advice and direction of Messrs R. W. Potter, B. Locke and J. Greene, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add.

Concurred, & Alderman Clifford added.

Planet
Street.
The Committee who were on the 11th of July last, appointed to cause Planet Street to be repaired and gravelled, and a drain sunk therein, make Report, that they same has been done by the Surveyor of Highways, under their direction; which Report is read; whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received.
Concurred.

Crosswalks
Collectment
St.
The Committee to whom on the 29th of August last, was referred the Petition of P. W. Gardiner & others for crosswalks across Chestnut and Pine Streets, make Report recommending the laying of a crosswalk across Chestnut Street; but do not recommend the laying such a walk across Pine Street; which Report is read. whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received.

Upon the Petition of P. W. Gardiner and others, it is Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby authorized and directed, to cause a crosswalk

to be laid across Chesnut Street.
Concurred.

Petition The Report of the Committee of the Common Council
Mr. Deyinger the Petition of the Providence Dyeing, Bleaching, and
Bleaching Co. Calendering Company, respecting a stream of water
flowing in Fountain and Aborn Streets, which Re-
-port together with the papers relating to the subject,
was on the 29th of August last, by a Resolution of
the Common Council, communicated to the Board
of Aldermen, and then sent up; - is now, together
with said papers, returned from the Board of Aldermen,
accompanied by a copy of a Resolution, setting
30 forth, that as the Board of Aldermen, in their opin-
250. -ion, have no cognizance of or jurisdiction over
the said matter, it is resolved by that Board
that said Petition and the proceedings thereon,
be returned to the Board of Common Council; -
which copy of said Resolution is read.

Repair A Petition of Henry L. Bower & others, praying for
College St. repairs on College Street, is presented and read; where-
-upon it is resolved, that the same be received and
referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, with
84 such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to ex-
111. -amine and report thereon.

School for The Joint Committee to whom on the 29th of August last
Schools - was referred the communication of the School Committee
Persons. respecting the proposed establishment of a School for Col-
-ored persons on the West side of the River, and a location
29. for the same, make Report, which is read; Whereupon
it is resolved that the same be received.

Resolved, that the communication of the School Com-
-mittee, respecting the establishment of a School for Col-

ored persons, on the West side of the River, together with
the Report of the Joint Committee this day made
thereon, be referred to Messrs Kennelton and J. S. Cooke,
with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, - to
make further examination and report in relation
to the subject of said Communication.
Concurred, and Alderman Williams added.

Survey of A Petition of Daniel Russell, for a lease of a part of
Part from the Town House Lot, is presented and read. where-
-House Lot. upon it is resolved, that the same be received and
referred to Messrs J. S. Cooke, Everett, and J. G. Anthony,
to examine and report thereon.

M. I. Artillery A Petition of the Independent Company of the "United
Drain of Artillery" requesting an appropriation, to the
use of said Company, of a part of the Town House
Lot, for the erection of an Armory thereon, in accord-
-ance with a vote of the Town of Providence, is
presented and read; whereupon it is resolved, that the
same be received and referred to Messrs Warner and
43. Mason, with such as the Board of Aldermen may
add, to examine and report thereon.
Concurred, and Alderman Bady added.

Hospital The Joint Committee, to whom, on the 29th day of
Lot. August last, was referred the Communication of Isaac
Lease Field Fields and Mary Manchester, offering to convey
to the City, certain lands on the West side of
the New Hospital Lot, and to quit claim to the
City, that part of the "Post House Lot" which lies
West of the Pantuxet Turnpike Road, - make
Report, that it is not expedient for the City to
accede to the proposals contained in said Com-
-munication; which Report is read; whereupon,
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it is resolved, that the same be received.
Concurred.

Store In Clerk's Office Resolved, that the Clerk of the Municipal Court be and he is hereby appointed a Committee, with power to procure a new store for the Clerk's Office of said Court.

Concurred.

Gale of Sept. 1815 Resolved, that the Clerk of the Common Council be and he is hereby added, to the Committee appointed by the City Council, on the 14th day of May A.D. 1835, to cause a Descriptive Statement of the Great Gale of September 23rd 1815, to be written and reported to the City Council, and to cause monuments to be erected, denoting the height of the tide on that occasion.

Concurred, October 31 1836.

Unloading Vessels. A draft of an Ordinance, entitled "An Ordinance to prevent the Unloading of Vessels in certain parts of the Harbour of Providence", is presented and read. whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and laid upon the table.

Chart Prov. River Resolved, that the Clerk of the Common Council, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be, and he is hereby appointed a Committee to cause the Chart of the Providence River, made under the direction of a Committee of the City Council, to be properly varnished and framed.

Concurred, Nov. 7. 1836. & Alderman Hoppin added.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

Sundry persons are propounded

for admission as freemen.

J. H. Greene
Freeman

John H. Greene is elected a freeman, in the place of Solomon Townsend, who declines serving.

The two Boards separate.

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

Members present.

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| Mr President. | J. S. Locke, | Knudston |
| Meigs Allin | Everett, | Mason, |
| Andrews | Godfrey, | Peter, |
| Angell | Goulds, | Sweet, |
| W. Anthony | J. H. Greene | Wamer? |
| J. H. Anthony. | Warr, | 21. |
| Bowers | Hughes, | |
| Blake | Knowles, | |

Albert Greene
Clerk

Common Council, November 7th 1836.

Council met pursuant to adjournment. A Motion present.

Petition of
G. Rice
and
others.

A Petition of Octavian Rice & others, tenants of stalls in the Fish Market, praying for the re-payment of a part of the rents paid by them in advance, for the use of their stalls - on account of the repeal of the 18th Section of the Ordinance for the regulating of the City.

Markets and Market Place, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be

received, and laid upon the Table.

City Treas. The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20th 1834, is presented and read; whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

Public Bridges Resolved, that the sum of Twelve Hundred Dollars, be, and the same is hereby appropriated for repairs of the Public Bridges; and that said sum, so appropriated, be paid out of any money in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated.
Concurred.

Crosswalk A Petition of Benjamin Hoppin & others for a cross-walk ⁱⁿ across Washington 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.

Crosswalk A Petition of E. J. Mallett & others for a cross walk ⁱⁿ across South Main 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.

Petition of E. J. Mallett for a lease of a part of the City's land on College Street, is presented and read; whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to Messrs S. H. Greene, Jackson & Warner, to examine and report thereon.

Petition of J. Higgins A Petition of William Higgins, now confined in the States Jail in the County of Providence, praying for liberation, is presented and read.

So. Upon the Petition of William Higgins, now confined in the States Jail, in the County of Providence, ^{as a} ^{supp. consequent of} ^{the City Treasury} for a violation of the Ordinance of the City, against rowelling in the Streets, it is resolved, that the same be received, and the prayer thereof so far granted, that the Sheriff of the County of Providence be and he is hereby authorized and directed to liberate said Higgins from his said commitment, on payment of the costs of said prosecution; and that the fine imposed upon said Higgins, be and the same is hereby remitted.
Concurred.

Petition of J. Russell The Committee to whom on the 3rd day of October last, was referred the Petition of Daniel Russell, for a lease of a part of the Town House Lot, make Report that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer thereof, which report is read; whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received.

So. Resolved, that the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby authorized to grant a lease of a part of the Town House Lot (so called) to Daniel Russell, during the pleasure of the City Council, for the purpose of his placing a shop thereon, - of twelve feet on College Street, next West of the building formerly occupied by Messrs Brewster & Pratt; and extending back twenty four feet; at the yearly rent of thirty six dollars.

U. S. Artillery The Joint Committee, to whom on the 3rd day of October last, was referred the Petition of the United Train of Artillery, make Report, which is read; whereupon, it is resolved,

39. that the same be received.

40. Upon the Petition of the Independent Company of the United Train of Artillery, requesting leave to erect an Armory for the Use of said Company, on a part of the Town House Lot (so called). It is Resolved, that the prayer of said Petition be, and the same is hereby so far granted, that the said Company be and they are hereby authorized to use and occupy as a location for an Armory for said Company, upon the terms and conditions contained and set forth in a vote of the Town of Providence, passed on the twentieth day of April A.D. 1803, a part of the said Town House Lot, bounded and described as follows, to wit: - beginning at the South-west corner of the Town House; thence running Southerly, on a line with the Westwardly side of the Town House, twenty-eight feet; thence, turning and running Easterly, parallel with the Southerly side of said Town House, about forty two feet; thence turning and running Northerly, twenty eight feet to said Town House; thence turning and running Westwardly, by the line of said Town House, about forty two feet, to the first mentioned bounds; provided however, that no building shall be erected or placed therein, within two feet of said Town House.

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Petition
Geo. S. Clark. 18. The Joint Committee, to whom on the 11th day of July last, was referred the Petition of George G. Clark and others, for a repeal of the Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance in relation to Dogs" make Report, that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer thereof: which Report is read: whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received.

Concurred.

State Pen-
itentiary. The Joint Committee to whom on the 29th of August last, was referred the Petition of the Commissioners appointed

by the Hon General Assembly, for the erection of a State Penitentiary, make Report, that it is inexpedient for the City Council to take any measures in relation to the subject of said Petition: which Report is read: Whereupon, it is resolved that the same be received.

Concurred.

Merchants
Bankers.

32. The Joint Committee who, on the 29th of August last, were appointed to make such arrangements with ~~any~~ of the Banks in the City, to receive and allow interest for such monies as may come into the Treasury, make Report, that they have agreed with the Merchants Bank, that said Bank is to receive all monies, in deposit, from the City Treasurer, subject to his order, for one year from the 1st of October 1836, and to allow interest on the same, at the rate of five per cent: which Report is read: whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received.

Concurred.

Dist.
Mill. Mooshansuck
River. Messrs. Everett, Sweet, & S. H. Greene, to whom on the 3rd of October instant, was referred the Report then made by the Committee appointed by the Town of Providence to investigate the Town's interest in the Ancient Grist Mill on Mooshansuck River, and to prosecute the same: - make Report, which is read.

Upon the Report of the Committee to whom was referred the Report of the Committee of the Town of Providence in relation to the Ancient Grist Mill on Mooshansuck River, and the documents accompanying the same, it is Resolved, that the same be received, and that the Accounts of John Whipple and Richard W. Greene, Esquires, for services as counsel for the City, in the case in favour of the City, against the proprietors of said Mill be referred to Messrs Everett, Sweet, & S. H. Greene, with such as the

Board of Aldermen may add. who are hereby authorized to settle said accounts at their discretion; and that said Committee be, and they are hereby authorized to draw upon the City Treasury, for whatever sum of money they may deem necessary for the payment of said accounts, whenever the same shall have been settled, and the amount to be paid in full thereof shall have been agreed upon by them with said Whipple and Greave.
 Concurred, & Alderman Anthony added.

Burying Lot. A Petition of Thomas and William Fletcher for leave to fence in and enclose a burying lot in the North Burial Ground, is presented and read.

2c. Upon the Petition of Thomas and William Fletcher, requesting leave to fence in and enclose a burying lot sufficient for their families, in the North Burial Ground, it is resolved, that the same be received, and the prayer thereof granted; and that the said petitioners be, and they are hereby authorized to fence in and enclose such lot for such purpose; provided the same be done under the direction of the Overseer of the North Burial Ground, with the sanction of the Mayor; and provided also, that the 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.

Boring for Anthracite. Resolved, that the joint committee who were appointed on the 3^d day of October last, to cause examination to be made, by boring, or otherwise, for Anthracite Coal, in the Lot of land purchased by the City of Thomas Sepicins, - be and they are hereby authorized to cause such examination to be made on any lands belonging to the City.
 Concurred.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

in Convention. Many persons are proposed for admission as freemen.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Wednesday, the 16th day of November instant, at 10 o'clock A.M.

Members present.

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| Mr. President | J. S. Cooke, | Masson, |
| Mrs. Allen, | Everett, | Peter, |
| Andrews, | D. Greave | Sweet, |
| Angell, | S. H. Greave | Waver, |
| H. Anthony, | Ham, | 20. |
| J. G. Anthony, | Jackson, | |
| Bowen, | Knolly, | |
| Clarke | Knowlton, | |

Albert Greave,
 Clerk.

November 16th 1836.Common Council, November 16th 1836.

Council met pursuant to adjournment. A Quorum present.

Petition U. S. Artillery of the United Train of Artillery to use and occupy a portion of the Town House Lot, (so called) for the purpose of erecting an Armory thereon, which paper the Common Council on the 7th instant, and was then sent up for concurrence, is now returned from the Board of Aldermen, who concur in the same with the following amendments, viz

44. that the words "in lieu of the Lot heretofore & now used and occupied by said Company, under the said Vote of the Town", be inserted between the word "Lot" and the word "bounded" in the twelfth line; and that the words "about" in the seventeenth line and also in the twentieth line, be stricken out.

The Common Council concur in the Amendments.

61. Crosswalks A Petition of James Salisbury and others, for cross walks ⁱⁿ a cross Elm and Eddy 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.

Petition of E. J. Mallett, for a lease of a part of the City's land on College Street, make Report, in favour of granting the prayer thereof; which Report is read: whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, and referred to the next meeting of the Common Council.

November 16. 1836.

The Resolution authorizing the City Treasurer to lease to Daniel Russell, a part of the Town House Lot (so called) for the purpose of his placing a shop thereon, which Resolution passed the Common Council, on the 7th instant, and was then sent up for concurrence, is now returned from the Board of Aldermen, who do not concur in the same.

Acct of J. Whipple & R. W. Greene. The joint Committee to whom on the 7th instant were referred the Accounts of John Whipple and Richard W. Greene Esqs against the City, make Report, which is read: whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received.

90. Upon the Report of the joint Committee, to whom on the 7th day of November instant were referred the Accounts of John Whipple and Richard W. Greene, Esquires, for their services as Counsel for the City, in the cases in favour of the City against the Proprietor of the Ancient Grist Mill on Mooshausuck River, it is resolved, that the same be received; and that the sum of Fifteen Hundred Dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated for the payment in full of said Accounts, to be paid, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Concurred.

Quiet Mill The joint Committee on the Accounts in relation to the cases in favour of the City against the proprietor of the Ancient Grist Mill on Mooshausuck River, make further Report, which is read: whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, and referred to the next meeting of the Common Council.

Highways Resolved, that the sum of Five Hundred Dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the repairs of

November 16th 1836.

Highways: and that said sum, so appropriated, be paid out of any money in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated.

Concurred.

Sale of Store Resolved that Alderman Cadz be and he is hereby appointed a Committee with power to sell the Store recently removed from the Office of the Clerk of the Municipal Clerk.

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Concurred.

Petition of the Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 7th instant, was referred the petition of E. J. Mallett & others, for a cross walk across South Main Street, make Report, in favour of granting the prayer thereof, which is read; whereupon it is resolved that the same be received.

do.

Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby authorized and directed, to cause a cross walk to be laid across South Main Street, opposite the building occupied by the Blackstone Canal Bank.

Concurred.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention:

undry persons are admitted as freemen, having been duly propounded; and undry others are propounded for admission as freemen.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday the 5th day of December next, at 6 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

- Mr. President.
- Messrs W. Anthony
- Bowen
- Blake,
- B. Cooke,
- J. S. Cooke,
- Everett
- D. Greene
- T. W. Greene

- Ham
- Houghton
- Jackson
- Kimble
- Mason
- Sweet
- Warner.

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Albert G. Greene
Clerk

Common Council, December 5th 1836.

Council met, pursuant to adjournment. A Quorum present.

Buying Lots.

- Petitions from William Aplin
- Frances Aplin,
- Stephen A Aplin,
- Elijah Felden,

and Jonathan Tiffany Jr. for leave to fence in and enclose buying-lots in the North Burial Ground, are presented and read; whereupon it is resolved, that the same be severally received and referred to the Standing Committee on the North Burial Ground, to examine and report thereon.

do.

The Standing Committee on the North Burial Ground, to whom was this day referred the Petition of Jonathan Tiffany Jr. make Report in favour of granting the prayer thereof, which Report is read; whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received.

When the Petition of Jonathan Tiffany jr, requesting leave to fence in and enclose a burying lot sufficient for his family in the North Burial Ground, - it is Resolved, that the same be received, and the prayer thereof granted: and that the said Petitioner be and he is hereby authorized to fence in and enclose such Lot for such purpose; provided the same be done under the direction of the Overseer of the North Burial Ground, with the sanction of the Mayor; and provided 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.

Sale of Store. Alderman Gady, who was on the 16th November last, appointed a Committee to sell the Store, recently removed from the Office of the Clerk of the Municipal Court, makes Report, that he has discharged said duty; which Report is read; whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received.

Concurred.

Report. The Monthly Report of the City Treasurer under the Resolution of the Common Council of the 20th October 1834, is presented and read; whereupon it is Resolved, that the same be received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

Appropriations. Resolved, that the several sums hereinafter mentioned, be and the same are hereby appropriated for the following purposes respectively; to wit,
 For Contingencies, Five Hundred Dollars,
 For the City Watch, Five Hundred Dollars,
 For Pumps & Wells, Fifty Dollars,
 For the Support of the Poor, Five Hundred Dollars:
 and that said sums so appropriated, be paid out of any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Concurred.

A Petition from William B. Staples setting forth, that he is engaged in preparing for publication, "A History of Providence," and requesting permission to examine the files and records in the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of the Municipal Court, and to make copies therefrom; and for that purpose, to take such files and records as he may desire to his Office, No 53 Arcade, or to his house, No 45, Benefit Street, upon such terms and under such restrictions as may be proper and expedient; - is presented and read; - whereupon it is Resolved, that the same be received, and referred to Messrs Jackson, James G. Anthony and J. S. Locke, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon; and that said Committee be directed to make Report thereon, at the next meeting of the City Council.

Concurred, and Alderman Anthony at Bed.

Petition of Fanny Lippitt, now confined in the States Jail, in the County of Providence, praying for liberation, is presented and read.

When the Petition of Fanny Lippitt, woman of colour, now confined in the States Jail in the County of Providence, under sentence as a disorderly person, - it is Resolved, that the same be received, and that the prayer thereof be granted, upon condition that the said Fanny Lippitt shall, within three days next after her liberation, leave this City, and not return to this City, without leave first obtained from the City Council; - and the Sheriff of the County of Providence is hereby authorized and directed to liberate said Fanny Lippitt from her said commitment, whenever the said Fanny shall have caused all the costs of her said prosecution and conviction to be paid.

Concurred.

Petition of Octavian Rice and others, which was, on the 7th of November last, presented and then read, received,

and laid upon the Table, is now again read; and is now referred to Messrs Hughes Everett and Bowen, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon; with directions to said Committee to make

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Report thereon at the next meeting of the City Council.
Concurred; and Alderman Cady added.

Repairs A Petition of Squire Pearce & others, praying for repairs on Federal St. Federal Street, is presented and read; whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to Messrs Knowlton, Clark & D. Greene, to examine and report thereon.

Petition The Report of the Committee to whom was referred the Petition of E. J. Mallett of Edward J. Mallett, for a Lease of a part of the City's land on College Street, - which Report was, on the 16th of November last received and referred to this meeting, is now again read.

Resolved, that the Petition of Edward J. Mallett, for a lease of a part of the City's land on College Street, with the Report of the Committee of the Common Council thereon, made on the 16th day of November last, be referred to the same Committee, who are hereby directed to make further Report in relation to the subject of said Petition, at the next meeting of the City Council.

Resolved, that Messrs Mason, Potter and Warner, be a Committee to enquire and report what amount of rent, (if any) is due from the Masonic Societies occupying the third story of the Market House, (so called) for the use of the present entrance to that part of the Market House; and also, to report any other information upon the subject; that they may obtain.

Resolved, that Mr. Everett be and he is hereby added to the Committee appointed by the City Council, on the 4th day of May, A.D. 1835, to cause a Descriptive Statement of the Great Gale of September 23^d 1815, to be written

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and reported to the City Council, and to cause monuments to be erected denoting the height of the tide on that occasion.
Concurred.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention. Sundry persons are admitted freemen of the City, having been duly propounded; and sundry others are propounded for admission as freemen.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday the 2^d day of January next, at 6 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

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| Mr. President, | Hughes |
| Messrs H. Anthony, | Jackson, |
| J. J. Anthony, | Knowles, |
| Bowen, | Knowlton, |
| Clarke, | Mason, |
| J. S. Cooke, | Potter |
| Everett, | Warner, |
| Godfrey, | |
| D. Greene | |

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Albert J. Greene, Clerk.

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Common Council, January 2^d. 1837.

Council met pursuant to adjournment. A Quorum present

Petition
J. Aylesworth

A Petition of John Aylesworth, praying for an increase of his compensation which he now receives by virtue of his contract made in September, 1835, for ringing the bell and winding up the clock in the First Ward Meeting House, (which compensation as fixed by said contract, is seventy five dollars per year,) is presented and read: Whereupon it is Resolved, that the same be received and referred to his Honor the Mayor; who is authorized to increase said compensation, for the present year, to such sum as he may deem expedient.

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Concurred.

Report of
Chairman

The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20th 1834, is presented and read. Whereupon it is Resolved, that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

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 six Hundred Dollars,
For the City Watch, One Thousand Dollars,
For the Support of the Poor Eight Hundred Dollars;
and that said sums, so appropriated, be paid out of any money in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated.

Concurred.

Rent due from Masonic Societies

The Committee appointed on the 5th day of December in-
 start, to enquire and report what amount of rent, if any,
 is due from the Masonic Societies occupying the third story
 of the Market House (so called) for the use of the pres-
 ent entrance to that part of the Market House, and
 also to report any other information upon the subject
 that they may obtain, make Report; which is read;
 whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received.

Resolved, that the City Treasurer, acting under the
 advice and directions of Messrs. Mason, Potter and
 Warner, with such as the Board of Aldermen may
 add, - he and he is hereby authorized and empowered,
 as the special agent of the City, to enter into an agree-
 ment in writing, with the Master, Wardens and Path-
 ren of St. John's Lodge of Free and Accepted Ma-
 sons, in the Town of Providence, for the use, by the
 occupants of St. John's Hall, (so called,) of the
 present entrance to the Market House; on the terms
 and conditions specified and set forth in the Report
 made to the Common Council of the City, by a Com-
 mittee of said Common Council, on the second day
 of January A.D. 1837.

Continued; and Alderman Hoppin added.

High School. Copies of certain Resolutions of the School Committee,
 passed on the 7th December last, in relation to the pro-
 posed establishment of a High School in this City,
 are presented and read

20. Upon the Resolutions of the School Committee, passed
 by said Committee, on the 7th day of December A.D.
 1836, this day communicated to the City Council, res-
 pecting the proposed establishment of a High School
 in this City, - it is Resolved, that the same be re-
 ceived, and referred to Messrs. Angell, H. Anthony,
 Everett, Warner, Mason and Knowlton, with such as the
 Board of Aldermen may add, - to examine and

report thereon.
 Writing School House Fund.

Resolved, that the said Committee be, and they are
 hereby directed also to take into consideration, and
 report upon, the expediency of establishing a new Writ-
 ing School in the Fourth Ward; and also to take
 into consideration, and report upon, the expediency of
 a Petition to the Honorable General Assembly, at
 their present session thereof, for such an amendment
 of the Act entitled "An Act to establish Public Schools,"
 as will authorize the elections of the School Committee
 to be made by the freemen of this City, at their Ward
 Meetings; And that said Committee be, and
 they are hereby directed to make Report on the sever-
 al subjects herein mentioned, at the next Meeting
 of the City Council.

On the motion for the instructions to the Committee
 to enquire into the expediency of establishing a new
 Writing School in the Fourth Ward, - contained in
 the foregoing Resolutions, the question was taken
 by Ayes and Nays, which were ordered to be
 entered on the Journals, - as follows.

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| <p><u>Ayes</u></p> <p>Messrs Angell
 H. Anthony
 Bowen,
 Clarke,
 J. S. Coske,
 Everett
 Gould,
 Greene,
 Ham,
 Knowles,
 Knowlton,
 Mason,
 Sweet. 13</p> | <p><u>Nays.</u></p> <p>Messrs J. G. Anthony,
 S. H. Greene,
 Jackson,
 Potter,
 Warner. 5.</p> |
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Continued, and Aldermen Cady & Anthony added.

Sevin's Lot. Resolved, that the Committee who were, on the 3^d day of October last appointed to cause examination of the Sevin's Lot (so called) to be made, for the purpose of ascertaining whether Anthracite Coal may be found, in that location, - be and they are hereby authorized and empowered to dispose of the stone found on said Lot, on such terms as they may deem proper; and to credit such sums as may be received from the sale of said stone, to the Appropriation made on said 13^d day of October 1836, for the purpose of such examination; - and that said Committee be and they are hereby authorized to draw on the City Treasury, from time to time, for the payment of the expenses of quarrying said stone: the said expenses to be charged by the City Treasurer, to the said Appropriation.

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Concurred.

Petition Mr. Staples. The joint Committee, to whom on the 5th of December last, was referred the Petition of William R. Staples, make report, which is read.

Upon the Report of the joint Committee, to whom was referred the Petition of William R. Staples, for leave to take from the Offices of the City Clerk and Clerk of the Municipal Court, for examination, such of the files and records in those Offices as may be necessary for preparing "A History of Providence", and to make copies thereof, it is Resolved, that said Report be received.

53 Resolved, that the prayer of the Petition aforesaid be so far granted, that the said William R. Staples be, and he is hereby authorized to take from the Office of the City Clerk, for the purposes aforesaid, such of the records and files as are specified in a List furnished by him to said Committee, and annexed to their said Report; and to carry the same either to his Office, No 53, in the Arcade, or to his dwelling house in Benefit Street.

provided, that no record or file shall be so taken from said Office, until the said Staples shall have given to the City Clerk, a receipt therefor, conditioned to return the same, in the same good order and condition as when so taken, within thirty days from the date thereof. Concurred.

James
Salisbury
Petition
Salisbury
and others,
for cross walks
across Elm and
Eddy Streets,
make Report
recommending
that a cross
walk be laid
across Elm Street
on the West
side of Eddy Street.

48.

The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 16th day of November last, was referred the petition of James Salisbury and others, for cross walks across Elm and Eddy Streets, make Report recommending that a cross walk be laid across Elm Street on the West side of Eddy Street; which Report is read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received.

Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby authorized and directed to cause a cross walk to be laid across Elm Street; and also to cause a cross walk to be laid across Eddy Street, on the South side of Elm Street. Concurred.

Benjamin
Hoppin
Petition
Benjamin
Hoppin
and others,
for a cross
walk across
Washington
Street, make
Report, that
it is inexpedient
to grant the
prayer thereof.

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The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 7th November last, was referred the petition of Benjamin Hoppin and others, for a cross walk across Washington Street, make Report, that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer thereof; which Report is read; Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, and together with said Petition, be laid upon the Table.

Federal
Street

54.

The Committee to whom on the 5th December last, was referred the petition of Squire Pearce and others, for repairs on Federal Street (so called,) make Report, that they cannot find that said Street has ever been received by the City; and that they, therefore do not recommend that any appropriation be made for the repair thereof: which

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Report is read: whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, and together with said Petition, be laid upon the Table.

May 1837. A Communication from His Honor the Mayor, in relation to Inconveniences complaints respecting weights, measures, and balances in use in the City; - and also in relation to obstructions of the Harbor, - is presented and read: whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received.

Resolved, that so much of the Communication of His Honor the Mayor, this day made to the City Council, as relates to weights, measures, and balances, be and the same is hereby referred to Messrs H. Anthony, Tomlinson and Warner, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon. Concurred, and Alderman Williams added.

Obstructions in Harbor. Resolved, that so much of the Communication of His Honor the Mayor, this day made to the City Council, as relates to the subject of obstructions of the Harbor, be, and the same hereby is, referred to Messrs Mason, Potter, & Everett, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon: and that said Committee be and they are hereby directed to make report thereon, at the next meeting of the City Council. Concurred, and Alderman Williams added.

Petition. The Committee to whom on the 5th of December last, was referred the Petition of E. J. Mallett, for a lease of a part of the City's Land on College Street, together with the Report made thereon by said Committee on said 15th day of December last, - make Report accompanied by the draft of a Resolution; which Report is read; whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received.

Upon the Petition of Edward J. Mallett, praying for a

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Lease of a part of the Town House Lot, (so called) for the purposes named in said Petition. It is Resolved, that the same be received, and the prayer thereof so far granted, that the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby authorized and directed, in the name, and as the Special Agent of the City, to make, execute and deliver unto the said Mallett, a lease of a part of the City's Land, bounding Northwesterly on College Street, called the "Town House Lot"; which part of said Lot, to be so leased, is bounded and described as follows, to wit, Beginning on the Southwesterly side of College Street, at the North Westwesterly corner of said Town House Lot; thence running Easterly, bounding Northwesterly on said Street, twelve feet; thence turning and running Southwesterly, parallel with the Westwesterly line of said Lot, one hundred and twenty-two feet; thence turning and running Westwesterly, at right angles with said last mentioned line, about twenty-four feet, to the Westwesterly line of said Lot; thence turning and running Northwesterly, on said Westwesterly line, about fifteen feet, to the end of said line; thence turning and running Easterly fourteen feet; thence turning and running Northwesterly on the Westwesterly line of said Lot, one hundred and sixteen feet, and three inches, to said College Street and the first mentioned bound; -

which said Lease is to be made upon the following terms and conditions, to be contained therein, namely;

That the said Mallett, his heirs and assigns, shall hold, use, and enjoy said strip of lands extending Southwesterly from College Street, one hundred and twenty-two feet, and holding throughout the width of twelve feet, - for the sole purposes of a gangway, to be used in common by the said lessee and the City, for the purpose of passing and re-passing to and from their respective estates; - and that, in the remaining part of the premises so to be leased, being a small piece of land Westwesterly of the Southwesterly part of said gangway, and equal in quantity to about twelve feet square,

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he said lease is to have a privilege of erecting or placing pines for the convenience of his adjoining estate.

do.

That the said Mallett, his heirs and assigns, shall pay to the City, as rent for such use and occupation of said premises, the sum of thirty six dollars each and every year during the continuance of said Lease, in equal quarterly payments of nine dollars each: - That said Mallett shall, at his own expense, and under the direction of the City Marshal, cause the Shed and tool-house now standing on said premises to be removed to such other part of said Town House Lot as shall be designated by the City Marshal; and shall also, at his own expense, cause a close picket fence to be erected, not less than ten feet in height, along the whole of the Easterly line of said premises; and shall also, at his own expense, cause to be done all and whatever things may be necessary to restore the said premises and the buildings and fences which may be removed therefrom, to good order and condition; and that the whole of said removals and repairs, and the erection of said fence shall be done under the directions and to the satisfaction of the City Marshal: -

And that said Lease shall be and continue in force, during the pleasure of the City Council, and no longer; and may and shall, at any time, be made void and determined by such Resolution to that effect as may be made and passed by the City Council.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

Rufus Blaggett is pronounced for admission as a freeman of the City.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Thursday the 5th day of January instant, at 6 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr President

Rufus Angell,

H. Anthony,

J. G. Anthony,

Bowen,

Clarke,

J. G. Cooke,

Everett,

Gould,

D. Greene,

S. H. Greene,

Haw,

Jackson,

Knowles,

Knowlton,

Mason,

Potter,

Sweet,

Warner.

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Albert Greene, Clerk.

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Council met pursuant to adjournment. A Quorum present.

Wooden
Buildings

A Petition of Hiram Hill and others, requesting that the Representatives of this City in the General Assembly may be instructed to use their efforts to procure the repeal of the Act entitled "An Act to prevent the erection of wooden buildings in certain parts of the Town of Providence," and of the Act in Amendment thereof, - is presented, and reads. Whereupon, it is resolved that the same be received, and laid upon the Table.

acct of
Treasurer.

Resolved, that Messrs Jackson and J. G. Anthony, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to examine and settle the Account of the City Treasurer with the City, up to the first day of January A.D. 1837.

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Concurred, Jan'y 23^d; + Alderman Cady added.

Obstructions
in
Harbor.

The Joint Committee, to whom, on the 2^d of January instant, was referred so much of the Communication of His Honor the Mayor, as relates to the subject of obstructions of the harbor and public waters in the City, make Report, accompanied by a draft of an Act, entitled "An Act in addition to an Act entitled 'An Act relative to the Harbor and Public Waters of the Town of Providence'." Which Report, together with said draft, is read: whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and accepted.

Concurred.

Resolved, that the Representatives of this City in the General Assembly be, and they hereby are requested to use their best endeavours to procure to be passed into a law, the subjoined draft of an Act in addition to the Act entitled "An Act relative to the Harbor and public waters of the Town of Providence,"

January 5th 1837.

Resolved, that the City Clerk be and he is hereby directed to transmit a copy of these Resolutions, together with a copy of the said draft of an Act, to the Representatives aforesaid
Concurred.

Establishment
of
High
School.

The Joint Committee to whom, on the 2^d of January instant was referred the Resolutions passed by the School Committee relative to the proposed establishment of a High School in this City, - which Committee were then also directed to enquire into, and report upon, the expediency of the establishment of a new Writing School to be located in the Fourth Ward, - and also to enquire into, and report upon, the expediency of a Petition to the Hon. General Assembly, at their present January Session, for such an Amendment of the Act entitled "An Act to establish Public Schools," as will authorize the freemen of this City to appoint the members of the School Committee, annually in Ward Meetings; - make Report, - that it is inexpedient to establish any High School in this City, at present, at the public expense; - that it is inexpedient to establish a Writing School in the Fourth Ward; - and that it is expedient to request the General Assembly to amend the "Act to establish Public Schools," in order that the School Committee in this City may hereafter be appointed in Ward Meetings: which Report is read: whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and accepted.

do.

The following Resolution was then proposed, viz.
"Resolved, that it is expedient that a High School be established in this City, as soon as in the opinion of the School Committee, the same can be done advantageously."

The question of the passage of said Resolution was taken by ayes and nays, which were ordered to be entered on the Journal, as follows.

Ayes.
 Messrs H. Anthony,
 J. G. Anthony,
 S. H. Greene,
 Jackson,
 Potter, 5.

Nays.
 Messrs Andrews,
 Angell,
 Bowen,
 Clarke,
 J. S. Cooke,
 Everett,
 Gould,
 D. Greene,
 Ham,
 Knowles,
 Knowlton,
 Mason,
 Sweet,
 Warner, 14.

Said Resolution is therefore not passed.

The following Resolutions were then proposed; viz.

Resolved, that a Writing School be established in the Fourth Ward; and that Messrs Warner, Mason, and S. H. Greene, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be a Committee to ascertain a location for said School, in conjunction with the School Committee, and make Report to the City Council; together with such other matters appertaining to the establishment of said School as they may deem necessary.

Resolved, that the City Clerk be directed to transmit a copy of the preceding Resolution, to the School Committee."

On the motion for the passage of said Resolutions, the question was taken by ayes and nays, which were ordered to be entered on the Journal, as follows.

Ayes.
 Messrs Andrews,
 Angell,
 H. Anthony,
 J. G. Anthony,
 Bowen,
 Clarke

Nays.
 None.

J. S. Cooke,
 Everett,
 Gould,
 D. Greene,
 S. H. Greene,
 Ham,
 Jackson,
 Knowles,
 Knowlton,
 Mason,
 Potter,
 Warner, 18

Said Resolution is therefore accordingly passed Concurred, and Alderman Hoopin Ayes.

It was then moved, that so much of the said Report of said joint Committee as relates to the expediency of a Petition to the General Assembly for an Amendment of the Act entitled "An Act to establish Public Schools;" be referred to the next meeting, for consideration. On this motion the question was taken by ayes and nays, which were ordered to be entered on the Journal, as follows.

Ayes
 Messrs Andrews,
 J. G. Anthony,
 Jackson,
 Potter, 4.

Nays.
 Messrs Angell,
 Clarke,
 J. S. Cooke,
 Everett,
 D. Greene,
 S. H. Greene,
 Ham,
 Knowles,
 Knowlton,
 Mason, 10

Said motion was therefore lost.

The following Resolutions were then proposed; viz.
 Resolved, that the Representatives of this City in the General Assembly, be and they are hereby requested

Writing School

to use their best endeavours to procure to be passed into a law, the subjoined draft of an Act entitled "An Act prescribing the manner of appointing the School Committee in the City of Providence."

Resolved, that the City Clerk be, and he is hereby directed to transmit a copy of these Resolutions, together with said copy of a draft of an Act to the Representatives aforesaid."

On the motion for the passage of said Resolutions, the question was taken by yeas and nays, which were ordered to be entered on the Journals, as follows; viz,

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| <u>Yeas.</u>
Messrs Andrews,
Angell,
Blake,
J. S. Cooke,
Everett,
D. Greene,
J. H. Greene,
Hoams,
Jackson,
Knowles,
Knowlton,
Mason. 12. | <u>Nays.</u>
Mr. Potter. 1. |
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(Mr. J. G. Anthony, was, at his request, excused from voting on said question.

Mr R. H. Potter also requested to be excused from voting on said question. Objections were made to the granting of said request, for the reason, that without the vote of Mr Potter, there would be no quorum voting on said question. It was moved, that Mr Potter be excused from voting thereon. On this motion the question was taken by yeas and nays, which were ordered to be entered on the Journal, as follows,

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| <u>Yeas.</u>
Mr. J. G. Anthony,
J. H. Greene. | <u>Nays.</u>
Messrs Andrews,
Angell, |
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Jackson,
Knowles. 4.

Blake,
J. S. Cooke,
Everett,
D. Greene,
Hoams,
Knowlton,
Mason. 9.

Said Motion that Mr Potter be excused from voting, was therefore lost.)

Clerk Com. A Resolution for an increase of compensation to the Council, Clerk of the Common Council, is proposed, and is read: whereupon it is resolved, that the same be referred to the next meeting.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention. Sundry persons are admitted freemen of the City, having been duly proposed - etc.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday the 6th day of February next, at 6 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

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| Mr. Prudent | .. Goulds, | .. Sweet, |
| Messrs Andrews, | D. Greene, | .. Warner, |
| Angell | J. H. Greene, | 20. |
| Ho Anthony, | Hoams, | |
| J. G. Anthony | Jackson, | |
| Bower, | Knowles, | |
| Blake, | Knowlton, | |
| J. S. Cooke, | Mason, | |
| Everett | Potter, | |

J. H. Greene
Clerks

Common Council, February 6th 1837.

Council met pursuant to adjournment. A Quorum present.

The President being absent, Mr Mason is appointed President pro tempore.

The proceedings of the last meeting are read.

In consequence of an alarm of fire, the Common Council adjourns to meet, to-morrow February 7th, at half past 6 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

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| Meser Andrews, | Hughes, |
| Angell | Knowles, |
| J. G. Anthony, | Knutton, |
| Clarke, | Mason, |
| Godfrey | Peter |
| O. Greene | Sweet, |
| S. W. Greene, | Warner 15, |
| How, | |

Albert G. Greaves
Clerk

Common Council, February 7th 1837.

Council met pursuant to adjournment. A Quorum present.

The President being absent, Mr Mason who was on the 6th instant appointed President pro tempore, takes the chair.

Lease The Resolution directing the City Treasurer, in the name and E. J. Mullett as the Special Agent of the City, to execute a Lease to Edward J. Mallett, of a part of the City's land on College Street, for a gangway, - which on the 2^d day of January last passed the Common Council, and was then sent up for concurrence, is now returned by the Boards of Aldermen, who concur therein, with certain Amendments, which are read: Whereupon it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur in said amendments.

Acct Treas. The joint Committee who were on the 5th day of January last, appointed to examine and settle the Account of the City Treasurer with the City, up to the first day of January A.D. 1837, make Report, that they have discharged that duty, and find said Account correct and supported by proper vouchers; that the cash balance, on said 1st day of January 1837, was \$20,970: 86
Uncollected Taxes 4,232: 00
Bills Receivable, unpaid, 2,188: 17
\$27,391: 03: which amount is debited to the Treasurer, in new account: which Report is read; Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received and accepted.

Concurred.

Buying Lots.

The Standing Committee on the North Burial Ground, to whom on the 5th day of December last, was referred the Petitions of William Aplin, Stephen A. Aplin, Francis Aplin, and Elijah Gelden, make Report in favour of granting the

prayer thereof: which Report is read: whereupon it is resolved
52 that the same be accepted.

do. Upon the Petitions of William Applin,
Stephen S. Applin,
Frances Applin,
and Elijah Selden, requesting leave
to fence in and enclose buying lots sufficient for their
respective families, in the North Burial Ground, it is re-
solved, that the same be received, and the prayer thereof
52 granted: and that the said petitioners be and they are hereby
authorized, severally to fence in and enclose such lots,
for such purpose; provided the same be done under
the directions of the Overseer of the North Burial
Ground, with the sanction of the Mayor; and provided
also, that the several privileges hereby granted, shall
be subject to all future regulations of the City Council
in relation thereto; and shall continue during the
pleasure of the City Council, and no longer.
Concurred.

Petition His Honor the Mayor, who was on the 23^d day of January
J. Aylesworth last, authorized to increase the compensation for the present
year, of John Aylesworth, for ringing the bell and winding
up the clock in the First Baptist Meeting House, makes
57 Report that he has increased said compensation to
the sum of Eighty-five Dollars, for the present year
ending on the 31st day of September next: which Report
is read, whereupon it is resolved, that the same be
accepted.
Concurred.

Republicity The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the
Treasurer. Resolution of the Common Council of October 28 1834
is presented and read, whereupon it is resolved
that the same be received, and referred to the Stand-
ing Committee on Finance.

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

- For Contingencies, Four hundred Dollars,
 - For repairs of the Asylum Wall & Buildings, One hundred Dollars,
 - For the Fire Department, Fifteen hundred Dollars,
- and that said sums so appropriated, be paid, out
of any money in the Treasury, not otherwise appropria-
ted.

Concurred.

Petition The joint committee to whom, on the 5th day of December
C. Rice, last, was referred the petition of Octavian Rice & others,
tenants of stalls in the Fish Market, praying for a repay-
ment of a part of the rent paid by them in advance
for the use of their stalls, - make Report, which is read.
53 whereupon it is resolved that the same be accepted,
and together with said petition, be laid upon the
Table.

do. Resolved, that Messrs Hughes, Jackson and Potter, with
such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they
are hereby appointed a Committee, with full power
to cause such addition or additions to be made
to the Fish Market building, as they may deem ex-
pedient; provided the expense thereof shall not ex-
ceed three hundred dollars.

110 Resolved, that the sum of Three hundred Dollars,
be and the same is hereby appropriated for defray-
ing the expense of such addition or additions; to be
paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise
appropriated.

Concurred, and Alderman Anthony added.

Mechanics A Memorial from the Providence Association of Mechan-
ics and Manufacturers, - requesting the City Council
Association to take measures for the improvement of the public schools
in this City, is presented and read.

Resolved, that the Memorial of the Providence Association of Mechanics and Manufacturers, in relation to the Public Schools in this City, be received and referred to Messrs Knowles, Jackson, Potter, Hughes, Mason and D. Greene, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon; and that said Committee be, and they are hereby directed to report, at the next meeting of the City Council, a plan for such improvements in the system of Public School education in this City, as they may deem expedient.

Concurred, and Aldermen Martin & Clifford added.

A Petition of George Baker and others, respecting the Stream of water flowing in and near Fountain Street, is presented and read. - whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, and laid upon the Table.

Resolved, that the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby authorized to lease the right to work the ledge of building-stone, recently opened on the Sephims Lot, (so called,) and that such lease or leases be made with the advice, and under the directions of the Committee appointed by the City Council, to examine the City's lands for Anthracite coal.

Concurred, June 5th 1837.

Resolved, that the Committee appointed to examine the City's lands, for Anthracite coal, be and they are hereby authorized, (if they think "advisable,") to procure the services of one or more persons skilled in the science of Geology, to make an examination of the shaft now opened on the Sephims Lot, (so called,) with a view to ascertain whether there are sufficient indications of the existence of Anthracite coal in that location, to warrant said Committee in pursuing their researches upon the plan hitherto pursued.

Concurred, February 10th 1837.

A Memorial from the City Treasurer, requesting an increase of compensation, is presented and read.

Resolved, that the Memorial of the City Treasurer, requesting an increase of his compensation, be received and referred to Messrs Jackson, Warner and Potter, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, - to examine and report thereon; and that said Committee be and they are hereby directed to make report thereon, at the next meeting of the City Council.

Concurred, Feb'y 10th 1837, & Alderman Cady added.

Resolved, that the Clerk of the Common Council be allowed and paid for his services as such, the sum of One Hundred dollars per annum, commencing with the present municipal year.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention:

undry persons are admitted freemen of the City, having been duly propounded; and sundry others are propounded for admission as freemen.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the 20th day of February instant, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

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| Messrs Andrews, | " S. H. Greene, | " Potter, |
| Angell, | Warner, | Sweet |
| J. G. Anthony, | Hughes, | Warner. 17 |
| Clarke, | Jackson, | |
| Godsey, | Knowles, | |
| Gould, | Knowlton, | |
| D. Greene | Mason, | |

Albert H. Greene,
Clerk

Common Council, February 20th, 1837.

Council met, pursuant to adjournment. A Quorum present.

Clerk. The Resolution respecting the compensation of the Clerks of the Common Council, which passed the Common Council on the 7th day of February instant, and was then sent up for concurrence, is returned by the Board of Aldermen, who concur therein, with an Amendment, which is read; - Whereupon it is resolved that the Common Council do concur in said Amendment.

Petition. A Petition of Maty Ann Light, woman of colour, now confined in the States' Jail in the County of Providence, under sentence for keeping a disorderly house, praying for liberation, is presented and read: Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received, and that the said Petitioner have leave to withdraw the same.

Memorial of Poor. A Memorial from the Overseer of the Poor, requesting an increase of compensation, is presented and read: Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and laid upon the Table.

Memorial. A Memorial of Edward S. Williams and others, in relation to the stream of water flowing in and near Fountain Street, is presented and read: Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to Messrs H. Anthony, Potter & Houghton, to examine and report thereon.

Witness Fees. A Communication from the City Treasurer, requesting an appropriation for the payment of witnesses fees and other contingent expenses in the Suit in favour of the City against

Mrs Martha Howell, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received. Concurred.

Appropriation. Resolved, that the several sums hereinafter mentioned, be and the same are hereby appropriated for the following purposes respectively, to wit. - For expenses of the Suit in favour of the City against Martha Howell, One hundred and twenty five Dollars. For the Fire Department, Three hundred Dollars. And that said sums, so appropriated, be paid, out of any money in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated. Concurred.

Salary. The joint Committee to whom on the 7th day of February instant, was referred the Memorial of the City Treasurer, requesting an increase of compensation, make Report recommending that the Salary of said Office be increased to Six hundred and fifty Dollars per annum, commencing with the present Municipal year, which Report is read; whereupon it is resolved that the same be received. Concurred.

Resolved, that the City Treasurer be allowed and paid for his Services as such, during the present municipal year, the sum of One hundred and fifty Dollars, in addition to the sum of five hundred Dollars, so appropriated for that purpose in and by the Ordinance passed on the fifth day of June A.D. 1836, entitled "An Ordinance fixing the compensation of certain Officers, for the year ending the first Monday of June A.D. 1837"

The question of the passage of the foregoing Resolution was taken by ayes & nays, which were ordered to be entered upon the Journals, as follows. - viz,

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Ayes.
 Messrs H. Anthony,
 J. G. Anthony,
 Bowen,
 Clarke,
 J. S. Cooke,
 Godfrey,
 J. H. Greene,
 Hoam,
 Hughes,
 Jackson,
 Knowlton,
 Potter,
 Sweet,
 Warner. 14.

Nays.
 Messrs Angell,
 Everett,
 D. Greene,
 Knowles,
 Mason. 5.

Said Resolution is accordingly passed & concurred.

Juv. Assoc-
 ciation
 Mechanic
 Manufactures

The joint Committee to whom on the 7th day of February instant, was referred the Memorial of the Providence Association of Mechanics and Manufacturers, in relation to the Public Schools in this City; which Committee were directed to report at this meeting a plan for such improvements in the system of Public school education in this City, as they might deem expedient; - make Report, containing a plan for a new organization of the Public Schools; which report is read, whereupon the following Resolution is proposed, - to wit,

"Resolved, that the Report of the Committee appointed by the City Council, on the 7th day of February instant, on the Memorial of the Providence Association of Mechanics and Manufacturers, be received, and that it be referred to the same Committee, to report a bill in conformity therewith, at the next meeting of the City Council; and that, in the mean time, an attested copy of said Report be published in the Providence Daily Journal, Morning Courier and Republican

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Heralds."

On the motion for the passage of said Resolution, the question was taken by ayes and nays, which are ordered to be entered on the Journal as follows

Ayes.
 Messrs Angell,
 J. S. Cooke,
 Everett,
 Hoam,
 Knowles. 5

Nays.
 Messrs J. G. Anthony,
 Bowen,
 Clarke,
 Godfrey,
 D. Greene,
 J. H. Greene,
 Hughes,
 Jackson,
 Knowlton,
 Mason,
 Potter,
 Sweet
 Warner. 13

Said Resolution is therefore not passed.

do,

Resolved, that the Report of the joint Committee on the Memorial of the Providence Association of Mechanics + Manufacturers in relation to the public Schools in this City, be received. concurred.

The following Resolutions were then moved, and passed, nem. con. viz

1. Resolved, that it is expedient that the number of public schools in this City be increased to twenty-four, not including the African School; and that they be of the following description, viz, four Upper Schools, eight Intermediate Schools, and twelve Primary Schools.

2. Resolved, that in the opinion of the City Council, no child ought to be admitted into the Primary Schools, at a less age than five years; into the Intermediate Schools at a less age than eight years; nor into the Upper Schools, at a less age than twelve years; unless under peculiar circumstances,

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and by special permission of the School Committee.

3. Resolved, that in the opinion of the City Council, no pupil ought to be allowed to remain in the primary schools for a longer period than three years; in the Intermediate Schools longer than four years; nor in the Upper Schools longer than three years; unless under peculiar circumstances, and by the special permission of the School Committee; and in no case, in the Upper Schools, except when the same are not full.

4. Resolved, That new schools ought to be established, from time to time, whenever the number of scholars in the Primary Schools exceed one hundred to each school, or fifty in each of the other Schools.

5. Resolved, that in the opinion of the City Council, each of the Primary Schools ought to continue to be under the charge of a Principal and one Assistant; and that each of the other Schools ought to be under charge of a single teacher.

6. Resolved, that in the judgment of the City Council, an additional appropriation ought to be made from the City Treasury, to such amount as will enable the School Committee to pay to each Principal of the Primary Schools, a salary of two hundred and twenty-five dollars per annum; to each of the Assistants One hundred and seventy-five dollars per annum; to each of the Teachers of the Intermediate Schools, eight hundred dollars per annum; and to each of the Teachers of the Upper Schools, nine hundred dollars per annum.

7. Resolved, that the Committee to whom was referred the Memorial of the Providence Association of Mechanics & Manufacturers, be instructed to report a bill in conformity with the preceding Resolutions.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

Sundry persons are admitted members of the City, having been duly propounded, and sundry others are propounded for admission as members.

Members Engine Co.

Sundry persons are elected members of Pioneer Engine Company, - and of Engine Co No 6, in addition to the number previously elected members of those Companies.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the 6th day of March next, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr. President
 Asst Angel,
 H. Anthony,
 J. G. Anthony,
 Bowen,
 Blake,
 J. S. Cooke,
 Everett,
 Godfrey,
 D. Greene.

" J. H. Greene,
 Hearn,
 Houghes,
 Jackson,
 Knuckles,
 Knowlton,
 Mason,
 Potter,
 Sweet,
 Warner, 20.

Albert H. Greene,
 Blake

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

Petition
H. L. Bowen

The Resolution receiving and referring the Petition of
Henry L. Bowen & others, for repairs on College Street,
which passed the Common Council on the 3^d day of
October last, and was then sent up for concurrence,
is now returned by the Board of Aldermen, who
concur therein, with the addition of Alderman Martin
to the Committee.

Petition
J. Prentiss

A Petition of Thomas Prentiss, for leave to fence in
and enclose a buying lot in the North Burial Ground,
is presented and read; whereupon it is resolved, that the
same be received and referred to the Standing Committee
on the North Burial Grounds, to examine and report
thereon.

Public
Schools.
New Organ-
ization.

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The Resolutions in relation to the expediency of a new or-
ganization of the Public Schools of the City, which passed
the Common Council, on the 20th day of February last,
and were then sent up for concurrence, are now returned
by the Board of Aldermen, who concur therein, with the
following Amendments; - viz;

- 1st. "That the word 'twenty-four' in the second line of
the first Resolution, be stricken out; and the
word 'twenty-two' inserted in its room."
- 2^d. "That the word 'twelve' in the fourth line of
the same Resolution, be stricken out; and the
word 'ten' inserted in its room."
- 3^d. "That the word 'five' in the second line of the
second Resolution, be stricken out; and the
word 'four' inserted in its room."
- 4th. "That the word 'eight,' in the third line of

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the second Resolution, be stricken out; and the word 'seven'
inserted in its room;"

5th. "That the word 'twelve' in the third line of the second
Resolution, be stricken out; and the word 'eleven' inser-
ted in its room"

6th. "That the word 'eight' in the sixth line of the
sixth Resolution, be stricken out; and the word
'seven' inserted in its room"; -

which Amendments are severally read. — where-
upon it is moved, that the Common Council do con-
cur in said Amendments: — whereupon,
on the motion for concurrence in the first of said
Amendments, the question is taken by ayes and
nays, which are ordered to be entered upon the
Journal, as follows viz,

Ayes
Messrs J. S. Cooke
Wamer, 2.

Nays.
Messrs Andrews,
Angell,
H. Anthony
J. G. Anthony
Bowen, 1
Clarke,
Crest,
Godfrey,
Gard,
Greene,
Hughes,
Jackson,
Knowles,
Knowlton,
Mason,
Potter, 16.—

On the motion for concurrence in the second of said
Amendments, it is resolved, that the Common Council
do not concur therein.

On the motion for concurrence in the third of said
Amendments, the question is taken by ayes and nays,
which are ordered to be entered upon the Journal,
as follows, viz,

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Ayes.
 Messrs Andrews,
 Angell,
 Gould,
 D. Greene,
 Knowles,
 Warner. 6.

Nays.
 Messrs H. Anthony,
 J. G. Anthony,
 Bowen,
 Clarke,
 J. S. Cooke,
 Everett,
 Godfrey,
 Hughes,
 Jackson,
 Knowlton,
 Mason,
 Potter 12.

On the motion for concurrence in the fourth of said Amendments, the question was taken by Ayes and Nays, which were ordered to be entered upon the Journal, as follows, viz.

Ayes.
 Messrs Andrews,
 Angell,
 Godfrey,
 Warner. 4

Nays.
 Messrs H. Anthony,
 J. G. Anthony,
 Bowen,
 Clarke,
 J. S. Cooke,
 Everett,
 Gould,
 D. Greene,
 Hughes,
 Jackson,
 Knowles,
 Knowlton,
 Mason

Potter. 14

On the motion for concurrence in the fifth of said Amendments, the question was taken by Ayes and Nays, which were ordered to be entered upon the Journal, as follows, viz.

Ayes.
 Mr. Warner. 1.

Nays.
 Messrs Andrews,
 Angell,

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H. Anthony,
 J. G. Anthony,
 Bowen,
 Clarke,
 J. S. Cooke,
 Everett,
 Godfrey,
 Gould,
 D. Greene,
 Hughes,
 Jackson,
 Knowles,
 Knowlton,
 Mason,

Potter. 17

On the motion for concurrence in the sixth of said Amendments, the question is taken by Ayes and Nays, which are ordered to be entered upon the Journal, as follows, viz.

Ayes.
 Messrs Angell,
 J. S. Cooke,
 Everett,
 Gould,
 Knowles,
 Warner. 6.

Nays.
 Messrs Andrews,
 H. Anthony,
 J. G. Anthony,
 Bowen,
 Clarke,
 Godfrey,
 D. Greene,
 Hughes,
 Jackson,
 Knowlton,
 Mason

Potter. 12.

It is, therefore, resolved, that the Common Council do not concur in said Amendments. — The Board of Aldermen insist upon their amendments. The Resolution of the Board of Aldermen, insisting upon their Amendments, is read: Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council

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do insist upon their non-concurrence; and do request a conference with the Board of Aldermen, respecting the disagreement of the two Boards; and do appoint Messrs J. G. Cooke, Jackson & Mason a Committee of Conference, to confer with such Committee as may be appointed by the Board of Aldermen.

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The Board of Aldermen unite in the appointment of a Committee of Conference, and appoint Aldermen Cady & Williams on the part of that Board.

Carliest.

A Petition of Child, Viall & Wood, & others, for repairs on Corlis Street, &c. is presented and read: whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, and referred to Messrs J. Greene, Andrews, & Angell, to examine & report thereon.

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Report of Treasurer

The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20th 1834 is presented and read: whereupon it is resolved that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

July Debt.

A Communication from the City Treasurer, respecting a portion of the City Debt, which will fall due on the 1st of April next, is presented and read: whereupon it is resolved that the same be received

Concurred.

Appropriation

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

For the Fire Department, Three Hundred Dollars;

For the City Watch, Six hundred Dollars.

For the Payment of a portion of the City Debt, Three

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thousand Dollars. - And that said sums, so appropriated, be paid out of any money in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated. Concurred.

R. I. Historical Soc.

A Petition of the Rhode Island Historical Society, for leave to take from the City's quarry in the Northwary part of the City, free of charge, a quantity of stone sufficient for the erection of a building for the use of said Society, is presented and reads:

Prov. Athn. Museum.

A Petition of the Providence Athenaeum, for the grading of College and Benefit Streets, and also for leave to take from the City's quarry in the Northwary part of the City, free of charge, a quantity of stone sufficient for the erection of a building for the use of said Athenaeum, is presented and reads.

Resolved that the Petition of the Board of Trustees of the Rhode Island Historical Society, for leave to take stone from the City's Quarry in the Northwary part of the City, for the erection of their contemplated building, - and the Petition of the Providence Athenaeum, for leave to take stone from said Quarry, for the erection of their contemplated building, and for the grading of Benefit and College Streets, be severally received and referred to Messrs Jackson & Mason, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon.

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Concurred; and Alderman Cady added.

Petition D. M. Giles.

A Petition from David M. Giles and Daniel Greene, tenants of stalls in the Fish Market, for the repayment of a part of the rents paid by them in advance, for the use of their stalls, is presented and reads: whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to Messrs Hughes, Everett and Bowen, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and re-

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put thereon.

Concurred, & Alderman Anthony added.

Salary of Mayor.

Resolved, that the Salary of the Mayor, for the ensuing Municipal year, be one thousand dollars, payable quarterly. Concurred.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

undry persons are admitted freemen of the City, having been duly proposed, and sundry others have been proposed for admissions as freemen.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the 20th day of March instant, at 7 o'clock P.M.

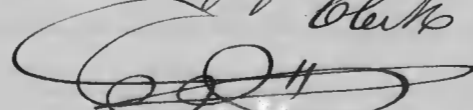
Members present.

Mr President
Messrs Andrews,

Angell,
H. Anthony
J. G. Anthony
Bowen

Blake,
J. S. Cooke,
Everett,
Godfrey,

Gould,
D. Greene,
Hughes,
Jackson,
Knowles,
Knutton,
Mason,
Petter,
Warner. 19.

Albert G. Greene,
Clerk


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Common Council, March 20th 1837

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

Read A communication from His Honor the Mayor is presented and read, accompanied by a Letter from the Chairman of the Committee of Arrangements for the Celebration of the Second Centennial Anniversary of the Settlement of Providence, presenting to the City Government, One hundred copies of the Address delivered by Hon John Pitman upon that occasion.

20. A Communication from the Chairman of the Committee of Arrangements for the Celebration of the Second Centennial Anniversary of the Settlement of Providence, requesting an Appropriation for the purpose of defraying the balance of the expenses of said Celebration, which is now unpaid, is presented and read, whereupon it is resolved that the same be received. Concurred.

20. Resolved, that the sum of Sixty six dollars and thirty one cents be and the same is hereby appropriated, for the payment of the balance now unpaid, of the expenses incurred by the Committee of Arrangements for the Celebration of the Second Centennial Anniversary of the Settlement of Providence, and that said sum, so appropriated, be paid, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, - to the order of the Chairman of said Committee. Concurred.

City Debt A Communication from the City Treasurer, in relation to a portion of the City Debt which falls due on the 1st day of April next, is presented and read: Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received.

Do. Resolved, that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and empowered to renew, for one year, that portion of the City Debt which falls due on the first day of April A.D. 1837, amounting to eighteen thousand, six hundred and ninety three dollars and thirty three cents, at a rate of interest not exceeding five per cent per annum.

Concurred

Weights measures &c. The joint Committee to whom on the 2^d of January last was referred so much of the Communication of His Honor the Mayor, then made, as relates to weights measures and balances, make Report: which is read.

Resolved, That the Report of the joint Committee to whom was referred so much of the Communication of His Honor the Mayor, made on the 2^d day of January last, as relates to the subject of weights, measures and balances, be received; and that the same be referred to the same Committee; and that said Committee be and they are hereby directed to make Report by bill.

Concurred.

Public Schools. The Committee of Conference who were on the 6th day of March instant appointed by this Board and the Board of Aldermen, to confer respecting the disagreement between the two Boards, in relation to the Resolutions upon the expediency of a new organization of the Public Schools, make Report, recommending the passage of sundry Resolutions: which Report is read: whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received.

Concurred.

In consequence of an alarm of fire, the Common Council adjourn to meet on Wednesday the 22^d day of March instant, at seven o'clock P.M.

Members present.

- Mr. President.
- Messrs Andrews,
- Angell,
- W. Anthony,
- J. G. Anthony,
- Bowen,
- Blake,
- J. S. Locke
- Everett,
- Gould,
- D. Greene,

- " S. H. Greene,
- Keaw,
- Hughes,
- Jackson,
- Knowles,
- Knowlton,
- Mason,
- Peter
- Sweet
- Warner . 21.

Albert G. Greene, Clerk

Common Council, March 22^d 1837

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

Williams Street. A Petition of William Ashton and others, for repairs on Williams Street and the street in continuation thereof to the river, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to Messrs D. Greene & Everett, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon.

Concurred: and Alderman Hoppin added.

Resolved, that the one hundred copies of the Address delivered by Hon. John Pitman at the recent celebration of the Second Centennial Anniversary of the Settlement of Providence, which copies were on the 20th day of March instant presented to the City Government, by the Committee of Arrangements for that Anniversary, - be equally distributed among the members of the City Council, as near as may be.

Concured, with the following Amendment: "that all the words after the word 'be' in the seventh line, be stricken out, and the following words inserted in their room; viz. 'distributed as follows: - one copy to each of the members of the City Council, and the residue to such other persons as the Mayor may think proper.'"

The Common Council concurs in the Amendment.

Petition of R. I. Historical Society. The Joint Committee to whom, on the 6th day of March instant were referred the Petitions of the Society, for leave to take from the City Quarry in the Northern part of the City, free of charge, sufficient quantities of stone for the erection of their contemplated buildings, make Report, that in the opinion of the majority of the Committee, it is inexpedient to grant the prayer thereof: which Report is read: Whereupon it is Resolved, that the same be received.

Concured.

Leave is requested to withdraw the Petition of the Providence Athenaeum: whereupon it is resolved, that the said Petitioners have leave to withdraw the same.

It is moved, that the prayer of the Petition of the Rhode Island Historical Society be granted: and on taking the question, said motion is lost.

The Resolutions respecting the expediency of a new organization of the Public Schools, which were on the 20th day of March instant, reported by the Committee of Conference appointed on the 6th day of March instant, to confer in relation to the disagreement between the two Boards, - are again read: whereupon it is moved that the same be laid upon the Table. On which motion the question

is taken by Ayes and Nays, which are ordered to be entered upon the Journal, as follows.

Ayes.

Messrs Allin
Angell,
Everett
Hans. 4.

Nays.

Messrs V. Anthony,
J. G. Anthony
J. S. Cooke,
Greene
S. H. Greene,
Hughes
Jackson,
Knowles,
Knowlton,
Mason,
Potter,
Warner. 12.

Said motion is therefore lost.

Organization
Public
School.

The following Resolution is proposed, viz. "Resolved, that the Resolutions reported by the Committee of Conference, on the Organization of the Public Schools, be referred to a Joint Committee, to report Estimates of the expenses necessary to be incurred in adopting and carrying said Resolutions into effect, and the annual expense attendant thereon; also, the number of scholars which can be accommodated in said Schools as recommended in said Resolutions; - and to report also any other plan for the improvement of the Public Schools which said Committee may deem expedient."

On the motion for the passage of said

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proposed Resolution, the question is taken by Ayes and Nays, which are ordered to be entered upon the Journal, - as follows:

Ayes.

Mefrs Allin,

Angell,

J. S. Cooke,

Everett,

Ham,

Knowles,

Warner. 7

Nays.

Mefrs H. Anthony,

J. H. Anthony,

Greene,

H. Greene,

Hughes,

Jackson,

Kinniston,

Mason,

Potter. 9.

Said motion is therefore lost.

The first of said Resolutions is again read, and is passed, as follows.

1. Resolved, that it is expedient that the number of Public Schools in this City be increased to twenty four, not including the African School

The second of said Resolutions is again read, whereupon it is moved, that the same be stricken out, and the following inserted in its place, viz

"Resolved, that Mefrs _____ be a Committee to report a bill for the establishment of _____ Primary Schools in addition to those now established; and also for establishing two Schools of a higher grade than the present Writing Schools, to be denominated Latin Grammar High Schools;" with such provisions relative to said proposed new schools as said Committee may deem necessary"

On the motion for the adoption of said proposed amendment, the question is taken by Ayes & Nays, which are ordered to be entered upon the Journal, as follows.

March 22^d. 1837.Ayes.

Mefrs Allin,

Angell,

Everett,

Ham,

Knowles,

Warner. 6.

Nays.

Mefrs H. Anthony,

J. H. Anthony,

J. S. Cooke,

Greene,

H. Greene,

Hughes,

Jackson,

Kinniston,

Mason. 9.

Said motion is therefore lost.

Said second Resolution is again read, and is passed, as follows.

2. Resolved that said Schools be of the following description, viz four Upper Schools, eight Intermediate Schools, and twelve Primary Schools.

The third of said Resolutions is again read, and is passed, as follows.

3. Resolved, that in the opinion of the City Council, no child ought to be admitted into the Primary Schools at a less age than four years; into the Intermediate Schools, at a less age than eight years; nor into the Upper Schools, at a less age than twelve years; unless under peculiar circumstances, and by special permission of the School Committee.

The fourth of said Resolutions is again read, and having been amended, is passed, as follows.

4. Resolved, that in the opinion of the City Council, no pupil ought to be allowed to remain in the Upper Schools, longer than three years, unless under peculiar circumstances, and by the special permission of the School Committee; and in no case except when the same are not full.

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The fifth, sixth and seventh of said Resolutions, are severally again read, and are passed, as follows:

5.th Resolved, that new schools ought to be established, from time to time, whenever the number of scholars in the primary schools exceeds one hundred to each school, or sixty to each of the other schools

6.th Resolved, That, in the opinion of the City Council, each of the primary schools ought to continue to be under the charge of a Principal and Assistant, and that each of the other schools ought to be under the charge of a single teacher.

7.th Resolved, That in the judgment of the City Council, an additional appropriation ought to be made from the City Treasury, to such an amount as will enable the School Committee to pay to each Principal of the Primary Schools, a salary to two hundred and twenty five dollars per annum; to each of the Assistants one hundred and seventy five dollars per annum; to each of the Teachers of the Intermediate Schools, seven hundred and fifty dollars per annum; and to each of the Teachers of the Upper Schools, nine hundred dollars per annum.

The eighth of said Resolutions, is again read, and having been amended, is passed, as follows:

8.th Resolved, That Messrs Jackson, Hughes, & Mason, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be a Committee to prepare and report to the City Council, a draft of an Ordinance in conformity with the preceding Resolutions.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday

the 3^d day of April next, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr. President
Messrs Allin
Angell
H. Anthony
J. G. Anthony
J. S. Cooke
Everett,
D. Greene,

S. H. Green,
Haw,
Hughes,
Jackson,
Knowles,
Knowlton
Mason
Petter
Wamer 17.

Albert G. Greene, Clerk

Common Council. April 3^d 1837.

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

Report
City Treasurer

The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer under the Resolution of the Common Council of October 28th 1834, is presented and read: Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

Appropriations

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

For Highways, One Thousand Dollars,
For the City Watch, Three Hundred Dollars,
and, that said sums, so appropriated, be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.
Concurred.

Order of

The Committee to whom on the 6th of March last, was referred the Petition of Child, Hall & Wood others for re-

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88 pairs on Corlis Street, make Report, that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer thereof: which Report is read: Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, and together with said Petition, be laid upon the Table.

Water in Fountain Street. 79. The Committee to whom on the 20th of February last, was referred the Memorial of Edward S. Williams & others respecting the stream of water flowing in and near Fountain Street, make Report, which is read: Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received, and, together with said Memorial, be laid upon the Table.

An Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance in Amendment of an Ordinance entitled An Ordinance relative to the Removal of the Contents of Privy Vaults," is read and passed.

Concurred, with an Amendment.

The Common Council concurred in the Amendment.

4th July. Resolved, that Messrs Jackson, Warner and Knowlton, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee of Arrangements, for the Celebration of the Approaching Anniversary of American Independence.

112. Resolved, that the Sum of Five Hundred Dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated to defray the expenses of said Celebration; to be paid by the City Treasurer, to the order of the Chairman of said Committee, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated. Concurred, and Alderman Anthony assented.

Passed in Convention of the City Council.

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In Convention

Admission
Members

Oliver Claggett is admitted a freeman of the City, having been duly propounded; and Amos W. Young is propounded for admission as a freeman.

The two Boards separate

The Common Council, adjourn to meet on Monday the 10th day of April inst, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members Present.

- Mr. President.
- Messrs Allin
- Andrews
- Angell
- Ho. Anthony
- J. G. Anthony
- Bowers
- Everett
- C. Greene

- J. Greene,
- Hughes,
- Jackson,
- Knowles
- Knowlton,
- Mason
- Potter,
- Warren. 17.

Albert H. Greene,
Clerk

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Burying
Lots.

The Standing Committee on the North Burial Ground, to whom, on the sixth day of March last, was referred the Petition of Thomas Prentiss make Report in favour of granting the prayer thereof; which Report is read; whereupon, it is resolved that the same be received.

Upon the Petition of Thomas Prentiss, requesting leave to fence in and enclose a burying lot sufficient for his family in the North Burial Ground; it is Resolved, that the same be received and the prayer thereof granted, and that the said petitioner he and he is hereby authorized to fence in and enclose such lot for such purpose; provided the same be done under the direction of the Overseer of the North Burial Ground, with the sanction of the Mayor; and provided also, that the privilege hereby granted shall be subject to all future regulations of the City Council, and shall continue during the pleasure of the City Council, and no longer.
Concurred.

Comm. from
City Treas.

A Communication from the City Treasurer, stating that the demands upon the Treasury for the months of May & June next will require for their discharge, a greater sum than the amount now on hand, or than can be received from the ordinary sources will supply, - is presented and read: Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received.

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Resolved, that the City Treasurer, acting under the advice of Messrs Mason & S. W. Greene, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and he is hereby authorized to raise by temporary loan or loans, such sum or sums of money as the necessities of the City may require, provided the same shall not exceed in all the sum of four thou

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and dollar.

Concurred, and Alderman Hoppin added.

Removal Resolved, that the Board of Firewards be, and they are hereby authorized to remove the Engine House now occupied by Engine Company No 6, from its present location, and to place it upon that part of the Town House Lot from which the Army of the United States of Artillery has recently been removed.
Concurred.

Exploring
Coal.

The joint Committee who were on the 3^d day of October last, appointed to explore the City's lands for Anthracite Coal, present a Report made to them by Dr. Charles T. Jackson, on that subject, which is read.

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Resolved, that the joint Committee heretofore appointed to explore the City's lands, for Anthracite Coal, be and they are hereby authorized to cause the Geological Report made to them by Dr. Charles T. Jackson, to be published, in such manner as they may deem expedient.
Concurred.

Bank-
Walls.

Resolved, that Messrs Potter & D. Greene, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to enquire and report in relation to the liability of the City or of individuals to keep up bank walls on the lines of public streets, and that said Committee be, and they are hereby authorized to consult legal counsel, in relation to the same, if they may deem it expedient.

Concurred, and Alderman Anthony added.

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Argam. The Resolutions respecting the expediency of a new organization of the Public Schools, which on the 22^d day of March last passed the Common Council, and were then sent up for concurrence, are now returned by the Board of Aldermen, who concur therein, with the following Amendments, viz.

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- 1st That the word "twenty-four," in the second line of the first Resolution, be stricken out, and the word "twenty" inserted in its room:—
- 2^d That the word "school," in the same line of the same Resolution, be stricken out, and the word "schools" inserted in its room:—
- 3^d That the word "four" in the first line of the second Resolution, be stricken out, and the words "two" inserted in its room:—
- 4th That the word "eight," in the same line of the same Resolution last mentioned, be stricken out, and the words "six" inserted in its room:—
- 5th That the word "eight" in the third line of the third Resolution, be stricken out, and the words "seven" inserted in its room:—
- 6th That the words "or Intermediate" be inserted between the words "primary" and the word "schools," in the second line of the fifth Resolution:—
- 7th That the words "and twenty" be inserted between the words "hundred" and the word "to," in the last line of the same Resolution last mentioned:—
- 8th That the word "other" in the same line of the same Resolution last mentioned, be stricken out, and the word "Upper" inserted in its room:—
- 9th That all the words in the sixth Resolution between the word "schools," in the second line, and the word "and" where it secondly occurs in the third line, be stricken out, and the following words inserted in their room:—"ought to be under the charge of a principal and assistant, or of a single teacher, at the discretion of the School Committee; that each of the Intermediate Schools ought to be under

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the charge of a principal and one male Assistant, or of a principal and one or two female Assistants, at the discretion of the School Committee:—

10th That the word "other," in the third line of the sixth Resolution, be stricken out, and the word "Upper" inserted in its room:—

11th That all the words in the seventh Resolution, after the word "Assistants" in the fifth line be stricken out, and the following words inserted in their room:—"of the Primary Schools, one hundred and fifty dollars per annum; to each of the principals of the Intermediate Schools, seven hundred dollars per annum; to each of the male Assistants of the Intermediate Schools, four hundred dollars per annum; to each of the female Assistants of the Intermediate Schools, two hundred dollars per annum; and to each of the Teachers of the Upper Schools, one thousand dollars per annum," and with the addition of Alderman Hopkin to the Committee:—

which Amendments are severally read: whereupon it is resolved, that the Common Council do non-concur in the fact of said Amendments:—

- That the Common Council do concur in the second of said Amendments:—
- That the Common Council do non-concur in the third and fourth of said Amendments:—
- That the Common Council do concur in the fifth of said Amendments:—
- That the Common Council do non-concur in the sixth, seventh, and eighth of said Amendments:—
- That the Common Council do concur in the ninth of said Amendments, with the following Amendment thereto; that all the words after the word "Committee," in the third line thereof, be stricken out:—
- and that the Common Council do non-concur in the tenth and eleventh of said Amendments.

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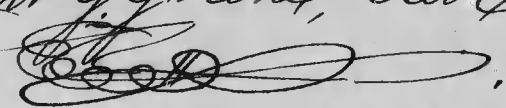
April 10th: April 19th, 1837.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Wednesday the 19th day of April instant, at nine o'clock A.M.

Members present.

Mr. President,	" O. Greene,
Mepis Allin,	Hughes,
Angell,	Jackson,
H. Anthony,	Knowles,
J. G. Anthony,	Knowlton,
Bowen,	Mason,
J. S. Cooke,	Potter,
Goulds,	Warner,

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Albert Greene, Clerk.


Common Council, April 19th 1837

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

Meeting Street A Petition of John Oldfield & others, for a drain in the street in continuation of Meeting Street, leading from North Main to Canal 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.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

Sundry persons are admitted

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Freemen of the City, having been duly pro-pounded, and sundry others are pro-pounded for admission as freemen.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday the first day of May next, a half past 9 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr. President,	" O. Greene,
Mepis Allin,	Jackson,
Angell,	Knowlton,
J. G. Anthony,	Mason,
Bowen,	Sweet,
J. S. Cooke,	Warner,
Everett,	

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Albert Greene, Clerk.


Common Council, May 1st 1837.

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 20th 1834, is presented, and read: Whereupon, it is Resolved, that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

Resolved, that the several sums hereinafter mentioned,

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be, and the same are hereby appropriated, for the following purposes respectively to wit,

- Appropriations for support of the Public Schools, two hundred & fifty dollars;
 - for the Fire Department, three hundred and fifty dollars;
 - for building Asylum wall, four hundred dollars;
 - for Contingencies, three hundred dollars;
 - for support of the City Watch, three hundred & fifty dollars; -
- and that said sums, so appropriated, be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Concurred.

A Petition of Earl Carpenter and G.L. Spencer is presented and read.

Petition Upon the Petition of Earl Carpenter and G.L. Spencer & Carpenter proprietors of a spring of water on the ground between Fountain and Carpenter Streets, and East of Dean Street, praying for leave to lay an aqueduct through several of the public streets of the City, therein mentioned, it is resolved, that the same be received and the prayer thereof granted; and that the said petitioners be and they are hereby authorized to lay an aqueduct through such of the public streets of the City as lie upon the following route, from the present Easterly termination of their aqueduct near Holmes's Brewery to Cove Street - to wit, down Fountain Street, to Mathewson Street Easterly through Mathewson Street, to Washington Street; Easterly through Washington Street to North Union Street; Southwesterly through North Union Street to the West end of Fulton Street; Easterly through Fulton Street to Cove Street, and through Cove Street to the public bridges: - provided the same shall be done under the direction of the Surveyor of Highways.

Concurred.

Petition A Petition of George Ginnell, Executor of the Last Will and Testament of Peter Ginnell deceased, is

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presented and read.

do.

Upon the Petition of George Ginnell, Executor of the Last Will and Testament of Peter Ginnell deceased, praying that measures may be taken by the City Council to remove a nuisance caused by the stream of water flowing in Fountain Street, which he represents to be a source of injury to the estate in his charge, bounding southerly on said street, it is Resolved, that said Petition be received; and that the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause the nuisance complained of in said Petition to be abated.

Concurred.

Unbracing
Pavement.

Resolved, that Messrs Everett, Mason & B. Cooke, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are appointed a Committee, to enquire and report what action of the City Council (if any) is necessary in relation to the subject of the unbracing of vessels in certain parts of Providence River; and that said Committee be and they are hereby directed to report by bill or otherwise, at the next meeting of the City Council.

Concurred; + Alderman Clifts added.

Organization
Public
Schools.

The Resolutions respecting the expediency of a new organization of the Public Schools, which on the 22^d day of March last, passed the Common Council and were then sent up for concurrence, and which on the 10th day of April last were returned by the Board of Aldermen, who concurred therein, with sundry Amendments, in the second, fifth and ninth of which Amendments the Common Council did then resolve to concur, with one Amendment to said ninth Amendment, and in the first, third, fourth, sixth, seventh, eighth, tenth and eleventh of said Amendments the Common Council did then resolve to non-concur; and which were on said tenth day of April sent up, with said Resolutions in relation to said Amendments, are now

returned by the Board of Aldermen with a Resolution of that Board, insisting upon their aforesaid first, third, fourth, sixth, seventh, eighth, tenth and eleventh Amendments, and non-concurring in the amendment of the Common Council to the aforesaid ninth amendment; which said Resolution of the Board of Aldermen is read; whereupon it is resolved, that said Resolutions be laid upon the Table.

Fish Market. Resolved, that the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for defraying the expense of making improvements in the Fish Market, in addition to the sum appropriated by the Resolution of the City Council, of the 7th of February last; to be paid out of any money in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated.
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concurreds.

Weights Measures &c. The joint Committee to whom was referred so much of the Communication of His Honor the Mayor, made on the 2^d day of January last, as relates to the subject of weights, measures and balances, which Committee were on the 20th day of March last directed to report by bill, now make Report accompanied by the form of an Ordinance; which Report is read; whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received.

do. The Ordinance reported by said Committee, entitled "An Ordinance in relation to Weights, Measures, scales and Balances" is read; and the same having been amended, is again read, and is passed.
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concurreds. June 5th 1837.

Exploring the level. Resolved, that the sum of Two Thousand Dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated, for the purpose of exploring the City's lands, for anthracite coal, in addition to the appropriation made for the same purpose on the third day of October A.D. 1836; and that
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said sum, so appropriated, be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to the order of the Chairman of the Committee of the City Council heretofore appointed to cause the City's lands to be explored for anthracite coal.

Williams Street. The Committee to whom on the 22^d day of March last, was referred the Petition of William Ashton & others, for repairs on Williams Street and the street in continuation thereof to the River, make Report, which is read: Whereupon
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it is resolved, that the same, together with said Petition, be re-committed to said Committee, who are directed to make further report in the premises.

Meeting St. Drains. The Standing Committee on Highways to whom on the 19th day of April last, was referred the Petition of John O'Field & others, for a drain in the street in continuation of Meeting Street, make Report in favour of granting the prayer
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thereof; which is read: Whereupon, it is resolved that the same be received.

do. Upon the Petition of John O'Field and others, for a Drain in the street running from South Main Street to Canal Street, being a continuation of Meeting Street, it is Resolved, that the prayer of the same be granted; and that the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause such drain to be laid; and also to cause the buildings now standing on said Street, to be removed therefrom.

College Street. The joint Committee to whom on the 3^d day of October last, was referred the Petition of Henry L. Bowen and others, for repairs on College Street, make Report, which is read: Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received and laid upon the Table.

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Resolved, that the Committee appointed to make arrangements for a celebration of the ensuing anniversary of American Independence, be and they are hereby instructed to procure fireworks for that occasion.

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Assessors
Taxes.

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Resolved, that each Assessor of Taxes in and for the City of Providence, shall be allowed one fifth of one per cent upon the amount of the Tax, as a full compensation for apportioning the City Tax for the ensuing year.

Channel
River.

A Petition of Willard Joslin & others setting forth that they have raised by subscription the sum of \$700, for the purpose of clearing out the channel of the river near Weybosset Bridge, and requesting an appropriation of three hundred dollars, in aid of said object, is presented and reads,

Do.

Upon the Petition of Willard Joslin and others, it is Resolved, that the same be received, and the prayer thereof granted; and that the sum of Three Hundred Dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose of clearing out the channel of the river, opposite the gangways belonging to the City, from Weybosset Bridge Southward to a line drawn from the South side of Anthony's Wharf, so called, on the West, to the South side of Caleb Earle's Wharf, on the East side of the river; and that said sum, so appropriated, be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to the order of Mr. Benson Cooke of the Board of Common Council, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add.

now concurred, June 5. 1837.

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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 of June next.

The Common Council adjourn, "without day &c."

Members present.

Mr. President,

Messrs Andrews,

Angell,

H. Anthony,

J. G. Anthony,

Brown,

Blake,

B. Cooke,

J. S. Cooke,

Everett,

D. Greene,

S. H. Greene,

Hughes,

Jackson,

Knowles,

Knowlton,

Lotter

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Albert Greene
Clerk

June 5th 1837.

Organization of the Government of the City
of Providence, for the Municipal Year com-
mencing on the first Monday in June, A.D. 1837.

Monday, June 5th 1837.

*City Gov-
ernment.* This being the day designated by the City Charter
for the organization of the City Government for the
ensuing Municipal Year, the Mayor Aldermen
and members elect of the Common Council assem-
bled in the Council Chamber, at 10 o'clock A.M.

*S. W. Bridgman
Mayor.* The certificate of the election of Samuel W. Bridgman
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
Supreme Judicial Court.

The certificate of the election of Thomas R. Holdens,
Joseph Cady, William C. Barker, Thomas C. Hoppin,
Hezekiah Anthony and Caleb Williams, as Al-
dermen, for said year, is presented and read; and
they are severally engaged by the Mayor, to the
faithful discharge of the duties of their said office.

The certificates of the election of the members elect
of the Common Council for said year, are pre-
sented and read; and all of said members, excepting
Enoch Steere, appear, and are by the Mayor en-
gaged according to law, to the faithful discharge
of the duties of their said office.

*R. M. Field
City Clerk.* Richard M. Field is, by ballot, duly elected
City Clerk, for said year; and is, by the Mayor, duly
engaged to the faithful discharge of the duties of his
said office.

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Organization of the Government of the City
of Providence, for the Municipal Year com-
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they are severally engaged by the Mayor, to the
faithful discharge of the duties of their said office.

The certificates of the election of the members elect
of the Common Council for said year, are pre-
sented and read; and all of said members, excepting
Enoch Steere, appear, and are by the Mayor, en-
gaged according to law, to the faithful discharge
of the duties of their said office.

*R. M. Field
City Clerk.* Richard M. Field is, by ballot, duly elected
City Clerk, for said year; and is, by the Mayor, duly
engaged to the faithful discharge of the duties of his
said office.

June 5th 1837.

An Address was delivered to the City Council, by the Mayor, on the municipal proceedings of the past year. After which the Convention separated, and the Mayor and Aldermen retired.

Members of the Common Council of the City of Providence, for the Municipal Year commencing on the first Monday in June, A.D. 1837.

First Ward. Dexter Angell,
Edward P. Knowles,
Martin K. Cowing
Stephen I. Olney.

Second Ward. George Curtis.
George W. Jackson,
John I. Larchar.
Henry Anthony.

Third Ward. Joseph S. Cooke,
Amherst Everett,
Nathan Masons.

Fourth Ward. John I. Hughes,
Simon H. Greene,
James G. Anthony,
James M. Warner.

Fifth Ward. David Andrews,
John S. Eddy,
Seth Padelford,
Phineas Potter.

Sixth Ward. Horatio G. Hudson,
Henry Trumbull,
John R. Burrows,
James E. Butts.

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Proceedings of the Common Council, during the Municipal Year commencing on the first Monday in June, A.D. 1837.

The members of the Common Council, (except Crock Steere,) having been duly engaged by the Mayor, are called to order, and Mr. George Curtis is chosen Chairman, to preside during the election of a President.

George Curtis being nominated, and by ballot elected President, declines accepting said Office: whereupon, George W. Jackson, is by ballot elected President of the Common Council.

Albert Greene is re-elected Clerk of the Common Council, and is duly engaged by the Mayor, to the faithful discharge of the duties of said Office.

The Standing Rules of the Last Council are read: whereupon it is resolved, that the Standing Rules of the Last Common Council be received and adopted as the Standing Rules of this Council.

The following Standing Committees are appointed, viz

Committee to engross Ordinances.
Messrs Hughes,
J. G. Anthony,
Hudson.

Committee on Highways.
Messrs Warner,
Larchar,
Potter.

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Committee on Finance,

Messrs Curtis,
Greene,
Cooke, (^{resett. in place of Cooke})
Messrs Knowles,
Angell,
Olney.

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Committee on the North Burial Ground,

Resignation A communication from Enoch Steere who was elect-
ed a member of the Common Council from the
Third Ward, for the present municipal year, is
presented and read, in which communication said
Enoch Steere declines accepting said office: Where-
upon it is resolved, that the same be received.

Edge of Stone on the ledge of stone recently opened on the Superior
Street lot which passed the Common Council, on the
7th day of February last, and was then sent up
for concurrence, is now returned from the Board
of Aldermen, who concur in the same.

Compensation
Assessors
Taxes.
The Resolution fixing the Compensation of the Assessors
of Taxes for the present municipal year, which
passed the Common Council on the 1st day of May
last, and was then sent up for concurrence, is
now returned from the Board of Aldermen, who
concur therein, with the following Amendment
viz - that the following words be added at the
end viz "provided the whole number of Assessors
shall not exceed four"; but if more than
four, the whole number shall be allowed
four fifths of one per cent upon the amount
of said tax, as a full compensation for ap-
portioning the same;" - which Amendment is
read: Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common
Council do concur therein.

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The Resolution instructing the Committee of Arrangements
for the Celebration of the Anniversary of American In-
dependence, to procure Fireworks for that occasion,
which passed the Common Council on the 1st day
of May last, and was then sent up for concurrence,
is returned from the Board of Aldermen, who
concur therein with this Amendment, viz that the
following words be added - "provided the expense
of said Celebration shall not exceed one hundred
Dollars over the appropriation already made for
that purpose."

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The Common Council concur in the Amendment.

Exploring for
Coal.

The Resolution for an additional appropriation
of \$2000, for continuing the exploration of the City's
Lands, for Anthracite Coal, which passed the
Common Council on the 1st day of May last, and
was then sent up for concurrence, is now re-
turned from the Board of Aldermen who concur
therein, with this Amendment, viz that the word
"two thousand" be stricken out, and the word
"one thousand" inserted in its room.

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The Common Council concur in the Amendment.

Resolved, that His Honor the Mayor be and he is
herely requested to furnish the City Council with a
copy of the Address this day delivered by him, for
publication.

Concurred.

City Printing

Resolved that Messrs Cooke & Larchar, with such
as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they
are herely appointed a Committee to contract for
the City Printing for the present municipal year,
Concurred, & Alderman body added.

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An Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance providing for the Assessment and Collection of a Tax of Fifty-five Thousand Dollars," is read & passed.
Concurred.

Salary of Officers
An Ordinance, 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 thirty-eight," is read and passed.
Concurred.

Receipts & Expenditures
Resolved, that Messrs H. Anthony & Sarchar, 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 & expenditures for the past year, and a Schedule of the property of the City, and to cause the same to be published in the newspapers employed by the City Council, - agreeably to the requisition contained in the fourth section of the City Charter.
Concurred, and Alderman Barker added.

Association of Firemen
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 utilize them severally to the benefit of the funds of said Association; and that the same be paid on the Certificate of the City Clerk, respecting the appointment of said Firemen, out of the appropriation for the Fire Department.
Concurred.

Resolved, that Messrs Curtis and Cooke, 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,

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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, & Alderman Cady added.

Hopkins
Resolved, that copies of the book of City Ordinances published A.D. 1835, be distributed as follows, viz.
To each member of the City Council who has not already been furnished with a copy thereof, one copy.
15. To each of the Justices of the Peace in the City, who has not been furnished with a copy, one copy.
Concurred.

Justice of Police Court
Resolved, that from the Justices assigned to keep the peace within this City, Thomas White, William P. Olney, and George W. Mans be and they are hereby selected to compose the Police Court of this City for the present municipal year.
Concurred.

Clerk of Council
Resolved, that the Clerk of the Common Council, be allowed and paid for his services as such, for the present municipal year, the sum of One Hundred Dollars, payable quarterly.
Concurred.

Petition
A Petition of Truman Beckwith & others, for repairs on Hopkins Street, and a Petition of George Grinnell and others, for the same purpose, are severally presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine & report thereon.
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Remission of Taxes
A Resolution for the remission of certain taxes assessed upon certain persons in the year 1836, represented by the Collector of Taxes, as not collectable, by reason of errors in the assessment thereof, &c, amounting

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in the whole to Thirty Dollars & seventy cents, - is read and passed.

Concurred.

The Common Council, adjourn, to meet at half past 2 o'clock P.M., this day.

June 5th 1837. 1/2 past 2. P.M.

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

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

Freemen City. sundry persons are admitted freemen of the City, having been duly propounded; and sundry others are propounded for admissions as freemen.

Election Officers. The Convention proceed to the election of City Officers for the present municipal year; and after completing the same, with the exception of members of several of the Fire Companies, the two Boards separate.

In Common Council.

Report Cheever. The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council of October 20th 1834, is presented and read; whereupon, it is resolved that the same be received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

The Report of the City Treasurer, accompanied by the following Documents, is presented and read; viz, 1. A schedule of Real Estate or, belonging to the City.

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- 2^d. A schedule of Rents.
- 3^d. A Statement of the City Cst.
- 4th. The Treasurer's Account current, with the City for the Year ending, May 31st 1837.

whereupon, it is resolved, that said Report, together with the accompanying Documents, be received and recorded. Concurred.

A Resolution for the appropriation of \$40,816.37 1/2 for the purposes therein mentioned, having been reported by the Standing Committee on Finance, is read and passed.

Concurred.

Approved. Resolved, that the sum of One hundred dollars, be, and Five Sept. the same is hereby appropriated, for the purpose of enabling the Fire Department of the City, to appear and take part in the municipal celebration of the approaching anniversary of American Independence; and that said sum so appropriated, be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to the order of the Chairman of the Committee appointed to make arrangements for that occasion.

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Concurred.

Approved. A Memorial of William F. Greene, Overseer of the Poor, requesting an increase of compensation, is presented and read; whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received.

Resolved, that the Overseer of the Poor be allowed and paid, for his services as such, during the present municipal year, the sum of One hundred and fifty dollars, in addition to the sum appropriated for that purpose in and by the Ordinance passed on the 5th day of June A.D. 1837, - entitled "An Ordinance fixing the compensation of certain officers, for the

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year ending on the first Monday in June, A.D. 1838."

Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways, acting under the advice and direction of Messrs. Warner, Satchar & Relaying Potter, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and he is hereby authorized and directed to cause the pavements in Westminster Street, from Wolton Street to the junction of Westminster and High Streets, to be re-laid; and also to cause a cross walk to be laid across said Westminster Street, opposite the residence of Oray Taft Esq.

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Resolved, that said Committee, he, and they are hereby fully authorized and empowered to adjust the ~~South~~ only lines of Westminster Street, with Joseph Butters who is the owner of land bounding thereon; and if they deem it advisable, to cause such adjustment to be made by arbitrators to be chosen by said Committee & said Butters, and to agree, on the part of the City, that a Report and Awards of such arbitrators shall be final and conclusive in the premises; and that said Committee he and they are hereby directed not to cause the aforesaid Repairs to be made, until said Street-line shall be adjusted.

Concurred: & Alderman Williams added.

Resolved, that the following sums be allowed and paid, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to the following named persons respectively, to wit:

To Thomas White Justice of the Peace, for the payment of the rent of the room occupied by the Police Court, during the past year. - Twenty-five Dollars.

To Jesse B. Sweet for dirt for filling up the Mark-House Lot, Twelve Dollars and fifty cents.

Concurred.

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Report of the School Committee is presented, & School Com. read: Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received and recorded.

The General Return of the Fire Department, containing a Schedule of the Fire Apparatus belonging to the City is presented and read: whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received; and that the "Recapitulation" of the Fire Apparatus accompanying said Schedule, be recorded.

Concurred.

Resolved, that the City Treasurer, acting under the advice and direction of Messrs. Curtis, Greene and Locke, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and he is hereby authorized to renew for the term of sixty days, one half of the respective sums due on notes given by the occupants of stalls in the Market-House, for rent of their stalls, which notes are payable on the 5th day of June A.D. 1837; - the makers of said notes giving satisfactory security, by endorsements, for the payment of the amount so renewed.

Concurred; and Alderman Cady added.

Loan.

Resolved, that the City Treasurer, acting under the advice of Messrs. Curtis, Greene and Locke, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and he is hereby authorized to raise, by temporary loans or loans, such sum or sums of money as the necessities of the City may require; provided the same shall not exceed in the whole, the sum of Five Thousand Dollars.

Concurred; & Alderman Hooplin added.

Height's
Revenue
JC.

The Ordinance, entitled "An Ordinance in relation to Weights, Measures, Scales and Balances," which passed the Common Council, on the first day of May last, and was then sent up for concurrence, is now returned from the Board of Aldermen, who concur therein, with the following amendments; viz: "that the words 'not exceeding' in the last line but one of the 5th Section, be stricken out, and the words 'not exceeding' be inserted in their room."
The Common Council concur in the amendment.

Resolved, that the sixth section of the Ordinance this day made and passed by the City Council, entitled "An Ordinance in relation to Weights, Measures, Scales and Balances," shall not go into effect until the first Monday in July next.
Concluded.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the 26th day of June instant, at 5 o'clock P. M.

Members present.

Mr. President.

- Messrs Andrews,
- Angell
- W. Anthony
- J. G. Anthony
- Hanows,
- Butts
- Cooke,
- Coring,
- Curtis,
- Eddy,
- Everett,

- Greene,
- Hudson
- Hughes,
- Knowles,
- Lanchar,
- Mason,
- Olver,
- Radelford,
- Totter
- Trumbull
- Warner.

Albert H. Greene
Clerk.

Common Council, June 26th 1837

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

J. S. Cooke A communication from Joseph S. Cooke a member of the Common Council, from the Third Ward, resigning his seat in this Board, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received.

Resolved, that a Meeting of the Freeman of the Third Ward be and the same is hereby authorized and directed to be held at the Third District School-House, on the Seventeenth day of July next, at 6 o'clock P. M. for the purpose of electing two members of this Board from said Ward, in the place of Enock Steere, who having been duly chosen, declines serving, - and of Joseph S. Cooke, who having been duly chosen and qualified, has resigned his seat in this Board.

Resolved, that the City Clerk be and he is hereby instructed to notify said Meeting, in manner and form as required in and by an Ordinance passed on the 10th day of April A. D. 1834, entitled "An Ordinance prescribing the manner of notifying Ward Meetings for the purposes of Elections;" and that the Clerk of this Board be and he is hereby directed to transmit a copy of these Resolutions to the City Clerk, and one also to the Warden of said Ward.

Resolved, that a copy of these Resolutions be communicated to the Board of Aldermen.

Resolved, that the Resolution for an increase of the compensation of the Salary of Overseer of the Poor, for the present municipal year, which passed the Common Council on the 5th day of June last, and was then sent up for concurrence,

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is returned from the Board of Aldermen who concur therein, with the following Amendment, viz "that the words and fifty" in the 4th line be stricken out.

The Common Council concur in the Amendment,

Order from A communication from His Honor the Mayor, respecting water in the steam of water flowing into Fountain and Aborn Fountain Streets, is presented, and is read.

Minute of A communication from the Committee of Arrangements July, for a celebration of the ensuing Anniversary of American Celebration Independence, inviting the City Council to dine with the surviving officers and soldiers of the Revolution, on the 4th day of July next, is presented and read. Where-
123-upon it is resolved, that the invitation therein con-
tained be accepted.

Concurred.

Order of The Committee appointed on the 5th of June inst, to Treasurer take a bond of the City Treasurer, to the City, for the present municipal year, make Report that they have discharged that duty; which Report is read; whereupon
120. it is resolved that the same be received.

Concurred.

Resolved, that the bond of the City Treasurer for the present year, be deposited for safe keeping, with the City Clerk.

Concurred.

Petition A Petition of Christopher V. Spencer, requesting an ap-
135-propriation of one thousand dollars, for the payment of a claim of said Petitioner, on the City, by virtue of a vote of the Free-men of the Town of Providence in Town Meeting assembled on the 30th day of August, A.D. 1831, is pre-
sented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on

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Highways to examine and report thereon.

Acct of An account of C. W. Carter, for repairs on one of the fire en-
134-Wheaters-gines belonging to the City is presented and read, with accompanying certificates. Whereupon it is resolved, that said Carter have leave to withdraw the same, and to take his papers from the files.

Acct. Resolved that Messrs Curtis and H. Anthony, with such
143. as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to audit and settle the Account of the City Treasurer, with the City, up to the first Monday in June, A.D. 1837.
Concurred, and Aldermen Holders added.

Order of Printing The Joint Committee appointed on the 5th of June inst, to
contract for the City Printing for the present municipal year, make Report, that they have contracted with the proprietor of the Morning Courier therefor, for the sum of forty dollars, for the year; which Report is read; whereupon it is resolved, that the same be re-
-ceived.

Concurred.

Joined in Convention of the City Council
In Convention.

Order from A communication from John Hill declining to
136-J. Hill. accept his appointment as Collector of Taxes for the present municipal year, and also as Collector of the Tax ordered on the 5th day of June instant, - is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received.

Collector of Robert Knight is appointed Collector of Taxes for the
next year.

present municipal year, and also to collect the Tax ordered on the 5th day of June instant.

Freemen, Sundry persons are admitted freemen of the City, having been duly sworn; and others are prohibited for admittance as freemen.

Mem. of Sundry persons are elected members of Engine Companies Engine Co. for the present municipal year.

The two Boards separate.

In Common Council,

The Committee to whom on the 22^d day of March last, was referred the Petition of Williams Ashton & others for repairs on Williams Street and the street in continuation thereof to the river, make Report, which is read: whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, and that said Committee be discharged.

Resolved, that Messrs Olney, H. Anthony, Everett, Hughes, Tadelord and Butts with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be a Committee, to take into consideration the expediency of a new organization of the Public Schools of this City; and that said Committee be, and they are hereby directed to report, at the next meeting of the City Council, a plan for such improvements in the system of public school education in this City, as they may deem expedient. concurred; and Alderman Cady added.

Unloading of Vessels. A draft of an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance to prevent the unloading of Vessels in certain parts of the Harbour of Providence," ^{is reported by the joint committee to whom that subject was referred on the 5th day of October last, and read and laid upon the table, & again called up, and is}

40. read: Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be ^{received &} referred to the Standing Committee to Engraff Ordinances. 109. 136.

Harbor Masters. Resolved, that Messrs Everett, Eddy and Angell, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to enquire and report, what action of the City Council, if any, is necessary, in relation to the subject of Harbor Masters, and that said Committee be, and they are hereby directed to report by bill or otherwise, at the next meeting of the City Council. concurred; and Alderman Hoppin added.

Burying Lot. A Petition of Oliver Angell, for himself and Deborah Mefer requesting leave to fence in and enclose a burying lot in the North Burial Ground is presented and read: whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on the North Burial Ground, to examine and report thereon: - which Committee thereupon make Report in favour of granting the prayer thereof.

do. Upon the Petition of Oliver Angell, for himself and in behalf of Deborah Mefer, requesting leave to fence in and enclose a burying lot in the North Burial Ground, sufficient for their families, - it is resolved, that the same be received and the prayer thereof granted; and that the said petitioners be, and they are hereby authorized to fence in and enclose such Lot, for such purpose, provided the same be done under the direction of the Overseer of the North Burial Ground, with the sanction of the Mayor; and provided the privilege hereby granted, shall be subject to all future regulations of the City Council, and shall continue during the pleasure of the City Council, and no longer. concurred.

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Resolved that the Surveyor of Highways, acting under the advice and direction of Messrs Warner, Larchar & Pether, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and he is hereby authorized and directed to cause the pavement in Westminster Street, from Walker Street to the junction of Westminster and High Streets, to be relaid; and also to cause a cross-walk to be laid across Westminster Street opposite the residence of Oray Taft Esq.; - and that the same be done, whether by the Southern line of Westminster Street, shall be adjusted by said Committee with Joseph Butler, as contemplated by the Resolution passed on the 5th day of June instant, or not.

Concurred; and Alderman Williams added.

Resolved, that the City Sealer of Weights and Measures be allowed and paid for his services as such, the sum of Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars, for the present municipal year, pay per quarterly.

Concurred.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday the 31st day of July next, at 1/2 past 5 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr. President
Messrs Andrews,
Angell
H. Anthony,
Burrows,
Butts,
Caring
Curtis,
Eddy,

Everett,
Greene,
Hughes,
Knowles,
Larchar,
Olney,
Padelford,
Warner

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Albert H. Greene, Clerk

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Common Council July 31st 1837.

Council met pursuant to adjournment. A. Lucrums present.

Mem. Richard Harding and Nicholas Stillwell present a Com. Council Certificate of their election as members of the Common Council, from the Third Ward; they having been so elected, at a Meeting of the Freeman of said Ward, holden on the seventeenth day of July instant, in the place of Enoch Steere, who having been duly elected, declined serving, and of Joseph S. Cooke, who having been duly elected and qualified, had resigned his Seat; - which Certificate having been read, said members elect appear, are duly engaged, before the Board of Aldermen, by the Mayor, and take their Seats.

Report The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20th 1834, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

Bowen A Petition of the Bowen Bleaching & Calendering Company, for leave to lay logs across the Hospital Lot, for the conveyance of water to their new Bleachery, - is presented and read.

Do. Upon the Petition of the Bowen Bleaching & Calendering Company, requesting leave to lay logs for the conveyance of water through the Hospital Lot (so called) to their new Bleachery, it is resolved, that the same be received and the prayer thereof granted; and that the said petitioners be, and they are hereby authorized to cause such logs to be laid through

Laid Lot, - provided the same be done under the direction of the surveyor of Highways; and provided the privilege hereby granted shall continue during the pleasure of the City Council, and no longer.
Concurred.

Petition A. Petition of Royal Chapin & others for repairs on R. Chapin, Aborn Street I 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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Re-Paving A Petition of George W. Taylor & Co, & others for the re-paving of South Water Street, from Leonard Street, to the West end of the Market House, 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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Burying Lots. Petitions of Morris Deming, Charles C. Mearns, and Edward Billings, severally requesting leave 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 severally received and referred to the Standing Committee on the North Burial Ground, to examine and report thereon; - which Committee thereupon make report in favour of granting the prayers thereof.

do. Upon the several petitions of Morris Deming Charles C. Mearns and Edward Billings, requesting leave to fence in and enclose burying lots, sufficient for their respective families, in the North Burial Ground, - it is resolved, that the same be received, and the prayers thereof, granted; and that the said petitioners be, and they are hereby severally authorized to fence in and

enclose such lots, for such purposes, - provided the same be done under the direction of the Overseer of the North Burial Ground, with the sanction of the Mayor; and provided the several privileges hereby granted, shall be subject to all future regulations of the City Council; and shall continue during the pleasure of the City Council, and no longer.
Concurred.

Audition Weights & Measures A petition of James Burroughs, for an amendment of that part of the "Ordinance in relation to Weights, Measures, Scales & Balances," which prescribes the manner of weighing Anthracite Coal &c, - is presented & read: Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to Messrs Olney, Tuttle, and Padelford, to examine and report thereon.
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Repairs on Hopkins Street. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 5th day of June last were referred the petitions of Truman Beckwith & others, - and of George Grinnell & others, for repairs on Hopkins Street, &c, report the following Resolution; - which Report is read, whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received.
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Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be directed to cause the drain leading from Hopkins Street, to be re-laid, from South Main Street, to the River.
Concurred.

Petition of V. Spencer. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 26th of June last, was referred the petition of Christopher V. Spencer, make Report, that in their opinion, under existing circumstances, the prayer thereof ought not to be granted; - which Report is read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received.
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123. *Yppar.* Resolved, that the sum of One hundred and fifty dol. be, and the same is hereby appropriated, for the payment of the expenses incurred for the recent celebration of the Anniversary of American Independence, - in addition to the appropriations heretofore made for that purpose; and that the same be paid by the City Treasurer, to the Chairman of the Committee of Arrangements for that occasion, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Concurred.

144. *Regulation* A petition of John Pitman & others, requesting the City Council to provide for the regulation of the clock recently placed in the steeple of the First Congregational Meeting House, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to Messrs Warner, Everett & Knowles, to examine and report thereon.

131. *Unloading* The Standing Committee to Engrave Ordinances, to whom, on the 26th day of June last, was referred the draft of an Ordinance in relation to the unloading of Vessels in certain parts of the Harbour, report an engrossed bill in relation to that subject, entitled "An Ordinance prohibiting the unloading of Vessels in certain parts of the Harbour," which report is received; and said Ordinance is read and passed.

(Non-concurred. May 14, 1838)

143. *Greenwalk* A Petition of Daniel Field & others for cross-walks in Chestnut 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.

110. *Alterations* The joint committee appointed on the 7th of February last, to cause alterations in, and additions to, the Fish-Market, make Report, which is read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, and recorded, together with the correspondence between said Committee and Hon. Tristram Burges, which is by the committee presented with their said Report. (Concurred, with amendment, May 14, 1838.)

Joined in Convention of the City Council

In Convention.

Sundry persons are admitted freemen of the City, having been duly proposed, and sundry others are proposed for admission as freemen.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Tuesday the 29th day of August next, at 8 o'clock a.m.

Members present.

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| Mr President | .. Hughes, |
| Messrs Andrews, | Knowles, |
| Angell | Mason, |
| Burns, | Olney, |
| Butts | Pabelford, |
| Eddy | Potter |
| Everett, | Stillwell |
| Harding, | Warner. |
| Hudson, | |

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Albert Greene,
Clerk

August 29th 1837.

Common Council, August 29th 1837.

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

Buying
Lots.

Petitions of Truman Beckwith,
Benjamin C. Curtis,
Allen Brown,
Edward Harwood,
Edward Harwood Jr.,
Benjamin W. Constocks,
Joseph J. Constocks,
William W. Constocks,
and Ann Constocks, for leave to fence
in and enclose buying-lots in the North Burial Ground,
are presented and read: whereupon it is resolved, that
the same be severally received and referred to the
Standing Committee of the North Burial Ground, to
examine and report thereon: - which Committee
thereupon make Report in favour of granting
the prayers thereof.

do.

Truman Beckwith,
Allen Brown
B. W. Constocks,
J. J. Constocks,
W. W. Constocks,
Ann Constock
Edward Harwood,
Edward Harwood Jr.

and Benjamin C. Curtis, having petitioned for leave
to fence in and enclose buying-lots sufficient for
their respective families, in the North Burial Ground,
Resolved, that the said several petitioners be, and they
hereby are authorized to fence in and enclose such lots,
for such purpose: provided the same be done under
the direction of the Overseer of the North Burial Ground
with the sanction of the Mayor; and provided the several

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privileges hereby granted, shall be subject to all future
regulations of the City Council, and shall continue
during the pleasure of the City Council, and no longer:
concurring.

Report of The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the
Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20th 1834,
is presented and read: whereupon it is resolved, that
the same be received and referred to the Standing
Committee on Finance.

Arrangement
Bank
A communication from the City Treasurer, recommend-
ing the appointment of a Committee to agree with
some one of the Banks in the City, for the use of
the City's deposits for the present municipal year,
is presented and read: whereupon it is resolved,
that the same be received and referred to the
Standing Committee on Finance.

City Tax
A communication from the City Treasurer, stating that
a loan of \$3800 will be required in anticipation of
the City Tax, payable on the 18th of Septemr next:
is presented and read: whereupon it is resolved, that
the same be received and referred to the Standing Com-
mittee on Finance: - which Committee thereupon
report the following Resolution, which is read &
passed, viz

Temporary
Loan.
Resolved, that the City Treasurer, acting under the
advice of Messrs Curtis, Greene & Everett, with such
as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and he is
hereby authorized to raise by temporary loan or
loans, such sum or sums of money as the circum-
stances of the City may require: - provided the same
shall not exceed, in the whole, the sum of three thousand
eight hundred dollars.
concurring: & Alderman Koppin added.

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A Communication from the City Treasurer, respecting the fence around the Sepion's Lot (so called) and an allowance of damages to the tenant of said Lot, for injury sustained by the explorations there made by the City, for anthracite coal, - is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to Messrs Cowing, Hudson & Eddy, to examine and report thereon.

A Communication from Tho. B. Fenner late Chairman of the Committee of Arrangements for the Celebration of the Second Centennial Anniversary of the Settlement of Providence, respecting a demand of ten dollars for services rendered by Mr. E. R. Hansen on that occasion is presented and read.

Resolved, that the sum of Ten Dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated for the payment of the account of E. R. Hansen; to be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Concurred.

Resolved, that the Committee appointed to take into consideration the expediency of a new organization of the Public Schools, be empowered to raise a sub-committee of two, to visit the public schools in Boston, Salem, Lowell and New Bedford.

Concurred.

Resolved, that the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated, for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the suit now pending, in favor of the City, against Mr. Martha Howell, in addition to the appropriations already made; and that the same be paid out of any

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money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, concurred.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention

undry persons are admitted freemen of the City, having been duly sworn; and sundry others are sworn for admision as freemen.

The two Boards separate.

Mr. Everett is appointed a member of the Standing Committee on Finance, in the place of Mr. J. S. Coote, who has resigned his seat in this Board.

The Common Council adjourn to meet this afternoon, at 5 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr. President.

Messrs Andrews,

Angell,

H. Anthony,

J. G. Anthony,

Cowing,

Curtis,

Eddy,

Everett,

Hudson,

Hughes,

Kimber,

Larcher,

Olney,

Padelford,

Potter,

Hillwell,

Warner.

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Albert Greene, Clerk.

August 29th 1837. 5 o'clock P.M.

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

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Mr. Curtis The President being absent, Mr. Curtis is appointed
President pro tempore.
Pro Tempore.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.
In Convention.

Andy persons are admitted
freemen of the City, and sundry others are proposed
for admission as freemen.

The two Bords separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday
the 4th day of September next, at 6 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Wm. Angell
H. Anthony,
J. G. Anthony,
Curtis,
Eddy,
Everett,

Hudson
Hughes
Knowles,
Larcher,
Olney
Potter
Stillwell . 13

Albert Greene, Clerk

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The Common Council met pursuant to adjourn-
ment. A Quorum present.

The President being absent from the City, Mr. Curtis
is appointed President pro tempore.

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Accts Treasurer. The Committee appointed on the 26th of June last to audit &
settle the accounts of the City Treasurer with the City, up to
the 1st Monday in said June, make Report that they have
discharged that duty, and find said accounts correctly
stated and well vouched. which Report is read: Whereupon,
129. upon it is resolved, that the same be received.
Concurred.

Arrangement Bank. The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom on the 29th of
August last, was referred the communication from the
City Treasurer respecting an arrangement with some
Bank in the City, to receive the City funds, report the
130. following Resolution: which Report is read: Whereupon,
it is resolved, that the same be received.

Merchants' Bank. Resolved, that the City Treasurer be authorized to con-
tinue the arrangement now existing between the
City and the Merchants' Bank, for the reception of the
funds of the City, for one year, and until the further
order of the City Council, upon the same terms and condi-
tions as were stipulated for the last year.
Concurred.

Commissioner. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 31st of
August last, was referred the Petition of Daniel Field &
others for cross walks in Chestnut & Clifford Streets,
make Report, which is read: Whereupon it is resolved,
136. that the same be received.

Res. Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is
hereby directed to cause a cross-walk to be laid across
Clifford Street, on the North side of Chestnut Street,
and also one across Chestnut Street near the North
line of the Methodist Meeting House. Lot.
Concurred.

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Clock in the Committee, to whom on the 31st of July last, was referred
Steeple the Petition of John Pitman & others, respecting the clock in
Cong. Church the tower of the First Congregational Meeting House, make
136. report in favour of granting the prayer thereof, which is
read: Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received.

Resolved, that His Honor the Mayor be, and he is hereby
authorized to cause the clock in the tower of the First
Congregational Church, to be examined and kept in
order at the expense of the City, provided the expense
thereof shall not exceed the sum annually paid for
other clocks similarly situated.

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Repairing The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 31st of July
S. Water last, was referred the petition of George W. Taylor & others for
street, the repairing of a part of South Water Street, make Report,
which is read: Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same
134. be received.

Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is
hereby directed to cause the pavement at the North end
of South Water Street to be repaired, - and, if necessary, re-
laid, - as far South as Leonard Street.
Concurred.

Repair A Petition of Benjamin Clifford & others for repair on the School
School- House in the Third District, and for an alteration in the
House lower story thereof, in order that the same may be used as
3^d district, a place for Ward Meetings, is presented and read: Where-
upon it is resolved, that the same be received, and referred
to the next meeting, for consideration.

Access A Petition of Joseph Belcher & others, for a cross walk in Pine
in Street, and also for one from the East side of Rhodes Street
Pine St. terminating at the West side of Pine Street is presented
and read: Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be

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received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to
147. examine and report thereon.

Acct. of An Account of C. W. Carter, for repairs on one of the Fire
B. Engines belonging to the City, is presented and read, with
Gundry certificates endorsed thereon. Whereupon it is re-
solved, that said Carter have leave to withdraw the
same, and to take the same from the files.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday
the 25th day of September instant, at 6 o'clock P.M.

Members present

Mr. Andrews
H. Anthony
J. G. Anthony
Barnes
Butts,
Curtis,
Everett,
Greene
Harding

Hudson
Hughes,
Larchar
Mason,
Olney
Pittier
Pudelford
Stittwell,
Warner.

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Albert Greene,
Clerk

Common Council, September 25th 1837.

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

Report of the Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the
Resolution of the Common Council of October 20th 1834,
is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the
same be received and referred to the Standing Commit-
tee on Finance: which Committee thereupon re-
port 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 fol-
lowing purposes respectively, to wit,

For the Fire Department, two hundred and fifty Dollars.

For Highways, five hundred Dollars.

and that said sums so appropriated, be paid out of any
money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated,
Concurred.

Petition A Petition of John P. Jones, requesting the City Council to
J.P. Jones. cause a platform balance to be erected, for public
weighing, is presented and read; Whereupon it is resolved,
147 that the same be received, and referred to Messrs Olney
Butts, and Padelford, to examine and report thereon.

Petition A Petition of Samuel J. Baker of North Kingstown, for
S.J. Baker the remission of a fine incurred by him for a violation
of the Quarantine Regulations, is presented and read.
Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received, and
referred to Messrs J. G. Anthony, Coving and Mason, with
such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to ex-
amine and report thereon.

Concurred: A Alderman Williams added.

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Paving The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the
About 31st of July last, was referred the petition of Royal Chopin
Street, & others, for the paving of Aborn Street, from Fountain to
Washington Street, make report against the granting
of the prayer thereof: which Report is read. Whereupon,
134 it is resolved, that the same, together with said Petition
be laid upon the Table.

Petition The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the
J. Belcher, 4th of September last, was referred the Petition of
Joseph Belcher & others for cross walks, make Report
by bill, which is read, whereupon it is resolved, that
145 said Report be received.

Crosswalk Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be directed to
Rhodes St. cause a cross-walk to be laid in Rhodes Street,
145 at its termination in Pine Street.
Concurred.

Petition The Committee to whom on the 31st of July last, was re-
J. Burroughs ferred the petition of James Burroughs, one of the public
Weights of Coal, - and to whom was this day referred
the Petition of John P. Jones, - make report by bill en-
135 titled "An Ordinance, in amendment of an Ordinance
146, entitled "An Ordinance in relation to Weights, Measures,
147, Scales and Balances"; - which Report is read, whereupon,
it is resolved that the same be received and laid upon
the Table.

New The Committee who were, on the 26th of June last, appointed
Organizati. Pub. Sch. to take into consideration the expediency of a new organiza-
tion of the Public Schools of the City, make Report
accompanied by a Report from their sub-committee who
were appointed by virtue of the Resolution of the 29th of
August last, to visit the public Schools in Boston, Salem,
130 Lowell and New Bedford; - which Reports are accom-
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paned by certain Resolutions, the passing of which is recommended by said Committee; - and are severally read.

157. Upon the several Reports of the joint Committee appointed on the 26th day of June last, to take into consideration the expediency of a new organization of the Public Schools in this City, - and of the sub-Committee appointed by said Committee, - it is Resolved, that said Reports be received; and that the same be printed for the use of the City Council, and for distribution among the freemen of the City, under the direction of said first-named Committee; and that the same be printed and distributed, in such manner as said Committee may deem expedient.
Concurred.

140. Appropriation for Expenses. Resolved, that the sum of fifty-eight dollars & sixty-five cents be and the same is hereby appropriated for the payment of the expenses incurred by the sub-Committee appointed by the Committee respecting a new organization of the Public Schools of this City; and that the same be paid, out of any moneys in the Treasury not therewith appropriated, to the order of the Chairman of said sub-Committee.
Concurred.

Use of 3rd Dis. School House for Religious Meetings. A Petition of William Apkin for the use of one of the rooms in the Third District School House, for the purpose of holding religious meetings therein, is presented and read.
159. Upon the Petition of William Apkin, it is Resolved, that the same be received, and that the prayer thereof be granted; and that the Rev. Dr. Crocker, & Rev. Mr. Vinton and their associates be and they are hereby authorized to use one of the school-rooms in the Third District School House, one evening in each week, for the purpose of

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holding religious meetings therein, during the pleasure of the City Council. (Concurred Oct 23rd 1837.)

158. Civil. Resolved, that the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to make no further deposit of money in the hands of the keeper of the State's Jail in the County of Providence, for the purpose of retaining Ariel Bayles in confinement in said Jail on the claim now existing in favour of the City against him; and that said Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to withdraw from the hands of said Jailor, whatever fund of money heretofore deposited, which may remain unexpended for said purposes. (Concurred Oct 23rd 1837.)

Joint in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention,

Sundry persons are admitted freemen of the City, having been duly propounded; and sundry others are propounded for admission as freemen.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the 23rd day of October next, at 6 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

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| Mr President, | Cartis, | Olney |
| Wm Angell, | Everett, | Parlford |
| Wm Anthony, | Greene, | Stubbell |
| J. G. Anthony, | Hughes, | Warner |
| Burns, | Knowles, | 18. |
| Butts, | Larchar, | |
| Coring | Mason, | |

Albert Greene,
Clerk

October 23^d. 1837.

Common Council, October 23^d 1837.

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

Buying Lots. Petitions from Thomas J. Griffin and Alfred G. Peckham, for leave to fence in and enclose buying lots in the North Burial Ground are presented and read. whereupon it is resolved that the same be severally received and referred to the Standing Committee on the North Burial Ground, to examine and report thereon, which Committee thereupon make Report in favor of granting the prayers thereof

do. Upon the General Petitions of Thomas J. Griffin and Alfred G. Peckham, requesting leave to fence in and enclose buying lots sufficient for their respective families in the North Burial Ground, it is resolved, that the same be severally received, and the prayers thereof granted; and that 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 Overseer of the North Burial Ground, with the sanction of the Mayor; and provided the several privileges hereby granted, shall be subject to all future regulations of the City Council, and shall continue during the pleasure of the City Council, and no longer. Concurred.

Re Location New York Rail-Road. A Communication from His Honor the Mayor, respecting the re-location of a part of the New York Providence and Boston Rail-Road, which has been re-located in part over certain land of the City, and over and across certain public streets of the City, is presented and read.

See Res. Aug 24 1835.

Resolved, that Messrs James G. Anthony and Warner,

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with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to appear and act in behalf of the City, in any proceedings relative to the location or construction of the New York, Providence, and Boston Rail Road; with power to employ counsel if they deem it necessary. Concurred; and Alderman Holden added.

Report City Treas. The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20th 1834, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be 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 sum of two hundred dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated, for the purpose of completing the paving of the West end of Westminster Street; and that said sum so appropriated, be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated. Concurred.

Petition J. Thunker. A Petition of Dexter Thunker and others, requesting that leave may be granted to Samuel Wheldon, to dig a well on land of the City, near the North Burial Ground, is presented and read. whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to Messrs Angell and Knowles, to examine and report thereon.

Appro. Resolved, that the sum of Forty five Dollars, be and the same is hereby appropriated for the payment of the expenses of printing and distributing the Reports in relation to a new organization of the Public Schools of the City, pursuant to the Resolution of the City Council of September 25th 1837. - to be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise ap.

propriated, to the order of the Chairman of the Committee by whom said Reports were made.
Concurred.

140. Allowing the Committee to whom on the 29th of August last, was re-ferred the Communication of the City Treasurer respecting Seesim's an allowance to the tenant of the "Leopion's Lot," for damages Lot. sustained by him during the exploding of said Lot for Anthracite Coal; - and also in relation to the fences around said Lot; - make Report, which is read: whereupon it is resolved that the same be received.

140. Resolved, that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and directed to deduct and allow to Warren Batcheller, the sum of Twenty Dollars from the amount of rent agreed to be paid by said Batcheller to the City for the use of the "Leopion's Lot," (so called) for the past year: said deduction being made as an equivalent for damages sustained by said Batcheller by reason of the examinations made upon said Lot, for anthracite Coal by order of the City Council.
Concurred.

140. Resolved, that Nehos Cowing and Hudson, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to cause the wall and fence around the "Leopion's Lot" (so called) to be repaired, provided the expense thereof shall not exceed seventy-five dollars.

Resolved, that the sum of seventy-five dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose aforesaid; to be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.
Concurred; and Alderman Holden added.

Pub. Schools. The Resolutions which were on the 25th of September last, reported by the Committee appointed to enquire into the

expediency of a new organization of the Public Schools of the City, are now again read, as follows. viz

140. Resolved 1. That it is expedient that the number of Public Schools in this City be increased to seventeen, not including the Schools for children of color.

2. That it is expedient that said Schools be of the following descriptions, viz
One High School.
Six Grammar & Writing Schools.
Ten Primary Schools.

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3. That in the opinion of the City Council, no child ought to be admitted into the Primary Schools, at a less age than four years, into the Grammar and Writing Schools at a less age than seven years; nor into the High School, at a less age than twelve years; unless by special permission of the School Committee.

4. That in the opinion of the City Council, no pupil ought to remain in the High School longer than three years, unless by special permission of the School Committee; and in no case unless the same is not full.

5. That in the opinion of the City Council, the Principal of the High School should be paid one thousand dollars per annum; the Assistant Teacher, seven hundred and fifty dollars per annum; the Masters of the Grammar & Writing Schools, eight hundred dollars per annum; two Assistant Female Teachers two hundred dollars per annum; - the Principals of the Primary Schools, two hundred and fifty dollars per annum; & the Assistant Teachers, one hundred and seventy five dollars per annum.

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6. That in the opinion of the City Council, it is expedient to establish a Superintendent of the Public Schools.

7. That in the opinion of the City Council, the Superintendent of the Public Schools should be paid a salary of eight hundred dollars per annum.

8. That the High School should be instituted for the purpose of fitting young men for College; and for perfecting those who are not intended for a collegiate course of study, in ^{all} the branches of a good English education.

9. That it is expedient that the High School shall be open for candidates from all the schools in the City, once a year; viz. on the ^{next} succeeding the Exhibition of the Schools in; and that for admissions into the High School, candidates from the public schools shall have preference over all others."

The first, second, third and fourth of said Resolutions are severally read and passed.

The fifth of said Resolutions is again read; and it is moved, that the words "one thousand" be stricken out, and the words "one thousand five hundred" be inserted in their place, as the sum which should be paid to the Principal of the High School: on which motion the question is taken by ayes and nays, which are ordered to be entered upon the Journal, as follows.

Ayes.
Messrs H. Anthony,
J. G. Anthony,
Coring,
Curtis,
Henderson

Nays.
Messrs Andrews,
Angell,
Burrows,
Butts,
Eddy,
Harding

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Hughes.
Olney. 7

Knowles,
Larchar,
Mason
Padelford,
Petter,
Stillwell
Sumball
Wamer. 14.

Laid motion is therefore lost.

It is moved, that said words "one thousand" be stricken out, and the words "twelve hundred and fifty" be inserted in their place: - On which motion the question is taken by ayes and nays, which are ordered to be entered upon the Journal as follows.

Ayes.
Messrs Andrews,
H. Anthony,
J. G. Anthony,
Burrows,
Butts,
Coring,
Curtis,
Eddy,
Harding,
Hudson,
Hughes,
Knowles,
Larchar,
Mason,
Olney,
Padelford,
Petter,
Sumball,
Wamer. 19.

Nays.
Messrs Angell,
Stillwell. 2

Laid Resolution is accordingly so amended.

It is moved, that said Resolution be further amended ^{as follows, viz.} by striking out the words "seven hundred and fifty"

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be stricken out, and the words "eight hundred" be inserted in their place, - as the sum which should be paid to the Assistant Teacher in the High School: on which motion the question is taken by ayes and nays, which are ordered to be entered on the Journal, as follows.

Ayes
Messrs. G. Anthony,
Burrows,
Butts,
Coring,
Curtis,
Eddy,
Harding,
Hudson,
Hughes,
Larchar,
Mason,
Padelford,
Stillwell,
Trumbull,
Warner. 15

Nays.
Messrs. Andrews,
Angell,
Knowles,
Olney. 4

Said Resolution is accordingly so amended.

It is moved, that said Resolution be further amended by striking out the words "eight hundred" and inserting the words "one thousand" in their place, - as the sum which should be paid to each of the Masters of the Grammar & Writing Schools: - on which motion, the question is taken by ayes and nays, which are ordered to be entered upon the Journal, as follows.

Ayes.
Messrs. Andrews,
G. Anthony,
Burrows,
Coring,
Eddy,
Harding,

Nays.
Messrs. Angell,
Butts,
Curtis,
Hudson,
Larchar,
Padelford,

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Hughes,
Knowles,
Mason

Stillwell,
Trumbull,
Warner 9

Olney 10.

Said Resolution is accordingly so amended.

It is also resolved, that said Resolution be further amended by striking out the words "two hundred" and inserting the words "two hundred and twenty-five" in their place, as the sum which should be paid to each of the two ^{Assistant} Female Teachers in each of the Grammar and Writing Schools; - and by striking out the words "one hundred and seventy five," and inserting the words "two hundred" in their place, as the sum which should be paid to each of the Assistant Teachers in the Primary Schools.

The question on the passage of said Fifth Resolution as amended, is taken by ayes and nays, which are ordered to be entered on the Journal, as follows, viz.

Ayes.
Messrs. Andrews,
G. Anthony,
J. G. Anthony,
Burrows,
Butts,
Coring,
Curtis,
Eddy,
Harding,
Hudson,
Hughes,
Knowles,
Mason,
Olney,
Padelford,
Stillwell

Nays.
Messrs. Angell, 1.

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Said Resolution, so amended, is therefore passed.

The remainder of said Resolutions are referred for consideration to Thursday Evening next, at 6 o'clock P.M. to which time the Common Council now adjourn.

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Members present.

Mr. President

Mrs Adams,

Angell

W. Anthony

J. G. Anthony

Burns,

Butts,

Coring

Curtis,

Eddy

Warding

Headson

Hughes

Knowles,

Larchar,

Mason,

Olvey,

Parsons,

Potter,

Stillwell

Drumhill,

Warner

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Albert Greene
Clerk

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Common Council, October 26th 1837.

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

Petition A Petition of Thomas F. Potter & others, for the use of the Third District School House, for the purpose of holding religious meetings therein, is presented and read.

Resolved Upon the Petition of Thomas F. Potter & others, it is resolved, that the same be received, and the prayer thereof granted, and that the said petitioners and their associates be Religious and they are hereby authorized to use any of the school meeting rooms in the Third District School House, any one evening in each week - excepting Thursday Evening, - for the purpose of holding religious meetings therein, during the pleasure of the City Council, and no longer.

Concurred.

Petition A Petition of George O. Baum & others, a Committee of the Cadet Company, for an appropriation to aid said Company in repairing their Armory, is presented and read.

Resolved Upon the petition of George O. Baum & others a Committee of the Cadet Company, it is resolved, that the same be received, and referred to Messrs Eddy, Coring & Everett, with full as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon.

Concurred, & Alderman Bay added.

Petition The Committee to whom on the 23^d of October instant, was referred the petition of Dexter Thurber & others that leave might be granted to Samuel Wheldon to dig a well on certain land of the City, make Report in favour of granting the prayer thereof: which Report is read.

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whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received.

Resolved, that Samuel Wheldon be, and he is hereby authorized to dig a well at the junction of Lexington Street and Douglas Branch Turnpike, in the public highway.

Concurred, with this Amendment: viz that the following words be added, - to wit "provided however, that the public shall at all times have the use of said Wells for a watering place, and for extinguishing fires."

The Common Council concur in the Amendment.

Repairs Resolved, that the sum of Five Hundred Dollars be, ^{on} Highways, and the same is hereby appropriated for repairs of Highways, and that said sum, so appropriated, be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, Concurred.

Pub. Schools. The consideration of the Resolutions reported by the Committee appointed to enquire into the expediency of a new organization of the Public Schools of the City (which Resolutions were under consideration at the time of the adjournment of the Common Council on the 23^d instant.) - is now again resumed.

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The sixth of said Resolutions is read, and on motion, is amended by adding the following words, viz "who, together with the School Committee, shall have the entire control of the system of instruction and discipline of the Public Schools; - and that the duties of said Superintendent be discharged under the advice and directing of the Schools Committee;" and having been so amended, is again read, and "passed"

The seventh of said Resolutions is again read, and it is moved that the words "eight hundred" be stricken out, and the word "twelve hundred and fifty" be inserted in their place, as

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the sum which should be paid as the annual salary of the Superintendent of the Public Schools; - on which motion the question is taken by ayes and noys, which are ordered to be entered upon the Journal, as follows.

Ayes.

Messrs Andrews,
H. Anthony,
Banows,
Butts,
Eddy,
Greene
Hawding,
Hudson,
Hughes,
Knowles,
Larchar,
Matson,
Olney,
Petter
Trumbell. 15.

Noys.

Messrs Angell,
Everett
Stellwell,
Warner. 4.

Said Resolution is accordingly so amended, and being so amended, is again read, and is passed.

The eighth of said Resolutions is again read, and is passed.

The ninth of said Resolutions is again read, and on motion is amended so as to read as follows, viz.

"9th That it is expedient that the High School shall be open for candidates from all the Grammar and Writing Schools in the City, once a year: viz, - on the Monday next succeeding the Annual Exhibition of the Schools, which Annual Exhibition is to be held on the Monday next preceding the first Wednesday in September; - and that, for admission into the High School candidates from the Public Schools shall have preference over all others;" - and having been so amended, said Resolution is again read, and is passed.

October 26th 1837.

On motion, the following is added to the Resolutions reported by said Committee, and is read and passed

viz "10th That Messrs Olney, H. Anthony, Everett, Hughes, Padesford and Butts, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are appointed a Committee, to draw up and report to the City Council, an Ordinance for a new Organization for the future Government of the Public Schools, in conformity with the preceding Resolutions."

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the 27th day of November next, at 6 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

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| Mr President, | Henderson |
| Andrews, | Hughes |
| Angell | Knicker |
| H. Anthony | Larchar |
| Burns, | Mason, |
| Butts, | Olney |
| Curtis, | Peter |
| Eddy, | Tillwell, |
| Everett, | Trumbull |
| Greene | Warner. |
| Harding, | |

Albert G. Greene,
Clerk

November 27th 1837.

Common Council, November 27th 1837.

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

Praying
Lot.

Petitions from Seth Thayer, Seth W. Thayer, Isaac Brown, and Nathaniel Brown, for leave to fence in and enclose buying lots in the North Burial Ground, as presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be severally received and referred to the Standing Committee on the North Burial Ground, to examine and report thereon, which Committee make Report in favour of granting the prayers thereof.

Do.

Upon the several Petitions of Seth Thayer, Seth W. Thayer, Isaac Brown and Nathaniel W. Brown, requesting leave to fence in and enclose buying lots sufficient for their respective families in the North Burial Ground, it is resolved, that the same be received and the prayers thereof generally granted; and that said petitioners be, and they are hereby generally authorized to fence in and enclose such lots for such purposes: provided the same be done under the directions of the Overseer of the North Burial Ground with the sanction of the Mayor; and provided also, that the several privileges hereby granted shall be subject to all future regulations of the City Council, and shall continue during the pleasure of the City Council, and no longer.
Concurred.

Report of the Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20th 1834, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance; which Committee thereupon report the fol.

November 27th 1837.

Lowering Resolution, which is read and passed; viz

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

- For the support of the Poor, Five Hundred Dollars,
 - For the Fire Department, Two hundred and fifty Dollars,
 - For repairs of Highways, One Thousand Dollars;
- and that said sums so appropriated, be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.
- Concurred.

Passed in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

Alumni Under persons are admitted freemen of the City, having their names duly propounded; and sundry others are propounded for admissions as freemen.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the 25th day of December next, at six o'clock P.M.

Members present.

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| Mr President | .. Everett, | .. Mann, |
| Messrs Andrews, | Greene, | Olney, |
| Angell, | Harding, | Padelford, |
| J. G. Anthony, | Hudsons, | Peter, |
| Bunows, | Hughes, | Hittwell, |
| Batts | Knowles, | Trumbull, |
| Eddy, | Larchar, | Warner, |
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Albert Greene, Clerk

December 25th 1837.

Common Council, December 25th 1837.

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

Report The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20th 1834, is presented and read: whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance: which Committee have upon report the following Resolution, which is read and passed: viz.

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

- For the Fire Department, Five hundred Dollars,
 - For repairs of Highways, Five hundred Dollars,
 - For the support of the Poor, Five hundred Dollars,
 - For repairs of public buildings, Two hundred Dollars;
- and that said sums so appropriated, be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.
- Concurred.

Seal of Work House Lot. A communication from the City Treasurer, respecting the leases of the Work house Lots, is presented and read.

Resolved, that the City Treasurer, acting under the advice and direction of Messrs J. H. Greene & H. Anthony with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and he is hereby authorized to lease the work house lots, for one year from the first day of January, A.D. 1838. Concurred, and Alderman Holden added.

Baker's A draft of an Ordinance in relation to the weight of Water Bread, bakers water bread, is presented and read: whereupon.

It is resolved that the same be referred to the Standing Committee to Enforce Ordinances, to examine and report thereon.

Amended. The Resolutions respecting the expediency of a new organization of the Public Schools of the City, which passed the School, Common Council on the 26th of October last, and were then sent up for concurrence; are returned by the Board of Aldermen, who concur therein, with the following

160 amendments: viz

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- 1st That the words "eight hundred" in the 4th line of the 5th Resolution, be stricken out, and the words "Seven hundred and fifty" be inserted in their place; - (as the amount which ought to be paid for the annual salary of the Assistant Teacher of the High School:)-
- 2^d. That the word "one" in the 5th line of the 5th Resolution and the word "thousand" in the 6th line of the same Resolution, be stricken out, and the words "Eight Hundred" inserted in their place; - (as the amount which ought to be paid for the annual salary of each of the Masters of the Grammar and Writing Schools:)-
- 3^d That the words "twenty-five" in the 8th line of the 5th Resolution be stricken out; - leaving the sum of \$200, as the amount which ought to be paid for the annual salary of each of the Assistant Female Teachers of the Grammar & Writing Schools, instead of \$225.
- 4th. That the word "fifty" in the 10th line of the 5th Resolution, be stricken out, and the word "twenty-five" inserted in its place; - leaving the sum of \$225, as the amount which ought to be paid for the annual salary of the Principals of each of the Primary Schools, instead of \$250:)-
- 5th That the words "two hundred" in the 12th line of the 5th Resolution be stricken out, and the words "one hundred and seventy-five" be inserted in its place; - (as the amount which ought to be paid for the annual

salary of each of the Assistant Teachers in the Primary Schools;)

which amendments are severally read:

whereupon it is resolved; That the Common Council do concur in the first of said Amendments. -

It is moved, that the Common Council concur in the second of said Amendments; on which motion, the question is taken by aye and nays, which are ordered to be entered upon the Journal, as follows.

Ayes.	Nays.
Messrs Angell	Messrs Andrews
Barnow.	H. Anthony,
Butts	J. G. Anthony,
Curtis,	Coring,
Everett,	Olley
Greene	Father, 6.
Harding	
Hughes	
Howles,	
Mason,	
Papelford,	
Stittwell,	
Trumbull,	
Warner, 14.	

The Common Council do therefore concur in the second of said Amendments.

It is moved that the Common Council concur in the third of said Amendments; on which motion, the question is taken by ayes and nays, which are ordered to be entered upon the Journal, as follows.

Ayes.	Nays.
none.	Messrs Andrews,
	Angell,
	H. Anthony,
	J. G. Anthony,

- Burns,
- Butts,
- Coring,
- Curtis,
- Evett,
- Greene
- Harding,
- Hughes,
- Knowles,
- Mason,
- Olney,
- Paterson,
- Potter,
- Stillwell,
- Trumbull,
- Warner,

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The Common Council do therefore non-concur in the third of said Amendments.

In the fourth of said Amendments, the Common Council do, unanimously, non-concur.

In the fifth of said Amendments, the Common Council do, unanimously, non-concur.

ac't of Resolved, that Messrs Curtis and H. Anthony, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they beuly are appointed a Committee, to examine and settle the Accounts of the City Treasurer with the City, up to the first day of January, A.D. 1838.
 Concurred: W. Alderman Parker added.

Resolved, that the time in which persons using weights, measures, yardsticks, platform or other scales, steadyards or other balances, of whatever description, for the purpose of selling or vending any articles of goods, wares, merchandise, liquors or provisions thereto, in this City, are

required by the first section of the Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance in relation to Weights, Measures, Scales and Balances"; to cause the same to be examined and sealed, - be extended for the present year three months from the thirty-first day of December instant: - and that the time named in the second section of said Ordinance, from and after which no person, by the provisions of said second section, shall use, or permit to be used for him or her, any weight measure, yardstick, platform or other scales, steadyard or other balance, in weighing or measuring therewith, any article for sale, in this City, until the same shall have been examined and sealed as provided in said Ordinance, - be extended three months from said thirty-first day of December instant.
 Concurred.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

Study persons are admitted freemen of the City, - having been duly pronounced; and sundry others are pronounced for admission as freemen.

John Babcock is elected a Fireward.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday, the 15th day of January next, at 6 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

- Mr. President,
- Messrs Andrews,
- Angell,
- H. Anthony,

- J. G. Anthony,
- Burns,
- Butts,
- Coring,

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Curtis,
Eddy,
Everett,
Greene,
Harding,
Hughes,
Howles,

Mason,
Olney,
Pabelford,
Petter,
Stillwell,
Trumbull,
Warner,

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Abelty Greene, Clerk.

1838.

Common Council, January 15th 1838.

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

Organization - The Resolutions respecting the expediency of a new organization of the Public Schools of the City, with the non-concurrence of the Common Council in the third, fourth and fifth Amendments of the Board of Aldermen thereto, which non-concurrence was sent up on the 25th of December last, are now returned by the Board of Aldermen, who rescind their 166. votes in relation to said third, fourth and fifth Amendments, 181. and concur with the Common Council in the Resolutions with the first and second Amendments.

Report of The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council of October 20th 1834, 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. Which Committee thereupon 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 Contingencies; and that said sum so appropriated, be paid out of any money in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated.
Concurred.

Work House Lot. Resolved, that Messrs Harding & Angell, with such of the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to ascertain the North line of the Work House Lot, and to adjust the same with the owner or owners of the adjoining land.
Concurred: + Alderman Holden added.

Upon the Petition of Joseph A. Chedel, for leave to fence in and enclose a buying lot in the North Burial Ground, is presented and read: Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the North Burial Ground, to examine and report thereon, - which Committee thereupon make Report, in favor of granting the prayer thereof.

Do, Upon the Petition of Joseph A. Chedel, requesting leave to fence in and enclose a buying lot, sufficient for his family, in the North Burial Ground, it is Resolved, that the same be received, and the prayer thereof granted: and that the said petitioner be and he is hereby authorized to fence in and enclose such Lot for such purpose: provided the same be done under the direction of the Overseer of the North Burial Ground, with the sanction of the Mayor: and provided, the privileges hereby granted, shall be subject to all future regulations of the City Council, - and shall continue during the pleasure of the City Council, and no longer.
Concurred.

Item of Arrangements for the celebration of the approaching anniversary of American Independence, is presented and read: Whereupon, it is resolved that the same be received and laid upon the Table, and that the consideration thereof be deferred until the next meeting.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

undry persons are proposed for admision, as freemen of the City.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Thursday the eighteenth day of January instant, at 6 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr. President.

Mr. Andrews.

Angell.

J. H. Anthony.

Boyd.

Everett.

Greene.

Harding.

Houghson.

Hughes.

.. Enucle.

Mann.

Olney.

Redford.

Potter.

Stillwell.

Tumbull.

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Albert Greene, Clerk.

Common Council, January 18th 1838.

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

Petition The joint Committee, to whom, on the 26th day of October last, was referred the Petition of George O. Baum & others, a Committee of the Independent Company of Cadets, for an appropriation to aid said Company in repairing their Company on the Town House Lot, make Report, which is read: Whereupon it is Resolved, that the same be received, and indefinitely postponed.

Item of The Resolution for the appointment of a Committee of Arrangements for a celebration of the approaching Anniversary of American Independence, which was, at the last meeting, referred to this meeting for consideration, is now referred to the next meeting, for consideration.

Drain Resolved, that the Surveyors of Highways, acting under the advice and direction of Messrs Harding and Angell, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and he is hereby directed

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January 18th 1838.

to cause a drain to be sunk, from the East side of Charles Street, across the Waterhouse Lot, to the Blackstone Canals, concurred, & alderman Holden added.

Messrs Seth Howard is appointed Mesenger of the Common Council, in place of David C. Mann, deceased.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

Sundry persons are proposed for admission as freemen of the City.

Mem. Engrs Co. Twelve persons are elected members of Engine Company No. 5, in addition to the number heretofore elected, for the present municipal year.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the 26th day of February next, at 1/2 past 6 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr President

Andrews

H. Anthony

Bannons

Canning

Curtis

Eddy

Everett

Greene

Harding

Headford

Hughes

Larchan

Olney

Pedelford

Fullwell

Trumbull

Warner

18.

Albert H. Greene,
Clerk

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February 26th 1838.

Common Council, February 26th 1838.

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

Report The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Treasurer's Resolution of the Common Council, of Oct. 20th 1834, 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: 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 Support of the Poor, Twelve hundred Dollars,
For the Fire Department, Eight hundred Dollars,
For the City Watch, Seven hundred Dollars,
For Repairs of Public Buildings, Three hundred Dollars,
For Contingencies, Five hundred Dollars,
For building the Asylum Wall, Six hundred Dollars;
and that said sums so appropriated, be paid out of any moneys in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated.
Concurred.

City Debt. A Communication from the City Treasurer, respecting a portion of the City Debt which falls due on the first day of April 1838, 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: which Committee thereupon report the following Resolutions, which are read and passed, to wit.

Resolved, that the City Treasurer be authorized to renew the obligations of the City, for such portion of the City Debt as will become due on the first day of April next, at the same rate of interest they now bear.

Resolved, that the City Treasurer, acting under the advice of Messrs Curtis Greene and Everett, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be authorized to obtain, on temporary loan, upon the best terms practicable, such sum of money as may be necessary to pay so much of the City Debt, due on the first day of April next, as may then be required to be paid by the holders thereof.

Concurred, and Alderman Hoppin added.

Acct of City Treas. The Joint Committee appointed on the 25th of December last, to examine and settle the accounts of the City Treasurer with the City, up to the first day of January A.D. 1838, make Report that they have performed that duty: which

168. Report is read, whereupon it is resolved that the same be received and together with said Account, be recorded.
Concurred.

Star Street A Petition of Silvanus G. Martin and others, for repairs on Star 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.

170. A Communication from a Committee of the Board of Engine Rewards, respecting the purchase of a lot of land as a place, location for an Engine House, is presented and read.

174. Upon the Communication from a Committee of the Board of Rewards, respecting the purchase of a lot of land belonging to William H. Howard, as a location for an engine-house for Engine Company No. 9. - it is Resolved, that the same be received and referred to Messrs Larcher Hudson and Stillwell, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, and that said Committee be and they are hereby authorized, in case they may deem it advisable, to purchase from said Howard, for the City,

said lot of land, measuring twenty feet on Carpenter Street, and extending back Southwark, holding that width, about sixty feet. provided the same can be purchased and a clear title thereto obtained, for a sum not exceeding one hundred and twenty dollars.

Resolved, that the sum of one hundred and twenty dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purchase of said lot, to be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to the order of the Chairman of said Committee.

Concurred, and Alderman Williams added.

Petition A Petition from the Independent Company of Cadets, for Cadets relief, is presented and read: whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, and laid upon the Table.

173. Remoral A Resolution, in the following words, is presented and read: and it is moved that the consideration thereof be indefinitely postponed:

173. Ditt from John Hume Lot. Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause the earth which has been thrown out upon the Pawn House Lot by the Cadet Company, during the raising of their Almony, to be removed from said Lot, at the expense of the City: -

On said motion for indefinite postponement, the question is taken by ayes and nays. (Messrs Curtis and Olney being excused from voting): which are deemed to be entered on the Journal as follows, viz.

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| <p>Ayes.</p> <p>Messrs Andrews,
Angell,
H. Anthony
Butts,
Everett,
Knowles,
Patterson,</p> | <p>Nays.</p> <p>Messrs J. G. Anthony,
Burrows,
Eddy,
Greene,
Hudson,
Hughes,
Larcher,</p> |
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Warner 8.

Mason,
Hillwell,
Trumbull. 10.

which motion is therefore lost: -
Whereupon said Resolution is again read, and is passed.
Concurred, March 12th 1838.

Fourth of July. Resolved, that Messrs Everett, Knowles and Butts, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee of Arrangements for the celebration of the approaching Anniversary of American Independence.
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180 Resolved, that the sum of Five Hundred Dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated, to defray the expenses of said Celebration, to be paid by the City Treasurer, to the order of the Chairman of said Committee, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

Sandy parks are provided for admissions as freemen of the City.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday the 12th day of March next, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present

Mr President
Messrs Andrews,
Angell,
H. Anthony,
J. G. Anthony,
Bennows,
Butts,

.. Curtis,
Eddy,
Everett
Greene,
Hudson
Hughes,
Knowles,

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March 12th 1838.

.. Larchar
Mason,
Olney,
Potts,

.. Hillwell,
Trumbull,
Warner.

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Albert J. Greene, Clerk

Common Council, March 12th 1838.

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

The President being absent from the City, Mr. Curtis is elected President pro tempore.

Report of Treas.

The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20th 1834, is presented and read: Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance: which Committee thereupon report the following Resolution, which is read and passed, to wit,

Resolved, that the sum of Three Hundred Dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated for the Fire Department: and that said sum so appropriated, be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.
Concurred.

Comm. from G. Curtis County Jail, 191.

A Communication from George Curtis a Committee of the General Assembly appointed to call on the persons claiming an interest in the lot of Land on which the County Jail of the County of Providence now stands, and inform them that the General Assembly have taken measures to cause a suitable building for a County Jail to be erected adjoining the keeper's house attached to the

Penitentiary: and to procure from them such a release of their interest in said lot of land as will enable the State to dispose of it to advantage; - is presented and read, - in which communication the City Council are requested to direct the execution of a deed relinquishing whatever interest (if any) the City may have in and to said lot. - Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to Messrs Larchan & Warner, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon.

Concurred, + Alderman Holden added.

Temperance Celebration - A Petition of Josiah Whitaker and others, for an appropriation of the sum of \$250 to defray the expenses of a Temperance Celebration of the approaching anniversary of American Independence is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received

It is resolved, that the Board of Aldermen be requested, to return the Resolutions for an appropriation of \$500, for a celebration of the Anniversary of American Independence, which passed the Common Council on the 26th of February last, & were then sent up for concurrence, - in case no action has been had by that Board thereon: and a request being sent to the Board of Aldermen, for that purpose, said Resolutions are accordingly returned. Whereupon it is resolved that said Resolutions be re-considered, and that the same, together with the petition of Josiah Whitaker & others be referred to Messrs Warner, Andrews and Hughes, to examine and report thereon; which Committee make a verbal report, recommending that an appropriation of \$250, be made for the purpose stated in said Petition. Whereupon it is resolved, that said Resolutions and Petition be again referred to said Committee, with instructions to make Report at the next meeting.

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183.

The joint Committee appointed to draw up and report an Ordinance for a new organization and for the future government of the Public Schools, make Report by Bill, which is read.

Mr. Logan. Upon the Report of the joint Committee appointed to draw up and report a bill for a new organization of the Public Schools, it is resolved, that the same be received and together with the Bill reported by said Committee, be printed in the Morning Courier, and that two hundred copies thereof be printed for the use of the City Council.

Concurred.

Use of Town House

Resolved, that the use of the Town House be granted to the Firemen's Association for Mutual Assistance for the purpose of holding a meeting therein on the evening of the 27th day of March instant.

Concurred.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention. Sundry persons are admitted freemen of the City, having been duly propounded, and Sundry others are propounded for admission as freemen.

The two Boards separate

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the 26th day of March instant, at 6 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Messrs Andrews,
Angell
R. Anthony

J. G. Anthony
Banon's,
Butts,

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.. Curtis,
Everett,
Greene
Hudson
Hughes
Howles
Larchar

.. Olney,
Padelford,
Potter
Stillwell,
Trumbull
Warner.

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Albert Greene, Clerk

Common Council March 26th 1838.

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

City meas. A Petition of Zachariah Allen and others, for the appointment of
over Boston City Measurers of Cotton Goods, is presented and read.
Goods.

So. Upon the Petition of Zachariah Allen and others, it is
Resolved, that the same be received, and referred to Messrs
J. G. Anthony, S. H. Greene and Padelford, with such as the
Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report
thereon

Concurred: & Alderman Holders added.

Horse Sheds A Petition of Robert W. Ives and others, for the removal of the
Town House Horse Sheds from the Town House Lot, is presented and read.
Lot.

When the Petition of Robert W. Ives & others, it is Resolved
that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed
to cause the Horse Sheds now standing on the Town House Lot
to be removed therefrom, and to dispose of the same on the
best terms he can obtain therefor, and to pay over the pro-
ceeds thereof, into the City Treasury.
Concurred.

183, March 26th 1838.

A communication from the City Treasurer, respecting a portion
of the City Debt which will fall due, on the first day of April
next, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the
same be received.

Common- A communication from the City Treasurer, respecting the state
union from of the Treasury is presented and read. Whereupon it is re-
City Treas. solved, that the same be received.

City Debt. Resolved, that the City Treasurer be authorized to renew, for
one year, the obligations of the City, for such portion of the
City Debt as will become due on the first day of April
175 next, at a rate of interest not exceeding 5 1/2 per cent per
176 annum.

Resolved, that the City Treasurer, acting under the advice
of Messrs Curtis, Greene and Everett, with such as the Board
of Aldermen may add, be authorized to obtain from time
to time, on the best terms practicable, such sums of money, as
temporary loans as may be necessary for the use of the City,
not exceeding in the whole the sum of six thousand Dollars.
Concurred, and Alderman Hoppin added.

Expenses The Committee to whom on the 12th of March instant, was referred
Temperance the Petition of Josiah Whitaker & others for an appropriation of \$250
Celebration 185 to defray the expenses of a Temperance Celebration of the ap-
proaching anniversary of American Independence, - and to
whom was also referred the Resolution of the Common Coun-
cil for a Municipal Celebration of said Anniversary, - make
Report: which is read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same
be received: and that said Resolution be referred to the
next meeting for consideration.

Firemen's A Petition of Allen O. Peck & others, for an appropriation
Celebration to defray the expenses of a Firemen's Celebration of the
185 Approaching Anniversary of American Independence, is
presented and read: Whereupon it is resolved, that the
same be received, and laid upon the Table.

The Joint Committee appointed on the 26th of February last, respecting the purchase of a lot of Land as a location for an Engine House for Engine No 9. make report, that they have purchased a lot of William A. Howard, and have drawn on the Treasury for the amount agreed to be paid therefor: which Report is read: Whereupon it is Resolved, that the same be received.

Concurred.

Resolved, that the salary of the Mayor, for the ensuing Municipal Year, be one thousand dollars, payable quarterly. Concurred.

Public Schools. The Common Council go into Committee of the Whole, for a consideration of the Bill reported by the joint Committee on the 12th of March instant, for a new organization and for the future government of the Public Schools." Mr James G. Anthony in the Chair.

In Committee of the Whole.

- The first Section of the bill is read and adopted.
- The second Section . . . is read and adopted.
- The third Section . . . is read, amended, and adopted.
- The fourth Section . . . is read, amended, and adopted.
- The fifth Section . . . is read and amended.

Whereupon, the Committee rise, report progress, and obtain leave to sit again.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Thursday March 29th, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

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| Mr. President | Curtis, |
| Wm. Andrews, | Eddy, |
| Angell, | Everett, |
| H. Anthony, | Greene, |
| J. G. Anthony, | Hudson, |
| Bunow, | Hughes, |
| Cowling, | Knowles, |

Larchar,
Olney,
Parsiford,
Potter

Stillwell,
Trumbull,
Warner.

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Wm. Greene, Clerk.

Common Council, March 29th 1838.

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

Heard of July.

A Petition of John P. Paul and 780 others, for a municipal celebration of the approaching anniversary of American Independence, is presented and read: Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received.

do.

The Resolution for a Municipal Celebration of the approaching Anniversary of American Independence, which passed the Common Council, on the 26th of February last, - which was reconsidered on the 12th of March instant, and which was on the 26th of March instant, referred to this meeting for consideration is now again read and passed, as follows, viz.

Resolved: That Messrs Everett Knowles and Hudson, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee of Arrangements for the Celebration of the approaching Anniversary of American Independence.

Resolved, that the sum of Five Thousand Dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated to defray the expenses of said Celebration, - to be paid by the City Treasurer, to the order of the Chairman of said Committee, out of any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Concurred, & Alderman Williams added.

Temperance. The Petition of Sarah Whitaker and others, for an appropriation for a Temperance Celebration of the approaching Anniversary of

March 29th 1838.

American Independence - and of Allen D. Peck & others, for an appropriation for a Freeman's Celebration of said anniversary, are again generally read, and are indefinitely postponed.

Resolved, that the Resolution which passed February 7th 1837, granting a lease to E. J. Mallett of part of the City's land, with directions E. J. Mallett to erect a fence in a particular place, be so altered, that a fence be erected at any time hereafter, in a proper place, under the direction of the City Marshal; and that the City Treasurer be authorized to exclude the lease, and collect the rent quarterly from said Mallett, until further order from the City Council
Concurred.

The Common Council go into Committee of the Whole, for a further consideration of the Bill reported by the Joint Committee on 12th March instant, "for a new organization of the future government of the Public Schools." Mr. James G. Anthony in the Chair.

In Committee of the Whole.

The fifth Section of the bill is read, amended, & adopted;
The sixth Section is read, amended, & adopted;
The seventh Section is read, and adopted;
The eighth Section is read and adopted;
The ninth Section is read.

Whereupon, the Committee rise, report progress, and obtain leave to sit again.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Friday Evening, March 30th at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present,

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| Mr. President, | .. | Barnes, |
| Messrs. Andrews, | .. | Butts, |
| Angell, | .. | Curtis, |
| H. Anthony, | .. | Eddy, |
| J. G. Anthony, | .. | Errett, |

March 29th

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Greene,
Hudson
Hughes
Knowles
Larchat,
Mason.

Key,
Palford,
Petter,
Stellwell,
Rambold,
Warner, 22.

Albert Greene, Clerk

Common Council, March 30th 1838.

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

The Dept. Resolved, that the sum of Five Hundred Dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the Fire Department; and that said sum, so appropriated, be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.
Concurred.

The Common Council go into Committee of the Whole, for a further consideration of the Bill reported by the joint Committee on 12th March instant, for a new organization and for the future government of the Public Schools. Mr. James G. Anthony in the Chair.

In Committee of the Whole.

The ninth Section of the bill is read, amended & adopted;
The tenth Section is read, amended, & adopted;
The eleventh Section is read, and stricken out;
The twelfth Section is read and adopted;
The thirteenth Section is read and adopted;

Whereupon the Committee rise, and report the bill as amended.

Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council

do adopt the amendments made in Committee of the whole, in the 3^d and 4th Sections of said Bill.

It is moved that the Common Council do adopt the Amendment of the 5th Section, as made in Committee of the whole: on which motion the question is taken by ayes and nays, which are ordered to be entered on the Journal, as follows viz

<u>Ayes.</u>	<u>Nays.</u>
Steph Angell,	Steph Andrews,
H. Anthony,	J. G. Anthony,
Curtis,	Barnes,
Everett,	Butts,
Greene,	Hudson,
Hughes,	Olney,
Knowles,	Potter,
Padelford,	Warner 8
Stillwell,	
Trumbull, 10	

Said Amendment is therefore adopted.

It is resolved, that the Common Council do adopt the amendments in the 6th, 9th, 10th and 11th Sections, as made in Committee of the whole.

Whereupon, it is moved, that said Bill pass, as amended: upon which motion, 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>
Steph Andrews,	W. Everett, 1
Angell,	
H. Anthony,	
J. G. Anthony,	
Barnes,	
Butts,	
Curtis,	
Greene,	
Hudson,	
Hughes,	
Knowles,	
Olney,	

Padelford,

Potter,

Stillwell,

Trumbull,

Warner.

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Said Bill, entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the Public Schools," is therefore passed.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention, sundry persons are admitted freemen of the City, having been duly propounded; and sundry others are propounded for admission as freemen.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourns to meet on Monday the 9th day of April next, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present

Mr President,

Andrews,

Angell,

H. Anthony,

J. G. Anthony,

Barnes,

Butts,

Curtis,

Everett,

Greene,

Hudson,

Hughes,

Knowles,

Olney,

Padelford,

Potter,

Stillwell,

Trumbull,

Warner?

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Albert Greene, Clerk.

April 9th 1838.Common Council, April 9th 1838.

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

Public Schools. The Ordinance in relation to the Public Schools which passed the Common Council on the 30th of March last, and was then sent up for concurrence, is returned by the Board of Aldermen, who concur therein, with the following amendments, viz:

1st That the word "female" be inserted between the word "two" & the word "Assistant", in the 4th line of the second Section:

2^d That the words "or one male assistant teacher, at the discretion of the School Committee" be inserted between the word "teachers" and the word "and" in the same line of the same Section:

3^d That all the words between the word "years" in the ninth line of the fourth Section, and the word "to" in the twelfth line of the same Section, be stricken out:

4th That the words "To each male assistant teacher of a Grammar and Writing School, Four Hundred Dollars;" be inserted between the 7th and 8th lines of the ninth Section:

which amendments are read: whereupon it is resolved that the Common Council do concur in the first, second and fourth of said Amendments; and do non-concur in the third of said Amendments.

Which resolution being sent up, the Board of Aldermen insist on their said third Amendment: whereupon it is resolved, that the Common Council do insist on their non-concurrence in said Amendment, and request a Conference relative to the disagreement between the two Boards, and that Messrs Curtis and Hughes be appointed conferees on the part of the Common Council.

Which resolution being sent up, the Board of Aldermen

April 9th 1838.

insist in the request for a conference, and appoint Aldermen Anthony and Barker as conferees on the part of that Board:-

Which Committee of Conference having met, make report that they cannot agree respecting the disagreement between the two Boards: whereupon it is resolved, that the Common Council do recede from their resolution of non-concurrence in the third Amendment of the Board of Aldermen, and do now concur in said Amendment.

Jail Lot. The joint Committee to whom on the 12th of March last, was referred the Communication of George Curtis, a Committee of the Board General Assembly, in relation to the relinquishment of the City's interest in the old Jail Lot (so called) to the State, make report, which is read: whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received.

Stephen Conceded.
Tillinghast. Resolved, that Stephen Tillinghast be and he is hereby authorized to execute, acknowledge, and deliver to the Committee appointed by the General Assembly to receive the same, a good and sufficient Deed, conveying to the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, all the right title and interest of the City of Providence in and to the lot of Land called the Jail Lot, in which the Jail of the County of Providence now stands; which Deed shall be upon the condition that said lot shall at no time after the first day of June A.D. 1839, be used as a site for a County Jail or public prison.

Do. Resolved, that the Representatives of this City in the General Assembly, be requested to use their exertions to procure the assent of the Legislature, to allow the old Jail Lot (so called) to remain open for the use of the public.

Conceded.
Resolved, that the Committee to engross Ordinances be and

Bill of Mortality. } they are hereby instructed to report a Bill, providing for the
 keeping of a Bill of Mortality, for this City, and for the
 255 monthly publication of the same.

The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20th 1834, is presented and read: Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be 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 support of the Poor, Five hundred Dollars;
 For the Fire Department, Five hundred Dollars;
 For the City Watch, Five hundred Dollars;
 For Contingencies, Three hundred Dollars;
 and that said sums, so appropriated, be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.
 Concurred.

Burying-
 Lot.

A Petition of Hannah Hunter for leave to fence in and enclose a burying lot in the North Burial Ground, is presented and read: Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on the North Burial Ground, to examine (and report thereon): which Committee make Report recommending that the prayer thereof be granted.

Upon the Petition of Hannah Hunter, requesting leave to fence in and enclose a burying lot sufficient for her family, in the North Burial Ground, it is resolved, that the same be received, and the prayer thereof granted; and that the said petitioner be and she is hereby authorized to fence in and enclose such lot for such purpose; provided the same be done under the direction of the Overseer of the North

Burial Ground, with the sanction of the Mayor; and provided also, that the privilege hereby granted shall be subject to all future regulations of the City Council, and shall continue during the pleasure of the City Council, and no longer.
 Concurred.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Wednesday the 18th day of April instant, at 9 o'clock A.M.

Members present.

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| Mr. Pennington, | Hughes, |
| Mr. Andrews, | Shanks, |
| W. Anthony, | Larchar, |
| J. G. Anthony, | Mason, |
| Bunows, | Olney, |
| Batts, | Padelford, |
| Coring, | Potter, |
| Curtis, | Stillwell, |
| Everett, | Trumbull, |
| Greene, | Warner, |
| Hudson, | |

Albert G. Greene,
 Clerk

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Common Council, April 18th 1838.

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

Success of Taxes.

A certificate from the Assessors of Taxes respecting an erroneous assessment of a tax on the personal estate of the widow of Charles F. Harris deceased is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to the City Auditor, who are authorized to remit the same, or to make such abatement thereof as justice may require. Concurred.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

Sundry persons are admitted freemen of the City, having been duly prosounded; and sundry others are prosounded for admission as freemen.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet this day at 4 o'clock P. M.

Members present.

Mr. President,
Nepht Angell,
H. Anthony,
J. G. Anthony,
Burrows,
Curtis,
Eddy,
Greene,
Hudson,
Hughes.

Knobel,
Larchar,
Mason,
Ohey,
Pardford,
Potter,
Stillwell,
Tumball,
Warner.

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April 18th 1838.

4 o'clock P.M.

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

The President being absent, Mr. James G. Anthony is appointed President pro tempore.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

Sundry persons are admitted freemen of the City, and sundry others are prosounded for admission as freemen.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the 14th day of May next, at half past 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr. Angell,
H. Anthony,
J. G. Anthony,
Greene,
Hudson,
Hughes,
Knobel,
Larchar.

Mason,
Ohey,
Pardford,
Stillwell,
Warner. 13.

Attest
J. G. Anthony

Common Council, May 14th 1838.

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

The President being absent, Mr. Curtis is chosen President pro tempore.

Buying-Lots.

Petitions from Alexis Caswell,
 Richard Waterman,
 Freeman Foster,
 John Barstow,
 George W. Jackson,
 Nathy Jackson,
 Charles Jackson,
 Henry Jackson,
 James Dennis,
 J. F. B. Flagg,
 George H. Hopkins
 and Ezekiel Carpenter, requesting leave to fence in and enclose buying-lots in the North Burial Grounds, and presented and read: whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received & referred to the standing Committee on the North Burial Grounds, to examine and report thereon.

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Hospital-Lot.

A Communication from His Honor the Mayor, respecting a proposed exchange of a part of the New Hospital Lot is called, for other land: and also in relation to the appointment of Justices of the Police Court for the remainder of the present Municipal Year; is presented, and is read.

Resolved, that so much of the Communication of His Honor the Mayor as relates to a proposed exchange of a part of the New Hospital Lot (so called) with Messrs A. H. and C. B. Manchester, for other land be

and the same is hereby referred to Messrs Greene, W. Anthony and Padesford, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon. Concurred: & Alderman Hoppin added.

Justices Police Court.

Resolved, that from the Justices assigned to keep the Peace in this City, Robert Knight, Stephen Martin and Henry L. Bowen, Esquires, be and they are hereby selected to compose the Police Court, for the remainder of the present Municipal Year. Concurred.

Report City Treas.

The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council of October 20th 1834, is presented and read: whereupon it is resolved, that the same be 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 Fire Department, Seven Hundred Dollars,
 For the Public Schools, Six Hundred Dollars,
 For the City Watch, Four Hundred Dollars,
 For the Support of the Poor, Five Hundred & fifty Dollars;
 and that said sums, so appropriated, be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated. Concurred.

Services J. G. Green

Resolved, that the sum of Twenty-five Dollars, be and the same is hereby allowed to Albert Greene, for his services as Clerk of the Joint Committee of the City Council, appointed to draw up an Ordinance in relation to a new organization of the Public Schools

of the City. Concurred.

A Petition of Charles Sheldon & others, for repairs on the Third District School House, is presented and read: whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received and laid upon the table.

Petition of B. Clifford et al. for an Amendment of City Charter

A Petition of Benjamin Clifford & others, requesting the City Council to make application to the General Assembly, for an amendment of the City Charter is presented, and read: Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to Messrs Hughes Larchar and Cowing, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon Concurred. & Alderman Williams added.

The Standing Committee on Highways to whom on the 26th of February, last, was referred the Petition of Silvanus G. Martin & others, for repairs on Star-street, report the following Resolution, which is read and 176. passed: viz.

Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to cause a Drain to be laid from the East side of Benefit Street, to the East side of North Main Street, through Star Street; and that he cause a gutter to be paved on the North side of Star Street: - provided the owners of the respective lots adjoining the same, furnish and set up 215. curb-stones opposite their respective lots, - and provided also that the expense to the City, shall not exceed three hundred dollars.

Concurred. Joined in Convention of the City Council. In Convention. Sundry persons are proposed for

admission as freeman of the City.

The two Boards separate.

Unloading of Vessels.

The Bill entitled "An Ordinance prohibiting the unloading of Vessels in certain parts of the Harbour," which passed the Common Council on the 31st of July last, & 136. was then sent up for concurrence, is now returned by the Board of Aldermen, who non-concur therein.

The Resolution on the reception of the Report of the joint Committee appointed to make alterations in and additions to the Fish Market, - which passed the Common Council on the 31st of July last, and was then sent up for concurrence, is now returned by the Board of Aldermen, who concur therein, with the following Amendment: viz that all the words after the word "received" be stricken out. (The Common Council concur in the Amendment.)

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

The Common Council adjourn, "without day &c"

Members present, Messrs K. Anthony, Banows, Batts, Caring, Curtis, Everett, Greene, Hudson

Hughes, Knowles, Larchar, Radelford, Pater, Stillwell, Warner? 15.

Robert Greene, Clerk

June 4th 1838.

Organization of the City Government of the City of
Providence for the Municipal Year commencing
on the first Monday in June, A.D. 1838.

Monday, June 4th 1838.

City Gov-
ernment.

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

S. W. Bridgman
Mayor.

The certificate of the election of Samuel W. Bridgman 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 Supreme Judicial Court.

The certificate of the election of Thomas R. Holden,
Joseph Cady,
James Wheaton,
Thomas C. Hoppin,
Phineas Potter,
and Caleb Williams, as
Aldermen for said year is presented and read, and they are severally engaged by the Mayor, according to law.

The certificates of the election of the members elect of the Common Council for said year, are presented and read, and all of said members, excepting Martin H. Cowing, appear, and are by the Mayor, engaged according to law.

City Clerk. Richard M. Field is by ballot elected City Clerk, for said year, and is engaged by the Mayor according to law.

June 4th 1838.

An Address was delivered by the Mayor, relative to the Municipal Affairs of the City during the past year. After which the Convention separated, and the Mayor and Aldermen retired.

Members of the Common Council
of the
City of Providence,
for the Municipal Year, commencing
on the first Monday in June,
A.D. 1838.

First Ward.

Dexter Angell
Edward P. Knowles
Martin H. Cowing.
Daniel Angell.

Second Ward.

George W. Jackson
John Larchar.
Henry Anthony
Thomas B. Fenner.

Third Ward.

Amherst Everett,
Austin Gurney,
Edward R. Young,
Nathan Masco.

Fourth Ward.

John L. Hughes,
Simon H. Greene,
William W. Hoppin,
Daniel T. Goodhue.

Fifth Ward.

David Andrews,
John S. Eddy,
Jeh. Padelford,
Ebenzer Carpenter.

June 4th 1838.

Sixth Ward.

Erastus F. Knowlton,
John Gould,
Israel B. Manchester,
William Miller.

The Members of the Common Council, (except Martin H. Cowing) having been duly engaged by the Mayor, are called to order; and Mr. Everett is chosen Chairman to preside during the election of a President.

President George W. Jackson is re-elected President of the Common Council.

Deputy Clerk Albert G. Greene is re-elected Clerk of the Common Council, and is by the Mayor, engaged according to law.

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

The following standing Committees are appointed: viz

Committee to engross Ordinances. Messrs Anthony,
Hoppin,
Padelford.

Committee on Highways. Messrs Larchar,
Knowlton,
Dexter Angell.

Committee on Finance Messrs Greene,
Everett
Fenner.

Committee on the North Burial Ground, Messrs Knowles,
Dan. Angell,
Cowing.

Mayor's address

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

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

June 4th 1838. 3 o'clock P.M.
The Common Council met pursuant to adjournment. A Quorum present.

City Printing, 214.

Resolved, that Messrs Knowles & Knowlton with Jack 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 Holden added.)

50 cent app. appropriation for firemen

Resolved, that the sum of fifty cents be paid by the City Treasurer, to the Treasurer of the "Fiduciary Association of Firemen for Mutual Assistance", for each of the firemen of the City, - in order to entitle them severally to the benefit of the funds of said Association; and that the same be paid, on the certificate of the City Clerk, respecting the appointment of said firemen, out of the appropriation for the Fire Department.
(Concurred.)

City Ordinance

Resolved, that copies of the book of City Ordinances, published A.D. 1835, be distributed as follows: to wit: To each member of the City Council, who has not already been furnished with a copy thereof, - one copy: To each of the Justices of the Peace in the City, and to each of the City Constables, who had not already

been furnished with a copy. - one copy.
(Concurred.)

Treasurer's Bond.

Resolved, that Messrs Greene, Bonnett & Fenner, with Jack 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, & Alderman Hoppin added.)

Com. to audit Treas. Acct.

Resolved, that Messrs Anthony & Andrews, with Jack as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to audit & settle the Accounts of the City Treasurer with the City, up to the first Monday in June, A.D. 1838.
(Concurred, & Alderman Hoppin added.)

Statement of Receipts & Expenditures.

Resolved, that Messrs Dufford, Goodhue and Young, with Jack as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to prepare a particular Account of the Receipts and Expenditures for the past year, and a Schedule of the Property of the City; - and to cause the same to be published in the newspapers employed by the City Council, - agreeably to the requisition contained in the fourth section of the City Charter.
(Concurred, & Alderman Holden added.)

Police Court.

Resolved, that from the Justices assigned to keep the Peace within this City, Robert Tompkins, Henry L. Bowen, and Walter S. Burges, be and they are hereby selected to compose the Police Court of this City, for the present Municipal Year.
(Concurred.)

Compensation ordinance.

An Ordinance, 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 thirty nine, is read & passed.

(Concurred: with an Amendment.)
(The Common Council concurred in the Amendment.)

Appropriations } A Resolution appropriating \$39,865 for the purposes therein mentioned, is reported by the Standing Committee on Finance, and is read and passed.
(Concurred)

Compensation of Assessors } Resolved, that each Assessor of Taxes in and for the City of Providence, shall be allowed one hundred dollars, as a full compensation for apportioning the City Tax, for the ensuing Municipal Year?
(Concurred.)

City Tax \$50,000. } An Ordinance, entitled "An Ordinance providing for the Apportionment and collection of a Tax of Fifty Thousand Dollars" is read & passed.
(Concurred.)

Renewal of Notes for each cent. } Resolved, that the City Treasurer, acting under the advice and direction of Messrs Green, Everett & Fenner, with Jach as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and he is hereby authorized to renew, for the term of sixty days, one half of the respective sums due on notes given by the occupants of stalls in the Market House, for rent of their stalls, which notes are payable on the fourth day of June, A.D. 1838, - the makers of said notes giving satisfactory security, by endorsements, for the payment of the amounts so renewed.
(Concurred: Alderman Hopkin added.)

Taxes omitted } A Resolution for the remission of certain taxes assessed upon certain persons in the Year 1837, as presented by the Collector of Taxes, as not collectable, by reason of errors in the apportionment thereof, &c. - amounting, in the whole to \$43.59 cents, is read and passed.
(Concurred)

Return of Fire Dept. } The General Return of the Fire Department, containing a Schedule of the Fire Apparatus belonging to the City, is presented and read: Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received, - and that the 'Recapitulation' of the Fire Apparatus, accompanying said Schedule, be recorded.
(Concurred)

Treasurer's Report. } The Annual Report of the City Treasurer, accompanied by the following Documents, is presented and read: -
1st A Schedule of Real Estate belonging to the City;
2^d A Schedule of Rents;
3^d A Statement of the City Debt;
4th A Statement of Receipts & Expenditures;
5th The Treasurer's Account Current.
Whereupon it is resolved, that said Report together with said Documents, be received and recorded.
(Concurred)

Report of School Com. } The Annual Report of the School Committee is presented and read: Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and recorded.
(Concurred)

Treasurer's Monthly Statement. } The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20th 1834, is presented, and read: Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance

Office for Collector of Taxes } Resolved, that Messrs Green & Eddy, with Jach as the Board of Aldermen may add, be a Committee to examine into the practicability of providing an Office for the Collector of Taxes, in a room to be set apart for that purpose, in the Market House building, and to report thereon to the City Council.
(Concurred: Alderman Bagg added.)

A Communication from the Board of Firewards, respecting the location of an Engine House in the Third Ward, is pre-

Engine that was sent and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to Messrs Hughes & Young, to examine and report thereon.

Petitions from William T. Pullen, Hezekiah Sabin, William D. Salisbury and John Payton. In leave to fence in and enclose burying lots in the North Burial Ground, are presented and read. Whereupon the same are received and referred to the Standing Committee on the North Burial Ground to examine and report thereon. - which Committee make Report in favour of granting the prayers thereof. Said Committee also report in favour of granting the 196 prayers of the petitions of Alvin Caswell & 11. others, which last-named petitions were referred on the 14th of May last.

Upon the Petitions of Alvin Caswell, Richard Waterman, Freeman Foster, John Barston, George W. Jackson, Wally Jackson, Charles Jackson, Henry Jackson, James Dennis, John F. B. Hagg, George H. Hopkins, Ezekiel Carpenter, William T. Pullen, Hezekiah Sabin, William D. Salisbury, & John Payton, severally requesting leave to fence in and enclose burying lots sufficient for their respective families, in the North Burial Ground, - it is Resolved, that the same be received and the prayers thereof granted; and that said petitioners be and they are hereby severally authorized to fence in and enclose

such lots, for such purpose; provided the same be done under the direction of the Overseer of the North Burial Ground, with the sanction of the Mayor; and provided also, that the several privileges hereby granted, be subject to all future regulations of the City Council, in relation thereto, and shall continue during the pleasure of the City Council, and no longer.

(Concurred)

A Petition of George C. Bowers, praying for relief, is presented and read.

G. C. Bowers

Upon the Petition of George C. Bowers praying for relief, it is resolved, that the same be received, and the prayer thereof granted; and that one half of the fine of Fourteen Dollars, which accrued to the use of the City, by a judgment of a Justice's Court against him, on the first day of January, A.D. 1838, be, and the same is hereby remitted; and the City Treasurer is hereby directed to discharge the same accordingly.

(Concurred)

Resolved, That Messrs Knowlton, Anthony, Everett, Hughes, Andrews, & Knowlton,

Committee, respecting the School Houses & Estates.

with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee, whose duty it shall be to make investigations relative to what alterations and improvements will be required on the School Houses and Estates now occupied; and of what other lots and buildings will be necessary to carry out the provisions of an Ordinance for the re-organization of the Public Schools, passed April 9th 1838. - and that said Committee be instructed to report by Bill, to embrace, as near as may be, an estimate of the amount of expenditure

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to be required for the departments of the primary, writing, and High Schools respectively; and that said Committee have power to cause such designs and drawings to be made, as they may deem necessary, and to draw on the Treasury for the expense of the same, not exceeding in amount the sum of fifty dollars.
(Concurred. & Aldermen Holden & Cady added.)

Additional Appropriation for 4th July.

Resolved, That the sum of Two Hundred Dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated, for defraying the expenses of a Municipal Celebration of the approaching anniversary of American Independence, in addition to the sum of five hundred dollars already appropriated for that purpose; and that the same be paid by the City Treasurer, to the order of the Chairman of the Committee of Arrangements, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.
(Concurred.)

Justices Courts in Town House

Resolved, That the Justices of the Peace in this City, be and they are hereby authorized to hold their Justices Courts in the Town House, during the pleasure of the City Council.
(Concurred.)

joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention

Stray persons are admitted freemen of the City, having been duly pronounced.

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The Convention proceed to the Election of City Officers for the present municipal year; and after completing the same, with the exception of the members of Engine Company No 1, the two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday

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the second day of July next, at 6 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr. President

- Wheeler Dan. Cornell.
- Dexter Argell.
- Andrews
- Anthony
- Carpenter,
- Eddy
- Everett,
- Penner
- Goodhue,
- Gould,
- Greene,

- Gurney,
- Hospin,
- Hughes,
- Knowles,
- Knawton,
- Larchar
- Manchester
- Mason
- Miller
- Padelford,
- Young

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Albert Greene, Clerk.

Common Council, July 2nd. 1838.

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

Mr. Martin H. Cowing, member elect of the Common Council, from the first Ward, appears, and having been duly engaged by the Mayor, before the Board of Aldermen, takes his seat.

A communication from the City Treasurer, respecting the state of the Treasury, is presented and read: Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, - which Committee thereupon report the following Resolution, which is read and passed. viz

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Resolved that the City Treasurer, acting with the advice of Messrs Greene, Everett and Fenner, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be authorized to hire, on temporary loan, for the use of the City, a sum of money, not exceeding four thousand dollars.

Concurred: + Alderman Hoppin assent.

The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council of October 25th 1834, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

A Petition of William L. Burroughs, for leave to fence in and enclose a buying lot in the North Canal Ground, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on the North Canal Ground, to examine and report thereon.

The Committee to whom, on the 4th of June last, Engine House, was referred the Communication of the Board of Fire-wards, respecting the location for an Engine House in the Third Ward, make Report, which is read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received, and together with said Communication, be laid upon the Table.

A Petition of Thomas Edwards, for relief from a judgment against him in favour of the City, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to Messrs Andrews and Howlton, to examine and report thereon.

A communication from the Committee of Arrangements for the Municipal Celebration of the approaching anniversary of American Independence, inviting the Com-

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mon Council to the dinner to be provided on that occasion, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, and that the invitation therein contained, be accepted.

The Committee appointed on the 4th of June last, to prepare a particular account of the receipts and expenditures for the past year, and a Schedule of the Property of the City, and to cause the same to be published, as required by the City Charter, make Report, that they have performed that duty. Which Report is read. Whereupon, it is resolved that the same be received. Concurred.

An Account for probate expenses, in relation to an application to the Municipal Court, for the appointment of a Guardian of the person and estate of Harriet H. Handy, - is exhibited by the City Auditor, with a request for instructions, and is read.

Upon the several Accounts of the Municipal Court, Clerk and City Sergeant, and of Albert J. Greene for probate fees and expenses respecting an application in behalf of the City, for the appointment of a Guardian of the person and estate of Harriet H. Handy in the Year 1837, it is resolved, that the same be allowed, and that the same, amounting in the whole, to forty-three dollars and sixty three cents, be paid by the City Treasurer, from the appropriation for contingencies. Concurred.

The joint Committee appointed on the 4th of June last, to audit and settle the Accounts of the City Treasurer with the City, up to the first Monday in June A. D. 1838, make Report that they have discharged that duty, and that they find said Accounts properly stated and vouched. - Which Report is read. Whereupon, it is

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resolved, that the same be received.
Concurred.

Treasurer,
Bond.

The Committee appointed on the 4th of June last, to take a bond of the City Treasurer, for the present municipal year, make Report, that they have discharged that duty, and present said bond, which Report is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received, and that said bond be deposited, for safe keeping, in the Office of the City Clerk.
Concurred.

Office for Coll.
of Taxes.

The joint Committee appointed on the 4th of June last, to examine into the practicality of providing an office for the Collector of Taxes, in a room to be set apart for that purpose in the Market House building, make Report by bill, which Report is read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, and indefinitely postponed.

City
Printing.

The Committee appointed on the 4th of June last, to contract for the City Printing, for the present municipal year, make Report, that they have contracted therefor with the proprietors of the Providence Journal, Morning Courier, and Republican Herald; which Report is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received.
Concurred.

A Petition of Daniel Field and others for repairs on Clifford 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.

The joint Committee, to whom on the 14th of May last, was referred so much of the Communication of His Honor the Mayor, then made, as relates to a proposed

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exchange of a part of the "New Hospital Lot" (so called) with Messrs H. & C. B. Manchester, for other land, make Report in favor of such exchange: which Report is read. Whereupon, it is resolved that the same be received.

Resolved, that the City Treasurer, acting under advice of Messrs Greene, Anthony and Padelford, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be authorized to negotiate an exchange of a part of the lot of land belonging to the City called the "New Hospital Lot" with Albert H. and Cyrus B. Manchester, for land belonging to them; and that he be empowered to agree to a new survey of said lands, if found necessary, the expense thereof to be paid equally by the parties; and that Stephen Tilloughast be, and he is hereby authorized and empowered to execute a Deed of the said Albert H. and Cyrus B. Manchester, of such part of said New Hospital Lot as may be needed in effecting the negotiation aforesaid.
Concurred. Alderman Hoppin added.

Repairs in
Star Street.

Resolved, that the sum of Two Hundred Dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated for repairs on Star Street, in addition to the sum of Three Hundred Dollars which was appropriated for that purpose on the fourteenth day of May A.D. 1838; provided the owners of lands on said Street, shall first pay into the City Treasury the sum of one hundred Dollars, to be used as a part of said appropriation.
Concurred July 9th 1838.

A communication from Thomas Mowry proposing to purchase of the City, a part of the Town House Lot, is presented and read: whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and laid upon the Table.

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Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

Sundry persons are admitted freemen of the city having been duly propounded; and sundry others are propounded for admission, as freemen.

Sundry persons are elected members of Engine Com. 210 - paly No 1.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the 16th day of July instant, at 6 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

W. President.

Deputy Dorr Angell.

Dexter Angell.

Andrews.

Anthony.

Carpenter.

Caring.

Buckett.

Penner.

Goodhue.

Gould.

Greene.

Gurney.

Hopkin.

Hughes.

Howles.

Knowlton.

Lanchar.

Mason.

Miller.

Padelford.

Young.

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Albert G. Greene,
Clerk.

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

Proposed
for sale
Tallman
estate.

A communication from Caleb Clark and Nicholas Brown, proposing to sell to the city, the Tallman estate, so called, on the North side of George Street, on condition that a public street shall be laid out through the whole width thereof, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and laid upon the Table.

Proposing
lot.

A Petition of Joshua H. Work, for leave to fence in and enclose a buying lot sufficient for his family in the North Burial Ground, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received & referred to the Standing Committee on the North Burial Ground, to examine & 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 William L. Bunnings which was referred on the 2^d of July instant.

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do.

Upon the Petitions of William L. Bunnings & Joshua H. Work, severally requesting leave to fence in and enclose buying lots sufficient for their respective families, in the North Burial Ground, it is Resolved, that the same be received, and the prayers thereof granted; and that said petitioners be and they are hereby severally authorized to fence in and enclose such lots, for such purpose; provided the same be done under the direction of the Overseer of the North Burial Ground, with the sanction of the Mayor; and provided also, that the several privileges hereby granted shall be subject to all future regulations.

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of the City Council in relation thereto, and shall continue having the pleasure of the City Council, and no longer.
conceded.

T. Edwards. The Committee to whom on the 2^d of July instant, was referred the petition of Thomas Edwards, for relief, make report that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer thereof: which report is read: whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, and that said petition be dismissed.

A Petition of William A. Howard & others, for the extension of the paving of High 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.

An account of George W. Jackson against the City, for publishing in the Providence Journal, the order of procession for the recent celebration of the Anniversary of American Independence, &c. is presented and read.

The following Resolution is presented and read. viz
"Resolved, that the sum of Eighty Dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated, for defraying the expenses of the Municipal celebration of the recent Anniversary of American Independence, in addition to the sums heretofore appropriated for that purpose: and that the same be paid by the City Treasurer, to the order of the Chairman of the Committee of Arrangements, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated."

On the motion for the passage of said Resolution

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the question is taken by ayes and nays, which are ordered to be entered upon the Journal, as follows.

<u>Ayes:</u>	<u>Nays:</u>
Messrs Dan Angell,	Messrs Dexter Angell,
Anthony,	Andrews,
Fenner	Carpenter,
Goodhue,	Everett,
Greene,	Ford,
Hopkin,	Gurney,
Hughes,	Larchar,
Knowles,	Miller,
Knowlton,	Padelford. 9.

Young 10.
Said Resolution is therefore passed.
(Non concurred. July 23^d 1838.)

Mr Whipple's oration?

The following Resolution is presented and read: viz
"Resolved, that the thanks of the City Council be presented to John Whipple Esq. for the eloquent oration delivered by him before the Municipal Authorities, on the 4th instant: and that the Committee of Arrangements for that occasion, be requested to solicit of him a copy for the press."

On the motion for the passage of said Resolution, the question is taken by Ayes and Nays, which are ordered to be entered upon the Journal, as follows.

<u>Ayes:</u>	<u>Nays:</u>
Messrs Dan Angell,	Messrs Andrews,
Dexter Angell,	Carpenter,
Fenner,	Ford,
Goodhue,	Greene,
Hopkin,	Gurney,
Knowles,	Hughes,
Knowlton,	Larchar,
Young. 8.	Miller,
	Padelford. 9

Said motion is therefore lost.
On motions, it is resolved, that the Common Coun-

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...cil do recede from said vote. - and the Resolution is
thereupon again read, and is passed.
(Concurred)

Clifford Street. A Petition of Daniel Field and others for repairs on
Clifford Street, is presented and read. whereupon it
is resolved, that the same be received.

Upon the petition of Daniel Field and others, it is
Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is
hereby directed to cause that part of Clifford Street
which lies West of Chestnut Street to be graded
and gravelled; provided the owners of lands thereon
shall erect curb-stones in front of their respective
lots, and fill up the same so as to protect the
side-walks.
(Concurred)

Sealer of Weights & Measures } Resolved, that the sum of Fifty Dollars be allowed
and paid to the City Sealer of Weights & Measures,
in addition to the sum heretofore appropriated, as com-
pensation for the discharge of the duties of his of-
fice for the present municipal year, payable
quarterly
(Concurred)

Work House Lot. } Resolved, that Mr. Knowles be added to the joint
Committee appointed on the 15th day January
last, to ascertain the North line of the Work House
Lot, and to adjust the same with the owner or own-
ers of the adjoining land, - in the place of Mr. Rich-
ard Harding, who has declined serving on said
Committee.
(Concurred)

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Joined in Convention of the City Council.
In Convention.

Sundry persons are proposed for admission as
members of the City.

John H. Taylor is elected a Fireward.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday
the 6th day of August next, at 1/2 past 6 o'clock
P.M.

Members present.

Mr President
Dan Angell
Dexter Angell
Andrews
Anthony
Carpenter
Everett
Penner
Goodhue
Gould

Greene
Gurney
Whippin
Hughes
Knowles
Kynolton
Lanchar
Miller
Pardford
Young

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Albert Greene, Clerk

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

Report The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the City Treas. Resolution of the Common Council of October 20th 1834 is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

do. A Communication from the City Treasurer, respecting the State of the Treasury is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be 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 City Treasurer, acting with the advice of Messrs Everett & Penner, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and he is hereby authorized to hire, or temporary loan, for the use of the City, a sum of money, not exceeding two thousand, five hundred Dollars.

(Concurred; & Alderman Cady added.)

Resignation of the Common Council, from the Fourth Ward, resigning S. H. Croone, his seat in this Board, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received.

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Resolved, That a Meeting of the Freemen of the Fourth Ward be and the same is hereby authorized and directed to be held, at the Vestry of the Universalist Chapel, on Tuesday the 28th day of August instant, at two o'clock P.M.

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clock P.M. for the purpose of electing a member of this Board for said Ward, in the place of Simon H. Greene, who has resigned his seat in this Board.

Resolved, That the City Clerk be and he is hereby instructed to notify said Meeting, in manner and form as required in and by an Ordinance passed on the tenth day of April A.D. 1834, entitled "An Ordinance prescribing the manner of notifying Ward Meetings for the purposes of elections;" and that the Clerk of this Board be, and he is hereby directed to transmit a copy of these Resolutions to the City Clerk, and one also to the Wardens of said Ward.

Resolved, That a copy of these Resolutions be communicated to the Board of Aldermen.

do. Petitions of William W. Alarich and Isaac Goddard, for leave to enclose buying-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 the North Burial Ground to examine and report thereon; which Committee thereupon report in favour of granting the prayers thereof.

Upon the Petitions of William W. Alarich, and Isaac Goddard, severally requesting leave to fence in and enclose buying-lots sufficient for their respective families, in the North Burial Ground, it is resolved, that the same be received, and the prayers thereof granted; and that the said petitioners be, and they are hereby authorized to fence in and enclose such lots, for such purpose; provided the same be done under the direction of the Overseer of the North Burial Ground, with the sanction of the Mayor; and provided also, that the General 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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Resolved, that the Chairman of the Committee of Arrangements for the recent Celebration of the anniversary of American Independence be directed to report to the City Council, in writing, a detailed Account of the expenses of said Celebration.
(Concurred!)

Resolved, that Messrs Anderson, Fenner and Knowlton with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be a Committee to make enquiry into the causes or causes of pauperism in this City, and report in writing, as soon as convenient, to the City Council.
(Concurred: & Alderman Holden added.)

Resolved, that Messrs Young and Carpenter, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be a Committee to cause Street-signs to be put up, in the corners of the several streets in this City, not already provided with signs, and that a sum not exceeding twenty-five dollars be appropriated for the same.
(Concurred: & Alderman Hoppin added.)

The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 16th of July last, was referred the petition of William H. Howard & others, respecting the extension of the pavement in High Street, made report in favour thereof; which Report is read: Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received.

Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways, acting under the advice and direction of Messrs Larchar, Knowlton and Dexter Angell, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and he is hereby directed to cause High Street to be graded and paved, commencing at the termination of the present pavement, and proceeding Westward to the east line of the Hoyle Tavern Estate; and that the sum of Two Thousand, Five Hundred Dollars be

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and the same is hereby appropriated for paying the expense thereof, to be paid out of any money in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated.
(Concurred: & Alderman Williams added.)

Resolved, that Messrs Dexter Angell, Anthony, Guyer, Goddard, Eddy, and Miller, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to procure and report a plan for rebuilding Keybollet Bridge, when the same may be necessary.
(Concurred: & Alderman Patten & Williams added.)

Keybollet Bridge.

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246.

Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be directed to grade and gravel Clifford Street, and pave the gutters of the same, so far as the owners of the land shall erect curb stones and fill up the lots to protect the side-walks, - commencing at Chestnut Street.
(Concurred!)

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Joined in Convention of the City Council.
In Convention.

Indigent persons are admitted freemen of the City, having been duly pronounced; and paupers who are pronounced for admission as freemen.

The two Boards separate.

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The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the 20th day of August instant, at 1/2 past 8 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr President
Evan Angell,
Dexter Angell,
Andrews,
Anthony,
Carpenter,
Coring,
Edley,
Everett,
Fenner,
Goodhue.

Goold,
Hurvey,
Hughes,
Knowles,
Konawton,
Manchester,
Marion,
Miller,
Padelford,
Young.

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Albert H. Greene
Clerk

Common Council, August 20th 1838

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

Hospital Street.

A Petition of Isaac Field and others for repairs on Hospital 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.

Pauperism in debt.

The Committee appointed on the 6th of August instant to make enquiry into the cause or causes of pauperism in this City, make Report, which is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received and recorded, concurred.

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Brook St. A Petition of Zachariah Allen and others for repairs on Brook 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.

Pump & Well in City Pump and Well at the junction of North Main St. and Benefit Street, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to Messrs Coring and Manchester, to examine and report thereon.

Buying Lots. Petitions of Carl D. Pearce, James Wheaton, Luther Lyon, John D. Jones, Albert I. Jones, William B. Dean and Thomas R. Holden, for leave to fence in and enclose buying-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 the North Burial Ground, to examine and report thereon - which Committee thereupon make Report in favour of granting the prayers thereof.

Upon the Petitions of Carl D. Pearce, James Wheaton, Thomas R. Holden, Luther Lyon, John D. Jones, Albert I. Jones, and William B. Dean, severally requesting leave to fence in and enclose buying-lots sufficient for their respective families in the North Burial Ground, - it is resolved, that the same be received, and the prayers thereof granted; and that said petitioners be, and they are hereby severally authorized to fence

in and enclose such lots, for such purpose, provided the same be done under the direction of the Overseer of the North Burial Ground, with the sanction of the Mayor; and provided also, that the 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.

Repairs
Hopkins
St.

Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to cause Hopkins Street, from Benefit Street to South Main Street to be repaired, - the pavement to be removed therefrom, - the drain therein to be relaid, in such parts thereof as is necessary, - and the street graded and gravelled: - provided the owners of lands on said Street shall cause curb-stones to be erected, and the side-walks filled up, in front of their respective lands.
Concurred.

Fourth of
July

A detailed Account of the expenses of the recent celebration of the anniversary of American Independence, is reported by the Chairman of the Committee of Arrangements for that occasion, - pursuant to a Resolution which passed on the 6th of August instant; and is read:
234. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received.
239. Concurred.

High St.

A Petition of M.R. Knight and others, for a cross-walk across High Street at its junction with Stewart 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.
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The joint committee appointed on the 4th of June last to make investigations relative to the Public School Houses

and estates make Report. Whereupon it is Resolved that the Report of the Report of the joint committee appointed on the 4th day of June last, to make investigations relative to the Public School Houses and Estates, - which Report has been this day made, be received, and that the same be printed in all the newspapers employed by the City Council.
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School
Houses.

Concurred.
The following Bill, reported by said Committee, is read, viz:
Resolved that Messrs Shurtle, Anthony, Everett, Hughes, Andrews and Knutton, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to cause such of the present Public School Houses to be removed or taken down, and such new school houses to be erected and furnished, as may be necessary to carry into full operation the provisions of the Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the Public Schools", passed on the ninth day of April last, and in conformity with the Report of a joint committee of the City Council, this day made and received, - whenever the locations of such new School-houses shall be designated by the School Committee; and also, to make and enter into, in the name of the City, all necessary contracts for materials and labour.

Resolved, that said Committee be, and they are hereby authorized and empowered, to cause any of such new School Houses to be erected on any lands now belonging to the City, which the School Committee may designate; - and to purchase for the City, any other lands for said purpose, which they, together with the School Committee, may deem advisable; and also, to make sale, in the name of the City, of any of the present School Houses and Estates which they may deem it advisable to sell, and which can legally be sold.

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And in case of such sale or sales, the City Treasurer, for the time being is hereby authorized and directed, under the direction of said Committee, to execute good and sufficient Deeds, conveying all the right title and interest of the City, in any land or lands so sold.

Resolved, that said Committee be, and they are hereby authorized and empowered to raise, by loan or loans, for the use of the City, a sum or sums of money sufficient for carrying these Resolutions into full effect, not exceeding Forty Thousand Dollars in the whole, to be kept separate from the other monies in the Treasury, and to be denominated the "School Land Loan"; at such rate or rates of interest, not exceeding six per cent, and payable in such instalments and at such times, as they may deem advisable.

Resolved, that the Ordinance aforesaid, entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the Public Schools," shall not go into effect until the first day of May next; and that the same shall, on that day, go into full effect and operation."

which Bill being read, it is moved that the same "be referred to the freemen of the City, in their several Ward Meetings, for an expression of their opinion relative to the expediency thereof."

Upon which Motion, the question is taken by Ayes and Nays, which are ordered to be entered on the Journal, as follows, viz

<u>Ayes.</u>	<u>Nays</u>
Messrs Dan Angell,	Messrs Andrews,
Dexter Angell,	Anthony,
Coring,	Fenner,
Good,	Goodhue,
Honwells,	Hughes,
Manchester,	Knowlton,
Miller, 7.	Mason,
	Padelford,
	Young, 9.

Said motion is therefore lost.

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It is moved, that said Bill pass on which motion, the question is taken by Ayes and Nays, which are ordered to be entered on the Journal, as follows, viz

<u>Ayes.</u>	<u>Nays.</u>
Messrs Dan Angell,	Mr Miller. 1
Dexter Angell,	
Andrews,	
Anthony,	
Coring,	
Fenner,	
Goodhue,	
Hughes,	
Knowlton,	
Knowlton,	
Manchester,	
Mason,	
Padelford,	
Young, 11.	

Said Bill is therefore passed.

225 A communication from His Honor the Mayor respecting the condition of the public bridge next North of Weybosset
246 Bridge, is presented and read: Whereupon, it is Resolved, that the same be referred to Messrs Dexter Angell,

Anthony,
Favory,
Goodhue,
Eddy,
+ Miller, with such as

the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon.

Concurred: + Aldermen Potter & Williams added.

Resolved, that the Committee on Highways be directed to examine the wall South of the Canal Store Houses near Canal Street, and cause such repairs to be made as

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are immediately necessary.
Concurred August 27th 1838.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

Several persons are admitted freemen
of the City, having taken duly pronounced.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday,
the third day of September next, at 1/2 past 6 o'clock
P.M.

Members present.

Mr President
Mr Daniel Angell
Dexter Angell
Andrews,
Anthony
Coring,
Evelitt,
Fenner,
Goodhue

Gould,
Hughes,
Knowles,
Timewilton,
Manchester,
Mason,
Miller,
Padesford,
Young 18,

Albert G. Crane, Clerk

September 3^d 1838.

Common Council, September 3^d 1838.

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

The President being absent, Mr Koppin is appointed
President, pro tempore.

Taxes
omitted }

A Resolution, for the remission of certain taxes, assessed upon
certain persons, in the Year 1837, represented by the Col-
lector of Taxes as not collectable, by reason of errors in
the assessments thereof, amounting in the whole, to
seventeen \$100, - is read and passed.

(Concurred.)

A Petition of George Guinnell and others, for a cross walk,
is presented and read.

Cross Walk,
Fountain St. }

Resolved, that the petition of George Guinnell & others,
for a cross walk across Fountain Street, at its junction
with Aborn Street, be received, and referred to Messrs
Larchar, Knowlton, and Dexter Angell, with such as the
Board of Aldermen may add; and that said Committee
be, and they are hereby authorized to cause such cross-
walk to be laid, in case they deem it advisable.

Concurred, and Alderman Koppin added.

The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under
the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20th
1834, 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,
which Committee thereupon report the following Resolu-
tion, which is read and passed. viz.

Appropriations }

Resolved, that the several sums hereinafter named,

be and the same are hereby appropriated for the following purposes respectively: to wit,
 For the Fire Department, Three Hundred Dollars,
 For repairs of Pumps & Wells, One Hundred Dollars;
 and that said sums, so appropriated, be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.
 Concurred.

State of Treas.
 vry.

A communication from the City Treasurer respecting the State of the Treasury, is presented and read; whereupon it is resolved, that the same be 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 City Treasurer, acting by and with the advice of Messrs Everett and Fenner, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be, and he is hereby authorized to hire by temporary loan or loans, for the use of the City, such sums of money as the necessities of the City may require - not exceeding in the whole, the sum of Two Thousand Dollars.
 Concurred: & Alderman Heppin added.

227 The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 20th of August last, was referred the Petition of Zachariah Allen and others, for repairs on Brook Street, make Report, in favour thereof, which is read: Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received.

239 Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways, acting under the advice and direction of Messrs Larchar, Bonwiller, and Dexter Angell, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and he is hereby authorized and directed to cause Brook Street to be repaired and graded, and the gutters paved, - provided the owners of lands adjoining said Street shall erect curbstones, and fill up the side walks in front of their res-

pective lots,

School Houses &c.

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The Resolutions relative to the Public School Houses and Estates which passed the Common Council on the 20th of August last, and were then sent up for concurrence, are now returned by the Board of Aldermen, who concur therein, with the following Amendments, viz. that all the words in the third Resolution, after the word "Interest," be stricken out, and the following words inserted in their place, "as they may deem advisable, not exceeding five per cent; the principal to be paid at such times as they may deem advisable, not, however, at shorter periods than one third in ten, one third in twenty, and one third in thirty years; and the interest to be paid annually." - and that the following be added to said Resolutions: "Resolved, that the City Clerk send to the School Committee forthwith, a certified copy of these Resolutions;" - with Alderman Holden added to the Committee: which amendments are read: whereupon it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur in said Amendments.

Petition
 A. R. Knight

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The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 20th of August last, was referred the Petition of N. R. Knight & others, for a cross walk across High Street, make Report, in favour thereof, which is read: whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be 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 High Street, near its junction with Stewart Street, and that the same be done during the time of the paving of High Street.
 Concurred.

Burying
 Lot.

A Petition of William C. Cutting, for leave to fence in and enclose a burying lot in the North Burial Ground, is presented and read: whereupon it is resolved, that

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the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on the North Burial Ground, to examine and report thereon.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

Sundry persons are pronounced for admission as freemen of the City.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the 24th day of September instant, at 7 o'clock A.M.

Members present.

Mr Dan Angell,
Cexter Angell,
Andrews,
Anthony
Carpenter
Eddy,
Eveatt,
Goodhue
Greeney,

Hopkin
Hughes,
Knowles,
Knutson,
Larchar
Miller
Pudelford
Young.

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Albert J. Greene
Clerk

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September 24th 1838.

Common Council, September 24th 1838.

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

Burying Lot.

A Petition of Louis Leveck, for leave to enclose a burying Lot in the North Burial Ground, is presented and read: Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on the North Burial Ground, to examine and report thereon: which Committee make Report in favour of granting the same and also in favour of granting the prayer of the petition of William C. Cutting, which was referred on the 3^d instant.

do.

When the General Petitions of William C. Cutting and Louis Leveck, severally requesting leave to fence in and enclose burying lots sufficient for their respective families, in the North Burial Ground, - it is resolved, that the same be received and the prayers thereof granted; and that the said petitioners be and they are hereby severally authorized to fence in and enclose such lots, for such purpose: provided the same be done under the direction of the Overseer of the North Burial Ground, with the sanction of the Mayor: and provided also, that the several privileges hereby granted, shall be subject to all future regulations of the City Council, in relation thereto, - and shall continue during the pleasure of the City Council, and no longer.

(Concurred.)

Done Herein.

A Communication from the City Treasurer, in relation to the "Rene House" is presented and read: Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received.

Resolved, that Messrs Goodhue and Carpenter, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and

they are hereby appointed a Committee to cause the "Bone House" to be repaired, provided the expense thereof shall not exceed seventy-five dollars.
(Concurred. & Alderman Peter added.)

Repairs in Streets.

A communication from the City Treasurer, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received.

Resolved, that the sum of one thousand dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for repairs of streets and Highways, and that said sum so appropriated, be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.
(Concurred.)

Primary School.

Certified copies of two Resolutions of the School Committee, in relation to the establishing a new primary school in the Third Ward, and a new primary school in the Sixth Ward, are presented and read.

Resolved, That that two additional primary schools be and the same are hereby established, - one of which is to be located in the Third Ward, and the other in the Sixth Ward, and that the School Committee be and they are hereby requested to locate said schools in said Wards respectively.

Resolved, that the City Clerk be and he is hereby directed to transmit a copy of these Resolutions, to the School Committee.
Concurred.

Fourth of July.

A communication from Mr Everett, Chairman of the joint Committee of Arrangements for the celebration of the anniversary of American Independence (July 4 1838) in relation to the bill of Geo. W. Jackson against the City, is presented and read. Whereupon

It is resolved, that the same be received.

4th of July.

Resolved, that the sum of Twenty dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the payment of a demand against the City, in favour of George W. Jackson, for printing the order of procession for the recent celebration of the Anniversary of American Independence, in the Providence Journal; and that said sum, so appropriated, be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.
(Non concurred.)

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Street Signs.

Resolved, that the sum of Twenty dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated, for defraying the expenses of putting up street signs, in addition to the sum appropriated on the sixth of August last.
(Concurred.)

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Brook Street.

The Resolution for repairing Brook Street which passed the Common Council on the 3^d 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, - "and filling up their said Lots, so as to protect and sustain the side walks; which amendment being read, it is resolved that the Common Council do concur therein.

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The Common Council adjourns to meet on Monday the 29 day of October next, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr. President

Dr. Angell

Andrews,

Carpenter

Everett

Fenner

Goddard

Gurney.

Hopkin

Hughes

Kennell

Lanchar

Mason

Padelford

Young

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Albert Greene, Clerk

Common Council, October 8th 1838.

Special Meeting

copy. The State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations City of Providence, I.S.

I.S.

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

Whereas the Committee appointed by the City Council of said City, in relation to a new organization of the Public Schools, have requested me to call a Special Meeting of the City Council, to be holden on Monday evening next, the eighth instant, on business connected with the new School Ordinance, and upon any other business which may come before said meeting; - I have therefore deemed it expedient that the Common Council should meet on an earlier day than that to which

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said Board now stands adjourned; - Whereupon, you and each of you are hereby requested and required to meet, for the purpose above-mentioned, at your Chamber, on Monday next, the eighth inst. at seven o'clock P.M. - at which time the Board of Aldermen will also be in session.

Given under my hand and seal in said City of Providence, this fifth day of October, A.D. 1838.

Samuel W. Bridgman Mayor.

Providence, October 6th 1838.

Notified the members of the Common Council, as commanded, by their reading the within, - except John S. Eddy, who is absent from the City.

Edward Herwood City Sergeant.

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

The Warrant of His Honor the Mayor, for the present Meeting, is read.

A communication from His Honor the Mayor relating to the objects of the present meeting is presented and read.

Report City Treasurer. The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council of October 20th 1834, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

Fish Market. A Petition of sundry persons occupants of stalls and vendors of Fish in the Fish Market, requesting the enclosure of that building with doors and windows, &c. is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to Messrs Eddy, Garvey and Gould, to examine and report thereon.

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A Petition of William R. Staples for leave to place in and enclose a hanging lot in the North Burial Ground, is presented and read: Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on the North Burial Ground, to examine and report thereon.

Public School Resolved, that the City Treasurer, acting under the advice & directions of the Joint Committee of the City Council in relation to the Public School Houses and Estates, be, and he is hereby authorized and directed to pay from any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, such sums of money not exceeding in the whole the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars, as may be necessary for the payment of the purchase money of such lots and parcels of land as have been purchased or may hereafter be purchased by said Committee, for the City, as locations for Public School Houses and as additions to the present school house estates, and for the commencement of the erection of the contemplated buildings thereon; - that said sums of purchase money be paid by said Treasurer, to the grantors of such lots and parcels of land respectively, on their delivering to him good and sufficient Deeds, in fee simple, thereof, to the City; and that the balance of said ten thousand dollars be paid by him to the order of said Committee; - and that said Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to charge all such sums of money so paid, with interest thereon at five per cent, to the debit of the School Fund Loan which said Committee were authorized to raise by the terms of the Resolutions by which they were appointed; - and said Treasurer is hereby further directed, on receiving the proceeds of said Loan or a sufficient amount thereof, - to return therefrom, into the Treasury, all such sums which shall have been so advanced and paid by him, with the interest which may be

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due thereon

concerned.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention, Sundry persons are admitted freemen of the City, having been duly pro-pounded; and sundry others are pro-pounded for admission as freemen.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the 5th day of November next, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr. President.
Dexter Angell
Andrews
Carpenter
Canning,
Eddy
Everett
Gould,
Guoney

Hopkin,
Hughes,
Knowles,
Knowlton,
Young

Albert H. Spence, Clerk.

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November 5th 1838.Common Council, November 5th 1838.

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

The President being absent, Mr. Fenner is appointed
President pro tempore.

A. Pierce A communication from His Honor the Mayor, enclosing a com-
munication from Asa Pierce who declines serving as a
member of the Common Council for the Fourth Ward, to
which office he had been elected to fill the vacancy oc-
casioned by the resignation of Simon H. Green, is presented,
222. and read: whereupon it is resolved, that said commu-
nication from said Asa Pierce be received.

Resolved, that a Meeting of the Freeman of the Fourth
Ward be, and the same is hereby authorized and directed
to be held at the Vestry of the Universalist Chapel,
on Monday the 19th day of November instant, at half
past two o'clock P.M., for the purpose of electing a
247 member of this Board for said Ward, in the place of
Asa Pierce, who having been duly elected, declines serv-
ing.

Resolved, that the City Clerk be and he is hereby instruct-
ed to notify said meeting, in manner and form as re-
quired in and by an Ordinance passed on the tenth
day of April, A.D. 1834, entitled "An Ordinance pre-
scribing the manner of notifying Ward Meetings for the pur-
poses of Elections;" and that the Clerk of this Board be, and he
is hereby directed to transmit a copy of these Resolutions to
the City Clerk and one also to the Warden of said Ward.

Resolved, that a copy of these Resolutions be com-
municated to the Board of Aldermen.

The Monthly Statement of the City Receiver, under the Resolution
of the Common Council, of October 20th 1834 is presented

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and read: whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received,
and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance

Pumping
Lots.

The Standing Committee on the North Burial Ground, to
whom on the 8th of October last, was referred the Petition
of William R. Staples, make report in favour thereof:

Upon the Petition of William R. Staples, requesting
leave to fence in and enclose a burying-lot sufficient for his
242. family, in the North Burial Ground, it is resolved, that the
same be received, and the prayer thereof, granted; and
that said petitioner be, and he is hereby authorized to
fence in and enclose such lot, for such purpose, provided
the same be done under the direction of the Overseer of the
North Burial Ground, with the sanction of the Mayor; and
provided also, that the privilege hereby granted, shall be
subject to all future regulations of the City Council, in relation
thereto; and shall continue during the pleasure of the City
Council, and no longer.

(Concurred.)

Resolved, that Messrs Everett and Knowlton, with such as the
Board of Aldermen may add, be a joint Committee to
ascertain from the Town and City books, the actual finan-
cial situation annually of the Treasury, together with
the Town Debt, from June, 1826, to June 1832, when
the form of Government was changed, - and for the
subsequent six years, up to June 1838, - and the amount
of tax each year assessed, for and during the time
above named; Also such other facts as will
249. give the citizens a comprehensive exhibit of the
comparative expense between the Town and corpo-
rative government; and report at the next meet-
ing of the City Council.

Concurred: & Alderman Wheaton added.

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Re. Building the joint Committee appointed on the 6th of August
Hyphant. last, to report a plan for rebuilding Weybosset
Bridge. Bridge, when the same may be necessary; and to whom
225 on the 20th of August last, was referred the Mayor's
231. Communication respecting the bridge next North
of Weybosset. Bridge, present their Report, which
is read: whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be
received.

Do. Resolved, that Messrs Eddy, Gurney and Knowlton, with
such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be a com-
mitted to repair or rebuild Weybosset Bridge and the
200. bridge next North of the same, whenever the same
shall in their opinion be necessary; and that they be
empowered to make such contracts for materials,
260. during the next winter, as may be done to advan-
tage; and that the whole be done under the ad-
vice of the Board of Aldermen.
(Concurred: & Aldermen Potter & Williams added.)

Filed in Convention of the City Council,

In Convention.

undry persons are admitted
freemen of the City, having been duly propounded;
and sundry others are propounded for admission as
freemen.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Mon-
day the 3^d day of December next, at 6 o'clock
P.M.

Members present

Mr David Angell
Dexter Angell
Andrews,

Anthony
Everett,
Fenner.

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Goodhue.
Gurney,
Hoppin
Hughes
Knowles.

Knowlton
Manchester,
Mason
Pardolford
Young.

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Albert Greene,
Clerk

Common Council, December 3^d 1838.

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

Member Barzillai Cranston presents a certificate of his election as
Com. Council member of the Common Council, from the Fourth
Ward, they having been so elected at a meeting of the freemen of
244 said Ward, holden on the 19th day of November last, in the
place of Asa Pierce, who having been duly elected, declined
serving; which certificate having been read, said member
elect appears, is duly engaged before the Board of Aldermen,
by the Mayor, and takes his seat.

Report of The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution
City Treas. of the Common Council of October 20th 1834, is presented
and read: Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received
and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance: who there-
upon report the following Resolution, - which is read & passed:

Resolved, that the General funds hereinafter named, be
and the same are hereby appropriated for the following purposes
respectively: to wit,
For Highways, One Thousand Dollars,
For the Support of the Poor, Four Hundred Dollars,

For the Fire Department, One Thousand, four hundred Dollars,
 For repairs of Public Buildings, Three Hundred Dollars,
 For Contingencies, Five Hundred Dollars;
 And that said sums, so appropriated, be paid out of any
 money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.
 (Concurred.)

Report of City Treas.

253. A Communication from the City Treasurer, in relation to rents due from certain persons to the City, is presented and read: Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received and laid upon the Table.

254. A Communication from his Honor the Mayor, enclosing a Memorial in relation to a proposed toll bridge near the State Penitentiary, with other documents relating thereto, is presented and read: Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be referred to Messrs Penner, Anthony and Goodhue, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon.
 (Concurred, & Alderman Heppin added.)

Emerson Clarke.

255. A Petition of Emerson Clarke, for the remission of a tax on a billiard table, is presented and read: Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and laid on the Table.

A Petition of John Benson, 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.

Allen Tilling-3 last.

258. A Petition of Joseph Tillinghast Guardian of Allen Tillinghast a minor, now confined in the State's Jail in the County of Providence, is presented and read: Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received.

259. Upon the Petition of Joseph Tillinghast Guardian of Allen Tillinghast a minor now confined in the State's Jail in the County of Providence, praying for the relief of said minor,

it is resolved, that the same be received, and the prayer thereof granted: and that the Sheriff of said County of Providence be and he is hereby authorized and directed to liberate the said Allen Tillinghast from his said confinement, whenever the said Guardian shall have paid to the City Treasurer, for the use of the City, the sum of One Hundred Dollars, in full of all claim of said City on said Allen for the support of the bastard child of which said Allen is the reputed father; and that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and directed, on the payment said sum as aforesaid, to discharge all claim which the City may have against said Allen, on account of said child.
 (Concurred.)

Hospital St. ✓

256. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 20th of August last, was referred the Petition of Isaac Field and others, for repairs on Hospital Street, ^{make report which is read.} Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received and laid upon the Table.

"Bone House"

257. The Committee appointed on the 24th of September last to cause the "Bone House" (so called) to be repaired, make Report, which is read: Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received.
 (Concurred.)

253. Resolved, that Messrs Goodhue & Carpenter, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to ascertain and report what further repairs, (if any,) are necessary, upon the Bone House & Estate.
 (Concurred; & Alderman Peter added.)

Treasury.

255. The Joint Committee appointed on the 5th of November last, to ascertain from the Town & City books, the actual financial situation, annually, of the Treasury, together with the Town Debt, from June 1826 to June 1832, and for the subsequent six years,

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upto June, 1838, and the amount of Tax each year assessed, for and during the time above named; also such other facts as would give a comprehensive exhibit of the comparative expense between the Town & City Governments - make Report, which is read: Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received & placed on file.

(Concurred.)

Purifying
Lot.

Petitions from James P. Butts & Samuel H. Thomas, for leave to fence in buying lots in the North Burial Ground, are presented & read: Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received & referred to the Standing Committee on the North Burial Ground, to examine & report thereon, which Committee make Report in favor of granting the same.

Do.

Upon the several Petitions of James P. Butts & Samuel H. Thomas, requesting leave to fence in and enclose buying lots sufficient for respective families, in the North Burial Ground, it is resolved, that the same be received, and the prayers thereof granted; and that said petitioners be and they are hereby authorized to fence in and enclose such lots for such purposes; provided the same be done under the direction of the Overseer of the North Burial Ground, with the sanction of the Mayor; & provided also, that the several privileges hereby granted shall be subject to all future regulations of the City Council, and shall continue during the pleasure of the City Council, & no longer.

(Concurred.)

Resolved, that Messrs. Woodhull & Cranston, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to examine & report respecting the stream of water flowing in Fountain Street.

(Concurred; & Alderman Potter added)

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Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention, Sundry persons are admitted freemen of the City, having been duly propounded; and sundry others are propounded for admission as freemen.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday, the 31st day of December instant, at 6 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr. President

David Angell

Dexter Angell

Anthony

Carpenter

Eddy

Everett

Fenner

Goodhue

Woodhull

.. Hughes

Knowles

Knowlton

Larchar

Manchester

Mason

Miller

Redford

Young

Cranston

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Albert G. Greene, Clerk.

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Common Council, December 31st 1838.

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

Corlis Street. A petition from Nathaniel Bishop & others, for repairs on Corlis Street is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to the standing committee on Highways, to examine & report thereon.

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A Petition of Michael Laughlin, for the relief of his wife Margaret Laughlin, is presented and read.

Petition of Margaret Laughlin. Upon the Petition of Michael Laughlin, praying for the relief of his wife Margaret Laughlin now confined in the State Jail in the County of Providence, under sentence of a Justice Court, it is resolved, that the same be received and the prayer thereof granted; and that the Sheriff of the County of Providence be, and he is hereby authorized and directed to discharge said Margaret from her said confinement, on payment of all costs.

(Concurred.)

Burying Lot. Petitions of Augustus Ellis & Avey Collins, for leave to enclose burying lots in the North Burial Ground, are presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be severally received, and referred to the standing committee on the North Burial Ground, to examine & report thereon; which committee make Report, in favour of granting the same.

Upon the Petitions of Augustus Ellis & Avey Collins, requesting leave to fence in and enclose burying lots sufficient for their respective families, in the North Burial Ground, - it is resolved, that the same be received and the prayers thereof granted; and that said petitioners be and they are

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hereby authorized to fence in and enclose such lots, for such purpose; provided the same be done under the direction of the Overseer of the North Burial Ground with the sanction of the Mayor; and provided also, that the several privileges hereby granted be subject to all future regulations of the City Council, in relation thereto, - and shall continue during the pleasure of the City Council, and no longer.

(Concurred.)

Petition of J.P. Jones. A Petition of John P. Jones and James Burrough, Whigges of Anthracite Coal, for this City, in relation to a Petition by them presented to the General Assembly & now pending before that body, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and laid upon the Table.

Acct of City Treas. Resolved, that Messrs Fenner & Young, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a committee to audit & settle the Accounts of the City Treasurer with the City, up to the 31st Day of December A.D. 1838.

(Concurred, & Alderman Koppin added.)

The Committee, appointed on the 3^d of December instant, in relation to the "Rone House & Estate", make Report, that it is inexpedient to cause any further repairs thereon, at present; which Report is read; whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received.

(Concurred.)

Common Council. Upon the Communication from the City Treasurer, which was received on the 3^d of December instant, and laid upon the Table, it is Resolved, that Messrs Larcher, Padelford and Dexter Angell with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee, with power to advise and direct the City Treasurer in relation to the renewal of such leases of City property as will expire during the month of January A.D. 1839, - and also in relation to the collection of rents due the City, and with power also to adjust and compromise any

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existing claims of the City, for such costs.
(Concurred: Alderman Hoppin added.)

The Committee to whom on the 3^d of December last, was referred the communication of His Honor the Mayor, with the accompanying documents in relation to a proposed toll bridge across the Woonasquetucket River, near the State Penitentiary, make Report, by bill, which is read and received.

Resolved, that Messrs Fenner, Goodhue and Anthony, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be a committee to cause the conditions expressed in a Report made to the City Council, this day, by the Committee to whom was referred the communication of the Mayor relative to a Toll Bridge across the Woonasquetucket River, to be secured to the City in an Act of Incorporation petitioned for by John Fenches and others to establish said Bridge, which Petition is now pending before the General Assembly; that said Committee have power to employ Counsel, if necessary, and to draw on the Treasurer, for any cost attending the same.
(Concurred: Alderman Hoppin added.)

The Committee appointed on the 3^d of December instant, to examine & report respecting the stream of water flowing in Fountain Street, make Report, which is read: Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received.

Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways, acting under the advice and direction of Messrs Hoppin, Cranston and Kenworthy, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and he is hereby authorized to cause a Drain to be constructed, sufficient to carry off the stream of water flowing in Fountain Street; and that said Surveyor, together with said Committee, be and they are hereby authorized to agree, in the name of the City, for compensation for such damages (if any) as may be suffered by any owner or owners of land through which it may be necessary for such Drain to pass.

December 31. 1838.

(Concurred: Alderman Potter added.)

Markets &c. Resolved, that Messrs Howles & Carpenter, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be, and the same are hereby appointed a Committee, to ascertain and report what amendments, (if any) are necessary to be made to the Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance for the regulation of the City Markets & Market-Place."
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(Concurred: Alderman Weston added.)

Bill of Mortality &c. The Standing Committee to engross Ordinances, who were, on the 9th of April last, "instructed to report a bill providing for the keeping a Bill of Mortality for this City, & for the monthly publication of the same," make report by bill, entitled "An Ordinance relative to the Interment of the Dead"; which Report is read: Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, and that the same be laid upon the Table, until the next meeting.
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261.

Emerson
Blake

The Petition of Emerson Blake, for relief, which was laid on the Table at the last meeting, is again read; and said petitioner is fully heard by the Council. Whereupon it is resolved, that said Petitioner have leave to withdraw his said petition.
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Joined in Convention of the City Council,
In Convention.

Sundry persons are admitted freemen of the City, having been duly propounded; and sundry others are propounded for admission as freemen.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the 14th day of January instant, at 6 o'clock P.M.

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December 31. 1838.

Members present,

Mr. President

Dan. Angell,

Dexter Angell,

Anthony,

Carpenter,

Fenner,

Godhue,

Gurney

Hopkin

Hughes,

Knowles,

Knowlton,

Manchester,

Mason,

Padelford,

Young,

Wheaton,

17.

Albert G. Greene, Clerk.

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1839.

Common Council, January 14. 1839.

The Common Council met pursuant to adjournment. A Quorum present

Report of The Mayor, Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20th 1838, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, which Committee thereupon report the following Resolution, which is read & passed: to wit

Resolved, that the several sums hereinafter named, be and the same are hereby appropriated for the following purposes respectively; to wit
For the Fire Department, seven hundred & fifty dollars;
For repairs of Highways, Six hundred dollars; -
and that said sums, so appropriated, be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.
Concurred,

E. J. Mallett; A communication from Edward J. Mallett, in relation to certain rent paid by him, for a part of the Town House Lot (so called) and also in relation to the erection of a contemplated building, on a part of said lot, is presented and read. Whereupon it is Resolved, that the same be received and referred to Messrs Larcher, Andrews, & Gurney, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, - to examine and report thereon.
(Concurred; & Alderman Wheaton added.)

An attested copy of certain Resolutions of the Board of Fire-

wards, recommending that measures be taken to obtain an amendment of the law in relation to the erection of wooden buildings in the City, - is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to Messrs Everett, Daniel Angell & Mason, to examine and report thereon.

253 The Committee appointed on the 31st of December last, to audit and settle the accounts of the City Treasurer with the City, up to that day, - make Report, that they have discharged that duty: which Report is read: Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received. (Concurred)

alteration of City Charter. } Resolved, that Messrs Hughes, Larcher & Fenner, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to petition the Hon^{ble}. General Assembly, at their present session, in the name of the City Council, for such alterations in the City Charter, as will authorize the freemen of the City, to elect the Mayor, Aldermen and Common Councilmen on the second Wednesday of May annually, instead of the third Wednesday of April, and to elect the Common Councilmen by ballot, the poll for which to be kept open during the whole time of the meeting.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

Sundry persons are admitted freemen of the City, - having been duly propounded; and sundry others are propounded for admission as freemen.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the 25th day of February next, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr. President.
Messrs Dan Angell
Dexter Angell
Andrews,
Anthony
Everett,
Fenner,
Godhue
Gurney,
Hughes,
Knowles,

Larcher,
Manchester,
Mason,
Miller
Padelford
Young,
Edenston.

18.

Albert G. Greene,
Clerk

Common Council, February 6th 1839.

Special Meeting.

Copy. "The State of Rhode Island & Providence Plantations.
City of Providence, Feb 7 To the Members of the Common

I. S.

Council of the City of Providence,
Greeting.

Whereas upwards of sixty freemen of said City, have, by their memorial addressed to the City Council, suggested that the public convenience would be greatly promoted by widening Weybosset Bridge, when it shall be re-

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built, about thirty feet on the South side thereof, I have, therefore, deemed it expedient to call a meeting of the Board of Common Council, at an earlier day than that to which said Board now stands adjourned. You and each of you are therefore hereby requested and required to meet at the City Council Chamber, on the sixth inst. at half past six o'clock P.M. to transact such business as may then and there be legally brought before said Board. The Board of Aldermen will also be in session at that time. Hereof fail not. Given under my hand and seal, in said City of Providence, this fifth Day of February A.D. 1839.

Samuel W. Bridgman, Mayor.

Providence, February 6th 1839. Notified the members of the Common Council, as commanded, except Israel G. Manchester and William W. Hopkin, who were out of the City.
Edward Hamwood, City Sergeant.

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

The Warrant of His Honor the Mayor, for the present meeting, is read.

Weybosset Bridge. A Communication of His Honor the Mayor, relating to the objects of the present meeting, is presented and is read, enclosing sundry memorials of freemen requesting that Weybosset Bridge may be enlarged by extending the same southerly, whenever the same shall be rebuilt, - which memorials are also read; whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received.

Resolved, that the Communication of His Honor the Mayor respecting Weybosset Bridge, with the petitions accompanying the same, for an enlargement of said Bridge be and the same are hereby referred to Messrs Eddy, Gurney and

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Bonwillton, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon; and that said Committee be and they are hereby directed to report, at the next meeting of the City Council, the probable amount of the additional expense which may be incurred by such enlargement of said Bridge; and also to examine and report what claims exist (if any) of owners of land immediately South of the present bridge, with which said enlargement thereof may interfere; and if such claims are found to exist, then to report upon what terms the same may be quieted.

(Concurred, & Alderman Petter added.)

Hicks. A Petition of Nathaniel Smith & others, respecting the standing of hackney coaches &c. in the street at the East end of the Market House, is presented and read; whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to Messrs Cranston, Carpenter & Young, to examine and report thereon.

Calistweat. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 31st of December last, was referred the petition of Nathaniel Bishop and others, for repairs on Corlis Street, make Report recommending that a Drain be constructed in said Street, provided the same can be done without injury to the channel of the river; which report is read, whereupon it is resolved that the same be received.

Interment of the Dead. The Bill entitled "An Ordinance relative to the Interment of the Dead" which was laid on the Table on the 31st of December last, is again taken up; and it is resolved, that the same be referred to the Standing Committee to engross Ordinances, with Messrs Young and Cranston, for further examination and revision.

Resolved, that the sum of one thousand dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the Fire Department;

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

Pub. Schools. A Resolution is offered by the President, providing for a reference to the freemen of the City, for their decision, by ballot, at the Ward Meetings ordered by the General Assembly to be holden on the last Wednesday in March next, - of the question "shall the plan adopted by the City Council, on the 9th of April 1838, for an improvement of the Public Schools, go into effect?" - which is read: whereupon it is moved, that said Resolution be amended by adding a provision that the question shall be separately proposed to the freemen, at said meetings, whether that part of said plan which provided for the establishment of a High School, ought to go into effect: on which motion for amendment, the question is taken by yeas & nays, which are ordered to be entered upon the Journal, as follows

<p><u>Yeas.</u> Messrs Dan Angell, Dexter Angell Carpenter, Eddy, Everett, Gould, Knowles, Knowlton, Larchar, Miller, Padelford, Young, Cranston, 13.</p>	<p><u>Nays.</u> Messrs. Andrews, Anthony, Goodhue Hughes. 4.</p>
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Said amendment is therefore adopted.
It is moved, that said resolution be further amended, by striking out therefrom all which provided for a reference to the freemen of any other questions than that relating to the establishment of the High School: and

is thereupon resolved, that said Resolution be so amended.
Said Resolution, so amended is read and passed, as follows.

Whereas the Hon General Assembly, at their session in January last, directed a meeting of the freemen of this City to be holden on the last Wednesday in March next, for the purpose of obtaining an expression of the opinion of said freemen, in relation to the City Charter, - and whereas, the City Council are desirous also of obtaining an expression of the opinion of the freemen in relation to the subject of an improvement of the Public Schools of the City, it is resolved, that the freemen of this City be, and they hereby are requested, at said meeting, to express, by ballot, their opinion, whether that part of the Ordinances of the City Council, which passed on the ninth day of April last, entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the Public Schools," - which provides for the establishment of a High School, ought to be carried into effect, or not.

Resolved, that the City Clerk be and he is hereby directed to cause a sufficient number of printed ballots to be provided for the use of the freemen, at said meeting, - on one side of which ballots, shall be printed the words "Shall the plan adopted by the City Council on the 9th of April 1838, for an improvement of the Public Schools, which provides for the establishment of a High School, go into effect?"; and on the other side of a part of said ballots, shall be printed the word "Yes," and on the other side of a part of said ballots shall be printed the word "No"; and that each freeman voting upon said question, shall write his name on the ballot which he shall give in at said meeting; and that all the ballots so given in shall be sealed up, at the close of said meeting, and returned to the Board of Aldermen, within two days thereafter, and at the next meeting of said Board, be opened and counted.

(Concurred)

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday, the

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February 6th 1839, February 11th 1839.

seventh day of February instant, at half past 6 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr. President.

Messrs Dan. Angell,

Dexter Angell,

Andrews,

Anthony,

Carpenter,

Eddy,

Everett

Goddard

Gold,

Hughes,

Knowles,

Knowlton,

Larchar,

Mason,

Miller,

Parkeford,

Young

Brantton 19.

Albert Greene, Clerk

Common Council, February 11th 1839.

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

Report of City Treas. The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20th 1834, 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; which Committee thereupon report the following Resolution which is read & passed. viz.

Resolved, that the sum of One Thousand Dollars, be and the same is hereby appropriated, for the support of the Poor; and that said sum, so appropriated, be paid out of any money in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated.

(Concluded.)

265.

February 11th 1839.

Market House Lot.

The Committee heretofore appointed to ascertain the North line of the Market House Lot, and to adjust the same with the owner or owners of the adjoining land, make Report, which is read.

Resolved, that the Report of the Committee appointed to ascertain the North line of the Market House Lot (so called) be and the same is hereby received, and re-committed to the same Committee; and that said Committee be, and they are hereby authorized and empowered to agree with Mr. David Bart, in relation to the claim of the City upon him for rent for the occupation of a part of said Lot up to this time, and also to ascertain upon what terms the City can purchase from him, the small piece of land at the North-west corner of said Lot.

(Concluded.)

Hacks.

The Committee to whom on the 5th day of February instant, was referred the Petition of Nath. Smith & others, in relation to the standing of Hackney Coaches in the Street at the East end of the Market House, make Report, which is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received.

Resolved, that the petition of Nathaniel Smith & others, in relation to the standing of Hackney Coaches, in Market Square, be and the same is referred to the Clerk of the Market, for such action by him, in relation to the subject, as may be requisite.

(Concluded.)

Petitions of Christopher B. Arnold

& Welcome Arnold, requesting leave to fence in and enclose buying 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 the North Burial Ground, to examine and report thereon.

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February 11th 1839.

Drain in
Cali's Street. 261
Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to cause a Drain to be constructed through Cali's Street, from the West side of South Main Street to the River.

(Concurred, May 13, 1839.)

Weybosset
Bridge. 3

260. The joint Committee appointed on the 5th of November last, to cause Weybosset Bridge to be built or repaired, make report pursuant to the provisions of the Resolution of the City Council of the 6th of February instant: which Report is read: whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received.

261. Resolved, that the joint Committee appointed on the 5th of November last, to repair or rebuild Weybosset Bridge, be and they are hereby authorized to cause said Bridge to be extended so far South of the South line of the present bridge, as they, together with the Board of Aldermen may deem expedient.

(Concurred)

262. Resolved, that One Thousand Dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated, for rebuilding Weybosset Bridge.

(Concurred.)

Markets &
M. Place. 265.

The joint Committee appointed on the 31st of December last to enquire and report what alterations (if any) are necessary to be made, in the "Ordinance for the regulation of the City Markets & Market Place": make Report; which is read: whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received and laid upon the Table.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention. sundry persons are admitted

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free-men of the City, - having been duly sworn: and sundry others are sworn for admission as free-men.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the 11th day of March next, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr. President,
Messrs. Dan Angell,
Dexter Angell
Andrews,
Anthony,
Carpenter
Eddy,
Everett,
Penner,
Goodhue,

Gurney,
Hughes
Knolls,
Kunton
Larcher,
Manchester,
Miller,
Padelford,
Young,
Ranston.

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A. Greene, Clerk

Common Council, March 11th 1839.

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

Weybosset
Bridges. 266,
272.

A communication from His Honor the Mayor, enclosing a Memorial of Nathaniel Bishop & others, against the widening of Weybosset Bridge, is presented and read.

Upon the Memorial of Nathaniel Bishop & others, against the widening of Weybosset Bridge, it is resolved, that the

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March 11th 1839.

Same be received, and referred to Messrs Andrews, Goodhue, & Mason, with such as the Board of Aldermen may see, to examine and report thereon.
(Concurred. & Alderman body added.)

273. Pet. of Joshua Mauran. A Memorial from Joshua Mauran, proposing to purchase the present gangway South of the Town House Lot, & also a small strip of said lot, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to Messrs Larcher, Young, & Knowles, to examine & report thereon.

248. Allen Tillinghast. An Account of Rufus Smith, for board of Allen Tillinghast, (who was discharged from confinement by a Resolution of the City Council, passed on the 3^d of December last,) is presented & read.

Resolved, that the sum of sixteen dollars & ninety three cents be and the same is allowed to Rufus Smith, keeper of the State's Jail in the County of Providence, in full for the amount due him for the board of Allen Tillinghast; and that said sum, so appropriated, be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

(Concurred)

The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20th 1834, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, which Committee thereupon report the following Resolution, which is read & 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 Fire Department, Five Hundred Dollars;
For repairs of Public Buildings, Two Hundred Dollars.

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For building the Asylum Wall, Seven Hundred Dollars.
And that said sum, so appropriated, be paid out of any moneys in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated.
(Concurred)

29. Mallett. A Petition from David Brown & Son, is presented and read.

Upon the Petition of David Brown & Son, it is Resolved, that the same be received, and the prayer thereof granted; and that said petitioners be and they are hereby authorized to erect and keep up, a Clock, as a sign, to project from the front of their shop in South Main Street, - so long as they shall keep the same running as a time piece: - provided the same shall be put up and secured under the direction of Mr. Everett, who is hereby appointed a Committee for that purpose; any thing in the Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the streets and Highways," to the contrary notwithstanding.

29. Mallett. The joint Committee, to whom on the 14th of January last, was referred the petition of E. J. Mallett, for a reduction of rent, and also in relation to the erection of a building on the Town House Lot, make Report, recommending the reduction of said rent, and recommending that that part of said petition which relates to the erection of such building, be not granted: - which is read.

Upon the Report of the joint Committee, to whom, on the 14th of January last, was referred the petition of E. J. Mallett, for a reduction of rent, for the occupation of a part of the Town House Lot, as a gangway, &c. - It is Resolved, that the same be received, and that the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to receive from said Mallett, the annual sum of eighteen Dollars, commencing on the 5th of February last, in quarterly payments, for the future rent of said land, - instead of the sum of thirty-six Dollars, as provided by the lease thereof.
(Concurred.)

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Do. Said Report is laid upon the Table for further consideration, in relation to that part thereof which relates to the erection of a building by said Mallett, on the Town House Lot.

Amos Whipple } A Petition of Arnold Whipple, in relation to water flowing in North Main Street, is presented & read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine & report thereon.

Kingsbridge Corporation } A Petition from the Kings Bridge Corporation, for leave to alter their contemplated bridge, on a line different from the line recommended by the Committee of the City Council, is presented & read.

Do. Upon the Petition of the Kings Bridge Corporation, it is resolved that the same be received and referred to Messrs Fenner, Goodhue & Anthony, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon. (Concurred: & Alderman Wheaton added.)

Op of B. & G. Peck. } Resolved that the sum of Four Dollars & twenty cents be and the same is hereby allowed to B. & G. Peck, in full for the payment of their Account this day presented to the City Council: and that said sum so appropriated, be paid out of any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated. (Concurred.)

Sail Lot, } Resolved, that Messrs Dexter Angell, Everett & Cranston, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to confer with the Committee appointed by the Hon^{ble} General Assembly to erect an Arsenal on the Sail Lot (so called), respecting the purchase of said Lot for the City, - and to ascertain and report on what terms said Lot can be obtained.

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(Concurred: & Alderman Holden added.)

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

Stray persons are admitted freemen of the City, having been duly pronounced: & stray things are pronounced for admission as freemen.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the 18th Day of March instant, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present

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| Mr. President | .. Sheppin |
| Messrs Dexter Angell, | Knowles, |
| Dan. Angell | Konovilton, |
| Andrews, | Larcher, |
| Anthony | Manchester, |
| Everett, | Mason |
| Fenner, | Pabelford, |
| Goodhue, | Young, |
| Garney, | Cranston, |

18.

Albert G. Greene, Clerk

Common Council, March 18th 1839.

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

Weybosset Bridge.

The joint Committee to whom on the 11th of March instant, was referred the Memorial of Nathaniel Bishop & others against the widening of Weybosset Bridge, make Reports that they are equally divided in opinion, in relation to the subject of said memorial: which Reports are severally read.

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A memorial of Charles Williams & others, against the widening of Weybosset Bridge, is presented and read.

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It is moved that the Reports of the joint Committee on the Memorial of Nathaniel Bishop & others, together with said Memorial, and the Memorial of Charles Williams & others, be severally received and laid upon the Table. On which motion, the question is taken by ayes and noys, which are ordered to be entered on the Journal, as follows, viz

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| <u>Ayes.</u> | <u>Noys.</u> |
| Messrs Carpenter, | Messrs Daniel Angell, |
| Ewert | Dexter Angell, |
| Penner | Andrews, |
| Goodhue, | Anthony |
| Gould, | Knowles, |
| Hughes | Mason |
| Knawton | Miller, |
| Larchar | |
| Padelford, | |
| Young, | |
| Cranston 11 | |

Said Report & Memorials are, therefore, laid upon the Table.

Mayor's Salary.

Resolved, that the salary of the Mayor, for the Municipal year commencing on the first Monday of June A.D. 1839, be one thousand Dollars, payable quarterly. (Continued)

Report on Application of J. Mauran.

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The committee, to whom on the 11th of March instant, was referred the Memorial of Joshua Mauran, proposing to purchase certain land of the City, &c. make Report, recommending such sale; which Report is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received.

It is moved that said Report & Memorial be indefinitely postponed: on which motion, the question is taken by ayes & noys, which are ordered to be entered upon the Journal as follows, viz

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|-----------------------|----------------------|
| <u>Ayes.</u> | <u>Noys.</u> |
| Messrs Dexter Angell, | Messrs Daniel Angell |
| Andrews, | Anthony |
| Carpenter | Penner, |
| Gould | Goodhue, |
| Knawton, | Hughes, |
| Cranston 6. | Knowles, |
| | Larchar, |
| | Mason, |
| | Miller, |
| | Padelford, |
| | Young 11. |

Said motion is therefore lost.

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Resolved, that the City Treasurer, acting under the advice and direction of Messrs Larchar, Young and Knowles, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and he is hereby directed to convey, by Deed, to Joshua Mauran, for the sum of one thousand Dollars, all the right title and interest of the City in and to the piece of land now used as a gangway between the land of said Mauran and the Town House Lot, and also conveying to said Mauran, in fee simple, a small strip of the Southernly side of the Town House Lot, about two feet in width on a line with the West line of said Mauran's land, and running to a point on Benefit Street; - whenever the Board of Aldermen shall have altered the Westerty line of Benefit Street from Hopkins Street to the North line of College Street, in conformity with the Request of said Mauran now pending before said Board, in case said

Board shall determine to alter that line; and that said Deed shall contain sufficient covenants and agreements on the part of the City, with said Maaran, that a gangway of ten feet in width, shall be laid out from the Town House Lot, and forever be kept open, for the mutual use of the City and its officers and of said Maaran his heirs and assigns, bounding southerly on the land so to be conveyed to said Maaran, and running the whole of the depth of said Maaran's land, from East to West; provided the City shall not be obligated to remove the Cadet Alarm-post which will stand on a part of said gangway, until it shall be the pleasure of the City Council, to order the removal of the same.

Town Lot.

270 The joint committee appointed on the 11th of March instant in relation to the said Lot (so called) make Report. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, and that said Committee be continued, for the purposes named in the Resolution by which they were appointed.
(Concurred.)

Petition of Saunders & Seaman.

A Petition of J. W. Saunders and D. J. Seaman, praying for relief, is presented and read.

Upon the petition of J. W. Saunders and D. J. Seaman, two of the City Watchmen, praying 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 the sum of Ten Dollars, being the fine, together with the bill of costs, mentioned in said petition, to the proper Officer or Officers authorized to receive the same.
(Concurred.)

Hydraulic No 1.

A Petition from a Committee of the Board of Firewards, requesting leave to locate the Engine House for Hydraulic No 1, over the Cove, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received, and referred to Messrs. Carpenter, Gould & Miller, to examine and report thereon.

Town House.

Resolved, that the City Marshal be and he is hereby appointed a Committee to cause shatters to be procured and placed before each of the windows of the Town House as he may deem expedient.
(Concurred.)

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

Sundry persons are admitted members of the City, - having been duly propounded; and sundry others are propounded for admission as members.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Friday the 29th day of March instant, at half past 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr. President
 Dan Angell
 Dexter Angell,
 Andrews,
 Anthony,
 Carpenter
 Everett,
 Penner,
 Goodhue,
 Gould,

Hagges,
 Knowles,
 Knowlton,
 Larchar,
 Mason
 Miller
 Padesford
 Young,
 Cranston.

Albert G. Greene, Clerk.

Common Council, March 29th 1839.

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

city debt. } A Communication from the City Treasurer, in relation to
the portion of the City Debt which will fall due on the
1st day of April next, is presented and read: whereupon, it
is resolved, that the same be received.

Co. } Resolved, that the City Treasurer, acting under the ad-
vice and direction of Messrs Everett & Fenner, with such
as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and he is hereby
authorized and directed to renew, for one year from the
first day of April next, so much of the City Debt as
will fall due on that day, at a rate of interest not
exceeding five and a half per cent.
(Concurred, & Alaman body added.)

Kings Bridge } The joint Committee, to whom on the 11th of March last, was
Co. } referred the petition of the Kings Bridge Corporation, for leave
270 } to abut their contemplated bridge on a line different from
the line previously recommended, make Report, which is read
whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received.

Co. } Resolved, that Kings Bridge Corporation are hereby au-
thorized to alter the location of their proposed bridge
across the Wonsaquetucket River, so that the West-
ward abutment thereof shall strike the line of the town of
North Providence, about four hundred & fifty feet to the West-
ward of the first proposed location of said bridge; and
further, that said Corporation be permitted to take mud
and earth from the Cove, under the direction of the City
Marshal, for the construction of the causeway leading to
the said bridge, - provided no injury shall be done to the
thatch-rights belonging to the City. (Concurred. May 6 1839)

Co. } The joint Committee appointed on the 31st day of December
270 } last, to cause certain provisions contained in a Report made on
that day to the City Council, to be inserted in any Act which
the General Assembly might pass, incorporating a company
for the purpose of building a toll-bridge across the Wonsaque-
tucket River, make Report, that such Act was passed at
the January session of the General Assembly last past; and
that said provisions were duly inserted therein: - which Report
is read: Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received.
(Concurred.)

Sale to } The Resolution, for a sale to Joshua Marwan, of the gangway
Alaman. } between his land and the Town House Lot, and also of a small
273 } strip of said Lot, which passed the Common Council on the
282 } eighteenth day of March instant, and was then sent up, for con-
currence, is now returned by the Board of Aldermen, who
concur therein, with the following Amendment, to wit, "that
all the words between the word "Street" in the twelfth
line from the top, and the word "and" in the 18th line
from the top, be stricken out;" - and said Board
and Aldermen holden to the Committee appointed by
said Resolution. - which amendment is read:
Whereupon it is resolved that the Common Council do
concur therein. On which motion, the question is
taken by yeas and nays, which are ordered to be
entered upon the Journal, as follows, viz.

- | | |
|--------------------|-----------------------|
| <u>Yeas.</u> | <u>Nays.</u> |
| Messrs Dan Angell, | Messrs Dexter Angell, |
| Anthony, | Brooks, |
| Eddy, | Carpenter, |
| Fenner, | Everett, |
| Goed, | Godshue, |
| Hopkin, | Honover, |
| Hogbes, | Newton, |
| Larcher, | Cranston, |
| Padelford, | |
| Young, | |

10.
The Common Council do therefore concur in said Amendment.

Committee on
School Houses
262.
280.

Resolved, that the Committee of the City Council, appointed on the 3^d of September last, in relation to the Public School Houses and Estates, be, and they are hereby authorized and empowered, to receive, from time to time, from the Commissioners appointed by the General Assembly, any sums of money, being the City's proportions of the Public Monies of the United States, which may come into the hands of said Commissioners for distribution to the several towns in this State, under the Act of the General Assembly, of January Session A.D. 1839 - not exceeding, in the whole, the sum of Forty Thousand Dollars, - as the same may be needed by said Committee in the discharge of the duties of their appointment; - and that, on the receipt by said Committee, of any such sum, the City Treasurer is hereby directed to give a promissory note, in his said capacity, to the State, for the amount thereof, payable on demand, with interest not exceeding five per cent per annum.

(Concurred)

North
Burial
Ground.

285

A Bill providing for the grading and leveling of that part of the North Burial Ground lying south of the fence, and for the construction of roads leading to the two gates on the south side thereof, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be referred to Messrs Knowles, Everett and Knowlton, to examine and report thereon.

Sessions Lot.

Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways cause a trough for the watering of cattle, and other purposes to be placed on the east side of North Main Street, near the Sessions Lot, (so called) and cause the same to be supplied with water, from the fountain in said Lot.

119.

Resolved further, that the same officer cause the said Sessions Lot to be restored to proper order for agricultural purposes, by causing the excavations, some time since made, to be filled up, and doing whatever else he may deem requisite.

(Concurred, April 9th 1839.)

265.

The Standing Committee on the North Burial Ground to whom on the 11th of February last, was referred the petition of Christopher B. Arnold and Welcome Arnold, for leave to enclose buying lots in the North Burial Ground, make Report in favour of granting the prayer thereof: which Report is read.

Upon the petitions of Christopher B. Arnold & Welcome Arnold, requesting leave to fence in and enclose buying lots sufficient for their respective families in the North Burial Ground, it is resolved, that the same be received and the prayer thereof granted; and that said petitioners be, and they are hereby authorized to enclose such lots, for such purpose; provided the same be done under the direction of the Overseer of the North Burial Ground, with the sanction of the Mayor; and provided also, that the 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)

Filed in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

Sundry persons are admitted members of the City, having been duly proposed; and sundry others are proposed for admission as members.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Wednesday the 17th Day of April next, at 3 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr President

Messrs. Gail, Angell,
Dexter Angell,
Andrews,
Anthony,

Gould,
Keppin,
Hughes,
Knowlton,

March 29th April 17, 1839.

Carpenter,
Eddy,
Eveatt,
Fenner
Goodhue

Larchar
Parslow
Young,
Cranston, 18

Albert G. Greene, Clerk

Common Council, April 17, 1839.

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 20th 1834, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

Appropriations } Resolved, that the several sums hereinafter named, be & the same are hereby appropriated for the following purposes respectively: to wit,
277 For rebuilding Weybosset Bridge, Twenty-five Hundred Dollars.
For Highways, One Thousand Dollars.
For the Fire Department, Five Hundred Dollars.
For the Support of the Poor, Two Hundred & fifty Dollars.
For the City Watch, Two Hundred Dollars.
And that said sums, so appropriated, be paid out of any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.
(Concurred.)

Money for }
Schools. }
278 Whereas, the Resolution passed by the City Council on the 29th Day of March last, authorizing the Committee of the City Council, appointed on the third Day of September last, in re-

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lation to the Public School Houses and Estates, to receive certain moneys from the State, - has been found inadequate for the purpose for which it was passed. - It is now Resolved, that said Committee be, and they are hereby authorized and empowered to receive, from time to time, any sums of money, not exceeding, in the whole, the sum of Forty Thousand Dollars, which the City may be entitled to take from the State by virtue of the Act of the General Assembly passed at their January Session, A.D. 1839, entitled "An Act in amendment of an act passed at October Session, A.D. 1836, entitled 'An Act to provide for the disposition of the proportion of the moneys of the United States, to be deposited with this State, by virtue of an Act of Congress, entitled 'An Act to regulate the Deposites of the Public Money, approved June 20th 1836;' and also to provide for the appropriation of the Interest arising from said moneys;" - as such sums may be needed by said Committee, in the discharge of the duties of their appointment; - and that the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby authorized and directed to give bond, in his said capacity, pursuant to the requisitions of said Act, whenever any such sums of money shall be received by said Committee by virtue of this Resolution.
(Concurred)

I. Hull }
Burying Lot. }
302 A Petition of Thomas Hull, for leave to fence in and enclose a burying lot sufficient for his family, in the North Burial Ground, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on the North Burial Ground, to examine and report thereon.

Providence }
Aqueduct }
Company. }
283. A Memorial from the Executive Committee of the Providence Aqueduct Company, requesting the City Council to cause to be repaired, the damage done to the water pipes of said company laid in the bed of the river south of Weybosset Bridge, - by the driving of the piles for the extension of said Bridge, - is presented and read; whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received and referred to Messrs Goodhue, Hooplin & Knowles, with such as the Board

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of Aldermen may add, to examine & report thereon.
(Concurred; & Alderman Wheaton added.)

Salisbury Johnson
Hanson.

A Communication from the City Treasurer, in relation to the conveyance to Joshua Mearns, of the City's interest in the gangway between said Mearns's land and the Town House Lot, and also a small strip of said Lot, is presented and read: whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, and referred to Messrs Penner, Padelford and Young, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon.
(Concurred: & Alderman Cady added.)

Hydrant No. 1.

The Committee to whom on the 18th of March last, was referred the Petition of a Committee of the Board of Firewards, respecting the location of a new Engine House for Hydrant No. 1, make Report: which is read: whereupon it is resolved that the same be received.

Resolved, that the Board of Firewards be and they are hereby authorized to cause the new building which it is contemplated to erect for the Hydrant Engine No. 1, - to be placed over the water of the Cove, at the foot of Hydrant Street, with its front resting on the cap-log of said Street.
(Concurred, April 22^d, 1839.)

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

Sundry persons are admitted members of the City, having been duly proposed: and sundry others are proposed for admission as members.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday the 22^d day of April instant, at half past 7 o'clock P.M.

April 17. April 22. 1839.

Members present.

Mr President,
Messrs. Doctor Angell,
Anthony,
Carpenter,
Eddy,
Penner,
Goodhue,
Gould.

.. Gurney,
.. Hopkins,
.. Hughes,
.. Knowles,
.. Remondin,
.. Larchar,
.. Padelford,
.. Young 17.

Albert G. Greene, Clerk.

Common Council, April 22^d, 1839.

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

A Communication from the City Treasurer, on the state of the Treasury, is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, who thereupon report the following Resolution, which is read and passed, to wit,

Temporary Loan.

Resolved, that the City Treasurer, acting under the advice & direction of Messrs Penner & Everett, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and he is, hereby authorized to raise, by temporary loan or loans, for the use of the City, not exceeding four thousand Dollars in the whole, at a rate of interest not exceeding six per cent.
(Concurred, & Alderman Cady added.)

The joint Committee to whom on the 17th of April instant, was referred the Memorial of the Executive Committee of

Rev. Aqueduct Co.

the Providence Aqueduct Company, make Report against the granting the prayer thereof, which is read: Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, and that the memorialists have leave to withdraw their memorial.

Sale to Joshua Mawman.

The joint Committee to whom on the 14th of April instant, was referred the communication of the City Treasurer, relating to the sale of land to Joshua Mawman, make Report which is read: whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received.

Resolved, that the City Treasurer, acting under the advice and direction of Messrs. Larchon, Young and Knowles, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and he is hereby authorized, appointed, and directed, in his said capacity, as the special agent of the City for that purpose, to convey by Deed to Joshua Mawman, his heirs and assigns, forever, for the sum of One Thousand Dollars, at any time within thirty days from the passage of this Resolution, a certain piece or parcel of land, being the land heretofore agreed to be left open as a gangway between the Town House Lot (so called), and land formerly of Beaman's, but now owned by said Mawman, together with a small strip of said Town House Lot; - which piece or parcel of land so to be conveyed, is to be bounded and described as follows; to wit, Beginning on the Westerly side of Benefit Street, at a point ten feet Northwesterly of the North-east corner of said Mawman's land; thence running South 69° West, about eighty-one feet to a point in a line with the Westerly side of said Mawman's land; thence, by said line, seven and a half feet, to the North-Westerly corner of said Mawman's land; - thence North, 85° East, about sixteen feet, to an angle in the Northwesterly line of said Mawman's land; thence North 68° East, sixty-seven feet and six tenths of a foot, to the North Easterly corner of said Mawman's land on said Benefit Street; thence, Northwesterly, bounding Easterly on said Benefit Street,

ten feet, to the first-mentioned bound; - which land so to be conveyed, is to be bounded Northwesterly on a Gangway ten feet wide, which gangway is hereby laid out from said Town House Lot, the whole depth of said land so to be conveyed, from said Benefit Street, Westerly, - and is to be forever kept open, for the mutual use of the owners of the adjoining lands.

Resolved, that said Deed shall contain covenants and agreements, on the part of the City, that the City will warrant and defend the premises so to be conveyed, to him the said Mawman, his heirs and assigns, forever, against the lawful claims of all persons; and also, that said Gangway hereby laid out, shall be forever kept open for the purposes aforesaid; provided the City shall not be obliged to remove the Cadet Alarm Post, which partly covers said gangway and said land so to be conveyed, until it shall be the pleasure of the City Council to order such removal.

(Concurred, & Alderman Holden added.)

Public Schools.

Resolved, that the Ordinance, entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the Public Schools;" shall not go into effect until the first Monday in September next, excepting so much thereof as provides for the appointment of a Superintendent of the Public Schools; which appointment the School Committee are hereby authorized to make as soon as they may deem expedient; - and that, on said first Monday in September next, said Ordinance shall go into full effect and operation.

(Concurred.)

A Communication from His Honor the Mayor, enclosing a Deed from the Rhode Island Historical Society, to the City, is presented and read.

North Riverial Aqueduct.

The Committee to whom on the 29th of March last, was referred the bill providing for grading that part of the

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North Burial Ground lying South of the fence, make Report recommending the passage of the same without amendment. which report is read and received.

Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be and he hereby is directed, to cause that portion of the North Burial Ground lot lying South of the South fence, to be graded or levelled, and a road not to exceed twenty feet in width, to be constructed, from each of the two gates on the said South side of said Burial Ground, to each point on the Highway as the Board of Aldermen shall direct.

A Petition of Mary Gardner, for leave to fence in a burying lot in the North Burial Ground, is presented and read. whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on the North Burial Ground, to examine and report thereon.

A Petition of Emerson Clark, for the remission of a portion of taxes on billiard tables kept by him, is presented & read; and said petitioner having been present and heard in relation thereto, it is resolved that he have leave to withdraw the same.

Resolved, that the sum of Four Dollars and ninety-seven cents be and the same is allowed to Edward Billings, in full payment of his bill this day presented against the City; and that the same be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated (Concurs.)

Joined in Convention of the City Council.
In Convention, sundry persons are pronounced.

April 22^d. May 13th 1839.

for admission as freemen of the City.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the 13th Day of May next, at half past 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

- Mr. President
- Messrs Dexter Angell,
- Anthony,
- Eddy,
- Fennell,
- Gordhue,
- Gould,

- Hoppin
- Hughes,
- Knowles,
- Knowlton,
- Mason,
- Young,
- Crabtree

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Albert H. Green,
Clerk

Common Council, May 13th 1839.

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 20th 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, to wit.

Resolved, that the several sums hereinafter named, be and the same are hereby appropriated for the following purposes respectively, to wit.
For the Public Schools, Sixteen Thousand Dollars.
For the support of the Poor, Seven hundred & fifty Dollars.

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For Highways Eight Hundred Dollars,
For Contingencies Two Hundred Fifty Dollars; -
and that said sums, so appropriated, be paid out
of any moneys in the Treasury, not otherwise appro-
priated.

(Concurred.)

Charles
Met. } Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is
truly directed to cause the Bank Wall which sup-
ports the East side of Charles Street, to be repaired or
re-laid.

(Concurred.)

Robert Earl. A Petition of Robert Earl, for relief, is presented and
read; whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received,
and laid upon the Table.

A Petition of Joseph G. Chamley for relief, is pre-
sented and read; whereupon it is resolved, that the same
J. G. Chamley, be received, and laid upon the Table.

Clerk Com. Council. Resolved, that the Clerk of the Common Council be
allowed and paid for his services as such, during the present
Municipal Year, the sum of One Hundred Dollars, in
addition to the amount heretofore allowed.

(Concurred.)

Rone House. Resolved, that Messrs Goodhue & Carpenter, with such as
the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby
appointed a Committee to cause the West side of the
Rone House to be painted, - with power to draw upon
the Treasury, for the expense thereof.

(Concurred.)

May 13th 1839

4th July
1838.

The Chairman of the joint Committee appointed for the Muni-
cipal Celebration of the Anniversary of American Indepen-
dence in the Year 1838, presents an Account against
the City, for the amount of a Judgment of Court against
him, & incidental expenses paid by him: which is read.

299.
302.
D. Resolved, that the sum of thirty two Dollars and twenty
one cents be, and the same is hereby allowed to the
Chairman of the Committee of Arrangements for the
Municipal Celebration of the Anniversary of American
Independence, in the Year 1838, - in full payment of
his Account this Day presented to the City Council,
against the City; and that said sum, so allowed,
be paid to said Chairman, by the City Treasurer,
out of any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise
appropriated.

(Concurred.)

4th July.

308. Resolved, that a sum not exceeding one hundred and
fifty Dollars, be and the same is hereby appropriated, for
the purpose of causing the bells of the several houses of
public worship to be rung, and salutes to be fired, on
the approaching anniversary of American Independence;
and that said sum, so appropriated, be paid out of
any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated,
to the order of the City Marshal, who is hereby appointed
to carry this Resolution into effect.

(Concurred June 17.)

North Burial
Ground.

286. The Resolution in relation to that part of the North
Burial Ground lying South of the North fence, - which passed
the Common Council on the 22^d of April last, 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 last five lines
be stricken out, & the following words inserted in
their place, viz. "also to cause the holes which have been
dug or made in that portion of said lot lying

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May 13th 1839.

North of the North fence, to be filled up." which amendment is read: Whereupon it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur in said Amendment.

Alteration of City Charter.

The Resolution for the appointment of a joint Committee to petition the General Assembly, in the name of the City Council, for certain alterations in the City Charter, - which passed the Common Council on the 14th of January last, and was then sent up for concurrence, is now returned by the Board of Aldermen, who concur therein, with the following Amendments, viz That all the words between the word "two" in the 4th line, and the word "in" in the same line, be stricken out, and the following inserted in their place, - viz "take into consideration the propriety and expediency of applying to the Hon^{ble} General Assembly; - and that all the words after the word "ballot" in the 11th line, be stricken out; and the following inserted in their place, - viz "And that said Committee, in case they recommend such application, report by bill or resolution: - and said Board add Alderman Holden to the Committee appointed by said Resolution; - which Amendments are read: Whereupon it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur in said Amendments.

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Joined in Conventions of the City Council.

In Convention.

Sundry persons are admitted freemen of the City, having been duly propounded; and sundry others are propounded for admission as freemen.

The two Boards separate.

May 13th May 27th 1839.

The Common Council adjourn to meet, on Monday the 27th day of May instant, at half past 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr President
Messrs Dan Angell,
Dexter Angell,
Anthony
Carpenter,
Eddy,
West.

Penner
Goddard
Gurney,
Hobbes,
Stonewell,
Young
Cranston. 14

Albert G. Green,
Clerk

Common Council, May 27th 1839.

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

Temporary Loans.

Resolved, that the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby authorized to hire, by temporary loan or loans, for the use of the City, a sum of money not exceeding Ten Thousand Dollars.

(Concurred.)

Weybosset Bridge

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Resolved, That the sum of Five Thousand Dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated for the rebuilding of Weybosset Bridge; and that said sum be appropriated, be paid out of any moneys in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated.

(Concurred.)

Statement of the Dead.

261.

313.

The Committee to whom, on the 6th of February last, was referred the bill entitled "An Ordinance relative to the Statement of the Dead," make report by bill, which is read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, & laid upon the Table.

Benjamin's

303.

Petitions of Thaddeus Cary, Daniel S. Whinsbury & Amos Baker, severally requesting leave to fence in and enclose buying lots, in the North Burial Ground, are severally presented & read. Whereupon, it is resolved that the same be received & referred to the Standing Committee on the North Burial Ground, to examine & report thereon.

Arnold Whipple

270.

The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 11th of March last, was referred the petition of Arnold Whipple, relative to water flowing in North Main Street, make report, which is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received.

Co.

Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby authorized and directed to provide for the discharge of the water crossing North Main Street, near the Estate of Arnold Whipple, in such manner as he may seem most expedient.

Jail Lot.

270.

The Joint Committee appointed on the 11th of March last, in relation to a purchase of the Jail Lot, so called, from the State, make report, which is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received.

(Concurred)

Co.

305.

Resolved, that Messrs Dexter Angell, Everett & Cranston, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby authorized to contract, in the

name of the City, with the State, for the sale to the State, of a lot of land one hundred feet square, belonging to the City, on Cranston Street being a corner lot, - in exchange for the Jail Lot, (so called), - and for the payment, by the City, to the State, of a sum of money not exceeding twelve hundred Dollars, as the difference between the value of said lands.

(Concurred: & Alderman Holden added)

Money for Schools.

280.

317.

Resolved, that the Committee of the City Council, appointed on the third day of September last, in relation to the Public School Houses & Estates, who were by a Resolution of the City Council, passed on the 17th of April last, authorized to hire from the State, Fifty thousand Dollars of the public moneys of the United States, deposited with this State, - be and they are hereby authorized to hire and receive of said public moneys, for the purposes named in said Resolution, not exceeding Twenty thousand Dollars, in addition to the sum named in said Resolution, - in such amounts as they may need from time to time, in the discharge of the duties of their appointment; and that the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby authorized and directed to give bonds therefor, as provided in said Resolution.

(Concurred.)

Seal Reps.

314.

Resolved, that Messrs Cranston & Knowles, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to procure a Seal, for the use of the City Offices, - and to draw upon the City Treasury, for the expense thereof; provided however, that said expense shall not exceed one hundred Dollars.

(Concurred: & Alderman Hoppin added)

Resolved, that Messrs. Knowles, Padelford, Hoppin and

Dam at the
Bridge.

306. Eddy, with Jack as the Board of Aldermen may add,
ll, and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to
report on the expediency of erecting, on a line parallel
with the South line of the bridge contemplated to be
built in place of the Bridge North of Weybset Bridge,
a Dam of such height, that the flats and shoals
of the Cove shall at all times be covered with
water; and with such a gate or gates, that the nav-
igation of the river shall not be seriously impeded.
(Concurred: & Alderman Wheaton added)

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

Sundry persons are precluded
for admission, as members of the City.

The two Boards separate.

Resolved, that all business lying unfinished before this
Council, be and the same is hereby referred to the Com-
mon Council to meet on the first Monday in June next.

The Common Council adjourn, "without day," &c.

Members present.

Mr President
Messrs Dexter Angell
Eddy
Goddard
Hoyden
Kempin,
Hughes,
Knowles,

Knowlton,
Larchar,
Mason,
Paddock,
Young,
Criston 14

Albert G. Greene,
Blake.

Organization of the City Government of the City of Providence, for the Municipal Year commencing on the first Monday in June, A.D. 1839.

Monday June 3^d 1839.

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

Bridgham, Saml W.

The certificate of the election of Samuel W. Bridgham as Mayor, is presented and read; and the oath prescribed by law, is administered to him by Hon. William C. Staples, one of the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court.

The certificate of the election of Thomas R. Holden, Joseph Cady, James Wheaton, Thomas C. Hoppin, Phineas Potter, and John F. Phillips, as

Aldermen for said year, is presented and read; and they are severally engaged by the Mayor, according to law.

The certificates of the election of the members elect of the Common Council, for said year, are presented and read; and all of said members are engaged by the Mayor, according to law.

Richard M. Field 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, relative to the municipal affairs of the City during the past year, after which the two Board separate.

Members of the Common Council of the City of Providence, for the Municipal Year, commencing on the first Monday in June, A.D. 1839.

First Ward.

Dexter Angell
Edward P. Knowles
Isaac Thurber
Thomas Fletcher.

Second Ward.

George W. Jackson,
Henry Anthony,
Thomas B. Fenner,
John D. Brown.

Third Ward.

Austin Carney
Edward A. Young
Nathan Mason
Edward J. Mallett.

Fourth Ward.

John L. Hughes
William W. Hoppin,
Daniel T. Goodhue,
Barzillai Cranston.

Fifth Ward

Seth Padeski,
Hezekiah Willard,
James C. Bucklin,
Pleg W. Gardiner.

Sixth Ward.

Erastus F. Knowlton,
John Gould.

June 3^d 1839.

Morris G. Hudson,
William L. Thornton.

The members of the Common Council, having all been duly engaged by the Mayor, are called to order, and Mr Jackson is chosen Chairman to preside during the election of a President.

George W. Jackson declines being a candidate for re-election as President;

Thomas B. Fenner is elected President of the Common Council, for the present municipal year.

Albert H. Green is re-elected Clerk of the Common Council, for the present municipal year, and is duly engaged by the Mayor, to the faithful discharge of the Duties of said Office.

The Standing Rules of the last Council are read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the Standing Rules of the last Common Council be and they some are adopted as the Standing Rules of this Council.

The following standing Committees are appointed: viz

Committee to Enact Ordinances.
Messrs Anthony
Hoppin,
Pardolford.

Committee on Highways.
Messrs Mallett,
Hornwellton
Angell.

Committee on Finance.
Messrs Jackson,
Young,
Cranston.

June 3^d 1839.

Committee on the North Burial Ground.
Messrs Knowles,
Angell,
Harber.

Resolved, that the thanks of the Common Council be returned to George W. Jackson Esq, for the impartial, dignified and efficient manner in which he has presided over the deliberations of this Body, during the past Municipal Year?

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

June 3^d 1839. 3 o'clock P.M.

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

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

Resolved, that Messrs Knowles & Thornton, 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 Holden added.)

Resolved, that copies of the books of City Ordinances, published A.D. 1835, be distributed as follows, to wit.

To each member of the City Council, who has not
 already been furnished with a copy, one copy;
 To each of the Justices of the Peace in the City,
 & to each of the City Constables who have
 not already been furnished with a copy, — one copy.
 (Concurred.)

50cts 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 said
 Association; and that the same be paid, on the
 Certificate of the City Clerk, respecting the appoint-
 ment of said firemen, out of the Appropriation
 for the Fire Department.
 (Concurred.)

Treasurer's
Bond. } Resolved that Messrs Jackson and Young, 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 said office, for
 the present municipal year, and that said Bond
 be for the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars.
 (Concurred: & Alderman Hoppin added.)

Police Court. } Resolved that from the Justices assigned to keep the
 Peace within this City, Robert Knight,
 Henry L. Bowen
 and Walter S. Burgess be and they
 are hereby selected, to compose the Police Court of this
 City for the present municipal year.
 (Concurred.)

Com. to audit
the a/c's. } Resolved that Messrs Cranston and Gurney with such
 as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are
 hereby appointed a Committee to audit and settle
 the Accounts of the City Treasurer with the City, up to

the first Monday in June A.D. 1839.
 (Concurred & Alderman Hoppin added.)

Com. to
prepare
Statement
of Receipts &
Expenditures. } Resolved that Messrs Anthony & Goodhue with such as the
 Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby ap-
 pointed a Committee to prepare a particular Account
 of the Receipts and Expenditures for the past year, and
 a schedule of the property of the City, and to cause
 the same to be published in the newspapers employed by
 the City Council, equally to the requisition contained
 in the fourth section of the City Charter.
 (Concurred: & Alderman Phillips added.)

Compensat-
-tion of Off-
-icers. } Resolved that each Alder of Taxes in and for the
 City of Providence, shall be allowed one hundred
 Dollars, as a full compensation for apportioning the
 City Tax, for the present Municipal Year.
 (Concurred.)

City Tax.
\$55,000 } An Ordinance, entitled "An Ordinance providing for the
 Apportionment and Collection of a Tax of Sixty Thousand
 Dollars;" is read & passed
 (Concurred; with this amendments; viz that the word
 "sixty" in the Title, be stricken out, and the word
 "fifty-five" inserted in its place; and that the word
 "sixty" in the 2^d line of the 1st section be stricken
 out, and the word "fifty-five" inserted in its place.)
 The Common Council concurs in the amendments.

Compensation,
Ordinance } An Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance fixing the Com-
 pensation of certain Officers for the Year ending on the
 first Monday in June A.D. 1840," is read & passed.
 (Concurred.)

Appropriation } A Resolution for the appropriation of \$38,965 for the
 purposes therein mentioned, is read and passed.
 (Concurred.)

Report of School Com-
mittee. } The Report of the School Committee is presented and read. Whereupon, it is Resolved, that the same, together with the accompanying Documents, be received and recorded. (Concurred.)

Treasurer's Report. } The Report of the City Treasurer, accompanied by the following named Documents, is presented and read: viz
1. A Schedule of Real Estate, belonging to the City;
2. A Statement of the City Debt
3. A Schedule of Rents.
4. The Treasurer's Account Current with the City, ending May 31, 1839.
5. A Schedule of Receipts and Expenditures, for the Year ending May 31st 1839.
Whereupon, it is resolved that said Report, together with the accompanying Documents, be received and recorded. (Concurred.)

Wm. Lamed's bill; } An account of William G. Lamed against the City, for publishing in the Morning Courier, the order of prohibition for the Celebration of the Anniversary of American Independence in 1838, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and laid upon the Table.

Remission of Taxes. } A Resolution for the remission of certain taxes assessed upon certain persons in the Years 1837 & 1838, represented by the Collectors of Taxes, as not collectable, by reason of errors in the Assessments thereof, &c, amounting in the whole, to \$59.74: cents, is read & passed. (Concurred.)

Standing Committee } The Standing Committee on the North Burial Ground, to whom were referred the several petitions of Thomas Hall & Mary Gardner,

Daniel S. Ambury,
Thomas Carey,
& Amos Baker, for leave to enclose lots in said Burial Ground, make Report, in favour of granting the prayer thereof

Upon the Petitions of Mary Gardner,
Thomas Hall,
Daniel S. Ambury,
Thomas Carey,
& Amos Baker, requesting leave to fence in and enclose buying lots sufficient for their respective families, in the North Burial Ground, it is Resolved, that the same be received and the prayers thereof severally granted, and that said petitioners be, and they are hereby severally authorized to fence in and enclose such lots, for such purpose, - provided the same be done under the direction of the Overseer of the North Burial Ground, with the sanction of the Mayor; and provided 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.)

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 paper completing the same (with the exception of members of several of the Fire Companies,) the two Boards separate.

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

Members present

Mr President

Messrs Angell,
Anthony,
Brown,
Bucklin,
Cranston,
Fletcher,
Gardiner,
Goodhue,
Gould,
Gurney,
Hooplin.

.. Hudson,
Hughes,
Jackson,
Knowles,
Knoxton,
Mallett,
Mason,
Padelford,
Thimton,
Tharber,
Willard,
Young. 24.

Albert Green, Clerk

Common Council, June 17th 1839.

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 20th 1834, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received.

Hydrantion } A Remonstrance from Franklin Richmond & others, against the location of the new Engine House for Hydrantion No. 1, over the water of the Cove, is presented & read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to Messrs Padelford & Mallett, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine & report thereon.

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(Concurred. & Alderman Phillips added.)

Hook & Ladder Co. No 2.

A copy of a Resolution of the Board of Firewards, in relation to the location of a building for Hook & Ladder Company No. 2, over the water of the Cove, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, & laid upon the Table.

Buying Lots.

Petitions of Mary W. Rounds & Joseph Scobie, for leave to enclose burying lots in the North Burial Ground, are presented and read, & severally received and referred to the Standing Committee on the North Burial Ground, to examine & report thereon.

292. 312. The Joint Committee appointed on the 27th of May last, to contract with the State for the sale of certain land of the City, in exchange for the Jail Lot, so called, &c. make Report, which is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received, & laid upon the Table.

Pond on N. side of School St.

A Petition of Elisha C. Wells & others in relation to the pond of water on the North side of John Street, recently used as a reservoir by the Bann. Bleaching & Calendering Company, is presented & read, whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received.

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Resolved, that the Petition of Elisha C. Wells & others, in relation to the pond of water on the North side of John Street be read & the same is hereby referred to Messrs Mallett, Knoxton & Angell, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, and that said Committee be and they are hereby authorized to cause the water to be discharged from said pond, at the expense of the City.

(Concurred, with this amendment: viz. that all the words after the word "add," in the fifth

Members present

Mr President

Mrs Angell,
Anthony,
Brown,
Bucklin,
Cranston,
Fletcher,
Gardiner,
Goodhue,
Gould,
Gurney,
Keppin.

Hudson,
Hughes,
Jackson,
Knowles,
Knoxton,
Mallett,
Mason,
Piedford,
Minton,
Thurber,
Willard,
Young. 24.

Albert H. Green, Clerk

Common Council, June 17th 1839.

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 28th 1834, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received.

Hydrantion } A Remonstrance from Franklin Richmond & others, against the location of the new Engine House for Hydrantion No 1, over the water of the Cove, is presented & read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to Messrs Piedford & Mallett, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine & report thereon.

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(Concurred. & Alderman Phillips added.)

✓ A copy of a Resolution of the Board of Stewards, in relation to the location of a building for Hook & Ladder Company No 2, over the water of the Cove, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, & laid upon the Table.

Hook & Ladder Co. No 2.

Buying } Petitions of Mary W. Rounds & Joseph Hoagie, for leave to enclose burying lots in the North Burial Ground, are presented and read, & severally received and referred to the Standing Committee on the North Burial Ground, to examine & report thereon.

Jail Lot } The Joint Committee appointed on the 27th of May last, to contract with the State for the sale of certain land of the City, in exchange for the Jail Lot, so called, &c. make Report, which is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received, & laid upon the Table.

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Pond on N. Side of } A Petition of Elisha C. Wells & others in relation to the pond of water on the North side of John Street, recently used as a reservoir by the Bann, Bleaching & Colendering Company, is presented & read, whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received.

Pond on N. Side of John St.

Resolved, that the Petition of Elisha C. Wells & others, in relation to the pond of water on the North side of John Street, be read & the same is hereby referred to Messrs Mallett, Knoxton & Angell, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, and that said Committee be and they are hereby authorized to cause the water to be discharged from said pond, at the expense of the City. (Concurred, with this amendment: viz. that all the words after the word "add;" in the fifth

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line, be stricken out; and the following words inserted in their place viz. - "to enquire into the facts, and report thereon." (Alderman Wheaton added.)
The Common Council concurs in the Amendment.

Dam at the Bridge. } The Joint Committee appointed on the 27th of May last, to report on the expediency of erecting on a line parallel with the South line of the bridge, centenn.
294 plates to be built in the place of the bridge west
316 North of Weybosset Bridge, a Dam of such height that the Shoals & flats of the River shall, at all times be covered with water, make Report in favour of such erection, which is read: Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received and published in the newspapers employed by the City Council.
(Concurred.)

City Printing } The Committee appointed on the 3^d of June instant, to contract for the City Printing, for the present municipal year, make Report that they have contracted
299 with Messrs Knowles & Vose, for the sum of Ninety Dollars payable quarterly; which Report is read: Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received.
(Concurred.)

Invitation } A communication from His Honor the Mayor, enclosing
First Light Infantry } an Invitation from the First Light Infantry, to the Mayor & the members and officers of the City Council to visit the Army of said Company, on Monday, July 1st at 4 o'clock P.M. - is presented and read: Whereupon it is resolved, that said Invitation be accepted, and that the City Council will assemble at the Council Chamber, on Monday July 1st at half past 3 o'clock P.M. for the purpose of visiting the First Light Infantry Company. (Concurred.)

Treasurers } The Committee appointed on the 3^d of June instant, to take a line of the City Treasurer, make Report, that they have discharged that duty, which Report is read: Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received.
300 (Concurred.)

Treasurers } The Committee appointed on the 3^d of June instant to audit and settle the Treasurer's Accounts with the City, up to the first Monday in June 1839, make Report, that they have discharged that duty; and that they find said Accounts properly stated and vouched: which Report is read: Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received.
300 (Concurred.)

Prospect Street } Resolved that Messrs Jackson & Malott, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be a Committee to ascertain on what terms "Prospect Street" can be opened to George Street.
3 (Concurred: & Alderman Wheaton added.)

Weybosset Bridge } Resolved, that the sum of Three Thousand Dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated, for re-building
291 Weybosset Bridge, in addition to the sums heretofore
314 appropriated for that purpose; and that said sum, so appropriated, be paid out of any moneys in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated.
(Concurred.)

Ward Clerks } Resolved, that in future, when the City Clerk warns the inhabitants to attend the April Meeting for the election of State and City Officers, he be required to annex a Nota Bene to said notice, directing the Clerks of each Ward to furnish to the City Clerk, a certificate of the names of the Common Council-men elected in the several Wards, in the order in which they were chosen. (Concurred.)

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Salary of
Sergeant
Weights &
Measures.

Resolved, that the sum of One hundred and fifty Dollars be and the same is hereby allowed to the City Sealer of Weights and Measures, as a full compensation for the performance of the duties of his office, for the present Municipal year, in addition to the sum heretofore appropriated for that purpose; and that said sum, so appropriated, be paid out of any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.
(Concurred.)

4th of July. Resolved, that Messrs Jackson, Young & Knowlton, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee of Arrangements, for a Municipal Celebration of the approaching Anniversary of American Independence; and that the sum of Three Hundred and fifty Dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for defraying the expenses of said celebration, in addition to the sum heretofore appropriated for that purpose; and that said sum so appropriated, be paid by the City Treasurer, to the Chairman of said Committee, out of any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

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Resolved, that said Committee be, and they are hereby directed to procure fireworks for said occasion.
(Concurred: & Alderman Wheaton added.)

Police
Court.

Robert Knight who was on the 3rd of June instant, selected as one of the Justices of the Police Court of the City, for the present Municipal year, in writing declines accepting said appointment: and his communication being read, it is resolved, that the same be received and that his resignation be accepted.

Resolved, that from the Justices assigned to keep the Peace within this City, Edward W. Rogers be, and

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309. He is hereby selected as one of the Justices of the Police Court of this City, for the present Municipal Year, in the place of Robert Knight, who having been so selected has declined serving.
(Concurred.)

Joined in Convention of the City Council.
In Convention.

The Convention proceed to complete the election of City Officers for the present Municipal Year.

Sundry persons are admitted freemen of the City, having been duly propounded; and sundry others are propounded for admission as freemen.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the 24th day of June instant, at 7^o o'clock P.M.

Members present.

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| Mr. President. | Jackson, |
| Messrs Angell. | Knowles, |
| Cranston, | Knowlton, |
| Gardiner, | Mallett, |
| Godshue, | Peckham, |
| Gove, | Thomson, |
| Hopkin, | Harber, |
| Hudson, | Willard, |
| Hughes, | Young. |

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Albert H. Green,
Clerk.

Common Council, June 24th 1839.

Buying Lots, Petitions of Susan Perry & Joby Gorham, requesting leave to fence in buying lots on the North Burial Ground, are presented and read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on the North Burial Ground, to examine and report thereon, which Committee make Report recommending the granting the prayers thereof, and also of the petitions of Mary Wounds and Joseph Veazie, which were referred on the 17th of June instant,

Do. Upon the petitions of Mary W. Rounds, Joseph Veazie, Susan Perry and Joby Gorham, severally requesting leave to fence in and enclose buying lots, sufficient for their respective families in the North Burial Ground, - it is resolved, that the same be received and the prayers thereof granted; and that said petitioners be and they are hereby severally authorized to fence in and enclose such lots, for such purpose; provided the same be done under the direction of the Overseer of the North Burial Ground, with the sanction of the Mayor; and provided, that the several privileges hereby granted, shall be subject to all future regulations of the City Council, in relation thereof; and shall continue during the pleasure of the City Council, and no longer. (Concurred.)

Petition of John Whipple, for leave to dig a reservoir, on land of the City, is presented and read: Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, and referred to Messrs Wadsworth & Fletcher, with

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such as the Board of Aldermen may add, - to examine & report thereon. (Concurred, & Alderman Cady added.)

Receipts & Expenditures No. 301. The joint Committee appointed on the 3^d of June instant to prepare and cause to be published, a particular account of the receipts and expenditures for the past year, and a Schedule of the property of the City, make Report, which is read, whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received. (Concurred.)

Hydraulic No. 1. 304. The joint Committee appointed on the 17th of June instant, to examine and report on the Remonstrance of Franklin Richmond & others, make Report, which is read, whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received.

Do. Resolved, that the City Council do hereby receive from their Resolution passed on the 17th Day of April last, authorizing the Board of Firewards to locate a new engine house for Hydraulic No. 1, near the water of the Cove.

Resolved, that the City Marshal be and he is hereby directed to cause the piles which have been driven for the foundation of said building, to be immediately removed.

Resolved, that the City Clerk furnish the Board of Firewards with a copy of these Resolutions. (Concurred.)

Pond on North side of John St. 305. 312. The joint Committee to whom on the 17th of June instant, was referred the Petition of Elisha C. Wells & others in relation to the pond of water on the North side of John Street, make Report, which is read, whereupon it is resolved that the same be received.

Res. Resolved, that the owners of the land covered by the Reservoir lately occupied by the Bowen Bleaching and Calendering Company, on the North side of John Street be and they are hereby authorized to use the earth forming the embankment of said Reservoir, in John Street, for the purpose of filling up said Reservoir.
(Concurred.)

Jail Lot. 3 Upon the Report of the Committee who were appointed to contract with the State for the old Jail Lot, - it is
305. Resolved, that one thousand, six hundred and fifty Dollars be appropriated and paid, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, - twelve hundred Dollars of which sum, the City Treasurer is directed to pay to the State, and four hundred
322. and fifty Dollars, to the Commissioners of the Doctor Donation (for the lot on Cranston Street to be conveyed to the State by direction of said Commissioners,) and his receiving from the State of Rhode-Island, for the use of the City, a good and sufficient Deed of said Jail Lot.
(Concurred.)

Petition of Ephraim Martin, for compensation for money paid by him for carriages for the Revolution, any Soldiers, on the 4th of July, 1838, is presented, and read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same
322. be received and referred to Messrs Knowles & Hudson, to examine and report thereon.

4th of July. A communication from the Committee of Arrangements for the municipal celebration of the approaching anniversary of American Independence, inviting the City Council to the dinner to be provided on that occasion, is presented and read. Whereupon,

It is resolved, that the invitation therein contained, be accepted.
(Concurred.)

Int. of the } The bill entitled "An Ordinance relative to the En-
read. } terment of the Dead," which was laid on the Table
292. on the 27th of May last, is again read, and laid
3. 6. upon the Table.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention. Sundry persons who have been heretofore duly sworn, are admitted freemen of the City, and sundry others are sworn for admission as freemen.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the 15th Day of July next, at half past 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

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| Mr. President, | .. Hoopin, |
| Messrs Angell, | Hughes, |
| Anthony, | Jackson, |
| Brown, | Knowles, |
| Bucklin, | Mallett, |
| Cranston, | Padelford, |
| Fletcher, | Thurber, |
| Gardiner, | Willard, |
| Goddard, | Young. |

Albert Greene, Clerk.

Common Council, July 15th 1839.

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

Petitions of Isaac Amosbury & Hannah Smith, severally requesting leave to fence in and enclose burying lots in the North Burial Ground, are presented and read. 320. received and referred to the Standing Committee of the North Burial Ground, to examine & report thereon.

The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council of October 20th 1834, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance; - which Committee thereupon report the following Resolution, which is read & passed: - viz

Appropriation, Resolved, that the sum of Three Thousand Dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated, for rebuilding Weybosset Bridge and Cove Street Bridge; and 307. that said sum be appropriated, be paid out 323. of any monies in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated.

(Concurred.)

Leak Refs. The joint-committee appointed on the 27th of May last, to procure a new seal-press for the use of the City Offices, 293. make Report that they have procured such press, which Report is read; whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received.

(Concurred.)

John Whipple. The joint Committee to whom, on the 24th of June last, was referred the petition of John Whipple, for leave to dig a Reservoir on the Town House Lot, make the 310. report in favour of granting the prayer thereof; which Report is read; whereupon, it is Resolved, that the same be received and laid upon the Table.

Peter of Drain Society. A Petition from a Committee of the Drain Society is presented and read.

Resolved, that the Petition of the Committee of the Drain Society, respecting the streams 319. of water which rises near the Fuller Lot (so called) be and the same is hereby received, and referred to Messrs Hughes, Mallett & Gardiner, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon.

(Concurred, & Alderman Potter added.)

4th of July. Resolved, that the sum of Four Hundred and Eighty-eight Dollars and ten cents, be and the same is hereby 308. appropriated for defraying the expenses of the Municipal Celebration of the recent anniversary of American Independence, - in addition to the sums heretofore appropriated for that purpose; and that said sum, so appropriated, be paid by the City Treasurer, out of any monies in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to the order of the Chairman of the Committee of Arrangements for that occasion.

(Concurred.)

Temporary Loan. Resolved, that the City Treasurer, acting under the advice and direction of Messrs Jackson, Young & Cranston, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and he is hereby authorized to hire, by temporary loan or loans, for the use of the City, such sums of money as may be needed for the use of the City, at a

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rate of interest not exceeding six per cent. - and not ex-
ceeding in the whole, the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars.
(Concurred: & Alderman Heppin added)

Dam at
the bridge.

Book 3, 50.

The Report of the joint Committee on the subject of
the erection of a Dam at the outlet of the Cove,
at the bridge north of Weybosset Bridge which was
received on the 17th of June last, is again read: &
it is moved, that a Committee be appointed with
power to erect such Dam. After debate, the
papers in relation to the subject are ordered to be
laid upon the Table.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Conventions.

Sundry persons, who have heretofore
been duly prosounded, are admitted freemen of the City,
and sundry others are prosounded for admission
as freemen.

The two Boards separate,

The Common Council adjourn to meet on
Monday the 29th Day of July instant, at half
past 9 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

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| Mr. President, | .. Kinners |
| Mr. J. Angell, | Kimball, |
| Brown, | McAllett, |
| Bucklin, | Padelford, |
| Cranton, | Thomson, |
| Gardiner, | Thurber, |
| Heppin, | Willard, |
| Hughes, | Young, |
| Jackson, | |

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Clerk

July 29th 1839.

Common Council July 29th 1839.

The Common Council met pursuant to adjourn-
ment. A Quorum present.

Petitions of Gideon Palmer,
Richard Palmer,
John S. Palmer,
and Nathaniel Scarle, for leave to fence
in buying lots in the North Burial Ground, are:
presented and read; received, and referred to the
Standing Committee on the North Burial Ground,
to examine and report thereon.

Com. from
School
Committee

A Communication from the School Committee, in-
forming the City Council that said Committee have
elected Mr. Nathan Bishop, Superintendent of the
Public Schools, and also containing a copy of a
Resolution of said Committee in relation to the duties
of the Superintendent - is presented and read. Where-
upon it is resolved, that the same be received.
(Concurred.)

Superintendent
and office.

Resolved, that Messrs. Hughes, Young & McAllett,
with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be
a Committee to provide a suitable place for
an office for the Superintendent of the Public Schools,
and that they be authorized to act, in behalf
of the City, a room suitable for the purpose,
and that they also be empowered to procure
such articles of furniture as they may deem
necessary for said office, and to draw on the Treas-
urer, for the amount of the same.
(Concurred: & Alderman Holden added)

The Committee who were appointed on the 13th of May

288. Report that they have discharged that duty: which report is read: whereupon it is resolved that the same be received.

(Concurred.)

Sales of the Cholera Hospital. Resolved, that the City Treasurer be authorized and directed to sell, at auction, the Cholera Hospital, so called, under the advice and direction of Messrs Cranston Gardiner and Willard, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add.

(Concurred, with this Amendment: that the word "auction" in the 2^d line be stricken out; & the following words inserted in its place: viz "either at public or private sale".)

(Alderman Potter added.)

The Common Council concur in the Amendment.

Gangway South of Leonard St.

Resolved, that the Survey of Highways be authorized under the advice of Messrs Mallett, Knowlton and Angell, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to relay the pavement in the public gangway next South of Leonard Street, running from South Main to South Water Street.

(Concurred, August 5th 1839. Alderman Cady added.)

Drain Society.

315. The joint Committee to whom on the 15th of July instant, was referred the Petition of the Committee of the "Drain Society," make Report, that in their opinion, so long as the public suffer no injury from the Drain mentioned in said petition, the City authorities have no jurisdiction over it: which Report is read: whereupon, it is resolved that the same be received: and that said petitioners have leave to withdraw their petition.

(Concurred.)

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention:

Sundry persons, who have heretofore been duly proposed, are admitted freemen of the City; and sundry others are proposed for admission as freemen.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday the 26th Day of August next, at half past 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr President

- Messrs Anthony, Cranston, Fletcher, Gardiner, Goddard, Hoppin, Hughes.

- Knowles, Knowlton, Mallett, Padesford, Thurber, Willard, Young.

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Albert G. Green, Clerk

August 26th. 1839.

Common Council. August 26th. 1839.

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

Burying
Lots

A Petition of William S. Patten, requesting leave to fence in a burying lot in the North Burial Ground, is presented and read, received, and referred to the standing Committee on the North Burial Ground, to examine and report thereon: which Committee make Report recommending the granting of the prayer thereof, and also of the petitions of Israel Amshury & Hannah Smith which were referred on the 15th of July last, - & of Gideon Palmer, Richard Palmer, Jonathan S. Palmer and Nathaniel Seale, which were referred on the 19th of July last.

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Do

Upon the several petitions of Israel Amshury
Hannah Smith,
Gideon Palmer,
Richard Palmer,
Jonathan S. Palmer,
Nathaniel Seale,

and William S. Patten, requesting leave to fence in and enclose burying lots sufficient for their respective families in the North Burial Ground, - it is resolved, - that the same be received, and the prayers thereof severally granted; and that 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 Overseer of the North Burial Ground, with the sanction of the Mayor; and provided also, that the several privileges hereby granted, shall be subject to all future regulations of the City Council, in relation thereto, - and shall continue during the pleasure of the City Council, and no longer.
(Concurred.)

August 26th. 1839

Petr of A. Smith et al. A Petition of Rufus Smith & others, for repairs on the West West of Shingle Bridge, is presented and read, whereupon it is resolved that the same be received and referred to the standing Committee on Highways, to examine & report thereon.
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Petr of J. F. Angell et al. A Petition of Job F. Angell & others, Officers of stalls in the Market House, praying for the passing of an Ordinance, forbidding the sale of all kinds of provisions in and about Market Square, in carts, is presented and read, whereupon, it is resolved that the same be received and referred to Messrs. Goodhue, Knowlton & Thurber, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine & report thereon.
(Concurred, & Alderman Cady add^d.)
3. 3

Drain Society. A Petition of the "Drain Society," ^{"Water Society"} relative to the stream of water which rises near the "Fallen Lot," (so called) and empties into the Cove, is presented and read, together with a memorial accompanying the same. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, and that the petitioners have leave to withdraw and take the same from the files.
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Petr of P. W. Martin et al. A Petition of Philip W. Martin & others, for repairs on Boardell Street, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to the standing Committee on Highways, to examine & report thereon.
3. 3

Petition of P. Ridge. A Petition of Polemon Ridge, praying for the restoration of certain swine, which being found at large, contrary to law, have been taken up by the City Authorities, is presented and read: whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to Messrs. Anthony, Knowlton,
3. 2.

+ Cranston, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine & report thereon.

(Concurred. & Alderman Phillips added.)

Petition of E. Martin. } The Committee to whom on the 24th of June last, was referred the Petition of Ephraim Martin, for compensation for money paid by him, for carriages for the Revolution. 312. any Soldiers, on the 4th of July, 1818. - make Report which is read: whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received.

Do. } A Resolution for the payment of the sum of \$25. to said Ephraim Martin, is presented and read: whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be laid upon the Table.

Petition of J. Metcalf & others. } A Petition of Joseph G. Metcalf & others, for the paving of Mill and Charles 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.

Jail Lot. } The joint Committee who were appointed to contract with the State, for the old Jail Lot, so called, make Report 312 that the Conveyances have been made agreeable to the contract stated in their former Report, so that said Lot has become the property of the City; which Report is read: whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received.

(Concurred.)

Do } Resolved, that the City Marshal be directed to fill up the collar on the Jail Lot, and to put said Lot in suitable order for the City's use, as open ground.

(Concurred.)

The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20th 1834, is presented and read: whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be 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 mentioned, be and the same are hereby appropriated for the following purposes respectively, to wit: For repairing High Street, Two Thousand, Five Hundred Dollars.

For expenses of the suit in favour of the City, against Martha Howell, Five Hundred Dollars.

314. For rebuilding Westport & Cove Street Bridges, Four Thousand Dollars: -

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

(Concurred.)

D. Bart. } The Committee who were on the 11th of February last, authorized to agree with David Bart, relative to the claim of the City against him, for rent of a part of the Wash House Lot, and also to ascertain upon what terms the City can purchase from him the small piece of land at the North-west corner of said Lot, make Report: which is read: whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received and laid upon the Table.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

Sundry persons are admitted free-men of the City, the same having been heretofore

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Duly pronounced, and Sunday there are pronounced for Admission as freemen.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Tuesday the 27th Day of August instant, at 3 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr. President,
Messrs Angell
Anthony,
Brown,
Cranston,
Gardiner,
Goodhue,
Hughes,
Jackson,

Knowles,
Knowlton,
Mallett,
Pabelford,
Thurston,
Thurber,
Willard,
Young

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Albert G. Greene,
Clerk

Common Council, August 27th 1839

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

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

Sunday persons, who have heretofore been duly pronounced, are admitted freemen of the City.

The two Boards separate.

325. August 27th 1839.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the 16th Day of September next, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

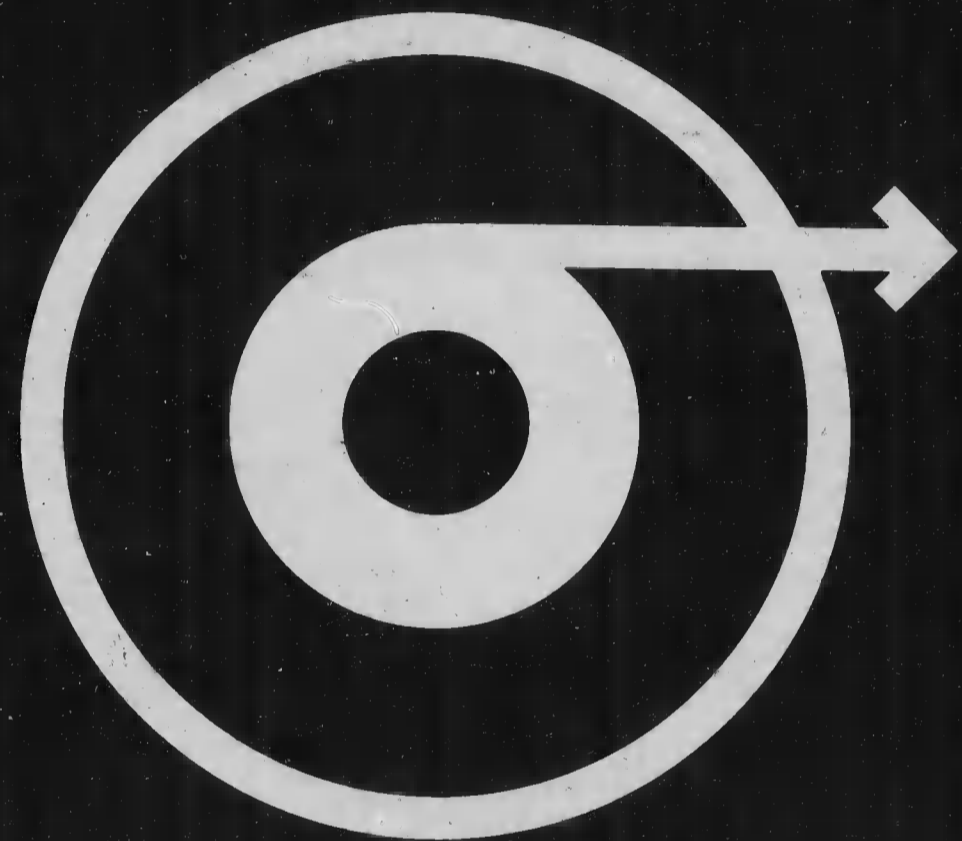
Mr. President
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