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Mayor's Message.

(City Document No. 16.)

City of Providence.
Executive Department City Hall,
February 2, 1885.

Gentlemen of the City Council:

Message of the Mayor.

Section 1 of an ordinance of the city council, approved August 16, 1871, is as follows: "There shall be chosen by the city council, by concurrent vote of the two branches, five persons, to be styled commissioners of the cove lands, whose duty it shall be to cause a plat to be made of all the land belonging to the city above Weybosset bridge, now or heretofore flowed by tide water, and report as soon as may be to the city council a plan for laying out the same, including the establishment of streets, the proper location of railroad stations and tracks, and the filling of any portion now flowed, particularly designating the portions which should, in their opinion, be sold or leased and the portions which should be reserved for public uses."

Cove Lands and R. R. Terminal Facilities.

The commissioners provided for in this ordinance were elected by the city council as follows, viz.: James Y. Smith, September 11, 1871; Thomas A. Doyle, Nelson W. Aldrich and Joseph J. Cooke, September 25, 1871, and William Binney, December 11, 1871.

On the 16th of December following, the commissioners met, and, all the members being present, the oath of office was administered to them by Samuel W. Bacon, Public Notary, after which they organized by the election of Thomas A. Doyle as chairman and Joseph J. Cooke as Secretary. At the same meeting they appointed Samuel B. Cushing chief engineer. At the second meeting, December 22, 1871, Joshua W. Addeman was appointed clerk.

The commission thus organized, proceeded to discharge the duty imposed upon them by their appointment, meeting from time to time until July 5, 1875, when they met for the last time, having held in all fifty five sessions.

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The ordinance establishing the commission has never been repealed, and a majority of the members are still

Do. qualified to act under their original appointment.

It is not my purpose to make a detailed report of the doings of the cove land commissioners during their active service, but simply to call your attention to certain facts in relation thereto, which are of importance at this time, before taking final action upon railroad terminal facilities, or any disposition of the cove lands, so called.

In this connection I beg you to note the fact that no action has ever been taken by the city council, or either branch thereof, upon the map "showing the rearrangement of the railroad stations and tracks in the City of Providence, proposed by the commissioners of the cove lands, 1873," which accompanied the report of the commissioners presented to the city council January 13, 1873. In this report, they say "the plans prepared for the commissioners by S. B. Cushing, Esq., has been submitted to the representatives of the various railroads using

Do. the cove lands, and lithographic copies thereof will be furnished to them at an early date. As soon as this is done, the commissioners will be ready to confer with committees from the several railroad companies, in order to arrive at a definite arrangement to be submitted to your honorable body."

On the 27th of August following, the commissioners presented to the city council a report, accompanied by a plat, entitled "Map of the railroad stations and tracks in the City of Providence proposed to the commissioners of the cove lands by the committee of the several railroads, August 6, 1873." In regard to this plat the commissioners, in their report, say: "this map shows the rearrangement of the stations and tracks as contemplated by the committee; but their plans has not as yet been approved by the railroad companies, and is not in any respect satisfactory to the commissioners of the cove lands."

Upon this report, and plan also, no action was taken in either branch of the city council, except the vote of reception. In three weeks from the date of their presentation the suspension of Jay Cooke & Co. occurred, followed, a few weeks after,

Do. by the commercial disasters in this city, which up to that time were unparalleled in their extent and importance in this state.

Thenceforward no action was taken by the city council in

Do. relation to the disposal of the cove lands or changing the location of the railroad stations and tracks in this city until August 8, 1881, when the petitions of the Boston and Providence and Providence and Worcester railroad companies were presented to the city council for the purchase of certain portions of the cove lands. These petitions were referred to the joint committee of the city council on city property, and on the recommendation of this committee the city council, by resolution approved December 2, 1881, authorized the mayor to appoint a commission "to appraise the cove lands, to fix the price thereof, and to negotiate the sale or exchange of the whole or any part of said lands with the several railroad companies desiring to purchase the same," and by a resolution approved on the same date the city council also authorized the mayor to appoint a commission "to report to the city council on or before the first day of April A.D. 1882 a plan or plans for the increase of railroad terminal facilities for both freight and passengers, and such new streets as may be necessary

Do. in consequence of the adoption of these proposed plan or plans."

Notwithstanding the fact that the city council were taking no action in regard to the disposal of the cove lands or the rearrangement of the terminal facilities of the railroads, the cove land commissioners and their engineer were continuing their labors and acting upon such matters as were referred to them by the city council until May 14, 1874, when the board of aldermen passed the following important resolutions, viz.:

"Resolved, That the commissioners of the cove lands be, and they are hereby requested to ascertain and report to this board as soon as practicable—

"First. The quantity of land above Weybosset bridge filled into tide water by the several railroad companies under authority from the general assembly or the city council, stating the portion filled by each company, the conditions under which said filling was done, and all particulars in relation thereto.

"Second. The quantity of land now occupied by the several

Do. railroad companies or claimed by them under said grants.

"Third. How said lands so held by said railroad companies are occupied and used;

Do. "Fourth. Whether said railroad companies are using said lands in conformity with the conditions and restrictions contained in said grants.

"Fifth. Whether said railroad companies have laid tracks over, and otherwise taken possession of lands not granted to them by the general assembly or the city council.

"Sixth. The quantity of unoccupied land belonging to, or in possession of the city, filled into tide water, or flowed by tide water above Weybosset bridge."

At the meeting of the commissioners on the 16th of May following, this resolution was received, and the engineer was directed to proceed with the preparation of the maps and diagrams required. To complete these involved a vast amount of labor in the examination of the papers of the general assembly, the courts and the city council for about thirty years, and was not completed till the summer of 1876. The commissioners, having received the reports from their engineer and clerk, and duly considered the same, directed the clerk to prepare the report to be presented to the board of aldermen.

On the completion of the report it was presented by the clerk to each of the four commissioners, Governor Smith having deceased, for signature. Upon being signed, he caused the report to be printed.

The finished report, a document of eighteen pages, was bound with a document of one hundred and eighty pages of "copies from official records of the state and city relating to the location of the several railroads and the occupation of lands covered by tide water above Weybosset bridge," and the volume thus bound was presented to the board of aldermen, but no official record of the date thereof was preserved, although the fact is well known.

Five hundred copies of this book were printed, and the larger portion thereof have been distributed, but some two hundred copies still remain in the office of the city messenger.

An examination of this report will give the city council a full knowledge of the action that has been taken by the state and city in regard to the cove lands and the present relations of the city and railroad companies as to their respective rights therein. In no other way can the members of the city government obtain such accurate information respecting the original grants to the

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Do. railroad companies, the manner in which they have complied with the terms and conditions thereof, and the way in which they have used and are now using the lands granted to them.

The members will then understand the difficulties under which previous city councils have labored in dealing with the railroad corporations in regard to the cove lands and in obtaining even a nominal compliance with the specifications and conditions which they had accepted and agreed to carry out. It will be seen that "these specifications were subsequently modified or changed, sometimes by consent, at other times without permission and against the solemn protest of the city council." The title to a portion of the lands at least remains as yet undecided, unless settled "by occupation or other circumstances."

The answers of the commissioners to the fourth and fifth clauses of the resolution of the board of aldermen will raise a reasonable doubt as to the "vested rights" of the railroad companies in the territory now occupied by the "several miles of tracks laid by the railroad companies, for which there is no express authority."

The members of the city council should be in full possession of all the facts to which I have referred before they adopt the resolutions now pending in the common council. It is clearly a duty which devolves upon them as the representatives of the tax payers, and which should not be delegated to any other authority. Before any plan is finally adopted for the disposal of the cove lands, the members of the two branches of the city council should know precisely what the term cove lands embraces, their extent, how they are occupied, and in whom is the title.

In the discussion of the plans for "a proper location of rail road stations and tracks," the cove land commissioners and their engineer were convinced that the interests of the city and its citizens would be best promoted by an abandonment of the present location of the Worcester and Boston railroads south of Branch avenue, and making a new location of their tracks farther to the west, crossing the Woonasquatucket river near the Rhode Island Locomotive Works. By their present location a large district of the city is enclosed by railroad tracks, which involves the evil of crossing them at grade, or avoiding them by adopting still another evil, that of an elevated track. The plan, therefore, of the commissioners presented to the city council January 13, 1873, showed the proposed new

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Do. location, while the plan prepared by the committee of the railroads and presented to the city council by the commissioners, August 27, 1873, retained the old location and showed the proposed elevated railroad tracks, which is the distinguishing feature of the "plan of railroad terminal facilities" as proposed December 27, 1883, and which, it is claimed, is already adopted by the city council.

Upon this great question the commissioners and the representatives of the railroad companies were divided, and the same question confronts the city council to-day, and after the disposal of the cove lands, it is eminently proper that the members of the city council should themselves decide whether the interests of the city and its citizens will be best promoted or not by a change in the location of the railroad tracks.

This responsibility should not be evaded or delegated to other parties; the interests at stake are too important, and the future growth and prosperity of the City of Providence is dependent in a large degree upon the decision of this question, in the consideration of which by the city council the interests of the tax payers are first and those of the railroads are second. The directors of the latter

Do. will protect the stockholders, and it is for the city council to do that which will be best for the tax payers.

The vested rights of the railroad corporations in their property are no more than the vested rights of all other owners of real estate. They are alike subject to the law of eminent domain, and when the public good shall require a railroad location to be moved, the same power that authorized it originally can also authorize its change, the corporation being properly compensated for any injury it may have received.

To divide the city by a permanent barrier of an elevated railroad, as is proposed, is to lessen for the future the value of that portion of the city lying to the north of the proposed track. Can the city council afford to exact from the owners of the territory such a sacrifice, and can the city afford to lose in the future depressed value of the real estate, the increased revenue in taxation which would be derived therefrom without the proposed barrier? The best way to estimate what the difference in such case would be, is to note the fact that

Do. the land now lying within the enclosure of the rails, including the cove promenade, is only valued for the purposes of sale to the railroads at seventy-five cents and one dollar per square foot.

Do. If the location was changed and the rails removed the land would be worth not less than two to three dollars per square foot. Will the interests of the tax-payers be promoted by such legislation as proposes to maintain the reduced value? I think not.

The city of Rochester is divided by an elevated railroad, which is held up to the citizens of Providence as a reason for dividing this city in a similar manner. Desirous of knowing the precise facts of the case in regard to the elevated tracks in Rochester, I obtained from his honor C. K. Parsons a full description of it, accompanied by maps and diagrams, which I will furnish the city council if desired. An inspection thereof surprised me that the proposed elevated road in Providence should be embarked with that in Rochester. I may add that the only expense to the latter city of the entire work was the salary of one inspector at four dollars per diem.

In thus calling your attention to the questions involved in the disposal of the cove lands, and my objections to the plan of railroad terminal facilities which provides for the building

Do. of an elevated railroad through this city in the manner proposed, I do it with no wish for delaying, or in the slightest manner hindering the construction of proper terminal facilities for the railroads of this city. Believing, as I do, that such facilities can be provided without necessarily injuring a considerable portion of the city, or materially increasing its debt, I also feel that my duty requires me to make this communication to you at this time, rather than delay it until you had completed your discussion and adopted a plan.

In more than sixteen years of service as mayor, I have yet to learn that any officer of a railroad has found me backward in promoting the interests of his corporation, or unwilling to consent to any reasonable improvement which he has deemed necessary in the stations or tracks, even when to accomplish the desired object I may have seemed to assume, as chief executive, powers vested in the city council.

Do. I hardly need add that my experience as mayor, and my position as chairman of the cove land commissioners, long since convinced me of the urgent necessity of

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better terminal facilities, for freight and passengers, for the railroads of this city. I am fully aware of the difficulties that our business men have experienced in their transactions with the railroads. I have regretted as much as any one the delays that have occurred in the settlement of this matter, but I also feel that the rights of the city and its citizens, so far as they are committed to my keeping, must be watched with jealous care, and that my duty first and always must be to work in their behalf.

I recommend the suggestion of a member of the board of aldermen, made at its last meeting, that the city council shall meet in joint convention, from day to day, to discuss all matters relating to the cove lands, and railroad terminal facilities, to the end that all objections to the proposed plan, or any plan, may be considered and intelligently acted upon. Such a course, if adopted, will result, I believe, in a harmonious conclusion of the whole matter.

Thomas A. Doyle
Mayor.

Read, In Common Council, February 2, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, February 5, 1885.

No. 59.

Mayors Message.

Message of the Mayor.

City of Providence,
Executive Department, City Hall,
February 2, 1885.

Gentlemen of the City Council:

The annual report of the city engineer for 1884, is practically completed in its original draft. As it is always read by title in each branch of the city council, I suggest that instead of delaying its presentation until it can be copied in proper form for that purpose, that he be authorized to send the original draft to the printer, and make his report to the city council in print, thereby saving both time and expense.

Annual Report of the City Engineer.

Thomas A. Doyle
Mayor.

Read, In Common Council, February 2, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, February 5, 1885.

No. 60.

Resolved:

That the city engineer be, and he is hereby authorized and directed to present his annual report, for 1884, in print for the use of the city council.

City Engineer.

Passed, In Common Council, February 2, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, February 5, 1885
Approved, February 10, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 61.

Report.

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence:

The joint committee on highways who, on the 20th day of January, 1885, were directed by the board of aldermen to inquire into the expediency of discontinuing further proceedings in the matter of the layout of Bates street with authority to report to either branch of the city council, report:

Report of Committee on Highways.

That they have given the matter careful consideration, and find that there is great opposition to the report as made by the commissioners.

Bates St.

They also find that in making the assessments for benefits, the commissioners have reported a large number of persons to be assessed in sums of such small amounts as will hardly yield an adequate return to the city over the expenses of collection.

In view of these facts, the committee recommend the passage of the accompanying resolutions.

For the committee
Benjamin E. Kinsley, Chairman.

Read, whereupon it is, ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, February 2, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, February 5, 1885.

No. 62.

Resolved:

That the further proceedings in the matter of the lay out and extension of Bates street from Camp

Bates St.

Do. Street to North Main street, by commissioners appointed by the supreme court September 3, 1884, be hereby discontinued.

Passed, In Common Council, February 2, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, February 5, 1885.
Approved, February 10, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 63.

Invitation.

Invitation 1st R.I. Infantry Regiment.

Headquarters First Light Infantry Regiment,
Providence, February 2d 1885.

To the City Council of Providence, R.I.:

You are respectfully invited to join with us in divine services in commemoration of Washington's birthday, Sunday, February 22d, at 3 P.M., at Infantry hall.

Washington's birth day.

Major William H. Thornton,
Adjutant William C. Doyle,
Quartermaster Fez. Harlin,
Chaplain Samuel H. Webb.
Committee of Arrangements.

Read and accepted, In Board of Aldermen, February 5, 1885
In Common Council, February 16, 1885.

No. 64.

Resolved,

That the chief engineer of the fire department, pursuant to the prayer of the petition of J. B. Mason and others, is hereby directed to procure and cause to be placed in position for public use, a fire alarm signal box near the north line of the city, just east of Smithfield avenue, provided that the cost of said fire alarm box shall be paid by the petitioners.

Fire Alarm Box.

Smithfield ave.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, February 5, 1885,
In Common Council, February 16, 1885.
Approved, February 17, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle,
Mayor.

No. 65.

Resolved,

That the report, together with the plans accompanying the same, of the commissioners on railroad terminal facilities presented to and received by the city council, December 27th, A.D. 1883, be and the same are hereby adopted.

Railroad Terminal Facilities.

Resolved,

That William Goddard, Samuel S. Sprague and Harvey E. Wellman are hereby appointed a commission with full power and authority to carry into effect on the part of the City of Providence, the plans referred to in the aforegoing resolution, and full authority is also hereby given to said commissioners to contract to sell or exchange any land belonging to the city designated upon said plans as appropriated for the railroads upon the terms named in the report referred to in the first resolution.

Commission.

Resolved,

That said commissioners named in the second resolution are hereby authorized and empowered in their discretion to make any of the changes in the plans hereby adopted, as are recommended in the report of William Goddard, Robert Knight, Samuel S. Sprague and Harvey E. Wellman, presented to the city council March 24, A.D. 1884.

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Resolved,

That the city council reserves to itself the right to instruct the said commissioners, from time to time, to make such changes in said plans as may seem wise and proper, and that all agreements and contracts made under the authority herein before given shall be submitted to the city council for ratification.

Passed, In Common Council, February 4, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, February 5, 1885
Became a law upon the adjournment of the Common Council February 19 1885.
Henry V. A. Joslin, City Clerk.

Convention.

In Convention.

February 19th. 1885.

Convention.

A communication of Burrows & Stevens, et al., recommending Enoch A. Jillson for the office of surveyor of lumber, is presented and read.

Voted, That the election of surveyor of lumber be passed.

The declination of James M. Baker of the office of viewer of fences, is read.

Viewer of Fences.

George A. Paddock is elected viewer of fences.

No. 66.

City Treasurer.

The City Treasurer makes his Monthly Report for the Month of January, 1885.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, February 16, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, February 19, 1885.

No. 67.

City Auditor.

The City Auditor makes his Monthly Report for the Month of January, 1885.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, February 16, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen February 19, 1885.

No. 68.

Chief of Police.

The Chief of Police makes his Annual Report for the year, 1884.

City Document No. 6.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, February 16, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, February 19, 1885.

No. 69

Message of the Mayor.

Mayor's Message.

City of Providence
Executive Department, City Hall
February 16, 1885.

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Gentlemen of the City Council:

P. R. Terminal Facilities.

The joint resolutions of the city council "adopting plans for improved railroad terminal facilities, and appointing a commission to carry the same into effect," were presented to and received at the executive department on the 6th instant. The time for them to be returned "to the branch in which they originated," or to become a law without the executive approval, will expire at the end of the next meeting of the common council held after this day.

Surveyor of Lumber.

As the two branches of the city council are required to meet in convention for the election of a surveyor of lumber during the current month, and as the board of aldermen are to meet on Thursday next, the 19th. instant, I suggest that it would be well for the common council to meet on that day, and invite the board to join in convention for the election of a surveyor at the same time.

If such a course be adopted, I will then be prepared to present to the council a message in relation to the resolutions on railroad terminal facilities, to which I have referred.

Thomas A. Doyle,
Mayor.

Read, In Common Council, February 16, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, February 19, 1885.

No. 70.

Message of the Mayor.

Mayor's Message.

City of Providence
Executive Department, City Hall
February 16, 1885.

Board of Public Works.

Gentlemen of the City Council:

I call your attention to the fact that the city council is required by statute to elect two members of the board of public works during the present month of February. The language of section 1 of chapter 444, of the public laws, passed May 29, 1884, is as follows:

"The board of public works of the City of Providence shall hereafter consist of three persons, who shall be elected by the city council of the City of Providence by concurrent vote of the two branches thereof, and shall hold their offices as follows: The two persons now

Do. members of said board shall hold their office respectively until the expiration of the term for which they were severally elected. The city council shall elect in manner aforesaid a person as a member of said board who shall hold his office from the time of his election to the first Monday in the month of March, A.D. 1885, and for the term of three years from said first Monday in March, and until his successor shall be elected and qualified to act, and in the month of February, A.D. 1885, the said city council in manner aforesaid shall elect a member of said board, who shall hold his office for the term of two years from the said first Monday in March, A.D. 1885."

It will be observed that the statute imperatively requires that a member of the board shall be elected to hold office until "the first Monday in March, Do. A.D. 1885," and for the term of three years thereafter, and "in the month of February, 1885," a member shall be elected "who shall hold his office for the term of two years from the said first Monday in March, A.D. 1885." The term of office of Charles E. Carpenter, Esq., will expire on that day, and there are grave doubts whether his authority does not then absolutely cease. The usual provision that an officer shall hold until his successor is qualified to act does not apply in his case, the city council being required to elect a member in February, to hold office from the day of the expiration of his term.

If the city council fail to elect before the expiration of the present month, although the election has been begun, it is doubtful if it can go on and complete the election of either one or two members during the ensuing month of March.

In view of the various and complicated legal questions that Do. will be sure to arise from neglect to comply with the letter of the law, I earnestly hope that the election of two members of the board of public works will be made during the current month.

Thomas A. Doyle.
Mayor.

Read, In Common Council, February 16, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, February 19, 1885.

No. 71.

Report.

Fire Department.

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence:

The joint special committee consisting of the joint

Do. standing committees on ordinances and fire department, to whom on the 2d day of January, A.D. 1885, was referred a bill for an ordinance entitled an ordinance in amendment of chapter CCIX of the ordinances entitled, "an ordinance in amendment of chapter XXII of the ordinances of the City of Providence, entitled 'fire department,'" with instructions to examine and report thereon, respectfully report that they have given the subject careful attention and herewith present a bill in substitute for the bill Do. referred and respectfully recommend its passage.

For the committee,
J. S. S. Cobb, Chairman.

Read, whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, February 16, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, February 19, 1885.

No. 72.

Report.

Report.

To the Honorable City Council of the City of Providence:

The joint committee on finance, to whom was referred the petition of Charles D. Cobb, city weigher for the Stall Forms sales at the Haymarket, requesting that he may be allowed a larger portion Haymarket sales. of the fees received by him, respectfully report:

That your committee find that the present compensation allowed said weigher is two-thirds of the fees received by him, which arrangement was made with the former weigher, who also carried on other business in the vicinity of the Haymarket. The present incumbent, who was elected in 1877, assumed the duties at the same compensation, believing that in time the business would so increase that two-thirds of the fees would be satisfactory for services rendered. Your committee find that the receipts for the past eight years average about six hundred dollars Do. per annum, the last two years being about one hundred and fifty dollars less than in 1879 and 1881, out of which he furnishes his light and fuel, and pays for a person to attend in his absence while collecting a larger portion of the weighing bring settled for at the end of each month.

As the inspector of kerosene and sealer of weights and measures

are allowed all fees collected by them as compensation for their services,
No. your committee recommend an amendment to chapter XXIX of the ordinances
which will allow the weigher to have as his own all the fees, which
shall be full compensation for his services as weigher.

For the committee,

F. A. Chase, Chairman.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same
be received.

Passed, In Common Council, February 16, 1885.

In Board of Aldermen, February 19, 1885.

No. 73.

Ordinance

Haymarket.

An Ordinance in Amendment of Chapter XXIX
of the Ordinances entitled, "Haymarket,"

Chapter CCLXXXV.

For Ordinance see Book of Ordinances - No. 4 Page 175.

Passed, In Common Council, February 16, 1885.

In Board of Aldermen, February 19, 1885.

Approved, February 24, 1885

Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 74

Ithiel J. Davis

Ithiel J. Davis Fund

Resolved

That the gift of Ithiel J. Davis of the sum of two hundred dollars to the commissioners of the North Burial Ground, in trust, the income thereof to be applied under the provisions of chapter 367 of the public laws, to the preservation and care of the burial lot standing in the name of said Davis, in said ground be and the same is hereby accepted under the name of the Ithiel J. Davis fund.

Passed, In Common Council, February 16, 1885.

In Board of Aldermen, February 19, 1885.

Approved, February 24, 1885.

Thomas A. Doyle,

Mayor.

No. 75.

Message of the Mayor.

Mayor's Message.

City of Providence,
Executive Department, City Hall,
February 19, 1885.

Gentlemen of the City Council:

Railroad Terminal Facilities

The resolutions adopting plans for improved railroad terminal facilities and appointing a commission to carry the same into effect, which passed the common council on the 16th inst, and were concurred in by the board of aldermen on the day following, will become a law, without the approval of the mayor, at the "end of the meeting" of the common council this day. They were passed in each branch by a sufficient majority to repass them over the veto of the executive; it therefore seems unnecessary to delay their validity until another vote thereon shall be taken when a bare majority of the members in either branch can change or repeal the completed resolutions.

It is my duty, however, to communicate to the citizens of Providence, through the representatives of the tax payers in the
Do. city council, the reasons which have governed me in withholding my approval of these important resolutions.

The first section of chapter 122 of the public laws, passed May 1, 1884, entitled "An act to enable the City of Providence to condemn certain lands for public purposes," contains these words: "all agreements, plans, contracts and condemnations of land for the purpose of enlarging, rearranging and remodelling the terminal facilities for such railroad companies, shall be subject to the approval of the city council of the City of Providence to be elected after the passage of this act." The present city council is
Do. the body referred to in the above extract, and is therefore competent to adopt a plan for the rearrangement of the railroad terminal facilities in the City of Providence, in accordance with the provisions and requirements of said chapter 122.

The first resolution is intended by the two branches of the city council, to adopt the report "and plans accompanying the same, of the commission on railroad terminal facilities, presented to and received by the city council, December 27th, A.D. 1883," but such action I believe to be utterly void, and of no effect, for the reason that it is not in accordance with the provisions of

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chapter 422 given above. The act contemplates that the report and plan to be acted upon must be presented to this city council, but no such thing has been done. No report or plan was before either branch of the city council when the resolution pretending to adopt a plan was voted upon, nor had it been considered by either branch since its organization.

It is not competent for the city council, or either branch thereof, to act upon a bill, resolution, ordinance or plan which is not, at the time of such action, in the possession of the branch so acting. The city council of 1883 has passed out of existence, and the attempt to revive and make valid a plat and reports, which that council had in its possession and acted upon, is the most extraordinary legislation ever attempted in this city, when it is considered that the vote of this city council relates to matters involving an expenditure of hundreds of thousands of dollars. On this subject, Cushing, in his "Law and Practice of Legislative Assemblies," says: "It is a general rule, that it is not competent for either house, nor any of its committees, to proceed upon a bill or other paper which is not in its possession." It is too late to attempt to set aside this rule, which is the practice of both houses of congress, of the general assembly of this state, and up to this time, so far as my knowledge goes, has been the law of both branches of the city council.

It has always been the custom when a paper has been acted upon and sent to the other branch if the body in which it originated desired to take further action thereon, for that body to send a message to the other branch requesting the return of the paper, in order that the proper action might be taken. It may be alleged that the plan referred to in the resolution was familiar to all the members of the city council, that they had examined it and the reports accompanying it and understood all its details; that in no way changes the fact that neither the city council, nor either branch thereof, had ever considered or had presented to it the plan which it has pretended to adopt, nor is there any evidence of such knowledge by the members. The attempt of the two branches of the city council to restore life to the plan adopted in such haste by the city council of 1883, I cannot believe to be in accordance with the wishes of the citizens generally, or the tax payers as such. The action of that city council called forth not only protests against the manner of its adoption, but led to the defeat of the regular ticket for

members of the general assembly at the following spring election. In the discussion upon the plan before the general assembly, so decided were the objections thereto, that the act asked for by the representatives of the city council to carry the plan into effect was refused a recommendation, and an entirely different act, the present chapter 422, was adopted. This act presupposed that the body to be elected would, as I have before said, consider a plan or plans to be presented for its examination. The members of the general assembly did not for one moment consider that the city council would take up and act upon a plan which it had never seen nor considered.

The manner in which this action has been taken is singular in another respect. A few days before the last municipal election there appeared in the public papers a call signed by a number of business firms, setting forth "that the future growth and the continued prosperity of the business and manufacturing interest of this city demands the adoption at the earliest possible day of some feasible and judicious plan for improving and increasing our railroad and terminal facilities," and inviting the business men of the city to meet and consider "the best means to accomplish this end." At the meeting held in pursuance of the call, a resolution was adopted, without opposition, by a rising vote, "all but two gentlemen voting in its favor," which provided for the appointment of a committee "to present an address to the citizens of Providence, and to labor to secure the nomination and election of such members of the city government for the year 1885 as will devote themselves to the improvement of our railroad terminal facilities." The preamble of the resolution also speaks of the adoption, at the earliest possible day, of "some feasible and judicious plan for improving and increasing our railroad terminal facilities and the removal of grade crossings." An address was published to the citizens of Providence in accordance with the resolution, which was very numerously signed by leading business firms and citizens, from which the following extracts are made, and to these I invite your attention:

First: "The city council to be elected on Tuesday, the 25th inst., will be called upon to determine the policy to be pursued in relation to two questions of vital importance, as it will be necessary within the next municipal year to adopt a plan: (1) for the proper treatment and disposition of the sewage of the city, and

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(2) for affording improved terminal facilities to our railroads."

Second: "Men should be chosen of broad but conservative views, not the pledged friends or opponents of any particular plan, but men who have shown good judgement in the management of their own affairs."

Third: "To secure the election of such men is the object we have in view in seeking the co-operation of our fellow citizens."

Fourth: "We are aware that grave differences of opinion exist as to the plan which should be adopted to secure the highest degree of public good from proposed changes, and it is not our purpose to urge the adoption of any particular plan.

"Recognizing the fact that any plan, to be carried out, must have the assent of the several railroad companies, we are willing to trust to the judgment of a council elected by the people, to adopt some more judicious reasonable and economical plan after a full discussion and understanding of all conditions."

Do. These extracts show the action taken with regard to railroad terminal facilities by the business men prior to the late election, and the members of the present city council were elected in accordance therewith. Hardly had the election passed, certainly before the official vote was declared, it was said upon the public streets and elsewhere, that a majority of the city council were pledged to carry into effect the terminal facility plan of December, 1883, and this has been repeated with increasing boldness and persistency, coupled with the declaration, that whoever disapproved that particular plan was an "obstructionist" and opposed to the growth and welfare of the city. Why was not the same boldness displayed, prior to and on the day of election? If the originators of the meeting of business men and the authors of the address adopted at the meeting really meant to carry the plan of 1883 into effect, would it not have been more manly and honorable to have boldly said so? Why conceal their intentions and use the language in the extracts above quoted? If the majority of the taxpayers of this city were in favor of the plan which had been repudiated before the general assembly, why was it necessary to resort to concealment and deception in the matter on the day of election? The same meeting and address were out spoken and frank in proposing the establishment of a car parke and the maintenance of the cove basin and permanade. There was no subterfuge employed on that subject, and why was not the same

Do. frankness used in reference to the plan for an elevated railroad and the attempt to destroy the value of the property of a large and prosperous section of the city? the city council, elected in obedience to the declarations of the address, were expected to adopt a plan "which should secure the highest degree of public good from proposed changes," and "to adopt some more judicious, reasonable and economical plan after a full discussion and understanding of all conditions."

The taxpayers who voted for the successful candidates could not have supposed that instead of pursuing such a course as was laid out in the address, both branches of the city council would, by resolution, declare a plan adopted which had not been before them, and maintain silence when objections to such a course were presented, refusing to refer the resolutions to a committee of inquiry or to give any hearing before themselves as a body. Fully satisfied that the plan reported in December, 1883, does not comply with the platform laid down in the address of the business

Do. men; that it does not "secure the highest degree of public good;" and that it is not a "judicious, reasonable and economical plan" I could not affix my approval to the resolution which attempted to revive it.

The second resolution appoints William Goddard, Samuel S. Sprague and Harvey E. Wellman, commissioners "with full power and authority to carry into effect on the part of the City of Providence the plans referred to in the first resolution," and with full authority "to contract to sell or exchange any land belonging to the city designated upon said plan as appropriate for the railroads upon the terms named in the report referred to in the first resolution."

The gentlemen thus appointed commissioners are hereby made officers of the City of Providence, and stand in no different position from any other person elected an officer of the city by the city council or the board of aldermen. The mere fact of calling them commissioners does not change their position as officers or relieve them from any provisions of the constitution and laws of this state applicable to civil officers. Section 1 of Article IX of the constitution of Rhode Island is as follows: "No person shall be eligible to any civil office (except the office of school committee) unless he be a qualified elector for such office."

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The construction of this section, as applied to officers of the

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city elected to their positions by either the city council or the board of aldermen, has always been that the person so elected is not required to be a member of the common council or board of aldermen to be eligible to an office in the gift of either, but he must be a qualified elector for such members, and this construction applies to all the named list of city officers elected by the city council as well as to the auctioneers, constables and other officers appointed by the board of aldermen, and the same construction has been given in the election of the several commissioners heretofore appointed, for various purposes, such as water commissioners, highway commissioners, commissioners of sinking funds, commissioners to build bridges, school-houses, the city hall and other public works.

I fail to see any difference between the duties which have been performed by the honored citizens who have held and are still holding the positions I have enumerated and the gentlemen named in the second resolution. If such is the fact, these latter gentlemen must have been qualified electors to vote for members of the city council on the day of the last municipal election, or else must have been qualified since that date to make them eligible to hold the position to which the resolution would appoint them. It is understood that the gentleman first named in the resolution is not a qualified elector for members of the city council of the City of Providence, nor was he a qualified elector at the late municipal election.

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I ask your earnest attention to the language of the justices of the supreme court in the case entitled, "In re George H. Corliss," to be found in XI. Rhode Island, page 641. Hon. George H. Corliss had been elected a presidential elector, and, at the time of said election, was a member of the United States Centennial Commission.

The question having been raised as to his eligibility for the former office it was submitted by the governor to the supreme court, who rendered a decision thereon, Mr. justice Stiness dissenting.

The court, after giving in detail some of the various duties to be performed by the commissioners, of which Mr. Corliss was one, said: "It is apparent from this statement, which is but partial, that the duties and functions of this commission were various, delicate and important; that they could be successfully performed only by men of large experience and a knowledge of affairs, and that they were not merely subordinate and provisional, but in the highest degree coördinate, discretionary and final in their character.

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We think that persons performing such duties and exercising such functions in pursuance of statutory direction and authority, are not to be regarded as mere employés, agents or committeemen, but that they are, properly speaking, officers and that the places which they hold are offices." Could the duties to be performed by the gentlemen named in the second resolution be better or more clearly described than in this extract from the decision of the justices of the supreme court? and can any unprejudiced mind hesitate for one moment to believe that the same judges would declare that Messrs. Goddard, Sprague and Wellman were officers of the City of Providence, and that the places they held were city offices? Such are my convictions, and, being so convinced, I cannot give my approval to the second resolution.

The third resolution proposes to authorize and empower the commissioners named in the second resolution "in their discretion to make any of the changes in the plans hereby adopted as are recommended in the report of William Goddard, Samuel S. Sprague and Harvey E. Wellman, presented to the city council March 2nd A.D. 1874. Here again is an attempt of the city council to transact business without having the papers in its possession. No such report was before either branch of the city council at the time of the adoption of the resolutions. The fact that printed copies of such a report were in the volumes of city documents on the desks of the members, does not in any manner comply with or conform to the requirement, that when the members are acting or voting in their official capacity, the original paper must be before the presiding officer and in his actual possession when the vote is taken, and without this the resolution is invalid.

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The third resolution, it will be observed, also proposes to confer discretionary power upon the commissioners in making changes or alterations. I believe that it is well settled in law that power delegated to a party cannot by that party be delegated to a third; thus the general assembly, in chapter 422, having conferred upon the city council discretionary power in regard to the matter of changes in the terminal facilities, the city council cannot transfer that discretion to the committees, commissioners or any other party, but must decide all such matters absolutely by its own votes. For these reasons I have withheld my approval from the third resolution.

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In this connection I beg, very, to consider that in the decisions of

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these matters of terminal facilities great and important questions, involving the rights and equities of the several railroad companies interested, will necessarily arise. These will have to be passed upon as between the city and the corporations, and as between the corporations and themselves; and in such cases the commissioners should be absolutely and entirely disinterested. I cannot resist the conclusion that the chairman of the commission is not such a person. His position as a director of a railroad controlled by one of the principal railroad corporations particularly interested in the settlement of the terminal facilities, in which corporation his brother is a director, with another brother a director in the other chief railroad corporation now running a portion of the present passenger station, clearly disqualifies him from sitting in a judicial capacity upon

Do. matters in which these corporations are directly interested, and in such a capacity he will be frequently called to sit in carrying into effect the proposed plans of terminal facilities. So careful are the courts and judges in matters of this kind that the lines are always strictly drawn, especially when a city and its citizens are on one side and a great railroad corporation are on the other. In the municipal court of this city, the city charter provides that when the judge is personally interested or related within the ninth degree to a party in any cause in said court, "he shall be disqualified from sitting if any party to the cause shall object on that account."

The position taken by Chief Justice Durfee and Mr. Justice Matteson in the Sprague cases are familiar to all citizens of this state. I believe; however, that if the matter be brought before the courts, as it probably will be, Hon. Goddard will be found to be disqualified from service as a commissioner for two reasons: one that he is not a qualified elector for the city council, and the other that he is an interested party.

When the City of Providence desired to introduce water, application was made to the general assembly for an enabling act which was passed January, 1866 being chapter 646 of public laws.

Do. An examination of this chapter shows no doubtful powers, but all is clear and definite. After obtaining the consent of the tax payers the city council were empowered to introduce water into the city, and were authorized to do all things necessary for such a purpose, in building dams, reservoirs and aqueducts, to purchase, take and hold real estate and as the city council could not directly perform these

Do. varied duties, it was given authority to appoint three water commissioners who should exercise "such portion of the authority conferred and given by the acts as may be defined by ordinance of said city." Contrast chapter 422 with chapter 640. By the former, the city council are to do certain things, and no power is given or implied, to delegate their authority to any one; and, in the latter, they are authorized to appoint commissioners to whom they may delegate such portion of their authority as they may deem expedient.

The plan of December 27th, A.D. 1883, is, I believe, not fully understood in all its details by any considerable number of the tax payers, and I may be permitted to say with all proper respect that I doubt if all the members of the city council even are fully aware what the adoption of that plan will entail upon the city. My reason for this belief is that the only real discussion of the plan and its relations to the citizens of Providence and the property thereof took place before a committee of the general assembly in the day-time at the state house. The number of

Do. persons who attended all the sessions or read such portions of the debates as were printed in fine type in the newspapers, and then compared these reports with the maps and the printed reports of the commissioners is so extremely limited as to justify me in what I have said as to the general knowledge of the plan and its consequences. With this teaching, therefore, it was a surprise to me, as I have already said, that neither branch of the city council would allow either the plan or the report of the commissioners to be discussed before the body, or to be referred to a committee with directions to give public hearings thereon.

The report of the commissioners, printed as city document No. 25, series of 1883, gives as "the out lay which the city will be required to make in order to carry out the improvements contemplated by the plans herewith submitted to be" $6,932,832.83, or, in round numbers, $7,000,000. Whether the depression in business that has occurred since those figures were given, the changes to be made in the plans to conform to the requirements of chapter 422 or the changes which the commissioners themselves have proposed, will add to or lessen this large sum, is apparently of no consequence to the city council; but to

Do. the tax payers it is of vast consequence. If I understand the provisions of chapter 422, any land that has to be con-

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demned in order to carry the plans into effect will have to be condemned by the City of Providence, no power being given to the railroads for such a purpose. Since any lands required for the latter will have to be taken by the city in the first instance and then conveyed to the railroads. This being done, the city must make application to the supreme court, who will appoint "three discreet and disinterested persons," who are to hear the parties affected by such condemnation and report thereon to the court. The usual provisions for such hearings are provided, with the right of appeals from the commissioners in the usual manner in the condemnation of lands. When the result is finally reached, if damages are increased it is at the expense of the city. There are two things about the matter which are absolutely uncertain, first what the amount to be paid by the city council will be, and, second, the date when this amount will be decided. There is one thing positively certain, that the city is entering upon a sea of litigation, the end of which the successors of the present city council will not see for many times to come.

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The present city hall is a fine structure, presenting an imposing appearance, as it stands at the head of Exchange place, but when the enormous brick structure is erected on the side of the grand plaza contemplated in the proposed plan, the city hall will be dwarfed into insignificance.

Exchange place as at present laid out is about ninety-six feet in width opposite the central portion of the passenger station, to each of which is often times a very perilous journey, almost as dangerous as the dreaded grade crossing. Appeals have been made to the city council to provide a place of rest midway of the crossing at Exchange street, where women and children and the aged could find protection and safety in their attempts to reach the station. What will such persons do when the distance to the entrance of the new station is increased to two hundred and twenty feet in a direct line from the nearest point on the south side of Exchange place, and to two hundred and fifty-six feet from the curb line in front of the entrance to Butler Exchange? I think that the aged and the women and children of the city who may attempt to take that journey on

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such days and in such weather as we have had recently, will hardly bless the men who devised such a magnificent plan.

Do the city council realize what the future Exchange place is to be with a rise of nearly five feet between the height of the curbing on the south side of the street and the curbing in front of the station? In an icy time it will be a dangerous road for loaded vehicles of any considerable height to travel. I do not find in the report that any special provision has been made to take care of the immense body of water that will fall upon the surface of this grand plaza in times of phenomenal rain storms, a number of which we have experienced in the last few years. With its steep grade there will be, in all probability, a good-sized lake extending along the south side of Exchange place, which will require some special facility for crossing.

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The plan of 1883, it is understood, was designed by engineers in the interest of the great railroad corporations, and hence the necessities of the city were not properly looked after. It being supposed that the city council would see that these received due attention. What can be said by the tax payers when these matters are entirely ignored and the plan made in the interest of the railroads is forced upon them, a plan of which the vice president of the New York, Providence and Boston Railroad Company, in his letter of October 26, 1883, addressed to the chairman of the commission, speaks as follows: "This company sees no special objection to the engineering features of the plan, assuming that the grades, etc., are correctly stated, and provided that the City of Providence is willing that for all time it shall be divided by an elevated structure for more than one-half mile." Captain Babcock has received an answer that a majority of the two branches of the present city council are not only willing but determined that it shall be so divided.

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I have said that the cost to the city of carrying out the plan of 1883 is estimated at $700,000, and a

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very careful study of the plan and report fails to show me what great benefit the city, as a municipal corporation, is to receive in return for this heavy outlay; neither have I seen it stated in any proceedings of the city council. I can see and readily understand the benefit that is to ensure to the three wealthy railroad corporations chiefly interested, and I can see how another large railroad which gains entrance to this city and an outlet over the Rhode Island and Massachusetts railroad will be injured and probably shut out from the city in that direction. All this is plain enough, but why should the tax payers of Providence be heavily taxed for such a purpose?

If the city council deem it proper and necessary to expend this large sum in the improvement of railroads, I suggest that a better field for such a purpose would be to take in hand the Providence and Springfield Railroad Company, for which the city is a guarantor on $500.000 of its bonds, and which company, it is understood, is wearing out its road and rolling stock to such an extent that the time is not far distant when the city will probably have to take the road to secure itself against loss upon the bonds.

If the Springfield road were continued to Palmer it would be connected with the Central Vermont system, with the Hoosac Tunnel route and other roads, and bring a vast amount of traffic to this city now going in other directions. The effect of such an extention would give an impetus to the business of this city, and add to the value of the real estate, equal to, if not greater, than was realized on the construction of the Providence and Worcester, and the Hartford, Providence and Fishkill roads.

The plan of 1883 cannot be called in any sense a terminal plan, for it fixes Providence as a way station in the through route from Boston to New York for all time to come, the railroad facilities being planned with sole reference to enable persons to pass between the above named cities without the slightest regard to the inconvenience which the citizens of this city will experience in consequence thereof. It is surprising that the authorities of Providence are willing to carry into effect a plan which, places the second city of New England on a level with ordinary way stations. Boston would never

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have reached its present proud position if its municipal authorities in the past had pursued a similar policy to that now being undertaken in this city.

The recommendation that the city shall become an owner in the new railroad station I regard as altogether contrary to law, being foreign to the business for which a municipal corporation is created. Neither do I believe that the proposition to transfer land to the railroads for a term of years without interest, the city to continue to hold the nominal title in order that the land may be thereby exempt from taxation, will be legal as the city has no authority to grant such an exemption.

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There are three matters in connection with this report and plan which should have received the careful consideration of the members of both branches of the city council to which it is not necessary that I should refer at this time.

I have thus endeavored to place before the citizens of Providence some of the reasons which have actuated me in withholding my assent from these extraordinary resolutions, and why I differ with a majority of my associates in the city council on so important a matter. Which will prove to have pursued the right course, the future must decide. I have endeavored to be governed solely by what I conceive to be for the best interests of the city, and I believe that my associate members of the city council have acted from the same motives.

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Thomas A. Doyle,
Mayor.

Read, In Common Council, February 19, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, February 19, 1885.

No. 76.

Finance Committee

The Joint Committee on Finance make their Monthly Report upon the Issue of Registered Bonds for the month of January, 1885.

Read, Whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, February 19, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, February 19, 1885.

No. 77.

City Treasurer.

The City Treasurer makes his Monthly Report of the Issue of Registered Bonds for the Month of January, 1885.

Read, whereupon it is ordered that the same be received,

Passed, In Common Council, February 19, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, February 19, 1885.

No. 78.

Proprietors' Burial Ground.

Whereas, the City of Providence was authorized by chapter 431 of the public laws, passed May 2d 1884, to take for the purpose of a public park, so much of the Proprietors' Burial Ground, at the corner of Friendship and Beacon streets, in said city, as is described and bounded in said chapter 431, and

Whereas, the said City of Providence, in accordance with said act, did, by resolution 236, of the city council, approved June 2, 1884, take said described land for the purposes of a public park, and the mayor of said city, caused on file in the office of the recorder of deeds of said city a description of said land, and a statement that the same was taken, pursuant to the provisions of said act, therefore

Do.

Resolved,

That Messrs. Snow, Miller and McCarty of the common council, with aldermen Martin and Kost of the board of aldermen, be hereby appointed a joint special committee, with authority in behalf of the city to arrange terms of settlement, subject, however, to the approval of the city council, of any and all claims of persons who are interested in the aforesaid land.

Do.

Passed, In Common Council, February 19, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, February 19, 1885.
Approved, February 24, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

Report of Joint Committee.

No. 79.

Report.

To the Hon. City Council of the City of Providence.

Dept. of Public Parks.

The joint standing committee on ordinances to whom on the 15th day of January 1885 was referred a bill for "an ordinance creating the office of Superintendent of Public Parks and defining his duties," with a resolution to examine and report thereon, respectfully report:

That they have carefully considered the subject and are unanimously of the opinion that it is advisable to refer the matter to a joint special committee consisting of the joint standing committee on ordinances and the joint standing committee on parks, and therefore respectfully recommend that such disposition be made of it.

For the committee,
J. S. S. Cobb, Chairman.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, February 19, 1885.
In Common Council, February 24, 1885.

No. 80.

Pleasant View avenue.

Resolved,

That the board of aldermen be, and they are hereby requested to define a grade for Pleasant View avenue, from Beckwith street to Burrington street, in accordance with chapter 322 of the public laws, passed April 21, 1882.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, February 19, 1885.
In Common Council, February 24, 1885.
Approved, February 26, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 81

Jane G. Hall Tax.

Resolved,

That the tax of twenty six dollars and ten cents, assessed against Jane G. Hall on personal property in 1884, be remitted, said Hall having domiciled in the city of Boston, Mass, when such assessment was erroneously made.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, February 19, 1885.
In Common Council, February 24, 1885.
Approved, February 26, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 82.

Survey of Lumber.

Resolved.

That the joint committee on ordinances be directed to report to the city council such recommendations for amendment in the act relative to "the inspection and survey of lumber", as in the opinion of said committee may be desirable.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, February 19, 1885.
In Common Council, February 24, 1885.
Approved, February 25, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 83.

Supt. of Public Buildings

The Superintendent of Public Buildings makes his Annual Report for the year 1884.

City Document No. 3-1885.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, February 24, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, March 5, 1885.

No. 84.

Paving around Old City Building

Market sq.

Report.

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence:

The joint committee on highways to whom, on the 5th. day of July, 1883, was referred the petition of the Providence Board of Trade for a wireless pavement to be placed around the old city building, make report, that they have given the subject full consideration.

Your committee report that the paving around the old city building is very much in need of repairs, and in view of the fact that this thoroughfare has more travel over it than any other highway, they have decided to recommend its re-paving in the best and most durable manner.

With this object in view, your committee have caused three different estimates to be made, and have had several meetings to consult upon this subject. They have unanimously adopted the accompanying plan with estimate, No. 3, and recommend the passage of the accompanying resolutions.

Respectfully submitted for the committee,
Benj. E. Kinsley, Chairman.

Do.

Providence, February 2, 1885.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, February 24, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, March 5, 1885.

No. 85.

Do.

Resolved.

That the board of public works be hereby authorized and directed to cause Market square to be paved with granite blocks, easterly from the point shown by a green line on a plat accompanying this resolution, and also to pave with granite blocks College street, easterly from said green line to the cross-walk at the southeast corner of said College and South Main streets, said granite blocks to be laid upon a concrete foundation, and the joints of the block pavement filled with pea gravel and an asphaltic mixture; in accordance with the accompanying plans and specifications of the city engineer.

Do.

Said board of public works are further authorized and directed to cause connections to be extended from the main sewers in said Market square and College street to the curb line thereof, in accordance with said accompanying plans; the cost of said paving and sewer connections to be paid from the appropriation for highways, and shall not exceed the sum of twelve thousand dollars.

Passed, In Common Council, February 24, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, March 5, 1885.
Approved, March 6, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 86.

R. I. School of Design.

Resolved.

That the sum of three hundred dollars be, and is hereby appropriated to the Rhode Island School of Design, for the purpose of enabling them to continue, during the remainder of the school year, tuition to the pupils belonging

No. to the city who have heretofore attended and received instruction free of cost to themselves; said sum to be paid from the appropriation for the support of public schools.

Passed, In Common Council, February 24, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, March 5, 1885.
Approved, March 6, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 87.

Ordinance amdt. Fire Dept

An Ordinance in Amendment of Chapter CCXXXV of the Ordinances, and fixing the Salary to be paid to the Clerk of the Fire Department.

Chapter CCLXXXVI.

For Ordinance See Book of "Ordinances" No. 4 Page 176.
Passed, In Common Council, February 16, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, March 5, 1885.
Approved, March 6, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 88

Ordinance Fire Dept.

An Ordinance in Amendment of Chapter CCIX of the Ordinances entitled "An Ordinance in Amendment of Chapter XXII of the Ordinances of the City of Providence entitled 'Fire Department'."

Chapter CCLXXXVII.

For Ordinance See book of "City Ordinances" No. 4. Page 176.
Passed, In Board of Aldermen, February 26 1885.
In Common Council, March 9, 1885.
Approved, March 12, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 89.

Laura F. Cooke

Communication.

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence:

The undersigned has the honor to report that Mrs. Laura F. Cooke, who was granted permission by resolution No. 53, approved February 3, 1885, to construct and maintain a shaft, heating pipe and wire rope across Westfield street, for the

transmission of power between the two buildings owned by her on said street, filed her written acceptance of the conditions of said resolution on the 30th. day of February, 1885.

Respectfully submitted,
Henry C. A. Joslin, City Clerk.

Read. Thereupon it is ordered that the same be received.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, March 5, 1885.
In Common Council, March 9, 1885.

No. 90.

Resolved:

That the board of public works are

America St. hereby directed to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in America street, from Africa street to Atwells avenue.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen March 5, 1885.
In Common Council March 9, 1885
Approved, March 12, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 91

Resolved.

That the board of public works are hereby directed to cause a main drain or common sewer to be

Greenwich St. constructed in Greenwich street, from Wilson street to Warren street.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, March 5, 1885.
In Common Council, March 9, 1885.
Approved, March 12, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 92.

Whereas.

The commissioners of estimate and assessment appointed by the supreme court at the October

Earle's Lane term, 1884, to lay out and extend Earle's lane, from North Main street to Camp street and pursuant to an act entitled, "An act in relation to laying out, enlarging,

Do. straightening, or otherwise altering streets in the City of Providence, and the acts in amendment thereof and in addition thereto," made their first report to said court on the 30th. day of January, A.D. 1885, now, therefore, within sixty days after the making of said report to said court:

Resolved, That the city council do hereby elect to make said improvement.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, March 5, 1885.
In Common Council, March 9, 1885.
Approved, March 12, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 93.

Whereas

Dorlon ave. The commissioners of estimate and assessment appointed by the supreme court at the March term, 1883 to lay out and extend a street, from Public street to Potter street, under and pursuant to an act entitled, "An act in relation to the laying out, enlarging, straightening, or otherwise altering streets in the City of Providence, and the acts in amendment thereof and in addition thereto," made their first report to said court on the 15th day of January, A.D. 1885, now, therefor, within sixty days after the making of said report to said court:

Resolved, That the city council do hereby elect to make said improvement.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, March 5, 1885.
In Common Council, March 9, 1885.
Approved, March 12, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 94.

Finance Committee. The Finance Committee make their Monthly Report upon the Issue of Registered Bonds for the Month of February, 1885.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, March 9, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, March 12, 1885.

No. 95.

Chief Engr. of the Fire Depart.

The Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, makes his Monthly Report for the Month of February, 1885.
Amount of Salaries $178.41 Incidentals 241.66 Total $420.07
Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.
Passed, In Common Council, March 9, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, March 12, 1885.

No. 96.

City Messenger. The City Messenger makes his Monthly Report for the Month of February, 1885.
Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.
Passed, In Common Council, March 9 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, March 12 1885.

No. 97.

Report.

Report:

To the Honorable the City Council:

The joint committee on finance, to whom was referred, January 26, 1885, a communication from the board of public works, presenting for approval a list of employees whose compensation exceeds the sum of one thousand dollars, per annum, report:

Employees Board of Public Works.

That they have considered the matter referred to them, and herewith submit a resolution approving the amount of compensation of certain of the employees named in said list as presented by the board of public works, the adoption of which your committee recommends.

Your committee also present a resolution disapproving of the increase in certain salaries as recommended by the board of public works.

For the committee,
J. A. Chase, Chairman.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.
Passed, In Common Council, March 9, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, March 12, 1885.

No. 98

Employees of Board of Public Works.

Resolved:

That the annual compensations of the following named employees, as recommended by the board of public works, be hereby approved:

Frederic A. Arnold, eleven hundred dollars; Edwarrd A. Moran, eleven hundred dollars; Charles B. Smith, twelve hundred dollars; Joseph F. Plant, eleven hundred dollars; Simeon Kelly, fourteen hundred dollars; Jesse Gray, fifteen hundred dollars; Allen Aldrich, thirteen hundred dollars.

Passed, In Common Council, March 9, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, March 12, 1885.
Approved, March 19, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 99.

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Resolved:

That the annual compensations of the following named employees, as recommended by the board of public works, be, and the same is hereby disapproved:

	Amount heretofore paid.	Amount recommended by the Board of Public Works.
Philip S. Chase,	$1,700.00	$1,800.00
Walter F. Slade,	1,000.00	1,100.00
Leonard N. Austin, Jr.	1,000.00	1,100.00
Andrew B. Purdy,	1,400.00	1,500.00

do.

Passed, In Common Council, March 9, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, March 12, 1885.
Approved, March 19, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 100.

Report:

"Old" Washington Bridge.

Report:

To the Honorable the City Council:

The joint committee on finance to whom was referred, December 15, 1884, the message of the mayor relative to the sale of materials of the old Washington bridge, respectfully report:

That your committee have given the matter their attention and are of the opinion that the proper course to be taken

do. is that contemplated by the act providing for the construction of a bridge near the site of the Providence Washington bridge, viz:

"That the bridge commissioners shall cause the present Washington bridge to be removed from said river, and deliver to said city the materials composing said bridge, piers and piling for the use of said city."

Your committee recommend that the joint committee on city property be directed to receive the materials composing said Washington bridge whenever the bridge commissioners are ready to deliver the same.

do.

For the committee,
P. A. Chase, Chairman.

Read, whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, March 9, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, March 12, 1885.

No. 101.

Vineyard St.

Resolved:

That the Mayor and aldermen be, and they are hereby requested to lay out and receive Vineyard street, from Hawthorn street to Carter street, as a public highway.

Passed, In Common Council, March 9, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, March 12, 1885.
Approved, March 19, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 102.

Honora Dwyer.

Resolved:

That permission be granted to Honora Dwyer to raise a certain building located at No. 63 Portland street, pursuant to her petition.

Passed, In Common Council, March 9, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, March 12, 1885.
Approved, March 19, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle,
Mayor.

No. 103.

City Treasurer. The City Treasurer makes his Monthly Report upon the Issue of Registered Bonds for February, 1885.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, March 19, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, March 19, 1885.

No. 104.

City Auditor. The City Auditor makes his Monthly Report for the Month of February, 1885.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, March 19, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, March 19, 1885.

No. 105.

City Treasurer. The City Treasurer makes his Monthly Report for the Months of February, 1885.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, March 19, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, March 19, 1885.

No. 106.

Memorial Day. Resolved:

That the sum of five hundred dollars is hereby appropriated towards defraying the expenses of a suitable observance of Memorial Day, said sum to be paid to the order of Ebenezer A. Perry, department commander, Grand Army of the Republic, and to be charged to the appropriation for contingencies.

Passed, In Common Council, March 19, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, March 19, 1885.
Approved, March 24, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle
Mayor.

Conventions. In Conventions.

March 19, 1885.

Officers of Fire Depart. The following officers are elected:

Deputy Chief Engineer of the Fire Department:
Holden C. Hill.

Assistant Engineers of the Fire Department:
1. James M. Baker, 2. Stephen S. Shepard,
3. Leander M. Walling, 4. James Golding.

No. 107.

Message of the Mayor. Mayor's Message.

City of Providence
Executive Department, City Hall,
March 12, 1885.

Gentlemen of the City Council:

Water Supply for fire purposes near Fort St. and East ave. The recent total destruction by fire of two dwelling houses near the junction of North street and East avenue, has brought public attention to the fact that there is no water supply for the extinguishment of fires in that vicinity, while the number of dwelling houses, barns and other buildings is rapidly increasing, and already there is a considerable amount of property exposed to destruction. The construction of a large fire cistern at the junction of the above streets would answer a temporary purpose, but as the increase in the number of dwellings will soon afford sufficient revenue to warrant the extension of water pipes for supply for house purposes, it would seem to be inexpedient to construct such a cistern.

The water mains as now laid are, on Camp street, an eight inch pipe to within four hundred feet of North street, on East avenue, a six inch pipe to within twenty four hundred feet of the same street, and on Butler avenue, an eight inch pipe extending to North street and about two hundred feet westerly on said street.

I suggest the propriety of instructing the committee on water to report upon the best plan of furnishing a supply

Do of water for fire protection for the property in the first and tenth wards in the vicinity of North street.

Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

Read, In Board of Aldermen, March 12, 1885.
In Common Council, March 30, 1885.

No. 108.

Water for Fire purposes near North St. & East ave.

Resolved.

That the joint standing committee on water be, and they are hereby instructed to examine and report upon the best method of providing means of furnishing water for fire purposes in the vicinity of North street and East avenue.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, March 12, 1885.
In Common Council, March 30, 1885.
Approved April 2, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

No. 109.

Employees of Board of Public Works.

Communication.

Board of Public Works,
City Hall, Providence R. I.
March 12, 1885.

To the Honorable City Council.

Your honorable body having disapproved the salaries of certain employees of the undersigned, transmitted in list of January 26, the following named persons are again presented for approval of compensation at the rate heretofore paid them viz:

Philip S. Chase, chief clerk and bookkeeper, $1,700.00 per annum; Andrew B. Purdy, superintendent of pipe work, $1,400.00 per annum.

Very respectfully
Charles E. Carpenter.
Clinton D. Bellou.

Read, Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.
Passed, In Board of Aldermen, March 12, 1885.
In Common Council, March 30, 1885.

No. 110.

Employees of Board of Public Works.

Resolved.

That the salary of Philip S. Chase, at the sum of seventeen hundred dollars, also the salary of Andrew B. Purdy, at the sum of fourteen hundred dollars, each per annum, are hereby approved.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, March 12, 1885.
In Common Council, March 30, 1885.
Approved, April 2, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 111.

Asst. of Common Council.

Drainage

Resolved.

That the president of the common council is hereby added to the joint special committee appointed to consider the report of the city engineer on sewerage.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, March 12, 1885.
In Common Council, March 30, 1885.
Approved, April 2, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 112.

Acorn St.

Resolved.

That the board of public works are hereby directed to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Acorn street, from the Moshassuck river southerly about five hundred feet.

Passed In Board of Aldermen March 19, 1885
In Common Council, March 30, 1885.
Approved April 2 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No 113.

Larch St.

Resolved.

That the board of aldermen be and they are hereby requested to define a grade for Larch street from Camp Ann to Morris avenue in accordance with chapter 322 of the public laws, passed April 21, 1882.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, March 19, 1885.

In Common Council, March 30, 1885.
Approved April 2, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 114.

Resolved,

That permission is granted to James Bond to raise a certain building located at the corner of Atwells avenue and Gaspee street, pursuant to his petition.

James Bond.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, March 19, 1885.
In Common Council, March 30, 1885.
Approved, April 2, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 115.

Resolved,

That the mayor and aldermen be hereby requested to lay out Upsdike street, from Whitmarsh street to Mawney street, as a public highway.

Upsdike St.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen January 29, 1885
In Common Council, March 30, 1885
Approved April 2, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

No. 116.

Mayor's Message.

Message of the Mayor

City of Providence
Executive Department
City Hall, March 30 1885.

Gentlemen of the City Council:

Some two weeks ago I was surprised to learn that Mr. Charles Dudley of the board of assessors was absent from the State and had been for more than three months.

Chas. Dudley Assessor of Taxes

I had been into the office at different times during the period, but had not been informed of his absence, and therefore approved the monthly audits of his salary as made by the city auditor and allowed by the committee on accounts. On being informed of his absence and that his salary had

do. not been collected I requested the city auditor not to draw his draft on the city treasurer for the salary that had been so allowed and approved until directed so to do by the city council. As Mr. Dudley has now returned and resumed the discharge of his official duties, I recommend that such action may be taken thereon as may establish a precedent for the future in the absence from the state for a prolonged term of the salaried municipal officers. I am not aware that a similar case has occurred before in this city. Heretofore it has been customary for the city officers to notify the mayor when intending to be absent from their official duty for a term of even a week or ten days but to go for a period of more than a quarter of a municipal year is something entirely new and I suggest that in the case of this officer was wholly unwarranted.

do. Complaints are coming from various portions of the city of the inequalities in the valuation of the real estate and the time to correct this is between the close of the assessment and the ordering of a new tax, and for one of the board of assessors to leave his post of duty at such a time and for so long a period is to prevent the proper discharge of the duties of the board of assessors, which the taxpayers have a right to require at their hands.

I recommend the matter to your careful consideration.

Thomas A. Doyle
Mayor.

Read, In Common Council, March 30, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen April 2, 1885.

No. 117.

Mayor's Message.

Message of the Mayor.

City of Providence
Executive Department City Hall
March 30, 1885

Gentlemen of the City Council:

R. I. Hospital City Patients.

Messrs. Pond & Taft and John A. Cogswell a committee of the board of trustees of the Rhode Island Hospital waited upon me on the 9th inst. in relation to the increasing cost to the hospital of what may be very properly termed city pa-

R.I. Hospital tients. These include both medical and surgical cases sent from the police stations by the police officers, the police surgeons or by persons having free tickets, and are those unable to pay for either their treatment or board, and if the city had a hospital would be admitted and cared for therein. Subsequently I received a communication from the committee relative to the subject, a copy of which I transmit herewith.

The erection of the Rhode Island Hospital, by the munificence of the citizens of this state, has, undoubtedly, since its opening in October, 1868, saved the tax payers a very large sum of money, in the care and maintenance of the hundreds of patients who have been received into the institution, and the cost of whose treatment and board has been defrayed from its resources.

It is well known that the demands upon this hospital far exceed its income, and that for many years the deficiency has been made up, by a special guarantee fund assumed by some fifty individuals of this city and its vicinity. It is hardly to be expected that a city as large as Providence could exist without a hospital maintained at the expense of the municipal treasury, and it is very certain that such an institution would have been demanded long since but for the noble work done by the founders of the Rhode Island Hospital.

I have received within the past week a statement from the superintendent of this hospital, Dr. Charles F. Woodbury, by which it appears that within the past five years 314 persons injured by accident in this city have received treatment at the Hospital, at an expense for their board of $11,416.57, and in addition thereto, from June, 1884, to March, 1885, there were received from police stations by order of the police surgeon eight persons, whose board amounted to $387.42.

Do. There have also been received into this hospital for medical treatment during 1883 and 1884, not including those sent by owners of this trade, 388 cases, whose board amounted to the sum of $10,215, and these persons all belonged in this city and were not able to pay, or either their board or treatment.

In a visit to the hospital, and in looking over the matter with Dr. Woodbury, I am convinced that the expense to the institution for the past five years of medical and

Do surgical treatment and board of those who would be known as "city patients," and who would properly belong to a city hospital, if there was one, have been from $8,000 to $10,000 per annum, and this sum is rapidly increasing.

Under such a condition of affairs it is not strange that the trustees of this private charity should request from the municipality some assistance in bearing the burden.

In this connection I bring to your attention the fact that, June 15, 1882, the Board of Aldermen appointed a committee to secure a location and report plans for a suitable building for cases of diphtheria, scarlet fever, or other contagious diseases. No definite action was ever taken by the committee, and the matter was then permitted to remain in the advance of any special demands for such a building.

There is a necessity for a place for the treatment of persons attacked with delirium tremens in the police stations, who, in the absence of a suitable place, are detained in the Do. cells of the stations, sometimes for many days, before they can be disposed of by order of court. It is hardly worthy of a Christian community to confine a person suffering with a mental malady requiring quiet and careful nursing, in a cell, where a great portion of the time at least the patient can have no rest from the obscenity and profanity proceeding from adjoining cells.

I suggest that the whole subject should receive the attention of the city council as I am convinced that proper arrangements can be made with the trustees of the hospital to care for the several classes of cases for which no adequate provision now exists, and that by assuming on the part of the city a portion of the expense of what I have termed "city patients," the tax payers of Providence will be saved for many years to come from the heavy burden of a city hospital.

Do. Thomas A. Doyle,
Mayor.

Read, In Common Council, March 30, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, April 2, 1885.

For communication see the printed book of "City Council Resolutions".

No. 118.

R. I. Hospital.

If Special Committee

Resolved,

That the message of his honor the mayor, dated March 30, 1885, relative to the Rhode Island Hospital and cases of contagious diseases and delirium tremens, be referred to a joint special committee consisting of Messrs. Richards, Warry and Chace of the common council, Aldermen Martin and Sherman, together with the mayor, to examine and report thereon to either branch of the city council.

Passed, In Common Council, March 30, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, April 2, 1885.
Approved April 6, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 119.

Report.

Report.

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence.

The special committee to whom, by resolution of the city council approved November 19, 1884, was referred the report of the city engineer upon a "proposed plan for the sewerage system and for the disposal of the sewage of the City of Providence," in compliance with a resolution of the common council, passed the 19th inst., in the words following: "Resolved, That the joint special committee to whom was referred the report of the city engineer relative to the disposal of the sewage of the City of Providence, be requested to report to the common council at its next meeting what action has been taken thereon, and to further report what cause, if any exists, why steps should not at once be taken to begin the work upon the main intercepting sewers," make this their report:

Sewerage System

The committee have held many meetings for the consideration of the important matter committed to them, and, at a meeting on the 25th inst., were visited by a committee of the National Sewer and Sewerage Utilization Company, of New York, with a view to the adoption of the methods and plans of the committee in this city. To this proposition of the company your committee are giving due attention, and are not, therefore, prepared to report thereon at the present time,

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neither can they report definitely in regard to the report of the city engineer referred to them by the city council.

The committee deem it inexpedient for the city council to proceed with the work of building the main intercepting sewers until a decision has been made as to whether the plans of Mr. Gray shall be approved or not, and, if approved in what manner the work shall be done, it being, in the opinion of the committee, clearly for the interests of the city that the whole work should be done under one head.

Respectfully submitted by the request of

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the committee,

Thomas A. Doyle, Chairman

Providence, March 30, 1885.

Read, Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, March 30, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, April 2, 1885.

No. 120.

Communication.

Board of Public Works

Board of Public Works.
City Hall, Providence R. I.
March 30 1885.

Superintendent of Highways

To the Honorable City Council:

By the resignation of Mr. Jesse E. Gray, late superintendent of the highway department, which took effect 10th inst. the undersigned were called upon to appoint a successor, and were fortunate in securing the service of Mr. Samuel L. Blaisdell, well known as one who in . . past years has held positions of honor and trust.

The undersigned have agreed to compensate him at the rate of fifteen hundred dollars per annum, subject to approval of the city council, and hereby ask that said amount of compensation may be approved.

Very respectfully,
Charles E. Carpenter,
Clinton D. Sellew,
Board of Public Works.

Read, whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, March 30, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, April 2, 1885.

No. 121.

Superintendent of Highways

Resolved,

That the salary of Samuel L. Blair dell, superintendent of highway work, at fifteen hundred dollars per annum, is hereby approved as recommended by the board of public works in their communication dated March 30, 1885.

Passed, In Common Council, March 30, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, April 2, 1885.
Approved, April 6, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 122

Communication.

R. R. Terminal Facilities.

To the Honorable the City Council.

The commissioners on improved railroad terminal facilities respectfully transmit to the city council a note from Charles D. Clark, Esq., receiver of the New York and New England Railroad Company, bearing date February 11th, ultimo, and the reply of the commissioners thereto.

N. Y. & N. Eng. R. R. Co.

While the commissioners were unwilling to accede to Mr. Clark's request that they would recommend to the city council the appointment of a referee to determine the title to the land in controversy, they think it courteous to Mr. Clark to communicate his wishes to the government of the city, and propose that the city council should decide whether or not to adopt either of the methods proposed by him.

Respectfully submitted by
William Gouverneur,
S. S. Sprague,
N. B. Wellman.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed In Common Council, March 30, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, April 2, 1885.

[For copy of corrs, see, minted "City council Resolutions"]

No. 123.

Resolved,

That the chief engineer of the fire department, acting under the advice and direction of the joint standing committee on fire department, is hereby authorized and directed to purchase a Hayes hook and ladder truck, said truck to be located in the new fire station now nearing completion at the corner of Atwells avenue and America street, provided that said truck can be purchased at a cost not exceeding the sum of thirty five hundred dollars and the said sum of thirty five hundred dollars is hereby appropriated for said purpose from the re served fund.

Hayes Hook & Ladder Truck

Passed, In Common Council, March 30, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, April 2, 1885.
Approved, April 6 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 124.

Resolved.

That the board of public works are hereby directed to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Brighton street, from Knight street to Benton street, and in Benton street, from Brighton street to the present sewer in said Benton street.

Brighton St

Passed, In Common Council, March 30, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, April 2, 1885.
Approved, April 6, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 125.

Resolved.

That the board of public works, are hereby directed to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Peace street, from Broad street to Prairie avenue.

Peace St

Passed In Common Council, March 30 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, April 2, 1885.
Approved April 6, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No 126.

Resolved:

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about one hundred and forty nine feet of eight inch water pipes to be laid on Charles street from present end of pipe northerly.

Charles St.

Passed, In Common Council, March 30, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, April 2, 1885.
Approved, April 6, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No 128.

Resolved:

That the gift of Abraham H. Granger of the sum of seventy five dollars, to the commissioners of the North Burial Ground, in trust, the income thereof to be applied under the provisions of chapter 367 of the public laws, to the preservation and care of the burial lot standing in the name of the said Granger, in said ground, be and the same is hereby accepted under the name of the Abraham H. Granger fund.

Abm. H. Granger.

No. Burial Ground.

Passed, In Common Council, March 30, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, April 2, 1885.
Approved April 6, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 127.

Resolved:

That the gift of the heirs of John C. Fluhrer of the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars to the commissioners of the North Burial Ground in trust, the income thereof to be applied under the provisions of chapter 367 of the public laws, to the preservation and care of the burial lot standing in the name of said heirs, in said ground, be and the same is hereby accepted under the name of the John C.

John C. Fluhrer

No. Burial Ground.

Fluhrer fund.

Passed, In Common Council March 30, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, April 2, 1885.
Approved, April 6, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 129.

Resolved:

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

David Brow

No. Burial Ground.

Passed In Common Council, March 30 1885
In Board of Aldermen April 2 1885.
Approved April 6, 1885
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

No. 130.

Resolved:

That the mayor and aldermen be hereby requested to lay out Public Street, from Broad street to Prairie avenue, as a public highway.

Public St.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, January 27, 1885
In Common Council, April 13, 1885.
Approved April 13, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

No. 131.

Resolved:

That the mayor and aldermen be hereby requested to lay out Briggs street, from Ocean street to Eddy street, as a public highway.

Briggs St.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, March 19, 1885.
In Common Council, April 13, 1885.
Approved April 15 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 132.

Resolved.

That the board of aldermen be and they
Hill st. are hereby requested to define a grade for Hill street, from Howard street to a point about one hundred ninety feet westerly of Perry street in accordance with chapter 322 of the public laws passed April 21, 1882.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, April 2 1885.
In Common Council, April 13, 1885.
Approved, April 15, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 133.

Resolved.

That the board of aldermen be and they
Howard st. are hereby requested to define a grade for Howard street, from High street to Broadway in accordance with chapter 322 of the public laws passed April 21, 1882.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, April 2, 1885.
In Common Council, April 13, 1885.
Approved, April 15, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 134.

Resolved.

That the board of aldermen be and they
Perry st. are hereby requested to define a grade for Perry street from High street to Broadway, in accordance with chapter 322 of the public laws passed April 21, 1882.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, April 2, 1885.
In Common Council, April 13, 1885.
Approved April 15, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 135.

The Weigher at the Haymarket Scales makes
Receives at the Haymarket Scales. his Quarterly Report for the Quarter ending March 31 1885.
Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, April 9, 1885.
In Common Council, April 13, 1885.

No. 136.

Resolved.

That the joint committee on highways
Ellen L. Potter be hereby authorized and directed to make an exchange of the land on the westerly side of land belonging to the city of Providence and adjoining the lot situated on the corner of Beckwith and Schofield streets belonging to Ellen L. Potter, wife of John F. Potter, indicated in red between the letters A, B, C, and D, upon the accompanying plat, for land on the same plat indicated in blue between the letters A, E, F, and G, and that the mayor be and hereby is authorized in the name of the City of Providence to make and duly execute a conveyance by said city to said Ellen L. Potter of said land in red whenever she shall make due conveyance to the said city of said land in blue.

Beckwith and Schofield sts.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, April 9 1885.
In Common Council April 13, 1885.
Approved April 15 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 137.

The Finance Committee make their Monthly
Finance Committee. Report upon the Issue of Registered Bonds for March, 1885.
Read whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, April 13 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, April 16, 1885.

No. 138.

The City Treasurer makes his Monthly Report
City Treasurer upon the Issue of Registered Bonds for March 1885.
Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, April 13, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, April 16, 1885.

No. 139.

City Auditor. The City Auditor marked his Monthly Report for the Month of March, 1885.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, April 13, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, April 16, 1885.

No. 140.

City Treasurer. The City Treasurer marked his Monthly Report for the Month of March, 1885.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, April 13, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, April 16, 1885.

No. 141.

Chief Eng. of the Fire Dept. The Chief Engineer of the Fire Department makes his Monthly Report for March, 1885.

Amount of Salaries $10012.44 Incidentals $2898.31 Total $12910.55

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, April 13, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, April 16, 1885.

No. 142.

City Messenger. The City Messenger made his Monthly Report for the Month of March, 1885.

Read whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.

Passed In Common Council April 13, 1885
In Board of Aldermen, April 16, 1885.

No. 143.

Report.

Sinking Funds.

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence:

The board of commissioners of Sinking funds make this their thirty fifth quarterly report.

Do.

The bonds and notes comprised in the funded debt, for the redemption of which sinking funds are held by the commissioners, the purposes for which they were issued, and the amounts of the sinking funds March 31, 1885, are shown by the following table:

	Debt.	Sinking Fund.
Bonds due September 1, 1885 for public improvements made prior to 1855, (6 per cent.)	$600.000.00	$791.330.27
Bonds due January 1, 1893, for expenses incurred in enlisting soldiers in the war of the rebellion, (5 per cent.)	300.000.00	301.791.60
Bonds due June 1, 1895, for construction of sewers and city hall (4½ per cent.)	600.000.00	128.648.11
Bonds due July 1, 1895, for construction of sewers and city hall (5 per cent. sterling loan.)	1397.250.00	433.015.82
Bonds due July 1, 1899, for public improvements made since 1855, (5 per cent.)	450.000.00	76.860.60
Bonds due July 1, 1900, for same purpose, (5 per cent.)	146.500.00	19.920.00
Do. Bonds due July 1, 1900, for the water works, (5 and 6 per cent.)	44000.00	141,131.87
Bonds due July 1, 1906, for the water works, (5 per cent)	1300.000.00	
Notes due in 1885 and 1886 for the Brook street district improvement, (4½ per cent.)	280.000.00	376.84
Totals	$9,273.250.00	$1896.295.06

The amount of funds in the control of the board, December 31, 1884, was -

Of the funds of 1855,	$776438.58
Of the funds of 1893,	292.937.39
Of the funds of 1895,	423.392.10
Of the city hall and sewer loan of 1899,	125.645.14
Of the public improvement loan of 1899,	75.077.11
Of the public improvement loan of 1900,	19,469.17
Of the water loan,	$137,732.04
Of the Brook street district loans,	229.54
Whole amount,	$1845.631.07

Do.

The increase in the several funds has been

Sinking Funds.

In the fund of 1885,	$20.111.64
In the fund of 1893,	11.854.21
In the fund of 1895,	9.923.72
In the city hall and sewer loan of 1899,	3.002.97
In the public improvement loan of 1899,	1.773.49
In the public improvement loan of 1900,	450.83
In the water loan,	3,399.83
In the Brook street district loans,	147.30
Whole increase,	$50.663.99

Respectfully submitted by request of the board of commissioners.

Thomas A Doyle,
Mayor and Chairman.

Providence April 13, 1885.

Read, whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, April 13, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, April 16, 1885.

No. 144.

Report.

Report.

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence:

Brook St. Dist. The joint special committee on the Brook street district, present this their thirty third quarterly report of receipts and expenditures.

Receipts for the quarter ending March 31, 1885.

Rents	$90.00

Expenditures for the quarter ending March 31, 1885.

Henry H. Redman,	$30.00
Repairs on building,	3.00
Expense removing ashes, etc.,	4.00
Total,	$37.00

For the committee,

Thomas A. Millett,
Chairman.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, April 13, 1885

In Board of Aldermen, April 16, 1885.

No. 145.

Report.

Report.

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence:

Obscene Books and prints. The joint standing committee on education, to whom, on March 9th, 1885 was referred a resolution directing them to report "as to the advisability of prohibiting the sale or display of indecent pictorial publications" would respectfully report.

That they have given this matter their attention and are unanimously of the opinion that legislation, with this end in view, is imperatively demanded, and that an act should be passed without delay, prohibiting the sale or display of any of the publications herein referred to. In order that a proper ordinance may be prepared embodying the necessary requirements, your committee submit and recommend the passage of the accompanying resolution.

Respectfully submitted,

Fred. J. Murray, Chairman.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, April 13, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, April 16, 1885.

No. 146.

Resolved;

Fire Alarm Bell That the committee on city property is hereby directed to purchase and place in position in the tower of the new fire station on Atwells avenue and America st., a fire alarm bell and striking instrument, provided that the cost thereof shall not exceed the sum of fifteen hundred dollars, which sum is hereby appropriated for said purpose and to be paid from the reserved fund.

Passed In Common Council, April 13, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, April 16, 1885.
Approved, April 20, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 147.

School House near Dudley and Providence St.

Resolved; That the joint standing committee on city property be, and they are hereby directed to purchase a site for a primary and intermediate school house in the vicinity of Dudley and Providence streets, 9th ward school district, provided the cost of the same shall not exceed the sum of seven thousand five hundred dollars, to be paid for from the appropriation for school houses and lots.

Passed, In Common Council, April 13, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, April 16, 1885.
Approved, April 20, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 148.

School House near Bellevue ave. & Hanover st.

Resolved; That the joint standing committee on city property be, and they are hereby directed to purchase a site for a primary and intermediate school house in the vicinity of Bellevue avenue and Hanover street, 11th district, provided the cost thereof shall not exceed the sum of seven thousand five hundred dollars, to be paid for from the appropriation for school houses and lots.

Passed, In Common Council, April 13, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, April 16, 1885.
Approved April 20, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 149.

School House near Amherst St.

Resolved, That the joint standing committee on city property be, and they are hereby directed to purchase a site for a primary and intermediate school house in the vicinity of Amherst street, seventh school district, providing the cost of the same shall not exceed the sum of four thousand dollars, to be paid from the appropriation for school houses and lots.

Passed, In Common Council, April 13, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, April 16, 1885.
Approved, April 20, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 150.

Drawing in High Schools.

Resolved, That the school committee is hereby authorized to expend two hundred and fifty dollars for teaching industrial drawing in the high school the present school year, said amount to be paid from the appropriation for the support of public schools.

Passed, In Common Council, April 13, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, April 16, 1885.
Approved, April 20, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 151.

Dorchester St.

Resolved, That the board of public works be hereby directed to reset the curb bound and pave the gutters on the north side of Dorchester street, from Dix street to Davis street, in accordance with the dotted curb lines shown on the accompanying plan, and also to move the fences on the south side of the lot belonging to Ellen F. Potts, wife of John F. and of the lot belonging to the City of Providence and reset the same upon the red lines as shown, and to do such other work as may be required to carry out said plan, the expense of said work to be charged to the appropriation for highways.

Passed, In Common Council, April 13, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, April 16, 1885.
Approved, April 20, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 152.

Camp St. & North St.

Resolved, That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendations, are hereby directed to cause about sixteen hundred and fifty-eight feet of eight inch water pipes to be laid in Camp street, from Hazel Brow street to North street, and in North street, from Camp street to East avenue.

Passed, In Common Council April 13, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, April 16, 1885.
Approved April 20, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 153.

Greenwich St.

Resolved,

That the board of public works are hereby directed to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Greenwich street, from Warren street to the summit of Greenwich street.

Passed, In Common Council, April 13, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, April 16, 1885.
Approved April 20, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 154.

Warren St.

Resolved,

That the board of public works are hereby directed to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Warren street, from Greenwich street to Fuller street.

Passed, In Common Council, April 13, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, April 16, 1885.
Approved, April 20, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 155.

Rebecca B. Danforth
to
N. Burial Ground.

Resolved,

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

Passed, In Common Council, April 13, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, April 16, 1885.
Approved, April 20, 1885
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 156.

Samuel Dyson.

Resolved,

That the gift of Samuel Dyson and Fergus Hemingway of the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars,

to the commissioners of the North Burial Ground, in trust, the income thereof to be applied under the provisions of chapter 367 of the public laws, to the preservation and care of the burial lot standing in the name of said Dyson and Hemingway, in said ground, be and the same is hereby accepted under the name of the Dyson and Hemingway fund.

N. Burial Ground.

Passed, In Common Council, April 13, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, April 16, 1885.
Approved, April 20, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 157.

Harriet A. Taft
to
N. Burial Ground.

Resolved,

That the gift of Harriet A. Taft of the sum of five hundred dollars, to the commissioners of the North Burial Ground, in trust, the income thereof to be applied under the provisions of chapter 367 of the public laws, to the preservation and care of the burial lot standing in the name of the heirs of Oliver Earle and John C. Taft, in said ground, be and the same is hereby accepted under the name of the Earle and Taft fund.

Passed, In Common Council, April 13, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, April 16, 1885.
Approved, April 20, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 158.

East Beacon St.

Resolved,

That the mayor and aldermen be hereby requested to lay out East Beacon street, from Washington street to Beacon street, as a public highway.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, January 29, 1885.
In Common Council, April 13, 1885.
Approved, April 20, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 159.

Whelden St.

Resolved,

That the mayor and aldermen be hereby

Do. requested to lay out Wheeden street, from Pomfret street to West Pearl street, as a public highway.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, March 19, 1885.
In Common Council, April 13, 1885.
Approved, April 20, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 160.

Dept. Rooms in Warwick Dist.

Resolved:

That the committee on City Property be, and they are hereby authorized to rent suitable rooms for the accommodation of primary and intermediate pupils in the Warwick District - the Trustees Board, provided the expense shall not exceed the sum of thirty dollars per month, to be paid for from the appropriation for public schools.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen April 16, 1885.
In Common Council, April 27, 1885.
Approved, April 28, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

No. 161.

Doyle St.

Resolved.

That the Mayor and aldermen be and they are hereby requested to lay out Doyle street, from Trainer avenue to Eddy street, as a public highway.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, April 16, 1885.
In Common Council, April 27, 1885.
Approved, April 28, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 162.

Washington Bridge.

Resolved

That the sum of sixty thousand dollars be and the same is hereby added to the appropriation for the construction of Washington bridge across the Seekonk river, and the city treasurer acting under the advice of the joint committee on finance, is hereby authorized to him the same.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen April 27, 1885.
In Common Council, April 27, 1885.

Approved April 28 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

Dredging near Sewer Outlets.

No. 163.

Resolved.

That the joint standing committee on the harbor is hereby directed to examine the docks in the immediate vicinity of sewer outlets, and to cause to be done, such dredging as said committee may judge to be necessary, and the sum of fifteen hundred dollars is hereby appropriated for said purpose, and to be charged to the appropriation for contingencies.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, May 4, 1885.
In Common Council, May 4, 1885.
Approved, May 5 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 164.

Clerk of the Justice Court.

Resolved,

That the city clerk together with alderman Thorn and councilman Miller, be and hereby are directed to ascertain if the clerk of the justice court of the City of Providence has faithfully and seasonably recorded the judgments and proceedings of said court and in case they shall find such to be the fact the city clerk is hereby directed to give to said clerk a certificate that he has furnished to the city annual satisfactory evidence thereof and that the provisions of section 25 of Chapter 196 of the public statutes have been complied with.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, April 30, 1885.
In Common Council, May 4, 1885.
Approved, May 5, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

No 165.

City Solicitor Report.

The City Solicitor makes his Semi-Annual Report.

Read, whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.

Passed In Common Council, April 27, 1885.

In Board of Aldermen, May 4, 1885.

No. 166.

Messages of the Mayor.

Mayor's Message.

City of Providence
Executive Department
City Hall April 27, 1885.

Gentlemen of the City Council.

Departments of the City Government Sale of Materials.

There are various departments of the city government that are authorized to sell certain materials connected with their department and to make return of the name of the purchasers and the amount of the sale to the city treasurer for collection. It has often happened that it has been found very hard to collect these bills, and the amounts being small in many cases little or no attention is given it by the purchasers and in some cases it has been impossible to make any collection whatever.

As the sales are made to accommodate the purchasers rather than to benefit the city, I suggest that no department be permitted to deliver any materials until a sufficient deposit has been made with the city treasurer to cover the amount of the purchase.

Thomas A. Doyle
Mayor.

Read, In Board of Aldermen, May 4, 1885.
In Common Council, April 27, 1885.

No. 167.

Sale of Materials.

Resolved.

That the message of the mayor, dated April 27, 1885, relative to the sale of materials by the various departments of the city government, be and the same is hereby referred to the joint standing committee on ordinances, with instructions to examine and report thereon by bill or otherwise.

Passed In Common Council, April 27, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, May 4, 1885.
Approved, May 6, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 168.

Message of the Mayor.

Mayor's Message.

City of Providence
Executive Department
City Hall, April 27, 1885.

Gentlemen of the City Council:

Washington Bridge

It is expected that the new Washington bridge will be opened for public travel at an early date, and as soon as this is done a place must be provided for the residence of the draw-tender.

At the Red bridge the house of the officer is located on land owned by the City of Providence at the foot of Valeman street, on the north side of the bridge.

As the city now owns a lot of land at the foot of Tockwotton street, north of the new bridge, I suggest that steps be taken at once to erect a suitable and substantial house for the occupancy of the draw tender.

Thomas A. Doyle,
Mayor.

Read, In Common Council April 27, 1885
In Board of Aldermen, May 4, 1885.

No. 169.

Do.

Draw Tender.

Resolved.

That the message of the mayor, dated April 27, 1885, relative to a house for the draw tender at the new Washington bridge, be and the same is hereby referred to the joint committee on city property to examine and report thereon.

Passed, In Common Council, April 27, 1885
In Board of Aldermen, May 4, 1885
Approved, May 6, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 170.

Board of Public Works.

Resolved.

That the city solicitor is hereby directed to apply to the general assembly for such amendments to chapter 815 of the public laws, passed April 15, 1880, and acts in a

do. amendment thereto, as will provide as follows:

First. That the city council shall elect a member of the board of public works in the month of February or thereafter in each year.

Second. That said board of public works shall not authorize the payment, to any of its agents or servants, of any sensation in excess of the sum of one thousand dollars per annum, unless such compensation shall have first been approved by the city council.

Passed, In Common Council, April 27, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, May 4, 1885.
Approved, May 6, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 171.

Resolved,

That the city treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to George H. Brown, three constables, the sum of twenty three dollars and forty cents, the same being the amount of expense for fees and summons of witnesses in the case of Edward Sinclair against said Brown, March term, A. D. 1884, of the supreme court; the same to be charged to the appropriation for police.

George H. Brown

Passed, In Common Council, April 27, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, May 4, 1885.
Approved, May 6, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 172.

Resolved,

That the city treasurer be, and he is hereby authorized and directed to pay the Providence Press Company thirty-six dollars and fifteen cents, the same being the amount of their account for advertising evening schools, 1883; said payment to be charged to the appropriation for printing.

Providence Press Co.

Passed, In Common Council, April 27, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, May 4, 1885.
Approved, May 6, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 173.

Resolved,

That the joint standing committee on highways are hereby directed to report a resolution directing the city solicitor to make application to the supreme court for the appointment of commissioners to lay out West Exchange street, from Cove street westerly to Atwells avenue as a public highway; and said committee is authorized to report to either branch of the city council.

West Exchange St.

Passed, In Common Council, April 27, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, May 4, 1885.
Approved, May 6, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 174.

Resolved,

That the chief engineer of the fire department pursuant to the prayer of the petition of A. C. Howard and others, is hereby directed to procure and cause to be placed in position a fire alarm box at the corner of Butler and Irving avenues, the cost of the same to be paid out of the appropriation for the fire department.

Fire Alarm Box.

Cor. Butler & Irving Aves.

Passed, In Common Council, April 27, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, May 4, 1885.
Approved, May 6, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 175.

Resolved,

That the superintendent of public buildings, acting under the advice and direction of the joint standing committee on city property, be and he is hereby authorized and directed to have the bath houses belonging to the city of Providence put in order for use during the season of 1885, and deliver the same to the joint standing committee on harbor; the expense thereof to be paid out of the appropriation for the repairs of public buildings.

Bath Houses

Passed, In Common Council, April 27, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, May 4, 1885.

No. Approved, May 6, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 176.

Bath Houses.

Resolved. That the joint standing committee on harbor be and they are hereby authorized and directed to locate and maintain during the season of 1885, the bath houses belonging to the City of Providence; the expense for the same to be paid out of any money in the city treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed, In Common Council April 27, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, May 4, 1885.
Approved, May 6, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

No. 177.

Message of the Mayor.

Mayor's Message.

City of Providence
Executive Department
City Hall, May 4, 1885.

Gentlemen of the City Council.

Electric Wires Underground.

I have noticed in the public papers the fact that many cities are requiring the removal of elec tric wires and poles from the public streets and that the West ern Union Telegraph Company have already begun placing their wires underground in some places.

In this city overhead wires have been a serious inconvenience, particularly in case of fire, besides the annoyance to the public of large poles obstructing narrow sidewalks in the business streets.

I therefore recommend that the matter receive thorough investigation by a committee of the city council in order that, if these wires are being placed under ground in other cities, the same may be done in Providence.

Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

Read, In Common Council, May 4, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, May 4, 1885.

No. 178.

Special Committee Electric Wires Underground.

Resolved. That the message of the Mayor dated May 4, 1885, relative to electric wires be referred to Messrs. Miller, Fanning and Lowe of the common council and Aldermen Burnham and Briggs, with instructions to examine into the matter of placing electric lighting, telephone and telegraph wires under ground and to enquire whether the same has been or is being done in other cities and to what extent and to report such recommendations thereon as to the action to be taken in this city, as they may deem expedient.

Passed In Common Council, May 4, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, May 4, 1885.
Approved May 6, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 179.

William A. Evans.

Gift to N. Burial Ground.

Resolved That the gift of William A. Evans of the sum of seventy five dollars to the commissioners of the North Burial Ground, in trust, the income thereof to be applied under the provisions of chapter 367 of the public laws, to the preservation and care of the burial lot standing in the name of said Evans in said ground, be and the same is hereby accepted under the name of the William A. Evans fund.

Passed, In Common Council, May 4, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, May 4, 1885.
Approved, May 6, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 180.

Caroline E. Shakespeace

Gift to N. Burial Ground.

Resolved, That the gift of Caroline E. Shakespeace of the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars to the commissioners of the North Burial Ground, in trust, the income thereof to be applied under the provisions of chapter 367 of the public laws to the preservation and care of the burial lot standing in the name of said Shakespeace in said ground, be and the same is hereby accepted under the name of the Caroline E. Shakespeace

do. Approved, May 6, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 176.

Resolved.

Bath Houses. That the joint standing committee on harbor be and they are hereby authorized and directed to locate and maintain during the season of 1885, the bath houses belonging to the City of Providence; the expense for the same to be paid out of any money in the city treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed, In Common Council, April 27, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, May 4, 1885.
Approved, May 6, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 177.

Message of the Mayor.

Mayor's Message.

City of Providence
Executive Department
City Hall, May 4, 1885.

Gentlemen of the City Council.

I have noticed in the public papers the fact that many cities are requiring the removal of elec Electric Wires Underground. tric wires and poles from the public streets and that the West ern Union Telegraph Company have already begun placing their wires underground in some places.

In this city overhead wire have been a serious inconvenience, particularly in case of fire, besides the annoyance to the public of large poles obstructing narrow sidewalks in the business streets.

I therefore recommend that the matter receive thorough investigation by a committee of the city council in order that, if these wires are being placed under ground in other cities, the same may be done in Providence.

Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

Read, In Common Council, May 4, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, May 4, 1885.

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Electric Wires Underground.

Passed In Common Council, May 4, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, May 4, 1885.
Approved, May 6, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 179.

Resolved.

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Gift to N. Burial Ground.

Passed, In Common Council, May 4, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, May 4, 1885.
Approved, May 6, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

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Gift to N. Burial Ground.

fund.

Passed, In Common Council, May 4, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, May 4, 1885.
Approved, May 6, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 181.

William Paisley

Gift to North Burial Ground.

Resolved,

That the gift of William Paisley of the sum of seventy five dollars to the commissioner of the North Burial Ground, in trust, the income thereof to be applied under the provisions of chapter 367 of the public laws, to the preservation and care of the burial lot standing in the name of said Paisley in said ground, be and the same is hereby accepted under the name of the William Paisley fund.

Passed, In Common Council, May 4, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, May 4, 1885.
Approved, May 6, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 182.

Board of Public Works.

The Board of Public Works make their Ninth Quarterly Report for the Quarter ending March 31, 1885.

City Document No. 21.

Read, Thereupon it is ordered that the same be received.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, April 30, 1885.
In Common Council, May 11, 1885.

No. 183.

City Registrar.

City Document No. 23.

Resolved,

That the thirtieth annual report of the city registrar, for the year ending December 31, 1884, be received, and that six hundred copies thereof, one of the communications accompanying the same, be printed in pamphlet form for the use of the city council, under direction of the joint committee on printing.

Passed In Board of Aldermen April 30, 1885.
In Common Council, May 11, 1885.
Approved May 20, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 184.

Vernon St.

Resolved,

That the board of public works are hereby directed to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Vernon street, from Batley street to a point about one hundred and sixty feet westerly from said Batley street.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, April 30 1885.
In Common Council, May 11, 1885.
Approved, May 20, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 185.

Jay St.

Resolved,

That the board of aldermen be, and they are hereby requested to devise a grade for Jay street, from Clinton street to Dudley street, in accordance with chapter 322 of the public laws passed April 21, 1882.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, May 4, 1885.
In Common Council, May 11, 1885.
Approved, May 20 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 186.

Robinson St.

Resolved,

That the board of aldermen be and they are hereby requested to devise a grade for Robinson street, from Prairie avenue to Jay street, in accordance with chapter 322 of the public laws, passed April 21, 1882.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, May 4, 1885.
In Common Council, May 11, 1885.
Approved May 20, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle
Mayor.

No. 187.

Resolved,

That the board of aldermen be, and they are hereby requested to define a grade for Stanford street, Stanford St. from Dutton street to Blackstone street, in accordance with chapter 322 of the public laws, passed April 21, 1882.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, May 4, 1885.
In Common Council, May 11, 1885.
Approved, May 20, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 188.

Resolved,

That permission be granted to Owen Mc. Emma Mc Kenna to raise a certain building, located at No. 898 High street, pursuant to his petition.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, May 4, 1885.
In Common Council, May 11, 1885.
Approved, May 20, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 189.

Resolved,

That permission be granted to Reuben Wm. G. Sprague Sprague to raise a certain building, located at No. 348 Pearl ave avenue, pursuant to his petition.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, May 4, 1885.
In Common Council, May 11, 1885.
Approved, May 20, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 190.

The City Auditor makes his Monthly Report for April, 1885.

City Auditor. Read, whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, May 11, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, May 21, 1885.

No. 191.

The City Treasurer makes his Monthly Report for the Months of April, 1885.

City Treasurer. Read, whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, May 11 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, May 21, 1885.

No. 192.

The Chief Engineer of the Fire Department makes his Monthly Report for April, 1885.

Chief Engineer of the Fire Dept. Salaries $467.66 Incidentals $595.84 Total $7063.50

Read, whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, May 11, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, May 21, 1885.

No. 193.

The City Messenger makes his Monthly Report for April, 1885.

City Messenger. Read, whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, May 11, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, May 21, 1885.

No. 194.

The City Auditor makes his Annual Report of the Estimates of the Receipts and Expenditures for the Financial year ending, September 30, 1886.

Receipts & Expenditures. City Document No 20.

Read and Received, In Common Council May 11, 1885; Board of Aldermen May 21 1885.

No. 195.

Resolved;

That the sum of five hundred dollars be, and is hereby added to the appropriation for Appropriation Brook St. Dist. the Brook street district, the same to be taken from any moneys in the city treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed, In Common Council, May 11, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, May 21, 1885.

Approved May 22, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

No. 196.

Resolved.

That permission is hereby granted to Bugbee & Bennell to construct and maintain a shaft
Bugbee and Bennell. on Canal street for the purpose of transmitting power between the buildings No. 25 and 26 Canal street provided said Bugbee & Bennell shall at all times indemnify and save harmless, and defend the City of Providence, of and from all damages, costs and expenses to which said city may be subjected or made liable by any proceedings at law, or in equity or otherwise growing out of the grant or continuance of the permission and privilege granted to said Bugbee & Bennell in this resolution, or out of the exercise and enjoyment of the same by said Bugbee & Bennell; said shaft to be constructed to the satisfaction of and in accordance with the plan of the city engineer on file in his office, and provided also, that before proceeding to do any work under this resolution, the said Bugbee & Bennell shall file in the city clerks office their acceptance in writing of the conditions of this resolution and provided further that, that said shaft shall be removed at any time by order of the city council.

Passed, In Common Council, May 11, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, May 21, 1885.
Approved, May 22, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 197.

Resolved: That it is hereby ordered and directed,
that the sidewalks on Smith street from Park street to Charlestown
Smith and west side of Brook St. avenue and on the west side of Brook street, from Angell street to Meeting street in the city of Providence, shall be altered and improved by concreting the same as aforesaid, so that said sidewalks for their whole length, as aforesaid, shall be the width as now established, three eighths of an inch rise per foot from the inside of the curb to the street line, except modification necessary to meet

Do. the occupation lines, and shall be otherwise constructed in manner and of materials as follows, viz:

All material above said grade shall be excavated and removed. Good sand or gravel shall be used for filling wherever it may be required.

The foundation shall be composed of clean, coarse gravel, properly coated with tar, and shall not be less than two inches in depth, after being rolled and thoroughly compacted.

The top of the foundation shall be brought to a smooth surface by the addition of fine pebble, completely coated with tar and thoroughly rolled.

The top dressing shall consist of clean, sharp sand, thoroughly saturated with tar, and applied in a layer of such thickness that after being rolled or compacted, it will not be less than an inch in depth. The total depth of walk when finished shall not be less than two inches.

The quality of the tar used shall be equal in all respects to that made in the Providence Tar Company.

The gravel and sand shall be thoroughly dry before
Do. coating or saturating the same with tar.

Said alteration and improvement of said sidewalks shall be completed within six weeks from the time of the passage hereof.

And it is hereby further resolved, ordered and directed that the notices of the aforegoing resolution, order and direction, required to be given and the publication of the aforegoing, required to be made, shall be given or made, as the case may be, in manner and as required by law.

Passed, In Common Council, May 11, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, May 21, 1885.
Approved, May 22, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 198.

Resolved.

That the City Solicitor be hereby di-
Fire Works. rected to make application to the General Assembly at the May, session A.D. 1885 for the passage of an act in

do. amendment of chapter 312 of the public laws entitled "An act to regulate the storage keeping and sale of fire works in the City of Providence," substantially in accordance with the accompanying draft.

Passed, In Common Council, May 11, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, May 21, 1885.
Approved, May 22, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 199

Resolved,

That the further proceedings in the matter of the lay out of West Exchange street, from Acorn street to Atwells avenue, by commissioners appointed by the supreme court November 8, 1884, be hereby discontinued.

West Exchange St.

Passed, In Common Council, May 11, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, May 21, 1885.
Approved, May 22, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 200

Resolved.

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about two hundred and ten feet of six inch water pipes to be laid in Chatham street from Branch avenue southerly.

Chatham St.

Passed, In Common Council May 11, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, May 21, 1885.
Approved, May 22, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 201.

Resolved.

That the Board of Public Works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about three hundred and ninety-three feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Clinton street, from Plain street to Stanifort street, and in Stanford street about one hundred and thirty feet.

Clinton & Stanifort sts.

Passed, In Common Council, May 11, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, May 21, 1885.
Approved, May 22, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 202

Resolved;

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about three hundred and seventy six feet of twelve inch water pipes to be laid in Fenner avenue, from Sampson to Depot avenue.

Fenner ave.

Passed, In Common Council, May 11, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, May 21, 1885.
Approved, May 22, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 203.

Resolved.

That the board of public works, in accordance with their communication, are hereby directed to cause about forty four feet of six inch water pipes to be laid in Milk street, from present end of pipe, northerly.

Milk st.

Passed, In Common Council, May 11, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen May 21, 1885.
Approved, May 22, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 204.

Resolved;

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about seventy feet of six inch water pipes to be laid in Parsonage street, from present end of pipe, southerly.

Parsonage St.

Passed, In Common Council, May 11, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen May 21, 1885.
Approved, May 22, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 205.

Resolved,

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about ninety one feet of six inch water pipes to be laid in Pavilion avenue, from present end of pipe, easterly.

Pavilion ave.

Passed, In Common Council, May 11, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, May 21, 1885.
Approved, May 22, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 206.

Resolved,

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about three hundred feet of six inch water pipes to be laid in Pemberton street, from Dorr street to Beaufort street.

Pemberton St.

Passed, In Common Council, May 11, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, May 21, 1885.
Approved, May 22, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 207.

Resolved,

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about one hundred and fifty feet of six inch water pipes to be laid in Potter's avenue, from present end of pipe, easterly.

Potter's Ave.

Passed, In Common Council, May 11, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, May 21, 1885.
Approved, May 22, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 208.

Resolved,

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about one hundred and ninety feet of six inch

Salisbury St.

Do. water pipes to be laid in Salisbury street, from Main street, westerly.

Passed, In Common Council, May 11, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, May 21, 1885.
Approved May 22, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

No. 209.

Resolved,

That the board of public works are hereby directed to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Halsey street, from Angell street to Benefit street, and in Benefit street, from Halsey to Star street.

Halsey & Benefit Sts.

Passed, In Common Council, April 27, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, May 21, 1885.
Approved, May 22 1885.
Thomas A Doyle Mayor.

No. 210.

Mayor's Message.

Messages.

City of Providence,
Executive Department City Hall
May 21, 1885.

Gentlemen of the Board of Aldermen:

The contract made with the American Electric Lighting Company for lighting a portion of the public streets, at fifty-five cents per night, for each of the seventy five lamps, expired April 10th last, and since that date the Narragansett Electric Lighting Company, the successors of the former, have lighted the same streets, on like terms, under an agreement which can be terminated at the pleasure of the city.

Electric Arc Lights.

On the 9th. of March last the board of aldermen passed a resolution authorizing the "joint committee on lamps to advertise for proposals for not less than seventy five nor more than one hundred electric arc lights for use by the city for one, two and three years." On the 30th. of March the common

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council concurred in the resolution, with an amendment authorizing the committee to advertise for proposals and to contract for "not less than seventy five nor more than one hundred electric arc lights for one year, at not exceeding fifty five cents per night." April 2d the board of aldermen now concurred in the amendment and the same day directed the lamp committee of the board to ascertain and report the "price of not less than seventy five nor more than one hundred electric arc lights for the use of the city for one, two and three years."

On the 6th of April this committee reported that they had been able to obtain prices in compliance with the order of the board from the Narragansett Company alone, the Rhode Island Company declining to furnish the prices asked for, because, as they said in their communication the board had no authority to award a contract and for that reason were unwilling to give the information until power should be given to the city, to make a contract, on behalf of the city.

Do. April 16th. the board of aldermen adopted a joint resolution giving authority to the joint committee on lamps to contract for not less than seventy five nor more than one hundred electric arc lights for the use of the city for one year from May 12 1885 at a cost of not more than fifty five cents each per night." May 4th inst. the common council concurred in the resolution, with an amendment changing the date for making the contract from May 12, to June 15 and requiring the committee to "advertise for bids," and with this amendment the board concurred on the same day. This resolution has been presented for executive approval, and I herewith return it to the board in which it originated, with my objections to its passage.

From the facts I have presented, it will be seen that while one branch of the city council has been since March 9th last endeavoring to ascertain the terms upon which the city could contract to light the public streets by electric lamps for a longer term than one year the other branch have been unwilling to concur in such a request, and the effort of the board of aldermen to obtain the information on its own authority was refused because one of the two electric light companies in this city denied the power of the board to make a contract, and on this pretence refused the information desired.

Do. Having given the matter considerable attention,

Do. I have ascertained that at the present time the electric lights in this city are furnished at a lower price than in any other, except the city of Bridgeport, which pays fifty five cents, the city of Syracuse, which has contracted for three years at fifty cents, Albany at the same price for two years, and Quincy, Ill. for three years at forty two cents. Syracuse has 130 lamps, Albany 480, and Quincy 126. I am convinced that to meet the demand of our citizens the number of electric lamps should be increased to not less than 200, and with such an increase and a contract, as proposed, for three years, this city could obtain as low or a lower price than has ever been named.

My reasons for this are, first, that the expense of erecting the poles for electric lamps is very heavy, being on an average not less than $30. per post, including the intermediate supporting poles, and to increase the number of lamps sufficiently to meet even the proposed number in the resolution, will entail a heavy expense upon the company, which, of course, has to be paid by the city in an increase of cost per lamp, which would be materially lessened if the contract was extended beyond a single year. That a contract made by the city for the large number of lamps I have indicated for a term of three years, would ensure such a permanency to the company holding the contract, that they could afford to reduce their price for the city lamps to a very low figure in the same manner that street gas lamps have always been furnished to the city at a lower rate per thousand feet for gas than is paid by individual consumers.

Second, the large amount to be received annually from a long contract with the city would enure to the benefit of the citizens, not only in the increase in the number of miles of better lighted street at a greatly reduced cost, but also enable the company to reduce the price of what are termed commercial lights to their other customers, so that in this respect the longer contract would be a public benefit.

Do. Third. In the instances where a contract with a city has been made for a longer term than one year, it has been at a price greatly below what the city had been

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paying for a single year.

For these reasons, and because I am convinced that the public interest will be promoted by making a longer contract for street lighting by electric lights than one year, I object to the passage of the resolution under consideration and return it herewith.

The city council should at least be furnished with the price at which the streets could be lighted with electric lamps for a longer term of years, and then decide upon such information, whether the interest of the city and its citizens would be promoted thereby. To deny such knowledge to the members of the two branches is to assume that the city council is not competent to pass upon the matter, and hence should not be entrusted therewith.

In this connection I beg to remind the city council that their are now two electric lighting companies in successful operation in this city, and it is a favorable time to make a contract for a long period, when they will both probably be competitors therefor. What guarantee can the city council have that before the lapse of another year the two companies will not be united in a single monopoly of the electric lighting business, or at least a treaty of alliance made between them for a division of the business of street lighting, so that the city will have terms dictated to it, instead of being able to make a choice of bids for its contract.

The only objection to a long contract that I have heard is the danger that before three years elapse there may be such changes in the business of electric street lighting as to reduce the cost thereof below any terms that can be possibly be given at the present time; that electric lighting is in its infancy, etc. To this I answer that electric lighting is not in its infancy, for it is at least a half century of age, and it would be better to speak of its nearly perfected growth. It is safe to say that in the actual light from arc lamps there is now realized more than ninety per cent. of the steam power used in its production, and that for as there must of necessity be some loss in converting one form of energy into another, it is not safe to calculate upon any marked change in the present method of

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do. electric street lighting.

Thomas A. Doyle,
Mayor.

Read, In Board of Aldermen, May 21, 1885.
In Common Council, May 25, 1885.

No. 211.

Resolved:

That the joint committee on lamps be, and they are hereby authorized to contract, after advertising for bids therefor in the name and on behalf of the City of Providence, for the use by the city, of not less than seventy-five nor more than one hundred electric arc lights, for one year from June 13, 1885, at a cost of not more than fifty five cents each per night.

Electric Arc Lights

Passed, In Board of Aldermen May 21 1885.
In Common Council May 25 1885,
The objections of the Mayor to the contrary notwithstanding.

No. 212.

Report.

Clerks of the Justice Court.

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence:

The committee appointed by resolution No. 164, approved May 5, 1885, to examine the records of the clerks of the justice court of the City of Providence report:

That they have performed the duty assigned them and find that said clerks have faithfully and seasonably recorded the judgements and proceedings of the justice court in this city as required by statute, and have produced to your committee satisfactory evidence thereof, that the provisions of section 25 of chapter 196 of the public statutes have been complied with.

Respectfully submitted,
William B. Greene,

Do.

Augustus S. Miller,
Henry V.A. Joslin, City Clerk,
Committee.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, May 21, 1883.
In Common Council, May 25, 1883.

No. 213.

Resolved,

That the board of aldermen be, and they are hereby requested to define a grade for Atlantic street from Melrose street to Hamilton street, in accordance with chapter 322 of the public laws, passed April 21, 1882.

Atlantic St.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen May 21, 1883.
In Common Council, May 25, 1883.
Approved, May 26, 1883.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 214.

Resolved,

That the board of aldermen be, and they are hereby requested to define a grade for Converse avenue, from Melrose street to Hamilton street, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 322 of the public laws, passed April 21, 1882.

Congress ave.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, May 21, 1883.
In Common Council, May 25, 1883.
Approved, May 26, 1883.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 215.

Resolved,

That the board of aldermen be, and they are hereby requested to define a grade for the following streets, viz:

Lake and Parsonage Streets.

Lake street, from Hospital street to Parsonage street, and Parsonage street, from east of Bay (Pleasant) street to Manchester street, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 332

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of the public laws, passed 1882.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, May 21, 1883.
In Common Council, May 25, 1883.
Approved, May 26, 1883.
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

No. 216.

Resolved,

That the board of aldermen be, and they are hereby requested to define a grade for Lexington avenue from Melrose street to Hamilton street, in accordance with chapter 322 of the public laws, passed April 21, 1882.

Lexington Ave.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, May 21, 1883
In Common Council, May 25, 1883.
Approved, May 26, 1883.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 217.

Resolved,

That the board of Aldermen be, and they are hereby requested to define a grade for Ontario street, from Melrose street to Hamilton street, in accordance with chapter 322 of the public laws, passed April 21, 1882.

Ontario St.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, May 21, 1883.
In Common Council, May 25, 1883.
Approved, May 26, 1883.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 218.

Resolved,

That the tax of seven dollars and twenty-five cents, assessed against Walter A. Scott, on personal property, in 1884, be remitted, said Scott being domiciled in the town of Cumberland R.I. where such assessment was erroneously made.

Walter A. Scott

Passed, In Common Council, April 27, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, May 4, 1885.

Became a law upon the adjournment of the Common Council, May 25, 1885.

No. 219.

Mayor's Message.

Message:

City of Providence,
Executive Department, City Hall,
June 1, 1885.

Gentlemen of the City Council.

Assessor of Taxes. Clause 6 of section V of the city charter is as follows:

"The city council in convention shall also elect annually, on the first Monday of June, one assessor of taxes for said city, who shall hold his office for the term of three years."

I have therefore convened both branches of the city council at this time, in order that you may be enabled to comply with this requirement of the charter.

Thomas A. Doyle
Mayor.

Read, In Common Council June 1, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, June 1, 1885.

In Convention
June 1, 1885.

Convention.

The following officers are elected, viz:

Assessor of Taxes. Assessor of Taxes, Elisha H. Hardin.
Viewer of Fences. Viewer of Fences, John H. Cottrell.
Weigher of Cotton. Weigher of Cotton, Edward W. Brown.

No. 220.

Mayor's Message.

Message:

City of Providence,
Executive Department,
City Hall, June 1, 1885.

Gentlemen of the City Council.

New Flag at junc. Westminster & High sts. On the 23d ultimo the flag upon the city staff at the junction of High and Westminster streets was torn completely from the binding on the halliards while displayed at half mast in respect to the memory of the late ex Secretary Frelinghuysen.

The superintendent of hacks has caused it to be repaired so that it may be used on a still day in case of emergency. This flag is the largest owned by the city and has been in use for more than seven years and cannot now be displayed in windy or stormy weather.

I therefore recommend that the superintendent of hacks be authorized to purchase a new flag for that staff.

Thomas A. Doyle,
Mayor.

Read, In Common Council, June 1, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, June 1, 1885.

No. 221.

Resolved,

New Flag. That the superintendent of hacks, be, and he is hereby authorized to purchase a new flag for the city staff at the junction of High and Westminster streets, at a cost not to exceed the sum of one hundred dollars; the same to be charged to the appropriation for contingencies.

Passed, In Common Council June 1, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, June 1, 1885.
Approved June 3, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

Read and Passed

No. 222.

Tax Ordinance. An Ordinance providing for the Assessment and Collection of a Tax upon the Real and Personal Estate in the City of Providence.

Chapter CCLXXXVIII.

For Ordinance see book of City Ordinances No. 4 Page 181.

Passed, In Common Council, May 25 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, June 4, 1885.
Approved, June 4, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 223.

Mayor's Message.

Message.

City of Providence,
Executive Department,
City Hall May 25, 1885.

Gentlemen of the City Council:

On the 9th inst. a petition was presented to the town council of the town of Johnston by certain citizens, requesting that body to make arrangements with the City of Providence for the location and maintenance of a fire alarm box within the town, to be answered in the same manner as the fire alarm boxes in the city. At a regular meeting of the council, the petition was referred to a committee of them citizens, to confer with the authorities of this city in regard to the matter.

Johnston R.I. Fire Alarm

I have received and herewith transmit a memorial from said committee, which I recommend receive the attention which its importance deserves.

Thomas A. Doyle,
Mayor.

Read In Common Council, May 25 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, June 4, 1885.
For Communications see printed "City Council Resolutions."

No. 224.

Resolved:

That the message of the Mayor dated Prov. R.I. May 25, 1885, transmitting a memorial from a committee of the town council of the town of Johnston, be and the same is hereby referred to the joint committee on the fire department with instructions to examine and report thereon.

Johnston R.I. Fire Alarm Box.

Passed, In Common Council, May 25, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, June 4, 1885.
Approved, June 6, 1885.

Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 225.

Report.

Report:

To the Honorable City Council:

Gentlemen: The joint standing committee on water have for a long time had under discussion with committee of the town of North Providence, the subject of allowing in case the City of Providence should construct a high service reservoir in said town. The result of this discussion is shown in the accompanying certificate of Thomas H. Angell, clerk of the town council, dated March 1885.

Reservoir in North Providence

Your committee recommend that the city council accept the terms of said resolution to take effect "when the city shall have completed a reservoir ready for filling with water, in town of North Providence."

For the Committee,
H. H. Peabody, Chairman.

Read whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.

Do. Passed, In Common Council, May 25 1883.
In Board of Aldermen, June 4, 1883.

Certificate:

[Copy.]

North Providence R.I. May 22, 1883.

This is to certify that at a meeting of the town council, held on the 4th. day of May, A.D. 1885, the chairman of the committee appointed to confer with the committee appointed on the part of this city in regard to the Smith Hill Reservoir, presented a written report, in which report was the following resolution:

Do.

"Resolved, That the City of Providence be and are hereby authorized and permitted to construct a reservoir in the town of North Providence, and to do any other work in connection therewith;

Provided, that when the City of Providence shall have completed a reservoir, ready for filling with water,

North Providence

in the town of North Providence, said city shall pay to said town the sum of four hundred dollars, and thereafter annually the said sum of four hundred dollars forever, and said annual sum shall be full and complete payment for any extention of said water-works, and the said water shall be exempt and free from any and all taxation."

The said report was voted to be received and accepted, and the committee were authorized to report to the city ammitte the action of this council, and also to draw any papers needed in the matter.

Thomas N. Angell, Common Clerk.

No. 226.

Ordinance

Dairy of Teachers Night Sessions

An Ordinance in ammendment of Chapter CCII, of the Ordinances, providing for an increase in the salaries of the Assistant Teachers in the First and Second Class of Girls' Department in the High School.

Chapter CCLXXXIX.

For ordinance See book of "City Ordinances" No. 4 Page 182.

Passed In Common Council, May 25 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, June 4, 1885.
Approved June 6 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 227.

State Tax

Resolved: That for the purpose of providing for the payment of the city's proportion of the state tax, payable June 15, 1885 the sum of one hundred and one thousand one hundred and twenty-eight dollars and sixty-four cents is hereby added to the appropriation for the state tax, and the city treasurer, acting under the advice of the committee on finance, is hereby authorized to pay the same.

Passed, In Common Council, May 25, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, June 4, 1885.
Approved June 6, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 228.

Police Station corner Plain & Borden Sts

Resolved. That the joint standing committee on police be, and they are hereby authorized and directed to contract for and cause to be erected a building for a police station on the lot owned by the city at the corner of Plain and Borden streets, in accordance with the plans and designs herewith presented; said building to cost not exceeding twenty-five thousand dollars, which sum is hereby transferred for said purpose from the appropriation for police.

Passed, In Common Council, May 25, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, June 4, 1885.
Approved June 6 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 229.

Burgess St

Resolved. That the board of public works are hereby directed to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Burgess street, from High East to Cranston Street.

Passed, In Common Council, May 25 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, June 4, 1885.
Approved, June 6, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 230.

Charles St

Resolved, That the board of public works be hereby directed to cause about sixty feet of twelve inch water pipe to be laid in Charles street, from present end of pipe northerly.

Passed, In Common Council, May 25, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen June 4, 1885.
Approved June 6, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle,
Mayor.

No. 231.

Resolved

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about fourteen hundred and sixty seven feet of 12 inch water pipes to be laid in Dorr street, from present end of pipe to Mt. Pleasant avenue, and in Mt. Pleasant avenue from Dorr street to Charlestown avenue.

Dorr St. & Mt. Pleasant ave.

Passed, In Common Council, May 25, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, June 4, 1885.
Approved, June 6, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 232.

Resolved,

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about two hundred and ten feet of six inch water pipes to be laid in Pomona avenue, from Academy avenue, westerly.

Pomona ave.

Passed, In Common Council, May 25, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, June 4, 1885.
Approved, June 6, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

No. 233

Resolved.

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause three hundred and fifty feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Robinson street, from Prairie avenue, westerly.

Robinson St.

Passed, In Common Council, May 25, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, June 4, 1885.
Approved, June 6, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle
Mayor.

No. 234.

Resolved,

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about four hundred and fifteen feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Slocum street, from Olney street to Harkness street.

Slocum St.

Passed, In Common Council, May 25 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, June 4, 1885.
Approved, June 6, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 235.

Resolved,

That the city messenger is hereby authorized to cause telephones to be placed in the following offices in the city hall, viz: one in the office of the board of public works, and one in the office of the superintendent of health, the same to be connected with wires running to the central office of the Providence Telephone Company, the expense thereof to be charged to the appropriation for the city hall.

Telephones in offices of Board of Public Works & Supt. of Health

Passed, In Common Council, May 25, 85.
In Board of Aldermen, June 4, 1885.
Approved, June 6, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 236.

Communication.

Communication.

City of Providence
City Clerk's Office,
City Hall, June 3, 1885.

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence:

The undersigned reports that Messrs. Bugbee & Brownell who were granted permission to locate and operate for the transmission of power, a wire rope across Canal street, between the buildings numbered 35 and 36 on Canal street, have in writing accepted the provisions of

Bugbee & Brownell.

Brighton Branch

resolution No. 196, approved May 22, 1885, by filing said acceptance in the office of the city clerk as required by said resolution.

Respectfully submitted,
Henry C. A. Joslin, City Clerk.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, June 4, 1885.
In Common Council, June 8, 1885.

No. 237.

City Engineer.

Annual Report of the City Engineer for the year 1884.

City Document No. 25.

Read, whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, June 4, 1885.
In Common Council, June 8, 1885.

No. 238.

No. Burial Ground Thomas Grace Ferdinand Potter

Resolved,

That the fund known as the Thomas Grace fund, held in trust by the commissioners of the North Burial Ground for the care and preservation of the burial lot in said ground lately standing in the name of Thomas Grace, be hereafter known as the Ferdinand Potter fund, the income thereof to be applied to the care of said lot, which has been conveyed, by deed duly recorded, from said Grace to said Ferdinand Potter.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, June 4, 1885.
In Common Council, June 8, 1885.
Approved, June 11, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 239.

Manning St.

Resolved,

That the board of public works be hereby directed to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Manning street, from Hope street to Thayer street.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, June 4, 1885.
In Common Council, June 8, 1885.
Approved, June 11, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 240.

Manning St.

Resolved,

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about nine hundred feet of six inch water pipes to be laid in Manning street, from Hope street to Thayer street.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, June 4, 1885.
In Common Council, June 8, 1885.
Approved, June 11, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 241.

Prospect Alley.

Resolved,

That the board of aldermen be, and they are hereby requested to define a grade for Prospect Alley, from Brown street to Hope street, in accordance with Chapter 322 of the public laws, passed April 21, 1882.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, June 4, 1885.
In Common Council, June 8, 1885.
Approved, June 11, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 242.

Sullivan St.

Resolved,

That the board of aldermen be, and they are hereby requested to define a grade for Sullivan street, from Chester street to Public street, in accordance with chapter 322 of the public laws, passed April 21, 1882.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, June 4, 1885.
In Common Council, June 8, 1885.

Sullivan St.

Approved, June 11, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 243.

Resolved,

That permission be granted to William
Wm. P. Gray. P. Gray to raise a certain building, located at No. 10 Baxter Street,
pursuant to his petition.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, June 4, 1885.
In Common Council, June 8, 1885.
Approved, June 11, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 244.

Resolved,

That the mayor and aldermen be,
Pellington St. and they are hereby requested to lay out Pellington street,
from East Bacon street to Pearl street, as a public highway.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen May 4, 1885.
In Common Council, June 8, 1885.
Approved June 11, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 245.

An Ordinance relative to the erection of
Ordinance Poles on the Streets or Sidewalks of the City of Providence:
Chapter CCXC.

Poles on St. or Sidewalks. For Ordinance see book of "City Ordinances" No. 4 Page. 183.

Passed, In Common Council, May 25, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, June 4, 1885.
Approved, June 19, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 246.

The Joint Committee on Finance, make their
Report of Finance Committee monthly Report of the Issue of Registered Bonds for the
Months of April and May, 1885.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same
be received.

So. Passed, In Common Council June 8, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, June 18, 1885.

No. 247.

The City Treasurer makes his Monthly Report
City Treasurer. for the Months of April and May, 1885. Issue of Registered Bonds.

Read, whereupon it is ordered that the same
be received.

Passed In Common Council June 8, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen June 18, 1885.

No. 248.

The City Auditor makes his Monthly
Report for the Month of May, 1885.
City Auditor.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same
be received.

Passed In Common Council June 8, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, June 18, 1885.

No. 249.

The City Treasurer makes his Monthly
Report for the Month of May, 1885.
City Treasurer.

Read, whereupon it is ordered that the
same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, June 8 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, June 18, 1885.

No. 250.

The Chief Engineer of the Fire Department
makes his Monthly Report for the Month of May
Chief Eng. 1885.
Fire Dept.

Salaries $3471.14 Incidentals $2834.39 Total $6305.53

Read, whereupon it is ordered that the
same be waived.

Passed In Common Council June 8, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen June 18, 1885.

No. 251.

The City Messenger makes his Monthly
City Messenger.

Do. Report for the Month of May 1885.
Read, Whereupon it is ordered that the same be accepted.
Passed, In Common Council, June 8, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen June 18, 1885.

No. 252.

No Burial Ground. The Commissioners of the North Burial Ground make their Annual Report upon the Receipts and Expenditures of the Trust Fund for the year ending May 31, 1885.

Trust Fund. Read, Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, June 8 1885.
In Board of Aldermen June 18, 1885.

No 253.

Do. The Commissioners of the North Burial Ground make their Annual Report upon the Trust Fund for the Year ending May 31, 1885.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be waived.

Passed, In Common Council, June 8, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, June 18, 1885.

No 254.

The School Committee make their Annual

Report.

School Committee. City Document No. 26.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed In Common Council, June 8, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, June 18, 1885.

No. 255.

Report.

Accounts of City Auditor & City Treasurer. To the Honorable The City Council.
Gentlemen:

In compliance with section XXXI Chapter

Do. XIX of the city ordinances. The joint committee on finance respectfully report that they have examined the annual report of the city auditor, and the accounts of the city treasurer, for the year ending September 30th 1884, and compared them with the vouchers, and find them to be correct.
For the committee
F. A. Chase
Chairman.
Read, Whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.
Passed In Common Council, June 8, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, June 18, 1885.

No. 256.

Report.

Assistant city Solicitor. To the Hon. the City Council of the City of Providence.
The joint standing committee on ordinances hereby communicate to the city council their approval of the appointment by the City Solicitor of Stephen A. Cooke Jr. as assistant city solicitor, to hold office for one year from the first Monday in June, A. D. 1885.
For the committee
J. S. G. Cobb.
Chairman.
Providence June 8, 1885
Read whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.
Passed, In Common Council, June 8 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, June 18, 1885.

No. 257.

Mayor's Message.

Message. City of Providence
Executive Department
City Hall June 8, 1885.

Mayor at St. Gentlemen of the City Council:
It is understood that the Ashley estate, so-

Weybosset St. called, on the southeasterly side of Weybosset street, has been leased for a term of years, and is to be improved by the erection of a permanent building thereon, which, while not covering the present occupation line yet will project several feet beyond the front of the building of Alexander Duncan, Esq., adjoining on the east.

It will be remembered that Weybosset street was widened by the city council in 1870, on the southeasterly side from its junction with Westminster street to Abbott's gangway, the buildings between that point and the Ashley estate having been already located back from the line of the highway by the owners. Between Mr. Duncan's building and the bank building, so called, owned by Hon Amos C. Barstow, which stands back from the line of the highway, there are but two parcels of property, one being the Ashley estate, above alluded to, the other the estate of George H. Darling, Esq. Since the buildings on the Darling estate are all old and will have to give way to more permanent structures within a few years, I recommend that the city council take immediate measures to widen Weybosset street on its southeasterly side, between the Duncan estate, to which I have referred, and the bank building.

It may be practicable to make an agreement with Mr. Darling, by which a new line of the street can be fixed and the buildings permitted to remain till more permanent structures are required, which would very materially lessen the cost of widening.

Thomas A. Doyle,
Mayor.

Read, In Common Council, June 8, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, June 18, 1885.

No. 258.

Resolved:

Weybosset St. That the message of the mayor, dated June 8, 1885 relative to the widening of Weybossed Street, be, and the same is hereby referred to the joint committee on highways with instructions to examine and report thereon to either branch of the city council.

Passed, In Common Council, June 8, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, June 18, 1885.
Approved June 20, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 259.

Sale of Materials by City Depart.

Report.

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence:

The joint standing committee on ordinance to whom, May 6, 1885, was referred a message of his honor the mayor relative to sale of materials, etc. respectfully report and recommend the passage of the accompanying bill, or an ordinance.

For the committee
J. S. G. Cobb, Chairman.

Read, whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, June 8, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, June 18, 1885.

No. 260.

Ordinance Sale of Materials.

An Ordinance relative to the Sale of Materials by Departments of the City Government.

Chapter CCXCI.

For Ordinance see book of "Ordinances" No. 4 Page 184.
Passed, In Common Council, June 8, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, June 18, 1885.
Approved June 20, 1885. Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

No. 261.

Ordinance Union R.R. &c.

An Ordinance permitting the Union Railroad Company to Lay Rails in Smith Street.

Chapter CCXCII.

For Ordinance see book of "City Ordinances" No. 4 Page 184.
Passed, In Common Council, June 8, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, June 18, 1885.
Approved, June 20, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 262.

Resolved,

That the committee on city property is hereby directed to make the changes and improvements to fire station No. 3, on Pond street, and fire station No. 13 on Central street, as recommended, in accordance with the accompanying plans and estimates, at a cost not to exceed thirty-four hundred dollars, and that the money to pay for the same be taken from the appropriation for public buildings.

Fire Stations Nos. 3 & 13.

Passed, In Common Council, June 8, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, June 18, 1885.
Approved, June 20, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 263.

Resolved,

That the superintendent of public buildings, acting under the advice and direction of the joint standing committee on city property, is hereby authorized and directed to raise the school building on the corner of Thayer and Meeting streets, to construct a cellar beneath, and connect the same with the street sewer; also to make such other repairs and renovations as may be found necessary, providing the expense attending the same shall not exceed the sum of three thousand dollars, and said amount is hereby appropriated to be paid from the appropriation for the repairs of public buildings.

School House Cor. Thayer & Meeting Sts.

Passed, In Common Council, June 8, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, June 18 1885.
Approved June 20, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 264.

Resolved,

That the chief engineer of the fire department, pursuant to the prayer of the petitioners, Samuel F. Hill and others, is hereby directed to procure and cause to be placed in position a fire alarm signal box at or near the corner of North street and East avenue, the cost of

Fire Alarm Box. Cor. nor North St. & East ave.

the same to be paid for from the appropriation for the fire department.

Passed, In Common Council, June 8, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, June 18, 1885.
Approved June 20, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 265.

Resolved,

That the joint standing committee on city property be, and they are hereby authorized to purchase nine gravel lots, adjoining gravel lands owned by the city, between Butler and Slater avenues, in the first ward, provided the cost of the same shall not exceed the sum of ten cents per square foot, the deed and title of same to be satisfactory to the city solicitor, to be paid for from the appropriation for highways.

Gravel Lots between Butler & Slater Aves.

Passed, In Common Council, June 8 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, June 18, 1885.
Approved June 20, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 266.

Resolved,

That the city treasurer is hereby directed to pay to the "Star Chemical Works," Gardner & Hayden, agents, the sum of thirteen dollars and twenty cents for merchandise delivered to the city, whenever said "Star Chemical Works" shall execute a release satisfactory to the city solicitor of all claims against the city of said works and of the "Star Chemical Works," said payment to be charged to the appropriation for the city hall.

Star Chemical Works.

Passed, In Common Council, June 8 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, June 18, 1885.
Approved June 20, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor

No. 268.

Wilson St.

Resolved.

That the mayor and aldermen be, and they are hereby requested to lay out Wilson street, from Harrison street to Dexter street, as a public highway.

Passed, In Common Council, June 8, 1883.
In Board of Aldermen, June 18, 1883.
Approved, June 20, 1883.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 269.

Angell St.

Resolved.

That the mayor and aldermen be, and they are hereby requested to lay out Angell street, from Butler avenue to Grand avenue, as a public highway.

Passed, In Common Council, June 8, 1883.
In Board of Aldermen, June 18 1883
Approved, June 20, 1883.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 270.

Hanover & Dexter Sts.

Resolved.

That the board of aldermen be, and they are hereby requested to define a grade for Hanover street, from Cranston street easterly to a point where Dexter street extended southerly intersects said Hanover street, and also define a grade for Dexter street, from its present termination, southerly, to said Hanover street, in accordance with chapter 322 of the public laws, passed April 21, 1882.

Passed, In Common Council, June 8, 1883.
In Board of Aldermen, June 18, 1883.
Approved, June 20, 1883.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 270.

Elmwood ave. (Cranston)

Resolved.

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about one thousand and sixteen feet of eight-inch

do. and about twenty feet of six-inch water pipe to be laid in Elmwood avenue, Cranston, from Park avenue, southerly.

Passed, In Common Council, June 8, 1883.
In Board of Aldermen, June 18, 1883.
Approved, June 20, 1883.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor

No. 271.

Tesler St.

Resolved.

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about thirty six feet of six-inch water pipe to be laid in Tesler street, from present end of pipe, near Olney street, westerly.

Passed, In Common Council, June 8, 1883.
In Board of Aldermen, June 18, 1883.
Approved June 20, 1883.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor

No. 272.

Gift of Orra J. Angell

Resolved.

That the gift of Orra J. Angell, of the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars, to the commissioners of the North Burial Ground, in trust, the income thereof to be applied under the provisions of chapter 367 of the public laws, to the preservation and care of the burial lot standing in the name of said Angell, in said ground, be, and the same is hereby accepted under the name of the Orra J. Angell Fund.

Passed, In Common Council, June 8, 1883.
In Board of Aldermen, June 18, 1883.
Approved, June 20 1883.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 273.

Gift of Wm B. Cranston's Heirs.

Resolved.

That the gift of William B. Cranston's heirs, of the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars, to the

Wm B. Cranston's Heirs.

commissioners of the North Burial Ground, in trust, the income thereof to be applied under the provisions of Chapter 367 of the public laws, to the preservation and care of the burial lot standing in the name of said heirs, in said ground, be, and the same is hereby accepted under the name of the William B. Cranston's heirs fund.

Passed, In Common Council, June 8, 1883.
In Board of Aldermen, June 18, 1883.
Approved, June 20, 1883.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 274.

Resolved,

That the gift of Ellen A. Cunliff, of the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars, to the commissioners of the North Burial Ground, in trust, the income thereof to be applied under the provisions of chapter 367 of the public laws, to the preservation and care of the burial lot standing in the name of Joseph Cunliff, in said ground, be, and the same is hereby accepted under the name of the Joseph Cunliff fund.

Ellen A. Cunliff

Passed, In Common Council, June 8, 1883.
In Board of Aldermen, June 18, 1883.
Approved, June 20, 1883.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 275.

Resolved,

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

Gift of Peter Vennerbeck

Passed, In Common Council, June 8 1883.
In Board of Aldermen, June 18, 1883.
Approved, June 20, 1883.

Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 276.

The Sealer of Weights and Measures renders his

Sealer of Weights & Measures.

Semi-Annual Report, ending May 31, 1883.
Fees $416.59 Expenditures $128.21 Total $544.80
Read, Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, June 18, 1883.
In Common Council, June 22, 1883.
Approved, June 23, 1883.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 277.

Resolved,

That the board of public works, are hereby directed to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Congdon Street, from Bowen Street to a point about one hundred feet westerly.

Congdon St.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, June 18, 1883.
In Common Council, June 22, 1883.
Approved, June 23, 1883.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 278.

Ordinance

An Ordinance revoking permission to the American Electric and Illuminating Company to erect and maintain poles and wires in certain streets.

American Electric and Illuminating Co.

Chapter CCXCIII.

For Ordinance See Book of City Ordinances No. 4 Page 185.
Passed, In Board of Aldermen June 18, 1883
In Common Council, June 22, 1883.
Approved, June 23, 1883.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 279.

Resolved,

That the City of Providence accepts of

Reservoir in

Town of North Providence.

the terms offered by the town of North Providence by the action of its town council on May 22, 1883, in reference to the construction of a reservir in said town by the City of Providence at or near Fruit Hill in said town of North Providence, and hereby agrees to make the payments of money therein mentioned and in the manner therein specified, said payments being made as an exemption from all taxations in said town by said town for water works and all extention of water works in said town belonging to the city of Providence.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, June 18, 1883.
In Common Council, June 22, 1883.
Approved June 23, 1883.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 280.

Surface drain.

Dexter St.

Resolved,

That the board of public works, be hereby directed to lay a surface drain with outlet into the Dexter Street gutter at the corner of Cranston Street in accordance with the plan of the city engineer, at a cost not exceeding nine hundred dollars to be charged to the appropriation for highways.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen June 18, 1883.
In Common Council, June 22, 1883.
Approved, June 23, 1883.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 281.

Bonds of City Officers.

Resolved,

That the joint standing committee on finance, is hereby directed to inquire into and report to the city council as to the advisability of taking bonds of city officers from security and guarantee companies.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, June 18, 1883.
In Common Council, June 22, 1883.
Approved, June 23, 1883.
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

No. 282.

O'Neill St.

Resolved,

That the mayor and aldermen be hereby requested to lay out O'Neill Street, from Douglas avenue to Veazie Street, as a public highway.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, June 18, 1883.
In Common Council, June 22, 1883.
Approved June 23, 1883.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 283.

J. S. Barrett Jr.

Resolved,

That permission be granted to J. S. Barrett Jr. to raise a certain building, located at No. 20 Blundell Street, pursuant to his petition.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen June 18, 1883.
In Common Council June 22, 1883.
Approved June 23, 1883.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 284.

Wm. L. Whipple.

Resolved,

That permission be granted to William L. Whipple to, raise a certain building, located at Nos. 33 and 35 Delaine Street, pursuant to his petition.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen June 18 1883.
In Common Council, June 22, 1883.
Approved June 23, 1883.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 285.

Ordinance Salary Supt. Pub. Schools.

An Ordinance fixing the salary of the Superintendent of Public Schools from and after the first Wednesday in September, 1883.

Chapter CCXCIV.

For Ordinance see note of "City Ordinances" No. 4 Page 186.

Passed In Board of Aldermen June 25 1883.
In Common Council June 29, 1883.

Approved, June 30, 1883.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 286.

Resolved,

Electric Arc Lights

That the joint committee on lamps be and they hereby are authorized to add to the contract already made for electric arc lights, hereby, six additional lights for one year or less, at a cost of not more than thirty three cents each per night.

Passed In Board of Aldermen June 18 1883.
In Common Council, June 29, 1883.
Approved, June 30, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 287.

Resolved,

Stuart St.

That the mayor and aldermen be hereby requested to lay out Stewart Street, from High Street to Broad street, as a public highway.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, June 18, 1883.
In Common Council June 29, 1883.
Approved June 30, 1883.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 288

Resolved,

Thomas St.

That the mayor and aldermen be hereby requested to lay out Thomas Street, from North Main Street to Benefit Street, as a public highway.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, June 18, 1883.
In Common Council, June 29, 1883.
Approved, June 30, 1883.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 289.

Mayor's Message.

Message.

City of Providence,

Executive Department
City Hall, June 29 1883.

Clerk of the Municipal Ct.

Gentlemen of the City Council.

I have received and herewith transmit a communication from Charles C. Mumford, Clerk of the Municipal Court, resigning said office and requesting that his resignation take effect immediately.

Chas. C. Mumford.

Since Mr. Mumford desires to take up the duties of another position at the earliest possible date I suggest that, as the board of aldermen will be in session on the 2d of July next at 4 o'clock P.M. this common council adjourn to meet on that day to join in convention for the purpose of electing his successor.

Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

Read, In Common Council, June 29 1883.
In Board of Aldermen, July 2, 1883.

No. 290.

Resignation.

Resignation of Chas. C. Mumford, Clerk of the Municipal Ct.

Municipal Court of the City of Providence June 29, 1883.

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence:

Having accepted an office which demands my immediate attention, I hereby resign the office of Clerk of the Municipal Court of the City of Providence and respectfully request that said resignation be immediately accepted. Thanking your honorable body for your uniform kindness and courtesy I have the honor to be,

Your obedient servant,
Chas. C. Mumford.

Read In Common Council June 29, 1883.
In Board of Aldermen, July 2, 1883.

In Convention

July 2, 1885.

Convention

Clerk of the Municipal Ct.

Clifford A. Harrington is elected Clerk of the Municipal Court

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No. 291.

Resolved:

That the mayor be authorized to cause the usual number of bells to be rung and the customary salutes to be fired on the fourth of July inst. and that the expense thereof be paid from the appropriation for contingencies.

Passed, In Common Council, June 29, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen July 2, 1885.
Approved, July 3, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

Fourth of July

No. 292.

Resolved:

That the city treasurer is hereby authorized to pay to Ebenezer Kinnes, the amount due him for rent of lot on Oxford street, occupied by the old Oxford street school house from October 1, 1884 to June 1, 1885; said amount to be paid from the appropriation for public schools.

Ebenezer Kinnes

Old Oxford St. School House

Passed, In Common Council June 22, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, July 2, 1885.
Approved July 8, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 293.

Resolved:

That the board of aldermen be, and they are hereby requested to define a grade for Highland street, from Atwell street to Grand View street, in accordance with Chapter 322 of the Public Laws passed April 21, 1882.

Highland St.

Passed, In Common Council, June 22, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, July 2, 1885.
Approved, July 8, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 294.

Resolved:

That the board of public works, are hereby directed to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Pleasant street (late Earle Lane) from Camp street to North Main street.

Pleasant St.

Passed, In Common Council, June 22, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen July 2, 1885.
Approved, July 8, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 295.

Report.

Report

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence.

The joint committee on the fire department to whom was referred by resolution No. 2244 current series the message of the mayor transmitting the memorial of the committee of the town council of the town of Johnston, asking for the terms upon which the City of Providence will locate a fire alarm box in said town, and provide for the cooperation of the city fire department in case of an alarm from said box, report:

Fire Alarm Box

Town of Johnston.

That upon the reference of said message and the accompanying papers your committee held a conference with the committee of the town council of Johnston, who fully explained the wants of said town in the matter of protection against fire in the vicinity of Plainfield street and Webster avenue.

After hearing the committee from the town of Johnston, your committee gave the matter careful consideration and came to the conclusion that the city council could not

Do. locally enter into any agreement to establish and maintain a fire alarm box, or to provide for protection against fire outside the corporate limits of the city, without special authority given therefor by act of the general assembly.

Your committee therefore recommend that the further consideration of the matter is indefinitely postponed, and that the town council of Johnston be notified that the city respectfully declines to accede to the request for terms for protection against fire in said town.

Respectfully submitted for the committee,
John H. Tillinghast,
Chairman.

Read, whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, June 29, 1883.
In Board of Aldermen, July 2, 1883.

No. 296.

Town of Johnston Fire Alarm Box.

Resolved:

That the further consideration of the request of the town council of the town of Johnston for the location of a fire alarm box in said town be indefinitely postponed, and that the city clerk be directed to notify the committee of the town council of said town that the City of Providence respectfully declines to accede to the request of said town for the location of a fire alarm box and the cooperation of the city fire department therein.

Passed, In Common Council, June 29, 1883.
In Board of Aldermen, July 2, 1883.
Approved, July 5, 1883.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 297.

Mt. Pleasant St. Hammond St. Federal St. Point St., School Houses also High School.

Resolved:

That the superintendent of public buildings, acting under the advice and direction of the joint standing committee on city property, be and he is hereby authorized and directed, during the summer vacation, to refurnish with settees seats and desks the Hammond street and Mount Pleasant school buildings, to renovate the interior of the Federal street and Point street grammar school buildings, and to alter and improve the heating apparatus at the high school; the expense attending said improvements to be paid for from the appropriation for the repairs of public buildings.

Passed, In Common Council, June 29, 1883.
In Board of Aldermen, July 2, 1883.
Approved, July 5, 1883.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 298.

Appropriation for Public Parks.

Resolved:

That the sum of five hundred dollars is hereby added to the appropriation for care and maintenance of the public parks, said sum to be taken from any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed, In Common Council, June 29, 1883.
In Board of Aldermen, July 2, 1883.
Approved, July 5, 1883.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 299.

Isaac H. Southwick Jr.

Resolved:

That the city treasurer is hereby directed to pay to Isaac H. Southwick, Jr. the sum of eight hundred dollars on account of his services to date as assistant to the commissioner appointed under resolution No. 159 of 1884, to collect and arrange the city ordinances and the statutes of the state relative to the city, said payment to be charged to the appropriation for contingencies.

Passed, In Common Council, June 29, 1883.
In Board of Aldermen, July 5, 1883.
Approved, July 5, 1883.
Thomas A. Doyle
Mayor.

No. 300.

Resolved;

That the mayor and aldermen be

Point Street. hereby requested to lay out Point Street, from Plain Street to Friendship street, as a public highway.

Passed, In Common Council, June 29, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, July 2, 1885.
Approved, July 8 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 301.

Resolved;

That the ward of aldermen be and

Pomona Ave. they are hereby requested to define a grade for Pomona avenue, from Academy avenue to Carleton Street in accordance with chapter 322 of the public laws passed April 21, 1882.

Passed, In Common Council, June 29, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, July 2, 1885.
Approved, July 8 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 302

Resolved.

That the board of public works are

Howell St. & hereby directed to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Howell Street and Camp street, from East

Camp St. avenue to Lipsitt street.

Passed, In Common Council, June 29, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, July 2, 1885.
Approved, July 8, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 303.

Resolved.

That the board of public works

Union St. are hereby directed to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Union street, from Worcester street southerly to present sewer in Union Street.

Passed, In Common Council, June 29, 1885

In Board of Aldermen, July 2, 1885.
Approved July 8, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 304.

Resolved.

That the gift of Elizabeth B. Bent

of the sum of seventy-five dollars, to the commissioners of the North Burial Ground, in trust, the income thereof to be applied under the provisions of chapter 367 of the

Elizabeth B. Bent. public laws to the preservation and care of the burial lot standing in the name of said Bent, in said ground, be and the same is hereby accepted under the name of the Elizabeth B Bent fund.

Passed, In Common Council, June 29, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, July 2, 1885.
Approved, July 8, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

No. 305.

Resolved.

That the gift of Ann P. Wood

Ann P. Wood. of the sum of three hundred dollars, to the commissioners of the North Burial Ground, in trust, the income thereof to be applied under the provisions of chapter 367 of the public laws, to the preservation and care of the burial lot standing in the name of the heirs of Israel Amsbury, in said ground, be and the same is hereby accepted under the name of the heirs of Israel Amsbury fund.

Passed, In Common Council, June 29, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, July 2, 1885.
Approved July 8, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

No. 306.

Resolved,

That the board of public works

Thayer St. are hereby directed to cause a main drain or common

do. sewer to be constructed in Thayer street, from John street to Williams street.

Passed In Common Council, June 29, 1883.
In Board of Aldermen, July 2, 1883.
Approved, July 8 1883.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 307.

City Treasurer Bonds. The City Treasurer makes his Monthly Report upon the Issue of Registered Bonds for June 1883.

Read, Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, July 2 1883.
In Board of Aldermen, July 2, 1883.

No. 308.

City Treasurer. The City Treasurer makes his Monthly Report for June, 1883.

Read Whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council July 2, 1883.
In Board of Aldermen, July 2, 1883.

No. 309

Chief Engineer of the Fire Dept. The Chief Engineer of the Fire Department makes his Monthly Report for June 1883.

Salaries $1062.01 Incidentals $141.16.17 Total $1203.18

Read, Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received,

Passed, In Common Council July 2, 1883.
In Board of Aldermen, July 2, 1883.

No. 310

City Messenger. The City Messenger makes his Monthly Report for June, 1883.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, July 2, 1883.
In Board of Aldermen, July 2, 1883.

No. 311.

Weigher for the Scales at the Haymarket. The Weigher of the Platform Scales at the Haymarket, makes his Quarterly Report ending June 30, 1883.

Total receipts $248.90.

Read, Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, July 2, 1883.
In Board of Aldermen, July 2, 1883.

No. 312.

Boring St. John House.

Resolved,

That the superintendent of public buildings, acting under the advice and direction of the joint standing committee on city property, be and he is hereby directed to furnish the Bowe street school house with single seats and desks, and also to put a water closet in said building, provided the whole expense shall not exceed the sum of one thousand dollars, to be paid for from the appropriation for contingencies.

Passed, In Common Council, July 2, 1883.
In Board of Aldermen, July 2, 1883.
Approved, July 8, 1883.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 313.

Ordinance

Swills & House Offal.

An Ordinance in Amendment of Chapter LV of the Ordinances entitled "Swill and House Offal."

Chapter CCXCV.

For Ordinance see book of City Ordinances No. 4 Page 186.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen June 2, 1883.
In Common Council, July 6, 1883.
Approved July 8, 1883.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

Read

No. 314.

Fire Alarm

Resolved,

That the chief engineer of the fire department is hereby directed to procure and cause to be

Boy. Richmond Mfg. Co.

placed in position upon the premises of the Richmond Manufacturing Company in the vicinity of Valley Street, a fire alarm signal box, with the necessary connections, provided that the cost of the same shall be paid by said company.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, July 2, 1885.
In Common Council, July 6, 1885.
Approved, July 8, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 315.

Resolved,

That the committee on ordinances be, and they are hereby authorized and instructed to transfer the books and papers of the municipal court, now in possession of Charles C. Mumford, clerk of said court, to Clifford A. Harrington, who was elected clerk of said court on the second day of July, 1885.

Clerk of the Municipal Ct.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, July 2, 1885.
In Common Council, July 6, 1885.
Approved, July 8, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 316.

Resolved,

That the further consideration of the resolution, referred to a committee of conference of both branches of the city council to lay out Point Street from South Water street to Benefit street, be indefinitely postponed.

Point St.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, June 18 1885.
In Common Council, June 22, 1885.

No. 317.

Resolved,

That the sum of twenty five thousand dollars is hereby added to the appropriation for the police department, to be taken from any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Appropriation for Police Dept.

Passed, In Common Council, July 6, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, July 9, 1885.
Approved July 10, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

No. 318.

Message.

Mayor's Message

Mayor's Clerk.

City of Providence
Executive Department.
City Hall July 2, 1885.

Gentlemen of the City Council.

I have appointed Mr. Charles R. Gibbs to be clerk in the mayor's office.

Thomas A. Doyle
Mayor

Read, In Common Council, July 6, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen July 16, 1885.

No. 319.

City Auditor.

The City Auditor makes his Monthly Report for June, 1885.

Read, Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, July 6, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, July 16, 1885.

No. 320.

Report.

Report

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence.

The joint standing committee on highways, to whom was referred, June 20 1885, the message of his honor the mayor with reference to the widening of Hayward street opposite the estates of J. J. Ashley and George H. Darling, report: That they have considered the suggestion of his honor the mayor that the street in front of these estates be widened to the line of the Duncan and Barstow estates. But as the steps, cellar-ways and light areas of the Duncan

Widening of Hayward St.

Weybosset St. estate project some four feet from the line of the building and as the representations of the Ashley and Darling estates strongly objected to this line as injuring their estates by reducing the depth of the same, the committee were unanimously of the opinion that the benefit to be received by the public by widening the street to the line proposed would not warrant the probable expense.

The committee, however, were satisfied that it would be for the interest of both the public and the owners of these estates, if the line of the street could be established at this time between Hay and Dorrance streets. They therefore endeavored to secure an agreement with the owners of these estates whereby the line of the street could be thus established, and suggested two lines, either of which if adopted, would in the opinion of their committee have benefited these estates fully as much as the public. The first of these lines, represented on the accompanying plat by the red line A. B, cuts off from these estates about two hundred and thirty-one feet. The second line, represented by the blue line A. C, cuts off about one hundred and seventy three feet. The cost of the first line to the city at the price named for the land by the representatives of the owners would be six thousand nine hundred thirty dollars, and of the second, forty-four hundred and ninety-eight dollars.

The committee being of the opinion already stated as to the benefits which would be derived if either of the lines was established, cannot recommend that the offer be accepted, or that any further action be taken in the matter.

For the committee,

F. E. Anthony, Chairman.

Pro tempore,

Mr. Benjamin Kinsley, chairman, being excused at his own request, from acting in the matter, he being a party in interest.

Providence, July 6 1885.

Read whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed In Common Council, July 6, 1885.

In Board of Aldermen, July 16, 1885.

No. 321.

Resolved.

That the superintendent of public buildFriendship St. ings, acting under the advice and direction of the joint standSchool House. ing committee on city property, be and he is hereby authorized to furnish with single seats and desks, the second and third rooms in the Friendship street school house, provided the cost of the same shall not exceed the sum of four hundred dollars; to be paid for from the appropriation for contingencies.

Passed, In Common Council, July 6, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, July 16, 1885.
Approved July 18, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 322.

Resolved.

That the board of public works, in Chaddon St. accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about four hundred and fifteen feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Chaddon street, from Chaddon avenue easterly.

Passed, In Common Council, July 6, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, July 16, 1885.
Approved July 18, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 323.

Resolved.

That the board of public works, in Brook St. accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about one hundred and seventy-nine feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Brook street, from Angell street northerly.

Passed, In Common Council, July 6, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, July 16, 1885.
Approved July 18, 1885.

Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 324.

Resolved;

That the board of public works, in ac-
Clinton St. cordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about two hundred and eighty-seven feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Clinton Street, between Clay and Stamford streets.

Passed, In Common Council, July 6, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen July 16, 1885.
Approved, July 18, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 325.

Resolved;

That the board of public works, in
Commodore St accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about one hundred and thirty seven feet of six inch water pipes to be laid in Commodore Street, from Branch avenue southerly.

Passed, In Common Council, July 6, 1885
In Board of Aldermen, July 16, 1885
Approved, July 18, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 326.

Resolved;

That the board of public works, in ac-
Munro's Court cordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about one hundred and forty-eight feet of six inch water pipes to be laid in Munro's court, from Saper ior street northerly.

Passed, In Common Council, July 6, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, July 16, 1885.
Approved, July 18, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 327.

Resolved;

That the board of public works, in ac-
North Allen St. cordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about eight hundred and thirty eight feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in North Allen Street, Johnston, from Lewis street southerly.

Passed, In Common Council, July 6, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, July 16, 1885.
Approved, July 18, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor

No. 328.

Resolved;

That the board of public works, in
Penn St. accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about nine hundred feet of six inch water pipes to be laid in Penn Street, between end of pipe now laid between Albany and Perry streets.

Passed, In Common Council, July 6, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, July 16, 1885.
Approved, July 18, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor

No. 329.

Resolved;

That the chief engineer of the fire
Chief Eng. of Fire Dept. department be, and he is hereby authorized to attend the national convention of chief officers of fire depart-
National Convention. ments to be holden at Long Branch N. J., in the month of September, 1885, and that the city treasurer be, and is hereby authorized to pay the expense thereof, provided that said expense shall not exceed the sum of fifty dollars, the same to be charged to the appropriation for the fire department.

Passed, In Common Council, July 6, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, July 16, 1885.
Approved, July 18, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor

No. 330.

Whereas, The commissioners of estimate and assessment appointed by the supreme court at the October term, 1882, to lay out and widen South Main street, now Crawford street to Hamt street under and pursuant to an act entitled, "An act in relation to the laying out, enlarging, straightening, or otherwise altering streets in the city of Providence, and the acts in ammendment thereof and in addition thereto," made their first report to said court on May 18, 1883; now, therefore, within sixty days after the making of said report to said court:

South Main Street.

Resolved, That the city council do hereby elect not to make said improvement.

Passed, In Common Council, July 6, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, June 16, 1885.
Approved, July 18, 1885. Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 331.

An Ordinance repealing Chapter CCIX of the Ordinances, entitled an Ordinance in Ammendment of Chapter XXII, entitled "Fire Department."

Ordinance

Fire Dept.

Chapter CCXCVII.

For Ordinance see book of Ordinances No. 4 Page 187.

Passed, In Common Council June 29, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, July 16, 1885.
Approved, July 18, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No 332.

Resolved,

That the board of public works are hereby directed to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Clinton street, from Prairie avenue to Main street.

Clinton St.

Passed, In Common Council June 29 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, July 16, 1885.
Approved July 18, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle
Mayor.

No. 333.

Resolved,

That the joint committee on harbor be and they are hereby directed to cause a dam at the outlet of the cove basin to be constructed under the advice and direction of the city engineer, said dam to be of an height sufficient to flow the water in said basin to a depth of two feet above mean low water, the expense thereof to be charged to the appropriation for contingencies.

Dam at Cove Basin.

Passed, In Common Council July 6, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, July 9, 1885.
Approved, July 27, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

No. 334.

An Ordinance Repealing Chapter XXII of the Ordinances entitled "Fire Department."

Ordinance

Fire Dept.

Chapter CCXCVII.

For Ordinance see books of Ordinances No. 4 Page 187.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, July 16 1885.
In Common Council, June 29, 1885.
Approved July 21, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 335.

Resolved,

That the sum of thirty-two thousand dollars is hereby added to the appropriation for the construction of sewers, and the city treasurer, acting under the advice of the committee on finance, is hereby authorized to issue the same.

Appropriation for Sewers.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, July 16 1885.
In Common Council, July 21, 1885.
Approved, July 21, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 336.

Resolved,

That the sum of eighteen thousand

Appropriation

for Sewers

dollars is hereby added to the appropriation for the construction of sewers, said sum to be transferred from the amount in the treasury received for sewer assessments.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, July 16, 1885.
In Common Council, July 21, 1885.
Approved, July 21, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 337.

Appropriation for Water Works.

Resolved, That the sum of thirty thousand dollars is hereby added to the appropriation for the construction of the Providence water works, and the city treasurer, acting under the advice of the committee on finance, is hereby authorized to hire the same.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen July 16, 1885.
In Common Council, July 21, 1885.
Approved, July 21, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 338.

Mayor's Message

Message

City of Providence
Executive Department
City Hall, July 21, 1885.

Gentlemen of the City Council:

Relative to Appropriation for highways & Sewers.

At the same time that the board of public works asked for an additional appropriation for sewers and water works, they made a similar request for the highway department. The finance committee, on a careful examination of the financial condition of the city, decided that there could be no further appropriations for that department during the fiscal year. I am informed by the board of public works that in consequence of this decision it will be necessary to stop at once the highway work and discharge most of the men now employed. Among these are foremen and others who have been for a long time in the employ of the city, and it will be a serious detriment to the future operations of the department to dismiss them from the service.

In this contingency, as a portion of these men have heretofore been employed in the construction of sewers, and Sewers there is a large amount of sewer construction not yet under contract, it may be well to authorize the board of public works to do a portion of this work by the day, which, in their opinion, can be done as economically as by contract.

Among the sewers not yet under contract are the ones ordered to be built in Webster and Ashburton streets from Delhi to Martin streets, a distance of about fourteen hundred feet, a various sized sewer from twelve inches to forty-eight inches; and the sewer ordered to be built in Oriental, Oregon and Ashburton streets, from Admiral to Webster street, a distance of twenty-two hundred feet, of different sizes.

Do. I therefore recommend that an ordinance be adopted, authorizing these two sewers to be built by day work. Should such an ordinance be adopted by the common council at this time, the board of aldermen can recommend in special session to act thereon.

Thomas A. Doyle,
Mayor.

Read, In Common Council, July 21, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, August 6, 1885.

No. 339.

Resolved, That the superintendent of public buildings, acting under the advice and direction of the joint standing committee on city property, is and he is hereby directed to furnish a room in the third story of the High School. high school, providing the cost of the same shall not exceed the sum of eight hundred dollars. To be paid for from the appropriation for contingencies.

Passed, In Common Council July 6, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, August 6, 1885.
Approved, August 7, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

Passed & Read

No. 340.

Mayors Messages.

Message.
Various Streets.

City of Providence,
Executive Department,
City Hall, July 9, 1885.

Gentlemen of the Board of Aldermen:

Three resolutions passed by the board of aldermen June 18, 1885, and concurred in by the common council on the 22d of the same month, have been presented to me for approval. They are entitled "joint resolutions of the city council requesting the mayor and aldermen to lay out Farthing street from South Water to Bridge streets;" "Joint resolutions of the city council requesting the appointment of commissioners to lay out and widen a portion of Bridge and Nicholson streets;" and "Joint resolution of the city council requesting the mayor and aldermen to declare land south of Point street, corner of South Water street, as a public highway."

Farthing St.

Bridge St.

Nicholson St. & Land south of Point st.

As these resolutions are all virtually parts of the same plan, to wit, the obtaining of a suitable approach to the Point street bridge on the east side of the river, I will consider them together and return them all for the further consideration of the two branches of the city council. I object to the passage of these resolutions in their present form for the reason that they entail upon the city litigation and the expenditure of an unknown amount of the public money, while the proposed approach to the bridge will be inconvenient to the public. In my mind a more direct and convenient approach can be secured at much less cost to the city, and with less litigation.

Do.

I have received a protest from many of the real estate owners in the vicinity, who are personally affected by the proposed lay-out, objecting thereto for the following reasons:

First. The proposed street when completed, does not as to the end of the Point street bridge, and cannot in any sense whatever be considered as meeting the public demand for an opening from the east

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Do. end of the bridge.

Second. The street, as proposed, destroys and renders useless the valuable wharf belonging to the city on the south side of the bridge.

Third. The widening of Farthing street, as proposed, not only does not meet the wants of the public, but actually requires 815 square feet of land to be paid for by the city, more than was required by the plan for a street directly to the end of the bridge, as was recommended in the committee November 6, 1884.

Fourth. We desire most earnestly to protest against that portion of the plan adopted by the city council which provides for opening the street from South Main street to Benefit street under the "Betterment Act," assessing a portion of the expense upon the neighboring estates.

Do.

Concurring as I do in the soundness of the objections presented in the memorial, which I forward herewith, I have withheld my approval from all the resolutions relating thereto.

In this connection, I beg to call your attention to the fact that the proposed new approach does not terminate at and opposite to the bridge, but from 80 to 100 feet south thereof, opposite wharves belonging to the city and to private individuals, thereby making inconvenient angles that will be a hindrance to public travel.

Do.

One of the important reasons rendering a new approach to the bridge necessary is that the fire apparatus stationed on that side of the river is subjected to a great inconvenience in reaching fires on the west side. The ladder truck stationed on Dickenden street, instead of being able, by the proposed new approach, to reach the bridge in a direct line, is obliged to turn two sharp curves, far more difficult than those now existing, which have already been the cause of a serious accident.

I may also add that by the plan proposed in the resolutions, a runaway horse would land on an open wharf, or probably in the river, in case no vessel should

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be by ing thus, while if the approach was laid out as it should be, directly opposite the bridge, the runaway could either continue across the bridge, or be stopped by the closing of the gates.

The proposed approach also endangers all vehicles approaching from the east, from the fact of their coming in contact lengthwise with the deep freight tracks on South Water street. This is wholly unnecessary if the approach be direct, and in my judgment such an approach can be secured, as I have already stated, at a less cost and with less obligation.

Thomas A. Doyle,
Mayor.

Read, In Board of Aldermen, July 9, 1885.
In Common Council, September 7, 1885.

No. 3442.

Resolved:

That the mayor and aldermen be hereby requested to lay out Farthing street, from South Water street to Bridge street, as a public highway.

Farthing St.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen July 9, 1885.
In Common Council, September 7, 1885.
The objections of the Mayor to the contrary notwithstanding.

No. 3443.

Land south of Point St.

Resolved:

That the mayor and aldermen be hereby requested to declare the land lying south of Point street, at the corner of South Water street, to be a public highway as shown upon the accompanying plan and described as lying between the letters A. B. C. D. and E.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, July 9, 1885.
In Common Council, September 7, 1885.
The objections of the mayor to the contrary notwithstanding.

No. 3443.

Resolved:

That in the opinion of this city council it is desirable and necessary to lay out, widen, enlarge or otherwise alter Dickenden street, from Benefit street to a point near the junction of Bridge and Farthing streets, by adding to the same the land lying southerly or easterly of said Dickenden street, or of Bridge street, and northerly or westerly of a certain line fixed and described as follows, to wit: Beginning at or near the southeasterly corner of Benefit and Dickenden streets at a point 7.88 feet westerly from the northwesterly corner of an addition standing near the said corner of Benefit and Dickenden streets and 7.74 feet northerly from the westerly corner of an addition of the same building; thence running southwesterly to a point 80 feet southeasterly from the southerly corner board of house on the northerly side of Dickenden street, and opposite the northerly end of Bridge street, and also 80 feet easterly from that corner brick of the Household Sewing Machine Company's building, which is nearly in range with the southerly line of Dickenden street as at present occupied; thence deflecting southerly and running southwesterly in such a direction as to pass 55 feet easterly from that corner brick of the aforesaid company's building, which is at or near the northwesterly corner of Farthing and Bridge streets; and whereas certain real estate will be required for that purpose,

Dickenden St.

Bridge St.

Resolved, That the city solicitor be hereby directed to make application to the supreme court of this state for the appointment of commissioners of estimate and assessment, under and according to the act entitled "An act in relation to the laying out, enlarging, straightening and otherwise altering streets in the City of Providence, and the acts in amendment thereof and in addition thereto;" and the city council hereby

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direct that in said application the city solicitor shall make application that said commissioners shall apportion and assess one-half of the loss and damage thereof upon the persons and estates benefited thereby, in the ratio of the benefits conferred.

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

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, July 9, 1885.
In common Council, September 7, 1885.
The objections of the mayor to the contrary notwithstanding.

No 2006.

Report.

Report.

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence:

The board of commissioners of sinking funds make this their thirty-sixth quarterly report:

The bonds and notes comprised in the funded debt, for the redemption of which sinking funds are held by the commissioners, the purposes for which they were issued, and the amounts of the sinking funds, June 30, 1885, are shown by the following table:

Dim. the Funds.

		Debt.	Sinking Fund.
Bonds due September 1, 1885, for public improvements made prior to 1855, (6 per cent.)		$600,000.00	$791,731.16
Bonds due January 1, 1893, for expenses incurred in enlisting soldiers in the war of the rebellion, (5 per cent.)		$300,000.00	$305.87.57
Bonds due July 1, 1895, for construction of sewers and city hall (5 per cent. sterling loans.)		1397.250.00	433.404.88
Bonds due June 1, 1899, for construction of sewers and city hall (4½ per cent.)		600.000.00	147.655.90
Bonds due July 1, 1899, for public improvements, made since 1855, (5 per cent).		450.000.00	76.868.02.
Bonds due July 1, 1900, for same purpose (5 per cent).		146.000.00	19.928.23
Bonds due July 1, 1902, for the water works,			
Do.	5 and 6 per cent.)	4,000.000.00	141. 137. 79
Bonds due July 6, 1906, for the water works, (5 per cent).		1.500.000.00	
Notes due in 1886 for the Brook-street district improvement (4½ per cent)		280.000.00	$2.115.84
Totals		$9.273,250.00	$1918.129.59

The amount of funds in the control of the board, March 31, 1885, was —

Of the fund of 1855	$791.930.22
Of the fund of 1893	304.791.60
Of the fund of 1895.	433.015.82.
Of the city hall and sewer loan of 1899,	128.648.11.
Of the public improvement loan of 1899,	76.860.60
Of the public improvement loan of 1900.	19.920.00
Of the water loan,	141.131.87
Of the Brook street district loan	376.84
Whole amount,	$1.896.295.06

Do. The increase in the several funds has been —

In the fund of 1855,	180.94
In the fund of 1893,	395.97
In the fund of 1895.	389.06
In the city hall and sewer loan of 1899,	19.007.79
In the public improvement loan of 1899,	7.42
In the public improvement loan of 1900.	8.23
In the water loan,	5.92
In the Brook street district loans,*	2.307.89
Whole increase,	22.303.22

*May 1, 1885, the sum of $368.89 was drawn from the Brook street district funds and applied toward the payment of Brook street district notes maturing on that date.

Respectfully submitted by request of the board of commissioners,

Thomas A. Doyle
Mayor, and Chairman

Do. Providence, July 16, 1885.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same

Do. be received.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, July 16, 1885.
In Common Council, September 7, 1885.

No. 345.

Report.

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence:

The joint committee on ordinances respectfully
Municipal Ct. make report that in accordance with resolution No. 315, approved July 8, 1885, they have taken possession of the books and papers of the municipal court, and delivered the same to Clifford A. Harrington, who was elected clerk of said court July 2, 1885.

For the committee,

J. S. S. Cobb, Chairman.

Read, whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen July 16, 1885.
In Common Council, September 7, 1885.

No. 346.

Mayor's Message.

City of Providence,
Executive Department,
City Hall, July 15, 1885.

Message.

Gentlemen of the City Council:

250th Anniversary of Providence

The year 1886 will be the two hundredth and fiftieth anniversary of the settlement of Providence. The precise day on which this event occurred is unknown. Staples, in his "Annals of the Town of Providence," in referring to the landing of Roger Williams, says that "in the latter part of Spring or the commencement of summer of the year 1636, he landed for the first time within the limits of Providence, with intent to commence a settlement." Prof. J. Lewis Diman, in his address at the unveiling of the Roger Williams monument, said: "It was in the Spring of 1636 that Roger Williams, according to tradition, privately conveyed from Winthrop as a 'voice from God,' began to build and plant on the eastern bank of the Seekonk, a

Do. little distance from the present Central bridge. But upon receiving from the authorities of Plymouth a friendly intimation that he had settled within their bounds, he cheerfully, though with great inconvenience to himself, set out in quest of another habitation. Early in the month of June, when external nature in this region is decked in her loveliest attire, he launched on this big but memorable voyage."

The same distinguished orator, in speaking of the government here established at that time, uses these words: "Thus, for the first time in history, a form of government was adopted which drew a clear and unmistakable line Do. between the temporal and the spiritual power, and a community came into being which was an anomaly among the nations. The compact signed by the pilgrims in the cabin of the Mayflower has been praised as the earliest attempt to institute a government on the basis of the general good. Surely the covenant subscribed to by the settlers of Providence deserves a place beside it as a first embodiment in an actual experiment of the great principle of unrestricted religious liberty. In either case the settlements were small and the immediate results were unimportant; but the principles were world-wide in their application. The Providence document was, in fact, the more significant, since the political maxims that lay imbedded in the Mayflower compact was implied rather than avowedly affirmed, while the principle to which Roger Williams and his associates set their hands was intentionally and deliberately adopted as the cornerstone of the new structure they were building."

The little settlement thus established has grown to be the second city in New England, and more than one hundred thousand people who here find a home should celebrate with appropriate ceremonies the two hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the founding of the Providence Plantations. Two of our historical associations have already passed resolutions declaratory of their desire that a proper recognition of the event should be made.

Do. Believing that it will be the wish of all our citizens

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that what ever ceremonies are held should be under the direction of the authorities of the city, and that ample time should be given to a proper consideration of the matter, I recommend that a joint committee of the city council be appointed, with instructions to inquire into and report before the close of the present municipal year the action to be taken by the city council, in order that there may be a recognition of the founding of the city and state worthy of their high and prosperous condition.

Thomas A. Doyle
Mayor.

Read, In Board of Aldermen, July 16, 1885.
In Common Council, September 7, 1885.

No. 347.

Re Committee appointed.

Resolved.

That aldermen Ross and Root, with Messrs. Watson, Bowdring and Miller, of the common council, be and are hereby appointed a committee to inquire into and report to the present city council what action should be taken by the city government for a proper observance of the two hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the settlement of Providence.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, July 16, 1885.
In Common Council, September 7, 1885.
Approved, September 10, 1885.
G. F. Robbins, Acting Mayor.

No. 348.

Larch St. (Extension).

Resolved.

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about five hundred and sixty-seven feet of six-inch water pipe to be laid in Larch street, from Camp street to Day street.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, July 16, 1885.
In Common Council, September 7, 1885.
Approved, September 10, 1885.
G. F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 349.

Wellington St. (Extension).

Resolved:

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about one hundred and forty three feet of six inch water pipe to be laid in Wellington street, Cranston, from present end of pipe southerly.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, July 16, 1885.
In Common Council, September 7, 1885.
Approved, September 10, 1885.
G. F. Robbins, Acting Mayor.

No. 350.

Report Board of Public Works.

The Board of Public Works make their Fourth Quarterly Report ending June 30, 1885.
City Document No. 27.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, August 6, 1885.
In Common Council, September 7, 1885.

No. 351.

Ordinance Fire Hydrants.

An Ordinance in Amendment of Ordinance XCVI of the Ordinances, in relation to Fire Hydrants.

Chapter CCXCVIII.

For Ordinance see book of "Ordinances" No. 4 Page 188.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, August 6, 1885.
In Common Council, September 7, 1885.
Approved, September 10, 1885.
G. F. Robbins Acting Mayor.

No. 352.

Pleasant St.

Resolved:

That the mayor and aldermen be hereby requested to receive and declare so much of Pleasant street, (formerly Earle's lane,) as lies easterly of North Main street and southerly of land of Sarah E. Brown, but not included in the layout by commissioners of said Earle's lane, to be a public highway.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, August 6, 1885.
In Common Council, September 7, 1885.
Approved, September 10, 1885.
S. F. Robbins, Acting Mayor.

No. 353.

Resolved:

That the board of aldermen be, and they
Woodbine St. are hereby requested to define a grade for Woodbine street from North Main street to Camp street, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 322 of the public laws, passed April 21, 1852.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, August 6, 1885.
In Common Council, September 7, 1885.
Approved, September 10, 1885.
S. F. Robbins, Acting Mayor.

No. 354.

Resolved:

That the board of public works, in accordance
Benedict St. with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about seven
(Cranston) hundred and nine feet of six inch water pipes to be laid in Benedict street, Cranston from Cranston street northerly.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, August 6, 1885.
In Common Council, September 7, 1885.
Approved, September 10, 1885.
S. F. Robbins, Acting Mayor.

No. 355.

Resolved:

That the board of public works, in accordance
Commodore St with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about eight hundred and ninety feet of six inch water pipes to be laid in Commodore street, from present end of pipe southerly.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, August 6, 1885.
In Common Council, September 7, 1885.
Approved, September 10, 1885.
S. F. Robbins, acting Mayor.

No. 356.

Resolved:

That the board of public works, in accord-
Derry ave. (Cranston) ance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about eighty-two feet of six inch water pipes to be laid in Derry avenue, Cranston, from present end of pipe southerly.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, August 6, 1885.
In Common Council, September 7, 1885.
Approved, September 10, 1885.
S. F. Robbins, Acting Mayor.

No. 357.

Resolved:

That the board of public works, in ac-
Irving St. cordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about seven hundred and eight feet of six and eight inch water pipes to be laid in Irving street, from Academy avenue easterly.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, August 6, 1885.
In Common Council, September 7, 1885.
Approved, September 10, 1885.
S. F. Robbins, Acting Mayor.

No. 358.

Resolved:

That the board of public works, in
Lenna St. accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about seven hundred and twelve feet of six inch water pipes to be laid in Lenna street, from Branch avenue northerly.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, August 6, 1885.
In Common Council, September 7, 1885.
Approved, September 10, 1885.
S. F. Robbins, Acting Mayor.

No. 359.

Resolved:

That, permission be granted to Daniel
Daniel A. Winsor. A. Winsor to raise a certain building located on the corner

of Warwick and West Friendship, & wife, pursuant to his petition.
Passed, In Board of Aldermen August 6, 1885.
In Common Council, September 7, 1885.
Approved, September 10, 1885.
D. F. Robbins, Acting Mayor.

No. 360.

Message

Mayor's Message.

City of Providence,
Executive Department,
City Hall, August 20, 1885.

Gentlemen of the City Council:

Asphalt pavement around City Hall

The asphalt block pavement in the streets around the city hall has become so badly worn as to be in constant need of repair, and will soon be in a condition dangerous to travel. More than six hundred dollars were expended for repairs during the last year. As a wireless pavement is necessary, and after a conversation with the board of public works, I suggest that the matter be referred to the joint committee on highways, with instructions to examine into and report what kind of pavement it would be advantageous to use.

Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

Read, In Board of Aldermen August 20, 1885.
In Common Council, September 7, 1885.

No. 361.

Asphalt pavement around City Hall.

Resolved,

That the message of the mayor, dated August 20, 1885, relative to the asphalt block pavement around the city hall, be referred to the joint committee on highways with instructions to examine into the matter and report thereon.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, August 20 1885.
In Common Council, September 7, 1885.
Approved September 10, 1885.
D. F. Robbins,
Acting Mayor.

No. 362.

Message

Mayor's Message.

City of Providence,
Executive Department,
City Hall, August 20, 1885.

Gentlemen of the City Council:

Burial of Soldiers & Sailors

Section 3 of chapter 475 of the public statutes provides that any deceased honorable discharged soldier or sailor who may have already died and been buried in any place used exclusively for the burial of paupers, shall be removed therefrom, as soon as may be, after the attention of the town and city council within whose limits such persons may have been buried shall have been called thereto. My attention has been called to the fact that there are a number of such interments in the north burial ground, which I suggest the city council cause to be removed in accordance with the requirements of the statutes.

Thomas A. Doyle
Mayor.

Read, In Board of Aldermen August 20 1885.
In Common Council, September 7, 1885.

No. 363.

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Resolved,

That the message of the mayor relative to the burial of deceased soldiers or sailors in any place devoted to paupers, be referred to the joint standing committee on the North Burial ground to examine and

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report thereon.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen August 20 1885.
In Common Council, September 7, 1885.
Approved, September 10, 1885.
D. F. Robbins, Acting Mayor.

No. 364.

Patrick Quinn.

Resolved.

That permission be granted to Patrick Quinn

to raise a certain building, located at No. 16 Orms street, pursuant to his petition.

Passed In Board of Aldermen, August 20, 1885.
In Common Council, September 7, 1885.
Approved, September 10, 1885.
S. H. Robbins, Acting Mayor.

No 365.

Report.

To the Honorable the city Council of the city of Providence:

The joint standing committee on city property respectfully submit a detailed statement of the cost of the ward room and awning school building erected upon the city's lot at the junction of Smith and Orms streets, in accordance with resolutions approved December 19, 1883 and August 8, 1884, respectively:

Ward Room & Awning School Building at corner of Smith and Orms streets

For masons' contracts and extra work,	4,064.67
For carpenters' contracts and extra work,	3,720.48
For plumbing and fixtures,	370.78
For steam heating apparatus,	717.45
For platforms, rail, etc., in ward room,	82.94
For gas piping and fixtures,	69.16
For furniture for school and ward room,	107.25
For architects' fees,	280.00
For concreting cellar,	86.10
Total,	$9,498.83
Amount of appropriation,	9,500.00
Balance remaining,	$1.17

Respectfully submitted,
James Mc Nally,
Chairman.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, September 3, 1885.
In Common Council September 7, 1885.

No. 366.

Report.

Brand Lots on Butler and Slater avenues.

To the Honorable the city Council:

The joint standing committee on city property, acting under authority of resolution No. 365, current series, report the purchase of nine lots between Butler and Slater avenues containing thirty-five thousand square feet, for three thousand five hundred dollars. The title and deed of same is satisfactory to the city solicitor. The above lots were purchased from George F. Marvin and wife.

For the committee,
James Mc Nally,
Chairman.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, September 3, 1885.
In Common Council, September 7, 1885.

No. 367.

Mayor Messages.

Message.

City of Providence,
Executive Department
City Hall, September 3, 1885.

Appropriation for Highways.

Gentlemen of the city Council:

It will be remembered that some time since the board of public works petitioned the city council, asking for the additional appropriation of a sum sufficient to carry on the work on the highways. In the opinion of the finance committee, this appropriation could not be made with advantage at that time. During the month of July the receipts by the city treasurer have exceeded the estimates of 1884, and at the present time an appropriation of $10,000 may be made with propriety. I therefore recommend the passage of the accompanying resolution, so that work on the highways may be commenced earlier than the beginning of another year.

Gilbert S. Robbins, Acting Mayor.

Read, In Board of Aldermen, September 3, 1885.

In Common Council, September 7, 1885.

No. 368.

Resolved,

That the board of public works are

Kenyon St. hereby directed to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Kenyon street, from America street to Federal street.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, September 3, 1885.
In Common Council, September 7, 1885.
Approved, September 10 1885.
S. F. Robbins, Acting Mayor.

No. 369.

Resolved,

That the board of public works are hereby

Summer St. directed to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Summer Street, from Broad street to Conduit street.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, September 3, 1885.
In Common Council, September 7, 1885.
Approved, September 10, 1885.
S. F. Robbins, Acting Mayor.

No. 370.

Resolved,

That permission be granted to Washington

Washington L. Cole L. Cole, to raise a certain building located at No. 43 Randall street, pursuant to his petition,

Passed, In Board of Aldermen September 3, 1885.
In Common Council, September 7, 1885.
Approved, September 10, 1885.
S. F. Robbins Acting Mayor.

No. 371.

Resolved,

That the sum of ten thousand dollars is

Appropriation for Highways. hereby added to the appropriation for the highway department to be taken from any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated; said amount to be expended for repairs on highways.

Passed, In Common Council, September 7, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, September 10, 1885.
Approved, September 10, 1885.
S. F. Robbins, Acting Mayor.

No. 372.

Stable at Second Police Station on Martin St.

Resolved,

That the superintendent of public buildings, under the advice and direction of the joint standing committee on city property, is hereby authorized to erect a stable at the second police station on Martin street, for the use of the police department, at a cost not to exceed the sum of four hundred dollars, said sum, or so much thereof as may be necessary for said purpose, to be paid from the appropriation for police.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen July 2, 1885.
In Common Council, September 7, 1885.
Approved, September 12, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 373.

Ordinance Salaries of Members of Fire Department

An Ordinance fixing the Salaries of the Officers and Members of the Fire Department from and after October 1, 1885.

Chapter CCXCIX.

For Ordinance see book of "Ordinances," No. 4. Page 188.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, August 6, 1885.
In Common Council, September 7, 1885.
Approved, September 12, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 374.

Report.

Report: To the Honorable the City Council:

Narragansett Electric Lighting Co. The committee on ordinances, to whom, on the 2d day of June, A.D. 1885, the accompanying bill for an ordinance was referred by the board of aldermen, beg leave to submit the following report: That in consequence of the chairman of the committee being counsel for the said Narragansett Electric Lighting

Narragansett Electric Lighting Co.

Company, and Mr. Allen of the committee being a stockholder in said corporation, the committee were obliged to proceed with but three members, and for the purpose of consideration of said ordinance, organized by electing alderman John M. Brennan, chairman, pro tempore, of said committee. That your committee recommend non concurrence with the common council in the passage of the ordinance referred to it. The members of your committee have spent much time in perfecting ordinances, by which individuals or corporations are permitted to erect and maintain poles and run wires in and through our streets, and we see no good reason why they should be altered or abrogated to meet particular cases.

No. This ordinance if passed, would very nearly put the Narragansett Electric Lighting Company beyond the control of the city council forever. The most dangerous portions of the bill for an ordinance is its second section, which reads as follows:

"The rights herein granted to said Narragansett Electric Lighting Company shall not be affected or limited by any ordinance heretofore passed." The committee is of the opinion that the said company should have permission to erect poles and run wires in the streets asked for; but it is also of the opinion that the petition, if granted, should be both affected and limited by all ordinances heretofore passed on the subject.

Do.

Your committee therefore recommend the passage of the substitute bill for an ordinance herewith presented.

For the committee

John M. Brennan

Chairman, Pro tempore.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, September 3, 1885.

In Common Council, September 7, 1885.

No. 375.

Ordinance Narragansett

An Ordinance granting permission to the Narragansett Electric Lighting Company to put up and maintain Poles and Wires in certain Streets of the

Electric Lighting Co.

City of Providence.

Chapter CCC.

For Ordinance see book of Ordinances" No. 4. Page 190.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, September 3, 1885.

In Common Council, September 7, 1885.

Approved, September 12, 1885.

Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 376.

Ordinance Police Station Corner of Main and Borden Sts.

An Ordinance appropriating $25,000.00 for the Construction of the Police Station at the corner of Main and Borden Streets.

Chapter CCCI

For Ordinance see book of "Ordinances", No. 4 Page 191.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, September 3, 1885.

In Common Council, September 7, 1885.

Approved, September 12, 1885.

Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 377.

City Auditor.

The City Auditor makes his Monthly Report for July, 1885.

Read whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council September 7, 1885.

In Board of Aldermen, September 10, 1885.

No. 378.

City Auditor.

The City Auditor makes his Monthly Report for August, 1885.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, September 7, 1885

In Board of Aldermen, September 10, 1885.

No. 379.

City Treasurer.

The City Treasurer makes his Monthly Report for July, 1885.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be

received.

Passed, In Common Council, September 7, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, September 10, 1885.

No. 380.

City Treasurer.

The City Treasurer makes his Monthly Report for August, 1885.

Read, whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, September 7, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, September 10, 1885.

No. 381.

Chief Engineer Fire Dept.

The Report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department for July, 1885, is presented.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, September 7, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, September 10, 1885.

No. 382.

So.

The Report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department for August, 1885, is presented.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, September 7, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, September 10, 1885.

No. 383.

City Messenger.

The City Messenger makes his Monthly Report for July, 1885.

Read, whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, September 7, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, September 10, 1885.

No. 384.

Do.

The City Messenger makes his Monthly Report for August, 1885.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, September 7, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, September 10, 1885.

No. 385.

Report.

Brook Street District.

Report.

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence:

The joint special committee on the Brook Street district present this their thirty fourth quarterly report of receipts and expenditures:

Receipts for the quarter ending June 30, 1885:

Rent, $423.16

Expenditures for the quarter ending June 30, 1885.

Paid Thos. C. Henry, bill lumber,	$32.48
" labor on fence Reform School Estate,	147.86
" expense removing dirt, Lyons estate,	6.00
" Henry W. Goodman, salary,	30.00
Total,	$216.34

The committee have to report sale of land in the district during the quarter, amounting to the sum of eighteen hundred and eighty-one dollars and seventy nine cents.

For the committee,
Thomas A. Willett, Chairman.

Providence, July 1, 1885.

Schedule of Sales.

1887. January 1,	Amount sales reported to this date,	188460.28
1885. May 14,	Lot, Jackson Street,	1,881.79
	Total	$190,342.07

Read, and Received, In Common Council September 7, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen Sept 10 1885.

No. 386. (On Page 157)

No. 387.

Report.

School Houses on Camp Street.

Report.

To the Honorable the City Council:

The joint standing committee on education respectfully report the completion of the primary and intermediate school house on Camp Street and herewith submit a detailed statement of the cost thereof:

For mason's contracts and extras,	$2,279.57
" carpenters' contracts and extras	6,824.58

Sowns Road
on
Sands st.

For plumbing and fixtures,	278.17
" heating apparatus,	716.28
" furniture and labor, seating,	790.52
" curtains,	91.00
" bell and hangings,	43.33
" blackboards,	45.00
" vaults and cess-pools,	169.48
" out buildings,	485.00
" fencing lot,	541.08
" grading,	375.24
" concreting,	101.50
" architects' fees,	364.95
" cleaning,	2.25
Total cost of building and furniture,	$13,107.95
Amount of appropriations	13.200.00
Expended,	13.107.95
Balance	$92.05

Respectfully submitted,

Fred. J. Macy, Chairman

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, September 7, 1885.

In Board of Aldermen, September 10, 1885.

No. 388

Report.

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence:

The joint standing committee on education would

Dower House at the corner of Bayles & Harriet Sts.

respectfully report the completion of the primary and intermediate school house on the corner of Bayles and Harriet streets, and herewith submit a detailed statement of the cost thereof:

For building contract and extra work,	8,594.16
" heating apparatus,	669.50
" plumbing and fixtures,	277.87
" furniture and labor, seating,	763.49
" curtains,	79.75
" bell and hangings,	43.21
" blackboards,	93.60
Do. For out-buildings,	604.48
" fencing lot,	496.78
" grading lot,	206.63
" concreting,	119.80
" architects' fees,	348.32
" cleaning,	3.10
Total cost of building and furniture,	12,299.69
Whole amount of appropriation,	12.600.00
Whole amount expended,	12.299.69
Balance	300.31

The lot upon which this building stands was purchased of James P. Arnold, Esq., at a cost of fifteen hundred and forty dollars. Your committee would further report that the lot requires a top dressing of gravel, which it is not deemed advisable to apply until the streets in the vicinity are brought to their proposed grades.

Respectfully submitted for the committee,

Fred. J. Macy, Chairman.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, September 7, 1885.

In Board of Aldermen, September 10, 1885.

No. 389.

Report.

Report.

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence:

The joint standing committee on city property

School House corner of Somerset St.

would respectfully report that agreeable to direction contained in resolution 147, current series, they have purchased of Henry G. Russell and wife a site for a primary and intermediate school house on the corner of Somerset and an unnamed street in the fifth school district, that said lot contains 14,819 square feet, and cost thirty-five cents per foot, or a total of $5,186.65. Your committee would further report that the deed and title have been pronounced satisfactory to the assistant city solicitor, and his certificate to that effect accompanies the deed.

For the committee,

James Mc Nally.
Chairman.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, September 7, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, September 10, 1885.

No. 390.

Report.

Report:

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence

The joint standing committee on ordinances, to whom, on the third day of February, A.D. 1885, was referred a "message of the mayor relative to a general index for the records of and the arranging and filing of papers in the municipal court," respectfully report: That they have given the subject careful consideration, and find that an accurate and the only known index of all the papers on file in said court from A.D. 1670 to A.D. 1880 has heretofore been prepared by Frank A. Williamson of said Providence, who is willing to dispose of the same to said city of Providence for the sum of six hundred dollars. Your committee also find that said Williamson will prepare a similar index from A.D. 1880 to January 1, A.D. 1886, and convey the same to said City of Providence for the sum of two hundred dollars. Your committee are unanimously of opinion that such an index would be of inestimable value to said city, and therefore respectfully recommend that said index from A.D. 1670 to A.D. 1880 be purchased from said Williamson for the sum of six hundred dollars, and that said Williamson be authorized to prepare said index from A.D. 1880 to January 1, A.D. 1886, and to be paid for the same, when completed, the sum of two hundred dollars.

Index to Papers in Municipal Court.

For the Committee,
J. S. G. Cobb, Chairman.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, September 7, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, September 10, 1885.

No. 386.

Report: Commission on R. R. Terminal Facilities.

The Commission on Railroad Terminal Facilities make Report relative to Proposed Contracts with Railroad Companies.

City Document No. 28.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, September 7, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, September 10, 1885.

No. 391.

Resolved:

That the clerk of the municipal court be hereby authorized to purchase from Frank A. Williamson the index prepared by said Williamson of the papers on file in said municipal court, from A.D. 1670 to A.D. 1880, at an expense of six hundred dollars, to be paid for from the appropriation for contingencies.

Purchase of Index to Papers in Municipal Court of Frank A. Williamson

Resolved:

That said Williamson be hereby authorized to prepare a full index of the papers on file in the municipal court from A.D. 1880 to January 1, A.D. 1886, and that said index, when completed, be purchased by said city at an expense of two hundred dollars.

Passed, In Common Council, September 7, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, September 10, 1885.
Approved, September 12, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

No. 392.

Resolved:

That the sum of eighteen hundred dollars be, and the same is hereby added to the appropriations for the health department, said sum to be taken from any money in the city treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Appropriation for Health Dept.

Passed, In Common Council, September 7, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, September 10, 1885.
Approved, September 12, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

No. 393.

Appropriation for Mechanical Drawing in the High School.

Resolved

That the school committee is hereby authorized to expend the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars for teaching mechanical drawing in the high school the ensuing year, said amount to be charged to the appropriation for the support of public schools.

Passed In Common Council, September 7, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, September 10, 1885.
Approved, September 12, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 394.

Swallow St.

Resolved:

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about three hundred and five feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Nathan street, from present end of pipe southerly.

Passed In Common Council, September 7, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, September 10, 1885.
Approved, September 12, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

No. 395.

Jeffs St.

Resolved.

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about three hundred and twenty five feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Jeffs street, from Asia street to connect with pipes now laid in Africa street.

Passed In Common Council, September 7, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, September 10, 1885.
Approved, September 12, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

No. 396. See page 164. Ewing St

No. 397.

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Resolved:

That the board of public works are hereby directed to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed

in Abbott street, from Knowles street to North Main street.

Passed In Common Council, September 7, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, September 12, 1885.
Approved, September 12, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 398.

West Clifford St.

Resolved.

That the board of public works are hereby directed to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in West Clifford street, from Dudley street to Pearl street.

Passed In Common Council, September 7, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, September 10, 1885.
Approved, September 12, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 399.

Anthony ave.

Resolved.

That the board of aldermen by and they are hereby requested to define a grade for Anthony avenue, from Cranston street to Jackson avenue, in accordance with chapter 322 of the public laws.

Passed In Common Council, September 7, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, September 10, 1885.
Approved, September 12, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 400.

Harriet A. Brownell.

North Burial ground.

Resolved.

That the gift of Harriet A. Brownell of the sum of two hundred dollars, to the commissioners of the North Burial ground, in trust, the income thereof to be applied under the provisions of chapter 367 of the public laws, to the preservation and care of the burial lot standing in the name of heirs of Eleanor Field, in said ground, be and the same is hereby accepted under the name of the heirs of Eleanor Field fund.

Passed In Common Council, September 7, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, September 10, 1885.
Approved, September 12, 1885.

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

No. 401.

Alice Sartwell

No. Burial Ground

Resolved:

That the gift of Alice Sartwell, of the sum of two hundred and forty dollars, to the commissioners of the North Burial ground, in trust, the income thereof to be applied under the provisions of chapter 367 of the public laws, to the preservation and care of the burial lot standing in the name of Alice, William 2d and Sarah A. Sartwell and Frances Ramsey Sartwell, in said ground, be and the same is hereby accepted under the name of the heirs of Alice Sartwell fund.

Passed, In Common Council, September 7, 1883.
In Board of Aldermen, September 10, 1883.
Approved, September 12, 1883.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 402.

Chas. L. Harris

No. Burial Ground

Resolved:

That the gift of Chas L. Harris of the sum of six hundred dollars, to the commissioners of the North Burial ground, in trust, the income thereof to be applied under the provisions of chapter 367 of the public laws, to the preservation and care of the burial lot standing in the name of the heirs of Baley Harris, in said ground, be and the same is hereby accepted under the name of the Chas L. Harris fund.

Passed, In Common Council, September 7, 1883.
In Board of Aldermen, September 10, 1883.
Approved, September 12, 1883.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 403.

Quincy Parker

North Burial Ground

Resolved:

That the gift of Quincy Parker, of the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars, to the commissioners of the North Burial ground, in trust, the income thereof to be applied under the provisions of chapter 367 of the public laws, to the preservation and care of the burial lot standing in the name of the said Parker, in said ground, be and the same is hereby accepted under the name of the Quincy Parker fund.

Passed, In Common Council, September 7, 1883.
In Board of Aldermen, September 10, 1883.
Approved, September 12, 1883.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 404.

Work House Lands.

Resolved:

That Alderman D. Fisher is hereby empowered to act for the City of Providence in the matter of leasing the unsold of the work house lands for the ensuing ten years, from October 1, A.D. 1883.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, September 3, 1883.
In Common Council, September 7, 1883.
Approved, September 15 1883.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 405.

Pollution of Woonasquatucket & Moshassuck Rivers.

Resolved:

That the joint standing committee on the engineer's department, with the city solicitor be, and they are hereby directed to commence such proceedings as they may deem advisable to prevent the pollution of the Woonasquatucket and Moshassuck rivers and their tributaries, the expense of the same to be paid from the appropriation for contingencies.

Passed, In Common Council, September 7 1883.
In Board of Aldermen, September 10, 1883.
Approved, September 15, 1883.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 406.

Cove Basin

Special Committee

Resolved:

That the city engineer, acting under the advice and direction of a joint special committee, consisting of Messrs. Rogers, Stone, Fanning, Carpenter, and Phillips of the council, and aldermen Burnham, Foot and Jones, be, and is hereby directed to have plans and specifications made for the following purposes:

No.

First. For building retaining walls for the channels of the Pawtucket and Woonasquatucket rivers, from the points of their inlets into the cove basin to the point of the outlet of the cove basin into the Providence river.

Second. For deepening the channels of said rivers to a good and sufficient depth.

Third. For extending all sewers or main drains that now empty into the cove basin into the proposed channels of said rivers, or to a point below the Crawford Street bridge, or to such a point as may be deemed best for the health of the City of Providence.

No.

Fourth. For filling the cove basin, except such parts as may be needed for the proposed channels of said rivers, and the extension of all sewers or main drains.

Passed In Common Council, September 7, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, September 10, 1885.
Approved September 15, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 407.

Resolved,

That the mayor and aldermen be hereby

Jewett Street. requested to lay out Jewett Street, from Holden Street to the old city line, as a public highway.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, June 18, 1885.
In Common Council, September 21, 1885.
Approved September 24, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 408.

Resolved,

That permission be granted to Bernard

Bernard the Swimmer. the Swimmer to raise a certain building located at the corner of Fifth and Spruce streets, pursuant to his petition.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, September 10, 1885.
In Common Council, September 21, 1885.
Approved September 24, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 409.

Resolved,

That the board of public works, in accord-

Abbott Street. ance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about one hundred and twenty-seven feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Abbott street, to connect pipes now laid between Trowbridge and Highland streets.

Passed In Board of Aldermen, September 17, 1885.
In Common Council, September 21, 1885.
Approved September 24, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 410.

Resolved,

That the board of public works, in ac-

Pleasant Street. cordance with their recommendations, are hereby directed to cause about six hundred and fifty feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Pleasant Street, from present end of pipe to North Main street.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, September 17, 1885.
In Common Council, September 21, 1885.
Approved September 24, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 411.

Resolved,

That the board of public works are hereby

Vernon Street. directed to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Vernon street, from present sewer in said Vernon street to Winsor street.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, September 17, 1885.
In Common Council, September 21, 1885.
Approved, September 24, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 412.

Resolved,

That the board of aldermen be, and they are

Carey St. hereby requested to define a grade for Carey street, from Broad street

westerly, in accordance with chapter 323 of the public laws, passed April 21, 1882.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, September 17, 1885.
In Common Council, September 21, 1885.
Approved September 24, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 413.

Resolved:

That the board of aldermen hereby, and they are hereby directed to devise a grade for Sassafras street, in accordance with chapter 323 of the public laws.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, September 17, 1885.
In Common Council, September 21, 1885.
Approved, September 24, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 414.

Resolved:

That permission be granted to William H. Washburn to raise a certain building located on said Eddy's lane, pursuant to his petition.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, September 17, 1885.
In Common Council, September 21, 1885.
Approved, September 24, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 376.

Resolved:

That the board of public works are hereby directed to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Crushing street from Thay er street to Brook street.

Passed, In Common Council, September 7, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, September 10, 1885.
Approved, September 12, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle
Mayor.

No. 415.

Ordinance.

An Ordinance in amendment of Chapter CCCII of the Ordinances, and providing for additional assistant Grammar School Teachers.

Grammar School Teachers.

Chapter CCCII.

An Ordinance in addition to Ordinance No. 4 Chap. 194.

Passed, In Common Council, September 7, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, September 24, 1885.
Approved, September 26, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 416.

Finance Committee.

The Finance Committee make their thirty-ninth Report on the Issue of Registered Bonds for June, 1885.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Issue of Bonds.

Passed, In Common Council, September 21, 1885
In Board of Aldermen, September 24, 1885.

No. 417.

Report.

Report.

To the City Council of the City of Providence:

By resolution No. 159, of April 17, 1884, I was directed to collect and arrange the city ordinances and

Revision of Ordinances.

such of the public laws as relate to the City of Providence, together with the rules and regulations of the board of aldermen, and to report in print in September, 1884. The collection and arrangement was ready to print in September, and by resolution No. 522 of November 8, 1884, was to be printed at such place and in such form as the city council should decide. The manuscript was put in press at the printing office of the Providence Press Company, and the collection and arrangement of the ordinances comprising pages 385 to 510 of the book as now published.

I believe that the pages submitted contain an accurate presentation of the permanent ordinances as they were at the last meeting of the common council. The forms presented are ready for enactment into an ordinance if the

Do.

Do. council so will. If the council does not so wish, the final chapter "of the revised ordinances" may be referred to for a list of the ordinances embodied in this form.

The collection of the rules of the board of aldermen will probably be ready for presentation during the week. The collection of statutes, pages 1 to 384, of the book is not yet fully printed.

From the ordinances presented two groups of ordinances have been taken out. These will follow the rules of the board of aldermen and are:

First. Ordinances as to the issue of bonds, etc.

Second. Ordinances as to railroads in Providence. They are ready for the press, and are partially in type.

The whole work has been carefully examined by the city solicitor and myself, and has received the careful, constant and almost unbroken labor of Mr. Smithwick.

We regret the delay in forming.

Respectfully submitted.

Amos Sisson.

September 21, 1885.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, September 21, 1885.

In Board of Aldermen September 24, 1885.

No. 1418.

Report.

Report

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence:

The joint committee on finance present herewith a bill for an ordinance making appropriations for the support of the city government for the fiscal year beginning on the first day of October, 1885, and ending September 30, 1886.

Appropriations Bills.

The city auditor's estimated expenditures, made to the city council under date of April 27, 1885, were	$2,325,599.49
Less over estimate for interest on public improvement loan,	18,000.00
Making estimated expenditures	$2,307,599.49

The taxable valuation of the real and personal

Do. property of the city for 1885, as returned by the assessors of taxes September 5, is: Real estate $92,887,400; personal property, $31,314,600; total, $124,202,000 showing a gain in real estate of $1,245,300, and personal property of $760,200, as compared with the valuation of 1884. The rate of tax as approved by the city council June 4, 1885 was $1.45 on each $100 of the valuation, which will produce a revenue of 1,800,927.50

Assessments for concreting,	452.68
For widening and extending Garfield ave,	1,551.50
For widening and extending Dodson avenue,	1,752.00
Unlawful buildings,	50.00
Amount of estimated receipts as per auditors report,	456,500.00
Showing a total revenue of	$2,261,234.68

which is $46,364.81 short of the amount now as taxes estimates made by the city auditor.

After carefull consideration of the wants of the various departments for the next financial year, your committee have prepared the accompanying bill, appropriating the revenue Do. as in the opinion of the committee the best interests of the city will require.

For the committee,

H.C. Chase, Chairman.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, September 21, 1885

In Board of Aldermen, September 24, 1885.

No. 1419.

Ordinance.

Appropriations for support of City Government.

An Ordinance making Appropriations for the Support of the City Government for the Financial year ending September 30, 1886.

Chapter CCCIII.

For Ordinance see book of "Ordinances." - v. 4 Page 191.

Passed, In Common Council, September 21, 1885.

In Board of Aldermen, September 24, 1885.

Approved, September 25, 1885.

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

No. 420.

Ordinance. Salary of License Commissioners.

An Ordinance fixing the Salary of the License Commissioners.

Chapter CCCIV.

Be Ordinance see book of Ordinances No. 4 Page 195.

Passed In Common Council, September 21, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, September 24, 1885.
Approved, September 25, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 421.

School House on Somerset St.

Resolved:

That the joint standing committee on education be and they are hereby authorized to procure plans and estimates for a four room primary and intermediate school building, to be located on the lot on Somerset Street lately purchased by the city, the cost all to come to be paid for from the appropriation for school houses and lots.

Passed, In Common Council, September 21, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, September 24, 1885.
Approved September 25, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 422.

Report.

Report.

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Worcester:

Evening Schools.

The joint standing committee on education, to whom was referred a petition of the school committee for authority to establish not more than seven ordinary evening schools for a term not exceeding twenty weeks during the fall and winter of 1885 and 1886, respectfully report recommending that said petition be granted.

Your committee submit and recommend the passage of the accompanying resolutions for the establishment and maintenance of said evening schools.

Respectfully submitted for the committee,
Fred. I. Ware, Chairman.

Resolved, whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, September 21, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, September 24, 1885.

No. 423

Evening Schools.

Resolved:

That the school committee be and they are hereby authorized to establish for a term of twenty weeks during the fall and winter of 1885 and 1886, seven ordinary evening schools, to be located in such buildings as said committee may select, subject to the approval of the joint committee on education.

Passed, In Common Council, September 21, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, September 24, 1885.
Approved September 25, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 424.

Evening Schools.

Resolved.

That the school committee is hereby authorized to expend the sum of fifteen thousand dollars for maintenance of evening schools; said sum, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to be charged to the appropriation for public schools.

Passed, In Common Council, September 21, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, September 24, 1885.
Approved, September 25, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 425.

Report.

Report.

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Worcester:

The committee on the city engineer's department make this their report:

Sanitary Investigations.

During the current fiscal year the committee have drawn from the appropriation for this department two thousand nine hundred ninety-two dollars and seventeen cents,

Do. for continuing the work of sanitary investigation ordered by resolutions No. 310, approved September 4, 1883; and No. 119, approved March 24, 1884. There are some expenditures not yet audited, which will carry the amount to about thirty-one hundred dollars. The committee, therefore, request that the city auditor may be authorized to transfer the latter sum from the appropriation for the city engineer's department to the account of sanitary investigation, and the passage of the accompanying resolution in accordance therewith is therefore recommended.

Do.

For the committee,

Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor and Chairman.

Providence, September 21, 1885.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, September 21, 1885.

In Board of Aldermen, September 24, 1885.

No. 426.

Resolved:

That the city auditor is hereby directed to transfer from the appropriation for city engineer's department to the appropriation for sanitary investigation, the sum of thirty-one hundred dollars, and also to charge said investigation account with all expenses incurred by the engineer's department during the present fiscal year for sanitary investigation.

Transfer of Appropriations to Sanitary investigation.

Passed, In Common Council, September 21, 1885.

In Board of Aldermen, September 24, 1885.

Approved, September 25, 1885.

Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 427.

Communication.

Extra Auditor

Deficiency in certain Appropriations.

City of Providence,
City Auditor's Office, City Hall,
September 21, 1885.

To the Honorable the City Council:

The appropriations made in the general ordinance approved September 22, 1884, for support of the poor,

Do. city engineer's department, sewer maintenance and interest account are exhausted, and those for printing and the police department will be before the close of the present fiscal year.

To enable the undersigned to audit all claims that may be presented, additional appropriations for these several accounts are necessary, viz.: For printing, $1,000; support of the poor, $2,000; sewer maintenance, $3,000, interest, $15,000; city engineer's department, $6,000, and for the police department, $6,000.

The deficiency in the printing account was caused by the expense incurred for printing the revised ordinances. That in the poor department and sewer maintenance account was caused by the fact that in each case the appropriation was $2,000 less than the estimated expenses. That in the engineer's department was caused by charging to that account the expenses of meteorology and for sanitary improvements which were not included in the estimates, and also by an appropriation of $1,000 less than the sum estimated to be necessary. The deficiency in the police account was caused by the appointment of an additional number of patrolmen, and a balance is due the city for board of prisoners at the Providence county jail.

Do. Respectfully submitted,

James H. Wood, City Auditor.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, September 21, 1885.

In Board of Aldermen, September 24, 1885.

No. 428.

Resolved:

Adding to certain Appropriations.

That the sum of one thousand dollars is hereby added to the appropriation for printing; two thousand dollars to the appropriation for sewer maintenance; two thousand dollars to the appropriation for the support of the poor; six thousand dollars for the city engineer's department; six thousand dollars for the police department, and fifteen thousand dollars for interest account, to be taken from any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed, In Common Council, September 21, 1885.

In Board of Aldermen, September 24, 1885.
Approved, September 25, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 429.

Communication.

City Auditor

City of Providence,
City Auditor's office, City Hall,
September 17, 1885.

To the Honorable the city council:

Appropriations for repairs on Public Buildings.

The undersigned respectfully petitions the city council for permission to charge to the appropriations for repairs on public buildings the expenditures growing out of the following resolutions, so that hereafter, whenever it may be desirable to look after them or assess, they may be found charged to their legitimate account:

First. The appropriation of $1,000 under resolution No. 312, approved July 8, 1885 to furnish the King street school house with seats, desks, etc, to be paid for out of the appropriation for contingencies.

Second. The appropriation of $400, under resolution No. 321, approved July 18, 1885, to furnish the Friendship street school house with seats and desks, to be, said for out of the appropriation for contingencies.

Third. The appropriation of $800, under resolution No. 339, approved August 7, 1885, to furnish a room in the third story of the High school building, to be paid for out of the appropriation for contingencies.

Fourth. The appropriation of $500, under resolution No. 372, approved September 12, 1885, for the erection of a stable at the police station on Martin street, to be paid for out of the appropriation for police.

The enclosed resolution will provide the necessary additional appropriation for the department of public buildings, and cover all expenses incurred under the foregoing resolutions.

Respectfully submitted,
James M. Lowe, City Auditor.

Read, whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, September 21, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, September 24, 1885.

No. 430

Resolved:

That the city auditor is hereby authorized and instructed to charge to the appropriation for public buildings all expenses that may or have been incurred by that department under resolutions of the city council, Nos. 312, 321, 339, and 372 current series.

Appropriation for Public Buildings.

Passed,
In Common Council, September 21, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, September 24, 1885.
Approved, September 25, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 431.

Resolved:

That the sum of three thousand dollars is hereby added to the appropriation for public buildings, to be taken from any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Adding to the Appropriation for Public Buildings.

Passed, In Common Council, September 21, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, September 24, 1885.
Approved, September 25, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 432.

Communication.

City Auditor.

City of Providence
City Auditor's Office, City Hall
September 21, 1885.

To the Honorable the City Council:

Police Station on Plain and Bordick

The undersigned respectfully asks the passage of the accompanying resolutions, so as to enable him to charge the cost of "plans and estimates" for a police station at the

corner of Plain and Bordin streets, to the appropriations for contingencies, instead of to the police department, as directed in resolution No. 422, approved September 13, 1884.

As the cost of these plans are not a part of the general expenses of the police department, the auditor asks for authority to charge the same to their legitimate account.

Respectfully submitted,
James M. Cross, City Auditor.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, September 21, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, September 24, 1885.

No. 433.

Resolved,

That the city auditor is hereby directed to charge the cost of plans and estimates for a police station at the corner of Plain and Bordin streets to the appropriation for police station in ward six, instead of to the police department, as directed under resolution No. 422 approved September 13, 1884.

Police Station At the Corner of Plain & Bordin Sts.

Passed, In Common Council, September 21, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, September 24, 1885.
Approved, September 25, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 434.

Resolved,

That in order to balance any of the general appropriations made by the city council for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1885, that may be exhausted, the city auditor is hereby authorized to transfer from one appropriation having a surplus to any other that may be exhausted, such sum or sums as may be necessary to meet the same.

Appropriations

Passed, In Common Council, September 21, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, September 24, 1885.
Approved, September 25, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 435.

Resolved,

That the city treasurer is hereby directed to pay to Orill McCort the sum of eighty-five dollars, whenever the said McCort shall execute a release to the city, satisfactory to the city solicitor, of all claims against said city for damages to his estate on Abbott street said payment to be charged to the appropriations for contingencies.

Orill McCort.

Passed, In Common Council, September 21, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, September 24, 1885.
Approved, September 25, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 436.

Resolved,

That the board of public works be hereby directed to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Spring street, from High street to Pond street.

Spring Street

Passed, In Common Council, September 21, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, September 24, 1885.
Approved, September 25, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

Third Road
No. 437.

Mayor's Message.

Message.

October 5, 1885.

Gentlemen of the City Council:

I have received from commissioners appointed to superintend the erection of a bridge across the Delaware river a communication relative to a conference of representatives of the parties interested in the construction of said bridge, "as to the most satisfactory manner of applying such tests as may determine the strength and durability of the structure."

Bridge across the Delaware River.

I transmit a copy of their communication herewith, and recommend that the city council appoint suitable persons to represent the city at such a conference, and suggest that the city engineer be one of the parties selected.

Washington Bridge

Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

Read, In Common Council, October 5, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen October 8, 1885.

Communication.

Communication.

Seekonk River Bridge Commission,
Secretary's Office,
Providence, October 2, 1885.

Hon. Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

Dear Sir: On the 5th of June last there was addressed to this commission by the city engineer a communication suggesting that, pursuant to a resolution of the board of aldermen and the action of the advisory committee on bridges, a test of the new bridge was desired. At the receipt of such communication, the bridge commission were unable to arrange for such a trial, but advised the city engineer that so soon as it seemed best they would willingly co-operate with the representatives of the several parties in interest in arranging and applying such a test.

Seekonk River Bridge Commission.

I am instructed by the bridge commission to notify you, as also the towns of East Providence and Pawtucket, and the Boston and Providence, Providence and Norwich, and Providence, Warren and Bristol Railroad Companies, that on Saturday, October 11, at 12 o'clock M, at the office of the clerk of the court of common pleas, in the Providence county court house, they will be present to meet the representatives of such parties for conference as to the most satisfactory method of applying such tests as may determine the strength and durability of the structure.

Very respectfully yours,
George E. Webster, Secretary.

No. 438.

Resolved,

That the city engineer, together with Messrs. Tower, Batcheller and Winsor of the common council, and aldermen Greene, Ross and Briggs, and the mayor, be hereby appointed to represent the city at a conference of representatives of the parties in

Jt. Special Committee Appointed.

interest in the construction of the bridge over the Seekonk river, and to co-operate with such representatives in arranging and applying such a test of said bridge as may determine the strength and durability of the structure.

Passed, In Common Council, October 5, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen October 8 1885.
Approved, October 8, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 439.

Resolved,

That the board of public works are hereby directed to cause the surface water from Broad street to be turned northwards from the Canal street, canal, so called, and conveyed by the means of paved gutters through Canal street to Main avenue, through Main avenue to Cottrell street to the brook crossing said Cottrell street, the expense thereof to be taken from the appropriation for highways.

Canal St. Drain.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, September 24, 1885.
In Common Council, October 5, 1885.
Approved October 8, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 440.

Resolved,

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about three hundred and fifteen feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Abbott Park Place and Broad street, from present end of pipe, to Richmond street.

Abbott Park Place & Main St.

Passed In Board of Aldermen September 24, 1885.
In Common Council, October 5, 1885.
Approved October 8, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 441.

Resolved,

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause

Blundell St.

about four hundred and thirty four feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Blundell street, from Thurber avenue, southerly.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, September 24, 1885.
In Common Council, October 5, 1885.
Approved, October 8, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 4442.

Resolved:

That, permission be granted to Paul Landy to raise a certain building located at No. 1039 Eddy street, pursuant to his petition.

Paul Landy

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, September 24, 1885.
In Common Council, October 5, 1885.
Approved, October 8, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 4443.

Quarterly Report of the Weigher at the Haymarket

Weigher at the Haymarket Scales.

for the Quarter ending September 30, 1885.

Read, whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, October 1, 1885.
In Common Council, October 5, 1885.
Approved, October 8, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 4444.

Report:

Report:

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence.

The joint committee on highways, who were, on the sixth day of May, 1885, directed by resolution No. 173, current series, to report a resolution directing the city solicitor to make application to the supreme court for the appointment of commissioners to lay out West Exchange street, from Core street westerly to Atwells avenue, as a public highway, present herewith said resolution with plan showing lines of the proposed lay-out.

West Exchange St.

For the committee,

Benjamin E. Kinsley, Chairman.

Providence, October 1, 1885.

Read, whereupon it is Ordered that the same be received.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, October 1, 1885.
In Common Council, October 5, 1885.

No. 4445.

Resolved.

That the board of public works is hereby directed to cause the sidewalk adjoining the new school house and Smith street to be concreted, the assessment attending the same to be paid for from the appropriation for sidewalks and curbing.

School House
vs
Smith St.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, October 1, 1885.
In Common Council, October 5, 1885.
Approved, October 8, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 4446.

Resolved.

That the board of public works are hereby directed to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Spring street, from Broad street to Lockwood street.

Spring Street

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, October 1, 1885.
In Common Council, October 5, 1885.
Approved, October 8, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 4447.

Resolved.

That, permission be granted to Robert Capelle to raise a certain building located at the corner of Potters avenue and Burnside street, pursuant to his petition.

Robert Capelle

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, October 1, 1885.
In Common Council, October 5, 1885.
Approved, October 8, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 448.

D. F. Longstreet, Henry J. Steere
Jessie Metcalf

Whereas D. F. Longstreet, Jessie Metcalf and Henry J. Steere have petitioned the mayor and aldermen to establish a street upon their land at the corner of Greenwich street and West Friendship street, therefore:

Resolved,

Land at Corner of West Friendship & Greenwich Sts.

That the mayor and aldermen be hereby requested to declare that portion of the land of said D. F. Longstreet, Jessie Metcalf and Henry J. Steere, at the corner of West Friendship and Greenwich streets, to be a public highway, as set forth and described in their petition.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, September 17, 1885.
In Common Council, October 5, 1885.
Approved, October 8, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 449.

Resolved:

That in the opinion of the City Council it is desirable and necessary to lay out West Exchange Street, from Dean Street to Dean Street, of an uniform width of sixty feet, making the boundaries thereof to coincide with the lines of West Exchange Street laid down on a "map of the Federal Hill estate," shown on card 291 in the office of the office of the recorder of deeds, and also to extend and lay out said West Exchange street, from the northeasterly line of Dean Street to Atwells avenue, of an uniform width of forty feet, and making for the southerly boundary thereof a line beginning at the southeasterly corner of said Dean Street and West Exchange street, as above described, and running thence westerly (in a line ranging towards a point forty feet southerly from the southeasterly corner of lot 19, as located on a plat of "part of the Dill swamp estate," shown on card 224 in the office of the recorder of deeds), to a point in the southerly line of Barney street, as shown on said card 224; thence deflecting southerly and running westerly in the said line of Barney street, and in the westerly projection of said line to a point in the northerly line of Atwells avenue; and whereas certain real estate will be required for that purpose:

West Exchange St.

Resolved; That the city solicitor be hereby directed

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

Do.

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

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, October 1, 1885.
In Common Council, October 5, 1885.
Approved, October 6, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

Read

No. 450.

Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department for September, 1885.

Civil Engineer of the Fire Dept.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed In Common Council October 5, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, October 15, 1885.

No. 451.

Report.

Report:

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence:

The board of commissioners of sinking funds make this their thirty-seventh quarterly report:

Sinking Funds.

The bonds and notes comprised in the funded debt, for the redemption of which sinking funds are held by the commissioners, the purposes for which they were issued, and the amounts of the sinking funds, September 30, 1885, are shown by the following table:

(over)

Sinking Funds.		Debt.	Sinking Funds.
	Bonds due January 1, 1893, for expenses incurred in enlisting soldiers in the war of the rebellion, (5 per cent.)	$300.000.00	$312,922.33
	Bonds due July 1, 1895, for construction of sewers and city hall (5 per cent. sterling loan,)	1.397.250.00	479,698.28
	Bonds due June 1, 1899, for construction of sewers and city hall (4½ per cent.)	600.000.00	151.544.73
	Bonds due July 1, 1899, for public improvements, made since 1855, (5 per cent.)	450.000.00	92,677.99
	Bonds due July 1, 1900 for same purpose, (5 per cent.)	146.000.00	25.038.79
	Bonds due July 1, 1900, for the water works, (5 and 6 per cent.)	4.000.000.00	371.434.27
	Bonds due July 1, 1906 for the water works, 5 per cent.,	1,550.000.00	
	Notes due in 1886 for the Brook street district improvement, 4½ per cent.)	280.000.00	5,011.89
	Totals	$8,673.250.00	$1,438.328.28

Do. The amount of funds in the control of the board, June 30 1885, was—

Of the issue of 1885,	$791,731.16
Of the issue of 1893,	335.187.57
Of the issue of 1895,	433,404.88
Of the city hall and sewer loan of 1899,	147,655.90
Of the public improvement loan of 1899,	76.868.02
Of the public improvement loan of 1900,	19,928.23
Of the water loan,	141.137.79
Of the Brook street district loans,	2,115.84
Whole amount,	$1,918,029.39

The increase in the several funds has been:

In the fund of 1893,	$1,734.76
In the fund of 1895,	46,293.40
In the city hall and sewer loan of 1899,	3,888.83
In the public improvement loan of 1899,	15,809.97
In the public improvement loan of 1900,	5,110.56
In the water loan,	230,296.48
In the Brook street district loans,	2,896.05
Whole increase,	$312,030.05

Do. On the first day of September the six per cent.

Do. loan for $600,000 of the City of Providence for public improvements made prior to 1855 matured, and the accumulations of the sinking fund established for its redemption held by the commissioners of sinking funds amounted on that day to $828,877.57, which sum was disposed of by the commissioners as follows, viz.: $600,000 was paid to the city treasurer for the payment of the maturing bonds, and the balance of—$228,877.57 was placed to the credit of the sinking fund for the redemption of the bonds given by the City of Providence for the construction of the water works maturing in the years 1900 and 1906, as required by chapter XCII of the ordinances, as voted November 22, 1876.

Respectfully submitted by request of the Board of Commissioners,

Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor & Chairman.

Do. Providence, October 5, 1885.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed In Common Council, October 5, 1885.

In Board of Aldermen October 15, 1885.

No. 452.

Ordinance

Grammar School Teacher.

An Ordinance in Amendment of "Chapter CCII of the Ordinances," and providing for the Employment of an additional Assistant Grammar School Teacher.

Chapter CCCV.

For Ordinance see book of "Ordinances" No. 4 Page 196.

Passed In Common Council, October 5, 1885.

In Board of Aldermen, October 15, 1885.

Approved, October 17, 1885.

Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 453.

Sewer outlets in Harbor.

Resolved,

That the city auditor is hereby directed to charge to the appropriation for dredging the harbor, all expenses incurred under resolution No. 163, current series, and also to transfer to said harbor account, from the appropriation for contingencies, the sum of fifteen hundred dollars.

Passed, In Common Council, October 5, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, October 15, 1885.
Approved October 17, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 454.

Resolved.

That the city solicitor, under the directions of the joint committee on parks, is hereby directed on behalf of the city to agree to a reference relative to the value of the land containing about three acres adjoining Roger Williams Park on the southwest, between the park and the stable of the Union Railroad Company, and that upon a conveyance to the city of said land by deed and title satisfactory to the city solicitor, the city treasurer shall pay to the grantors of the same the amount of money found by said referees, or a majority of them, to be a value therefor; said amount to be taken from any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Land adjoining Roger Williams Park.

Passed In Common Council, October 5, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, October 15, 1885.
Approved October 17, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 455.

Resolved,

That the board of public works in accordance with their recommendation are hereby directed to cause about twelve hundred and seventy feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Brown street, Johnston, from Plainfield street to Atwood street.

Brown St. Johnston.

Passed, In Common Council, October 5, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, October 15, 1885.
Approved, October 17, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 456.

Resolved,

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about six

Chalkstone Ave.

Do

hundred and thirty-nine feet of eight-inch water pipes to be laid in Chalkstone avenue, from Manton avenue easterly.

Passed, In Common Council, October 5, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, October 15, 1885.
Approved, October 17, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 457.

Resolved.

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about two hundred and eleven feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Grandview street, from North Main street, easterly.

Grandview Street.

Passed, In Common Council, October 5, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, October 15, 1885.
Approved, October 17, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 458.

Resolved,

That the board of public works in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about seven hundred and ninety-seven feet of eight inch water pipes to be laid in Hartford Road, Johnston, from second angle, easterly.

Hartford Road Johnston.

Passed, In Common Council, October 5, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, October 15, 1885.
Approved, October 17, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 459.

Resolved,

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation are hereby directed to cause about two hundred and eighty-two feet of eight-inch water pipes to be laid in Irving street, from present end of pipe, easterly.

Irving Street.

Passed, In Common Council, October 5, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, October 15, 1885.

Approved, October 17, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 460.

Resolved,

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about fifty feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Laban street, Johnston, from present end of pipe, near Rocky Hill avenue, easterly.

Laban Street.

Passed, In Common Council, October 5, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, October 15, 1885.
Approved, October 17, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 461.

Resolved,

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about five hundred and twenty-five feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in O'Neil street, from Douglas avenue to Veazie street.

O'Neil Street.

Passed, In Common Council, October 5, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, October 15, 1885.
Approved, October 17, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 462.

Resolved.

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about seventy-four feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Sayles street, from present end of pipe at French street, westerly.

St. Leo Street.

Passed, In Common Council, October 5, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, October 15, 1885.
Approved, October 17, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 463.

Resolved.

That the board of aldermen be, and they

Narragansett ave.

Roger Williams ave. & Burrows St.

are hereby requested to define a grade for Narragansett avenue, Roger Williams avenue and Burrows street, in accordance with chapter 322 of the public laws, passed at the January session, 1882.

Passed, In Common Council, October 5, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, October 15, 1885.
Approved October 17, 1885,
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

No. 464.

Resolved,

And it is hereby ordered and directed that the sidewalks on Manton avenue, from Delaine street to Pelham street, in the City of Providence, shall be altered and improved in conveying the same from said Delaine street to said Pelham street, so that said sidewalks for their entire length, as aforesaid, shall be of present width, three-quarters of an inch rise per foot from the inside of the curb to the street line, except modification necessary to meet the occupation line, and shall be otherwise constructed in manner and of materials as follows, viz:

Manton ave.

All material above said grade shall be separated and removed. Good sand or gravel shall be used for filling where ever it may be required.

The foundation shall be composed of clean, sharp gravel, properly coated with tar, and shall not be less than two inches in depth after being rolled and thoroughly compacted.

The top of the foundation shall be brought to a smooth surface by the addition of fine pebble, completely coated with tar and thoroughly rolled.

The top dressing shall consist of clean, sharp sand, thoroughly saturated with tar, and applied in a layer of such thickness that after being rolled and compacted, it will not be less than an inch in depth. The total depth of walk when finished shall not be less than three inches.

Dep.

The quality of the tar used shall be equal in all respects to that made by the Providence Gas Company. The gravel and sand shall be thoroughly dry before coating or saturating the same with tar.

Manh. ave.

Said alteration and improvement of said sidewalks shall be completed within six weeks from the time of the passage hereof.

And it is hereby further resolved, ordered and directed, that the notices of the aforegoing resolution, order and direction, required to be given and the publication of the aforegoing required to be made, shall be given or made, as the case may be, in manner and as required by law.

Passed, In Common Council, October 5, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, October 15, 1885.
Approved, October 17, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 465.

Communication.

City Clerks.

City of Providence,
City Clerks Office City Hall,
October 15, 1885.

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence.

The undersigned reports that the Narragansett Electric Lighting Company, in consideration of the permission granted to it by chapter CCC of the ordinances, to put up and maintain poles and wires in certain streets, has, in writing, accepted the provisions of said ordinance, and also of chapter CCLIV of the ordinances entitled, "An ordinance regulating the erection and use of wires for conducting electricity for light, heat and motive power," which acceptance was filed in the office of the city clerk on the 12th day of October, 1885.

Narragansett Electric Lighting Co.

Respectfully submitted,
Henry A. A. Justin
City Clerk.

Read, thereupon it is ordered that the same be received.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, October 15, 1885.
In Common Council, October 19, 1885.
Approved, October 21, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 466.

Mayor's Messages.

Messages.

City of Providence,
Executive Department City Hall,
October 15, 1885.

Gentlemen of the City Council:

I transmit herewith a communication from Frank J. Wesley relative to improving the sewerage of the city of Providence, and recommend that it be referred to the joint special committee appointed by resolution No. 547, approved September 19, 1884, to consider the report of the city engineer relative to the disposal of the sewerage of the city.

Frank J. Wesley Plans for Sewerage System.

Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

Read, In Board of Aldermen, October 15, 1885.
In Common Council, October 19, 1885.

No. 467.

Resolved,

That the message of the mayor, dated October 15, 1885, together with the communication from Frank J. Wesley, relative to improving the sewerage of the city of Providence, be and the same is hereby referred to the joint special committee appointed by resolution No. 547, approved November 19, 1884, to consider the report of the city engineer relative to the disposal of the sewerage of the city, to examine and report thereon.

Do.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, October 15, 1885.
In Common Council, October 19, 1885.
Approved, October 21, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

Do.

No. 468.

An Ordinance in Amendment of Chapter XXXIX of the Ordinances entitled "Police."

Ordinance.

Chapter CCCVI.

For Ordinance see book of "Ordinances" No. 4 Page 196.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, October 15, 1885.
In Common Council, October 19, 1885.
Approved, October 21, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

Police.

No. 469.

Resolved,

That the city treasurer be hereby directed to pay Cornelia C. Green thirteen dollars and eighty cents in consideration of the conveyance by said Cornelia C. Green of a piece of land at the corner of Ethwell avenue and Amirvoa street, for highway purposes.

Cornelia C. Green

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, October 15, 1885.
In Common Council, October 19, 1885.
Approved, October 21, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 470.

Resolved,

That the board of public works be hereby directed to dispose of the surface water on Whalbstone avenue, in the vicinity of Academy avenue, by causing the drain pipes to be extended in Fallon avenue as shown by the accompanying plan of the city engineer, the expense of said work not to exceed three hundred and seventy-five dollars, to be charged to the appropriation for highways; provided, however, that said board of public works shall, before causing said work to be done, secure without expense to the city the right of way to lay said drain pipes in said Fallon avenue, and also shall secure from all parties in interest a release from all claims for damages against the city that may arise from the construction of said drain or from the flowage of water therefrom.

Fallon Ave.

Passed In Board of Aldermen, October 15, 1885.
In Common Council, October 19, 1885.
Approved, October 21, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 471.

Resolved,

That the city messenger be hereby authorized to purchase a suitable carpet for the floor of committee room A in the city hall, the expense thereof to be charged to the appropriations for the city hall.

Carpet for Committee Room A.

Passed In Board of Aldermen October 15, 1885.

In Common Council October 19, 1885.
Approved, October 21, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 472.

Resolved.

That permission be granted to C. S. Gurney to raise a certain building, located at No. 14 Colwell street, pursuant to his petition.

C. S. Gurney.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, October 15, 1885.
In Common Council, October 19, 1885.
Approved, October 21, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 473.

Resolved,

That permission be granted to Peter Kelley to raise a certain building, located at No. 25 Knox street, pursuant to his petition.

Peter Kelley

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, October 15, 1885.
In Common Council, October 19, 1885.
Approved, October 21, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 474.

Resolved.

That the mayor and aldermen be and they are hereby requested to lay out Dart street, from West Kirk street to the Kenna street, as a public highway.

Dart Street.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, September 17, 1885.
In Common Council, November 2, 1885.
Approved, November 3, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 475.

Resolved.

That the mayor and aldermen be and they are hereby requested to lay out Princeton avenue, from Broadway to Upsilon street as a public highway.

Princeton Ave.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, September 17, 1885.
In Common Council, November 2, 1885.
Approved November 3, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 476.

Issuing Bonds.

The Joint Committee on Finance make their Monthly Report on the Issue of Registered Bonds for July, August and September, 1885.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, October 19, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, November 5, 1885.

No. 477.

The City Treasurer makes his Monthly Report on the Issue of Registered Bonds for July, August and September, 1885.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, October 19, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, November 5, 1885.

No. 478.

The City Messenger makes his Monthly Report for September, 1885.

City Messenger.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, October 19, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, November 5, 1885.

No. 479.

Mayors Message.

Message.

City of Providence,
Executive Department, City Hall,
October 19, 1885.

Mutilation of.

Gentlemen of the City Council:

My attention was called this afternoon to an article which appeared in a Sunday newspaper in this city yesterday, which contains so serious a charge against a public officer that I deem it proper to bring the matter to your attention. The article in question appeared under the caption "What Does it Mean?" and is as follows:

City Document No. 36.

"What Does it Mean?

"About the time that Mr. Gray made his report on sewerage, a gentleman from abroad requested a friend in this city to obtain for him a report on the question of sewers for Providence made several years ago by a committee from the American Engineers' Association. In an appendix to this report was a heliotype copy of Mr. Shedd's plan for main sewers, intercepting sewers cross sewers, etc., leading down to Fields Point. Inquiries at the city hall disclosed the fact that while there were plenty of reports in the office of the city messenger and other departments of the building, not a copy could be found which had not been mutilated by the tearing out of the heliotype in question.

Drainage System. 1875.

"What does this mean? It must mean something. It can not 'just happen.' It has some significance. The print has cut up represented the city of Providence, the streets, etc., and was traced with red lines to show the location and direction of Mr. Shedd's proposed sewers. Mr. Gray, in his report last year, commended the same arrangements made without giving due credit.

"Some ten years since Mr. Shedd had a plaster model made for the purpose of showing the elevation of streets, etc., in accordance with the same plan. Many of our citizens will remember having seen this model. Possibly it is still in existence. What does the mayor know about this?"

The charges made in the article that the city documents had been mutilated in the offices in the city hall was so serious a reflection upon one of the most efficient and faithful of the city officials, Edward D. Rhodes, Esq., city messenger and custodian of the city hall and city documents, that it caused me to doubt the truth of the article in question.

Do.

The document referred to is a "Report of the System of Drainage in the City of Providence made by a committee

Messags. of the American Society of Civil Engineers, presented August 7, 1876." It was issued as "City Document No. 36," of the series of 1876, containing eleven sheets and three maps, severally intitled "Drainage District D," "Drainage District H" and "Sewerage Districts of the City of Providence, 1875," of which, then were but 750 copies printed, when first issued, only the two maps of Districts D and H were attached to the report and a few copies thereof sent out.

Upon reading the article, I at once sent for Mr. Rhodes and requested an explanation thereof, which he readily gave, showing the utter falsity of the charge made. In the proper place in his office were some fifty copies of this document, containing all the maps complete, while in the document room, in the basement, thirty copies of the same document were found, containing only the maps D and H, and marked "Not to be distributed." I also examined the volumes of city documents for 1876 in several of the departments, and in each instance found document 36 unmutilated.

In regard to the plaster model, to which reference is made, I have no knowledge of what disposition was made thereof, nor of the models of the Brook street district, neither of them were ever in my custody or control.

I send herewith a copy of document 36, as at first issued, and also a copy of the same document complete. The former bears no evidence of mutilation.

Thomas A. Doyle,
Mayor.

Read, In Common Council, October 19, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, November 5, 1885.

No. 480.

Remonstrance.

Wards Third, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth, Seventh & Eighth

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence:

The undersigned tax payers of the third, fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth wards of the City of Providence, respectfully represent:

That we are in favor of improved terminal facilities, but are opposed to the commissioners' plan, because we believe better plans may be devised.

Wards. Against Commissioner's Plan of R. R. Terminal Facilities.

We, therefore, most earnestly protest against the consummation of the commissioners' plan by your honorable body, and pray that you consider other plans.

James E. Cranston,
and 1,374 others.

Read, Whereupon it is ordered that the same be received,
Passed, In Common Council October 19, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, November 5, 1885.

No. 481.

Messags of the Mayor.

City of Providence,
Executive Department,
City Hall, October 19, 1885.

Gentlemen of the City Council:

Some years have elapsed since there was given a thorough revision of the valuation of the real estate of this city, by the board of assessors. Changes have been made from time to time in the values of different localities, but these have not rendered the necessity of a general revision more apparent.

Assistance in the Assessor's Office

The board of assessors are desirous of commencing the work of revision at an early date, but it will be impossible to do so with their present clerical assistance. I therefore recommend that the matter receive the immediate attention of the city council, to the end that the board of assessors may be enabled to go forward with the work without delay.

Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

Read In Common Council, October 19, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, November 5, 1885.

No. 482.

Resolved.

Do. That the message of the mayor dated October 19, 1885, relative to the employment of additional assistance in the office of the assessors of taxes, be referred to the joint standing committee on finance to examine and report thereon.

Passed, In Common Council October 19, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen November 5, 1885.
Approved November 7, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

Drawn.

No. 483.

Resolved,

That the joint standing committee on education, be, and they are hereby authorized to procure plans and estimates for a primary and intermediate School building to be located upon the lot corner of Amherst and Lovill streets, lately purchased by the city, the cost attending the same to be paid for from the appropriation for school houses and lots.

Passed, In Common Council, October 19, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, November 5, 1885.
Approved November 7, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

School House at the corner of Amherst & Lovill Sts.

No. 484.

Resolved,

That the joint standing committee on education, be, and they are hereby authorized to procure plans and estimates for a four room primary and intermediate school building, to be located on the lot on Bellevue avenue, lately purchased by the city, the cost attending the same to be paid for from the appropriation for school houses and lots.

Passed, In Common Council, October 19, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, November 5, 1885.
Approved November 7, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

School House on Bellevue Ave.

No. 485.

Resolved,

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about two hundred and fifty feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Cushing street, from Thayer street easterly.

Passed, In Common Council, October 19, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, November 5, 1885.
Approved, November 7, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

Cushing St.

No. 487.

Resolved,

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about six hundred and seven feet of eight inch and six thousand and fifty feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Roger Williams avenue, from Elmwood avenue to Narragansett avenue; in Narragansett avenue, from Roger Williams avenue, southerly about four hundred and forty feet; and in Barrow street from Roger Williams avenue southerly about five hundred feet.

Passed, In Common Council, October 19, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, November 5, 1885.
Approved November 7, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

Roger Williams ave. & Elmwood ave. & Barrows Street

No. 486.

Resolved,

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about seven hundred and six feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Ivy street, from Forest street to one hundred and twenty-five feet north of Evergreen street, and in Evergreen street, from Ivy street two hundred feet easterly.

Passed, In Common Council, October 19, In Board of Aldermen Nov 5, 1885.
Approved November 7, 1885. Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

Ivy St. & Evergreen St.

No. 488.

Resolved, That the gift of Charles J. Burlingame of the sum of seventy five dollars to the commissioners of the North Burial ground, in trust, the income thereof to be applied under the provisions of chapter 367, of the public laws to the preservation and care of the burial lot belonging to the name of said Burlingame, in said ground, be and the same is hereby accepted under the name of the Charles J. Burlingame fund.

Passed, In Common Council, October 19, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, November 5, 1885.
Approved November 7, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

Charles J. Burlingame.

No. 489.

Mayor's Message.

Message.

City of Providence
Executive Department, City Hall,
November 2, 1885.

Gentlemen of the City Council:

I transmit herewith a copy of a communication from James M. Ripley, Esq., counsel for the Franklin Foundry and Machine Co., in reference to the pollution of the Moshassuck river by "the constant discharge of sewer matter into said river from the sewers in Nichols and Weldon streets." The company allege that it has suffered serious damage thereby, for which it will claim compensation from the city, and "that it will also take steps to enjoin the city from further defiling the waters of the Moshassuck above its works, unless the nuisance is abated at the earliest possible moment."

Franklin Foundry & Machine Co.

It is well known that the river in question is sadly defiled and rendered impure before it reaches the city lines. Between the point and the works of the company the West river flows into it, of which the committee on the city engineer's department, in their report to the "the pollution of the tributaries of the Providence river," presented December 17, 1883, (city document No. 24, series of 1883,) say: "The West river was found by the committee to have a black color and to be terribly offensive and foul." The Moshassuck river was also offensive.

In addition to the water of the West river, the impurities from the Allen Print Works and other establishments are emptied into the stream. It is safe to say that all the defilement of the river caused by the outflow of the sewers, of which complaint is made, is so small a part of the cause of the pollution of the Moshassuck river at the works of the Franklin Foundry and Machine Company, as to be infinitesimal. It occurs to the writer that the cause of the complaint against the city arises rather from the heavy assessment laid upon the real estate of the company for the construction of sewers in Nichols and Welling streets and Nash lane, which amounts to $1,674.64.

Nuisance of Moshassuck River.

I recommend that the matter receive your immediate attention, either in the form of a reference to the city solicitor,

with instructions as to the action he shall take thereon, or to a committee to report the proper course to be pursued.

Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

(Copy).

Providence October 24, 1885.

Communication of Franklin Foundry & Machine Co.

Honorable Thomas A. Doyle:

Dear Sir: I have been instructed by the Franklin Foundry and Machine Company to give notice to the city, through you, that it is suffering serious damage by reason of the Nicholl street and Weldon street sewers which both enter the Moshassuck river above its works, that the constant discharge of sewer matter into said river has not only rendered the waters of the river much less pure, but has created a great nuisance, disagreeable alike to the smell and dangerous to the health of its employees. The Franklin Foundry and Machine Company therefore gives you notice that it not only claims damages for the injury already sustained by it in consequence of the above, but that it will take steps to enjoin the city from further defiling the waters of the Moshassuck, above its works, unless the nuisance is abated at the earliest possible moment.

Very respectfully,
James M. Ripley,
Attorney for Franklin Foundry & Machine Co..

Message - Read in Common Council November 2, 1885. Read, in Board of Aldermen, November 3, 1885.

No. 490.

Mayor's Message.

Message.

City of Providence,
Executive Department
City Hall, November 2, 1885.

Resignation of Chas. H. Parkhurst Esq. from Suits

Gentlemen of the City Council:

I have received and herewith transmit a communication from Charles H. Parkhurst, Esq., withdrawing from further connection with the suits of the City of Providence vs. John J. Ward and Adams & Butterworth, in which he

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was retained in 1874.

Thomas A. Doyle,
Mayor.

Read, In Common Council, November 2, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, November 5, 1885.
(Copy.)

Providence, October 27, 1885.

Honorable Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor:

Dear Sir:- By the decease of Hon. George A. Browne, there is now no obstacle to prevent the City Solicitor from assuming control of the suits of the City of Providence vs. John J. Ward and Adams & Butlerworth, in which I was retained in 1874.

I have on hereby notify you that I withdraw from this date from any further connection with said case as the counsel for the City of Providence.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,
Charles H. Barkhuff.

No. 491.

Finance Committee

The Finance Committee make their Monthly Report on the Issue of Registered Bonds for October, 1885.

Read, Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Issue of Bonds.

Passed In Common Council, November 2, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, November 5, 1885.

No. 492.

City Treasurer

The City Treasurer makes his Monthly Report on the Issue of Registered Bonds, for October, 1885.

Read, Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Issue of Bonds

Passed, In Common Council, November 2, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, November 5, 1885.

No. 493.

City Treasurer.

The City Treasurer makes his Monthly Report for September, 1885.

Read, Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed In Common Council, November 2, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, November 5, 1885.

No. 494.

City Auditor.

The City Auditor makes his Monthly Report for September, 1885.

Read, Whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.

Passed In Common Council, November 2, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, November 5, 1885.

No. 495.

Civil Eng. of the Fire Dept.

The Civil Engineer of the Fire Department makes his Monthly Report, for October, 1885.

Read, Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed In Common Council, November 2, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, November 5, 1885.

No. 496.

City Messenger.

The City Messenger makes his Monthly Report for October, 1885.

Read, Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed In Common Council, November 2, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, November 5, 1885.

No. 497.

Jt. Com. on Parks.

The Joint Committee on Parks, make Report upon Public Parks.

City Document No. 31.

Read, Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed In Common Council, November 2, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, November 5, 1885.

No. 498

City Solicitor

The City Solicitor makes his Semi-Annual Report.

City Document No. 32.

Read. Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, November 2, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, November 5, 1885.

No. 499.

Communication of Board of Public Works.

Board of Public Works,
City Hall, Providence R. I.,
October 31, 1885.

To the Honorable the City Council:

Resolution of the City Council No. 470, current series, a certified copy of which the undersigned has received from the city clerk, is as follows:

Resolved, That the board of public works be hereby directed to dispose of the surface water on Chadsey avenue, in the vicinity of Academy avenue, by causing the drain pipe to be extended in Fallon avenue, as shown by the accompanying plan of the city engineer; the expense of said work not to exceed three hundred and seventy-five dollars to be charged to the appropriation for highways; Fallon avenue, provided, however, that said board of public works shall, before causing said work to be done, secure, without expense to the city, the right of way to lay said drain pipe in said Fallon avenue, and also shall secure from all parties in interest a release from all claims for damages against the city that may arise from the construction of said drain or from the flowage of water therefrom."

Acting upon the instructions contained in the above resolution, this board had prepared, by the city solicitor, a form of agreement for the various parties interested to sign. The board by their representatives waited upon all but one, who is said to reside in the City of Boston. Of the eleven parties seen, two have signed the agreement and nine have declined to sign.

The matter is, therefore, respectfully referred back to your honorable body for further instructions.

Very respectfully,
Charles E. Carpenter,
Clinton D. Sellew,
Board of Public Works.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, November 2, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, November 5, 1885.

No. 500.

Report.

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence.

The joint standing committee on education would respectfully represent that they have been in receipt of the accompanying petition of the "Free Kindergarten Association" of the City of Providence, and have had the same under consideration, referred from your honorable body, a petition from the school committee relating to the same subject. At a meeting held this day they have given this subject their full consideration.

Your committee would further represent, that the school committee and the superintendent of public schools are desirous that the experiment should be tried, and that there are in the new school houses on Smith and Dudley streets, suitable unoccupied rooms for the purpose. With a view to saving time your committee would recommend this matter to your favorable consideration, without further reference, and also recommend the passage of the accompanying resolution.

Respectfully submitted,
Fred. J. Marcy, Chairman.

Report. Providence Free Kindergarten Association.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, November 2, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, November 5, 1885.

(Copy of Petition.)

No. Petition.

To the Honorable the City Council:

Respectfully represent your petitioner, The Providence Free Kindergarten Association, that they are an association formed with the object of introducing the Kinder-

Providence Free Kindergarten Assn.

-garten Frobelian method of teaching in the public schools for children too young to enter the primary schools, without regard to nationality, religion or race, and the providing of efficient and qualified teachers for this purpose. In pursuance of these objects they have heretofore conducted five Kindergartens, one during the summer of 1884, in the old school house on Chalkstone avenue, the school room being provided by the City, and one since September, 1884, on Hardenburg street now known as Franklin avenue. For details as to the results therein accomplished they respectfully refer to their annual report, a copy whereof is submitted herewith.

They further represent that there are vacant rooms in the new school house on Smith street which are well adapted to the purposes of this association, and said school house is situated in a section of the city where there are many children too young to enter the public schools, who would be greatly benefited by the training and discipline of the method pursued in the schools of this association. Moreover, on account of being under the same roof with their older brothers and sisters, they could the more easily be sent to school by their parents.

They therefore respectfully petition your honorable body to cause the said vacant rooms in said new school house on Smith street, to be used as Free Kindergarten rooms, and as in duty bound will ever pray.

Do.

Free Providence Free Kindergarten Association.
Elizabeth Amory Goddard, President.
Mary E. Eddy, Secretary.
Mrs. Adeline E. A. Slicer,
Maude D. Eaton,
Caroline M. A. Alden } Committee.
Sarah B. Gilbinehart

Providence, October 28, 1885.

No. 501.

Do.

Resolved:

That the Free Kindergarten Association of the City of Providence be permitted, under the control and supervision of the superintendent of public schools, to occupy vacant rooms in the school house on Smith and Duke streets, for the purpose of illustrating the system of teaching

School House on Smith & Duke Sts.

by the Kindergarten method. The expense attending the same to be borne by said association.

No. 502.

Resolved,

That the board of public works be and they are hereby authorized and directed to cause Dorrance street, from Westminster street to Exchange place, to be paved with granite blocks; said blocks to be laid upon a concrete foundation and the joints of the block pavement filled with pea gravel and an asphaltic mixture, in accordance with the plan and specifications of the city engineer. Said board of public works are further authorized and directed to cause connections to be extended from main sewer on Dorrance street to the curb line thereof, where such connections are not already made. The cost of said paving and sewer connections to be paid from the appropriations for those ways, and shall not exceed the sum of thirty-four hundred dollars.

Dorrance St.

Passed, In Common Council, December 2, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, December 5, 1885.
Approved, December 7, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 503.

Resolved,

That in the opinion of the city council it is desirable and necessary to layout, widen, extend, enlarge, or otherwise alter Bates street, from North Main street to Ramp street, making the northerly boundary of the same a line beginning at a point in the easterly line of North Main street, at the southwesterly corner of land held by the trustees of the Church of the Redeemer, and running thence easterly on the southerly line of said land 63.17 feet to an angle, thence deflecting northerly, and running easterly about 675.01 feet to an angle at a point in the northerly line of Bates street, as platted on card 182 in the office of the recorder of deeds; thence deflecting northerly, and running easterly on the northerly line of Bates street, as platted on said card 182, to an angle at a point in range with a line drawn from a

Bates St.

Bates St. point in the easterly line of Camp street 15 feet southerly from the northerly line of Carrington avenue, to the southeasterly corner of house standing on the lot at the northwesterly corner of Mallett and Bates streets, as platted on card 182 aforesaid; thence deflecting southerly and running easterly (in a line ranging to the said point in the easterly line of Camp street, 15 feet southerly from the northerly line of Carrington avenue,) to a point in the westerly line of Camp street. The southerly line of said Bates street, as improved, to be parallel with and 40 feet southerly from the above described northerly line, except the portion near North Main street, which will be parallel with and 40 feet southerly from the range of that portion of the northerly line above described, which is next easterly from the land held by the trustees of the Church of the Redeemer, as aforesaid.

And, whereas, certain real estate will be required for that purpose.

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

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

Passed, In Common Council, November 2, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, November 5, 1885.
Approved, November 7, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle,
Mayor.

No. 504.

Resolved:

That the mayor and aldermen be, and

Capron St. they are hereby requested to lay out Capron street, as a public highway, from Julian street to Chaffee street.

Passed, In Common Council, November 2, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, November 5, 1885.
Approved, November 7, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 505.

Resolved:

That the mayor and aldermen be, and

Linden St. they are hereby requested to lay out Linden street, from Erie street to West Clifford street, as a public highway.

Passed, In Common Council, November 2, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, November 5, 1885.
Approved November 7, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 506.

Report:

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence:

The joint committee on highways, to whom, on the 28th day of January, 1884, was referred the petition of the Providence & Branch avenue make report that they have given the subject full consideration; and as the abutting owners have signed a paper, satisfactory to the city solicitor, bonding the city harmless from any damages that may accrue to their property on account of said lay out, your committee recommend the passage of the accompanying resolution.

Respectfully submitted, for the committee,
Benjamin C. Hinsley, Chairman.

Providence, November 2, 1885.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, November 2, 1885.

Dandelion Street.

In Board of Aldermen, November 5, 1885.

No. 507.

Resolved.

That the mayor and aldermen be and they are hereby requested to lay out Vandewater street, from Douglas avenue to Branch avenue, as a public highway.

Vandewater St.

Passed, In Common Council, November 2, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, November 5, 1885.
Approved, November 7, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 508.

Resolved.

That the board of public works are hereby directed to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Prospect street, from Fulton street to Olney street.

Prospect St.

Passed, In Common Council, November 2, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, November 5, 1885.
Approved November 7, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 509.

Resolved.

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

Alphonse St.

Passed, In Common Council, November 2, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, November 5, 1885.
Approved November 7, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 510.

Resolved.

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendations, are hereby directed to cause about four hundred and fifty feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Canton street, from Irving street to connect with pipes now

Canton St.

laid in Ceylon street.

Passed, In Common Council, November 2, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, November 5, 1885.
Approved, November 7, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 511.

Resolved.

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about one hundred and forty-five feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Dunham street, from present end of pipe easterly.

Dunham St.

Passed, In Common Council, November 2, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, November 5, 1885.
Approved, November 7, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 512.

Resolved.

That permission be granted to James J. Monroe to raise a certain building, located at No. 983 Eddy street pursuant to his petition.

James J. Monroe.

Passed, In Common Council, November 2, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, November 5, 1885.
Approved, November 7, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 513.

Resolved.

That the petition of Andrew J. Macmillan and wife be, and the same is hereby referred to the joint special committee on pending suits, and said committee is hereby authorized and empowered to compromise and settle the matters now in litigation between the City of Providence and said petitioners subject to the approval of the city solicitor and of the mayor.

Andrew J. MacMillan.

Passed, In Common Council, November 2, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, November 5, 1885.
Approved, November 7, 1885.

Thomas A. Doyle
Mayor.

No. 514.

Invitation.

Invitation.

To His Honor the Mayor and the Honorable City Council:

Gentlemen:— In accordance with a unanimous vote of the entertainment committee of the Providence Police Association on October 13th. inst., an invitation is hereby respectfully extended to his honor the mayor and the honorable the city council to attend the third annual grand concert and ball of the association, to take place at Infantry Hall South Main street, November 19, 1885.

Invitation P. P. Assn.

For the committee
Stephen F. Blanding, Secretary.

October 31, 1885.

Read and Accepted
Passed, In Common Council, November 2, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, November 5, 1885.

No. 515.

Board of Public Works.

The Board of Public Works make their Eleventh Quarterly Report.

City Document No. 30.

Read whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, November 5, 1885.
In Common Council, November 16, 1885.
Approved November 17, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

No. 516.

Storm Flags.

Mayor's Message.

City of Providence,
Executive Department City Hall,
November 5, 1885.

To the Members of the City Council:

Storm Flags.

Considerable injury is occasioned from time to time to the city flags when required to be displayed in times of high wind or storm. The United States Government furnishes to all national cemeteries or military posts three sets of flags, one of which is a flag of eight feet fly and four feet two inches hoist, and is known as the "storm flag", for use in unpleasant weather. A set of eight of these flags, which would supply the city stores, can be obtained for a little less than $100. a sum that would hardly pay the cost of one of the largest flags now owned by the city. I therefore recommend that the superintendent of yachts be authorized to purchase such a set of flags.

Thomas A. Doyle.
Mayor.

Read, In Board of Aldermen November 5, 1885.
In Common Council, November 16, 1885.

No. 517.

Storm Flags.

Resolved,

That the superintendent of yachts be, and he is hereby authorized to purchase a set of storm flags for the city stores at a cost not to exceed the sum of five hundred dollars, the same to be charged to the appropriation for contingencies.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen November 5, 1885.
In Common Council November 16, 1885.
Approved November 17, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

No. 518.

Ordinance

Salaries of the Clerks of the Board of Canvassers.

An Ordinance fixing the Salaries of the Clerks of the Boards of Canvassers.

Chapter CCCVII.

For Ordinance see Book of Ordinances No. 4 Page 197.

Passed In Board of Aldermen, November 5, 1885.
In Common Council November 16, 1885.
Approved November 17, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle
Mayor.

No. 519.

Report.

Jt. Committee on Ordinances

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence:

The joint standing committee on ordinances, to whom on the 2d day of October, A.D. 1884, was referred the petition of the Providence Telephone Company for permission to set poles to support telephone lines on Atwells avenue, from Aborn street to Manton avenue, respectfully report:

That personal notice has been given to owners of estates situated upon the route proposed, and a public hearing had upon said petition, and that no objections have been made to the same.

Prov. Telephone Co.

Your committee, therefore, after careful consideration recommend that the prayer of the petition be granted and the accompanying resolution passed.

For the committee,

J. S. G. Cobb, Chairman.

Read, thereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, November 5, 1885.
In Common Council, November 16, 1885.

No. 520.

Resolved.

That the Providence Telephone Company be, and it is hereby granted permission to erect and maintain poles and wires for telephonic purposes in, over and along Atwells avenue, from Aborn street to Manton avenue, provided, however, that the permission herein granted is subject to all the provisions of chapter CCCLIII of the ordinances entitled, "An Ordinance regulating the erection and use of wires for conducting electricity for telegraphic and telephonic purposes," and of all ordinances in amendment thereof, and shall not be exercised until said Providence Telephone Company shall have filed with the city clerk the agreement therein required.

Providence Telephone Co.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, November 5, 1885.
In Common Council, November 16, 1885.

Approved, November 17, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 521.

Resolved.

That the city treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay Manchester & Hudson, the sum of five hundred twelve dollars and sixty-two cents, whenever said Manchester & Hudson shall execute a release to the city satisfactory to the city solicitor for all claims for damage to their property caused by the overflow of sewage upon their premises, said payment to be charged to the appropriation for contingencies.

Manchester & Hudson.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, November 5, 1885.
In Common Council, November 16, 1885.
Approved, November 17, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 522.

Resolved.

That the board of public works be hereby directed to set back the fence belonging to D. F. Longstreet, et als, on West Friendship street, upon the line D. C. shown on a plat of said street, recorded in the office of the city clerk, in plat book No. 13, page 23, and also to set the curbing and concrete the sidewalk in said street adjoining the said estate, the expense thereof to be charged to the appropriation for highways.

D. F. Longstreet et als. West Friendship St.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, November 5, 1885
In Common Council, November 16, 1885.
Approved, November 17, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 523.

Mayor's Message.

Messages.

City of Providence,
Executive Department
City Hall, November 16, 1885.

Gentlemen of the City Council:

Automatic Lightning

Arresters.

On the 29th ult. the National Electric Protector Company, of New York, made a public test in the city hall, in this city, of their automatic lightning arrester, a machine invented to prevent injury to telephones and fire alarm boxes by lightning or by contact of their wires with those of the electric light companies.

The test so made demonstrated that the invention was a success so far as contact with electric lighting wires was concerned, the wires of the Narragansett Electric Lighting Company having been brought into the basement of the City Hall for the purpose of making the test. The invention has been adopted in other cities for the fire alarm boxes. Many of the boxes in this city have been already destroyed from time to time, and are still liable to destruction unless protected by some device not yet in use. As there are times when the destruction of a fire alarm box can only be known by an attempt to give an alarm of fire from that particular box, and the inability to give the alarm may cause a large conflagration, I therefore recommend that the committee on the fire department be authorized and directed to have such portion of the fire alarm boxes furnished with the automatic lightning arrester as they may deem necessary.

Thomas A. Doyle
Mayor.

Read, In Common Council, November 16, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, November 19, 1885.

No. 524.

Lightning Arresters.

Resolved,

That the joint committee on the fire department be hereby authorized and directed to purchase from the National Electric Protective Company one hundred lightning arresters, at a price not exceeding eleven dollars for each arrester, to be paid from the appropriation for the fire department.

Passed, In Common Council, November 16, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, November 19, 1885.
Approved, November 19, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle
Mayor.

No. 525.

Appropriation for Sewers

Resolved,

That the sum of fifty thousand dollars is hereby added to the appropriation for the construction of sewers, and the city treasurer, acting under the advice of the committee on finance, is hereby authorized to issue the same.

Passed, In Common Council, November 16, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, November 19, 1885.
Approved, November 19, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 526

Appropriation for Prov. Water Works

Resolved,

That the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars is hereby added to the appropriation for the construction of the Providence water works, and the city treasurer, acting under the advice of the committee on finance, is hereby authorized to issue the same.

Passed, In Common Council, November 16, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, November 19, 1885.
Approved, November 19, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 527.

School House on Potter Ave.

Resolved,

That the superintendent of public buildings, acting under the advice and direction of the joint Standing committee on city property, be, and he is hereby authorized and directed to cause the Potters avenue school lot to be graded, fences built and rebuilt, around the terrace around the building, build suitable steps, and construct a new outbuilding, provided the entire cost shall not exceed the sum of two thousand dollars, which sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for this purpose to be paid for from the appropriation for the repairs of public buildings.

Passed, In Common Council, November 16, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, November 19, 1885.
Approved November 19, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 3211.

Lightning Arresters.

Resolved,

That the joint committee on the fire department be hereby authorized and directed to purchase from the National Electric Protective Company one hundred lightning arresters, at a price not exceeding eleven dollars for each arrester, to be paid from the appropriation for the fire department.

Passed, In Common Council, November 16, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, November 19, 1885.
Approved, November 19, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle
Mayor.

No. 528

Resolved,

That the joint standing committee on city property be, and they are hereby authorized to purchase for highway purposes, two grand lots on Richardson street, containing about twelve thousand six hundred square feet, and the sum of nineteen hundred dollars is hereby appropriated from the appropriations for highways, to defray the expense of purchasing said lots, the deed and title of said lots being satisfactory to the city solicitor.

Drawl Lots on Richardson st.

Passed,
In Common Council, November 16, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, November 19, 1885.
Approved, November 19, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 529.

Resolved,

That the board of public works are hereby directed to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Pine street, from Linden street to Broad street.

Pine St

Passed, In Common Council, November 16, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, November 19, 1885.
Approved, November 19, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 530.

Resolved,

That the board of public works are hereby directed to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Point street, from Prairie avenue to Beacon street, whenever said Point st. is legally received.

Point St.

Passed, In Common Council, November 16, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, November 19, 1885.
Approved November 19, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle
Mayor.

No. 531.

The City Treasurer makes his Monthly Report for October, 1885.

City Treasurer.

Read, whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.

Passed In Common Council, November 16, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, November 25 1885.

No. 532.

The City Auditor makes his Monthly Report for October 1885.

City Auditor

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, November 16, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, November 25, 1885.

No. 533.

Mayor's Message.

City of Providence
Executive Department, City Hall
November 16, 1885.

Message.

Gentlemen of the City Council:

The Union Railroad Co. are now laying and relaying their tracks on Broad street, between West st. and Richmond streets, and removing some of the turnouts, thereby rendering the street far more convenient for vehicles than before. In doing this work the company have paved between the rails and on either side thereof with granite blocks, in place of the cobble stones with which the entire street was formerly paved. The comfort and convenience of public travel will be greatly promoted if the cobble stone on that portion of the street between the curb lines and the railroad tracks should also be taken away and replaced with granite blocks. I therefore recommend that the board of public works be authorized and directed to make the change in that portion of Broad st where the railroad tracks have been relaid.

Repaving Broad st with Granite Blocks.

Thomas A Doyle
Mayor.

Read, In Common Council, November 16, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, November 25, 1885.

No. 534.

Broad St. Paving with Granite Blocks.

Resolved, That the message of his honor the mayor relative to repaving a portion of Broad street with granite blocks, between Chestnut and Richmond streets, be, and the same is hereby referred to the committee on highways with authority to report to either branch of the city council.

Passed, In Common Council, November 16, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, November 25, 1885.
Approved November 28, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 535.

Estate of Robinson S. Dunn.

Resolved, That the personal property tax of one hundred and sixteen dollars, assessed in 1885, upon the estate of Robinson S. Dunn, Alfred D. Foster, administrator, be remitted, the trustee and all parties entitled to the income of said personal property being resident of the state of Massachusetts, when such assessment was erroneously made.

Passed, In Common Council, November 16, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, November 25, 1885.
Approved, November 28, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 536.

Frederick S. Farwell.

Resolved, That the personal property tax, amounting to one hundred and forty-five dollars, assessed upon the estate of Frederick S. Farwell in 1885, be remitted, said Farwell being lawfully assessed on personal property in the town of Burrillville, R. I., where said tax was erroneously assessed.

Passed, In Common Council, November 16, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, November 25, 1885.
Approved, November 28, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 537.

Arlington St. & Taber ave.

Resolved, That the board of public works are hereby directed to cause about one hundred and ninety-one feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Arlington street, from Humboldt avenue northerly, and about forty-six feet of eight-inch water pipes to be laid in Taber avenue, from Humboldt avenue southerly, and to set a fire hydrant on said line by Arnott.

Passed, In Common Council, November 16, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, November 25, 1885.
Approved November 28, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 538.

Asia Street.

Resolved, That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about four hundred and fifty feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Asia street, from Potter street to Knight street.

Passed, In Common Council, November 16, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, November 25, 1885.
Approved, November 28, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 539.

Nolan St. Vernon St.

Resolved, That the board of public works are hereby directed to cause about one hundred and thirty-five feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Nolan street, from Vernon street northwesterly, and to locate a fire hydrant thereon; also to set a fire hydrant on the corner of Vernon and Cambrace streets.

Passed, In Common Council, November 16, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, November 25, 1885.
Approved November 28, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 540.

Resolved.

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about six hundred and twelve feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Winsor street, Johnston, from present end of pipe to Plainfield street.

Passed, In Common Council, November 16, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, November 25, 1885.
Approved, November 28, 1885. Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

Winsor St.

No. 541.

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence:

The undersigned tax payers of the second ward of the City of Providence respectfully represent,

That we are in favor of improved terminal facilities, but are opposed to the commissioners' plan, because we believe other plans may be devised.

Also that we are opposed to aiding wealthy railroad corporations by gift of either lands or money.

We therefore most earnestly protest against the consummation of the commissioners' plan by your honorable body, and pray that you consider other plans.

George Owen,
and fifty-three others.

Read, Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, October 19, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, November 25, 1885.

Remonstrance.

Tax Payers in Second Ward.

No. 542.

Resolved:

That the board of public works be hereby directed to remove the sand and gravel from the bed of the Woonasquatucket river, at Dye bridges where the same has been washed in from the gutters of Manton avenue, the expense thereof to be charged to the appropriation for highways.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, November 5, 1885.
In Common Council, November 16, 1885.
Approved, November 28, 1885.

Woonasquatucket River, at Dye Bridges.

Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 543.

Resolved:

That the sum of two thousand dollars be added to the appropriation for building a stable at the second police station, said sum to be paid from any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed, In Common Council, November 16, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, November 25, 1885.
Approved, December 1, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

Second Police Station.

Stable.

No. 544.

Resolved:

That the mayor and aldermen be and they are hereby requested to lay out Enabel street, from Willow street to Burrill street, as a public highway.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, November 5, 1885.
In Common Council, November 30, 1885.
Approved, December 1, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

Enabel St.

No. 545.

Resolved:

That the mayor and aldermen be, and they are hereby requested to lay out Prairie avenue, from Hunter's avenue to Colwell street, as a public highway.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, November 5, 1885.
In Common Council, November 30, 1885.
Approved, December 1, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

Prairie ave.

No. 546.

Report:

To the Honorable City Council of the City of Providence:

The joint committee on sewers, to whom was referred, November 5, 1885, the petition of Frederick Talbot and others, for a

Report:

Sewer in Congdon St.

Sewer in Longdow St.

sewer in Longdow street, from Halsey strut to Hidden strut, and thence to Olney strut, either by laying it through private property or by opening a street from Hidden strut to Olney strut, would respectfully report that they have given the subject due consideration and find a sewer is needed very much indeed. But Longdow street from Halsey street is not a legal highway, therefore your committee recommend that the board of aldermen be requested to declare the same a highway, and further recommend that a strut of the width of thirty feet be opened from Hidden strut to Olney strut, for the purpose of constructing the sewer; therefore your committee recommend the passage of the accompanying resolutions.

Respectfully submitted for the committee,
Thomas A. Willett
Chairman.

Providence, November 19, 1885.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, November 19, 1885.
In Common Council, November 30, 1885.

No. 547.

Report.

Report.

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence:

The special committee appointed by resolution of the city council, No. 547, approved November 19, 1884, make this their report:

The committee, in view of the divergence of opinion in the matter of the final disposal of the sewage of the city, have arrived at the conclusion that the public interest demands that there should be a practical illustration, under the direction of the city engineer, of the treatment of sewage by precipitation on a scale of sufficient magnitude to demonstrate the practicability of the plan recommended. Not only will the cost of the precipitation works be shown, but also the annual cost of treating the sewage by this process. The necessary works could be erected at an expense not exceeding $4,000, and would be ready for use within two months. They would be located in the centre of the city, where the citizens would

Disposal of Sewage.

Do.

have an opportunity of not only witnessing their operation, but of judging of the merits of the plan proposed.

The committee therefore report a resolution authorizing such a test to be made and recommend its passage.

Respectfully submitted by the request of the committee,

Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor and Chairman.

Read, whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, November 19, 1885.
In Common Council, November 30, 1885.

No. 548.

Report.

Report.

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence:

The joint standing committee on claims, to whom was referred, June 18, 1885, the petitions of Sarah Cusick and Eugene Daily and wife for compensation for damages to their estates on Jackson avenue by reason of the filling in of said avenue, report:

Sarah Cusick and Eugene Daily & Wife.

That they have heard the petitioners, visited the premises and examined the matter. And the petitioners having agreed to allow the city to fill in the earth upon their estates to a sufficient distance to afford proper support to the roadway, as is shown upon the accompanying plate, with the further agreement that the city shall, whenever the buildings upon the estates are raised to the established grade, cause the earth to be filled in around the buildings as shown on the plate, and upon the payment to them as follows: To Sarah Cusick, the sum of two hundred nineteen dollars; to Eugene Daily and wife, the sum of three hundred twenty five dollars.

Your committee recommend the passage of the accompanying resolutions.

For the committee,
H. E. Anthony, Chairman.

Providence, November 19, 1885.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, November 19, 1885.
In Common Council, November 30, 1885.

No. 549.

Resolved.

That the city treasurer is hereby directed to pay Sarah Cusick to say Sarah Cusick the sum of two hundred and nineteen dollars whenever she shall execute and deliver a release to the city, satisfactory to the city solicitor, of all claims against the city for Jackson ave. damage which has or may happen to her estate on Jackson avenue, by reason of the filling in of said avenue, the payment to be charged to the appropriation for highways.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, November 19, 1885.
In Common Council, November 30, 1885.
Approved, December 1, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 550.

Resolved.

That the city treasurer is hereby directed to pay to Eugene Daily, and his wife Annie Daily, the sum of three hundred and twenty five dollars, whenever they shall execute and Eugene & Annie Daily. deliver a release to the city, satisfactory to the city solicitor, of all claims against the city for damage which has or may happen to their estate on Jackson avenue on account of the filling in of said avenue, the Jackson Ave. payment to be charged to the appropriation for highways.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, November 19, 1885.
In Common Council, November 30, 1885.
Approved, December 1, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 551.

Resolved:

That the board of public works are hereby di- Do. rected to cause Jackson avenue, adjacent to the estates of Eugene Daily and wife, and of Sarah Cusicks, to be filled in; and also to fill in around the houses on their respective estates, on said avenue,

Do. according to the plans hereto annexed, when said houses are brought to the established grade, the expense of the same to be charged to the appropriation for highways.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, November 19, 1885.
In Common Council, November 30, 1885.
Approved, December 1, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 552.

Report.

Report:

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence:

The joint standing committee on claims, to whom was referred October 19, 1885 the petition of Kennedy & Dough for the payment of rent of hall on Manton avenue, occupied by an evening school during a portion of the years 1884 and 1885, amounting to the sum of three hundred and seventy-five dollars, Kennedy & Dough report:

That they have heard the petitioners and examined the matter. From the investigations of your committee it appears that the hall was occupied for an evening school under authority of resolution No. 541, series 1884. No specific agreement for terms of rental of the hall for this purpose appears to have been made. The hall having been previously hired by the committee on city property under authority of resolution No. 405, series 1884, to "temporarily relieve the Julian street school house in the Tenth ward", for which purpose it was being used at that time, the committee on the evening schools seem to have taken it for granted that such occupancy by the city authorized them to use the premises without the payment of additional rental.

But your committee are of the opinion that in the absence of any such understanding on the part of the committee on city property, when they hired the premises for the relief of the Julian street school, the claim of Kennedy & Dough is valid and must be paid. They therefore recommend the passage of the accompanying resolution.

For the committee,
F. E. Anthony, Chairman.

Providence, November 19, 1885.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, November 19, 1885.
In Common Council, November 30, 1885.

No. 549.

Resolved.

That the city treasurer is hereby directed

Sarah Cusick to say Sarah Cusick the sum of two hundred and nineteen dollars whenever she shall execute and deliver a release to the city, satisfactory to the city solicitor, of all claims against the city for

Jackson ave. damage which has or may happen to her estate on Jackson avenue, by reason of the filling in of said avenue, the payment to be charged to the appropriation for highways.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, November 19, 1885.
In Common Council, November 30, 1885.
Approved, December 1, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 550.

Resolved.

That the city treasurer is hereby directed to

pay to Eugene Daily, and his wife Annie Daily, the sum of three hundred and twenty five dollars, whenever they shall execute and

Eugene & Annie Daily deliver a release to the city, satisfactory to the city solicitor, of all claims against the city for damage which has or may happen to their estate on Jackson avenue on account of the filling in of said avenue, the

jac. ave. ext. payment to be charged to the appropriation for highways.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, November 19, 1885.
In Common Council, November 30, 1885.
Approved December 1, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 551.

Resolved.

That the board of public works are hereby di-

Do. rected to cause Jackson avenue, adjacent to the estates of Eugene Daily and wife, and of Sarah Cusick, to be filled in, and also to fill in around the houses on their respective estates, on said avenue,

Do. according to the plans hereto annexed, when said houses are brought to the established grade, the expense of the same to be charged to the appropriation for highways.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, November 19 1885.
In Common Council, November 30, 1885.
Approved, December 1, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 552.

Report.

Report.

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence:

The joint standing committee on claims, to whom was referred October 19, 1885 the petition of Kennedy & Dough for the payment of rent of hall on Manton avenue, occupied by an evening school during a portion of the years 1884 and 1885 amounting to the sum of three hundred and seventy-five dollars, report:

Kennedy & Dough

That they have heard the petitioners and examined the matter. From the investigations of your committee it appears that the hall was occupied for an evening school under authority of resolution No. 541, serie 1884. No specific agreement for terms of rental of the hall for this purpose appears to have been made. The said building having been previously hired by the committee on city property under authority of resolution No. 405, serie 1884, to "temporarily relieve the Julian street school house in the tenth ward" for which purpose it was being used at that time, the committee on the evening schools seem to have taken it for granted that such occupancy by the city authorized them to use the premises without the payment of additional rental.

But your committee are of the opinion that in the absence of any such understanding on the part of the committee on city property, when they hired the premises for the relief of the Julian street school, the claim of Kennedy & Dough is valid and must be paid. They therefore recommend the passage of the accompanying resolution.

For the committee,
F. E. Anthony, Chairman.

Providence, November 19, 1885.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen November 19, 1885.
In Common Council, November 30, 1885.

No. 553

Kennedy & Dyer

Resolved,

That the city treasurer is, and he is hereby directed to pay Kennedy & Dwyer the sum of three hundred and seventy five dollars, when they shall give a receipt in full for the use of the hall owned by them on Manton avenue, and occupied for evening schools in 1884 and 1885, said payment to be charged to the appropriation for public schools.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, November 19, 1885.
In Common Council, November 30, 1885.
Approved, December 1, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 554.

Report.

Report.

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence:

The joint standing committee on claims, to whom was referred the petition of Jeffrey Moore and wife, praying for compensation for damages to their estate No. 3 Dana street, caused by a change of grade of Dana street, report.

Jeffrey Moore & Wife

That they have heard the petitioners and examined the matter, and it appearing that the petitioners have conformed to all the requirements of chapter 65 of the public statutes of Rhode Island with reference to notice of damage, and they having agreed to settle all their claims for damages upon the payment to them of the sum of three hundred and fifty dollars, your committee recommend the passage of the accompanying resolution.

For the committee
F. E. Anthony,
Providence, November 19, 1885. Chairman.

Read, whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, November 19, 1885.

In Common Council, November 30, 1885.

No. 555.

Jeffrey & Joanna Moore.

Resolved,

That the city treasurer is hereby directed to pay Jeffrey Moore and his wife, Joanna Moore, the sum of three hundred and fifty dollars, whenever they shall execute and deliver a release to the city, satisfactory to the city solicitor, of all claims for damages to their estate on Dana street caused by the change of grade of said street, the payment to be charged to the appropriation for highways.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen November 19, 1885.
In Common Council, November 30, 1885.
Approved, December 1, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 556.

Prospect St.

Resolved,

That the mayor and aldermen be hereby requested to lay out Prospect street, from Olney street to George street, as a public highway.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, November 19, 1885
In Common Council, November 30, 1885.
Approved, December 1, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

No. 557.

Advertisements

Resolved,

That the city treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay the following bills for printing, and the same to be charged to the appropriation for the lamp department, viz:

Evening Press,	$6.25	"Electric Lights".
Morning Star,	3.38	" caution."
Evening Telegram,	3.35	"
Evening Mail,	2.50	"
Total,	$14.98	

Passed In Board of Aldermen, November 19, 1885.
In Common Council, November 30, 1885.

Approved, December 1, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 555.

Resolved

Michard & Ellen Mc Govern

That permission be granted to Michard and Ellen Mc Govern to raise a building, to cated at junction of Atwells and Manton avenue, pursuant to their petition.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, November 25, 1885.
In Common Council, November 30, 1885.
Approved, December 1, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 554.

Mayor's Message.

Message

City of Providence,
Executive Department, City Hall
November 30, 1885.

Gentlemen of the City Council:

In December last I called the attention of the city council to the reduction of $500. made in the Mayor's salary in 1879, and suggested certain reasons which it seemed to me would warrant a restoration of the sum formerly paid.

Salary of the Mayor.

In accordance with the suggestion, the common council passed an ordinance fixing the salary at the sum paid prior to the reduction, which was $3,800, but the ordinance was rejected by the board of aldermen.

I therefore bring the subject to your consideration, feeling that the salary of $3,300. is not a sufficient compensation for the duties and responsibilities devolving upon the chief magistrate of this city.

Thomas A. Doyle,
Mayor.

Read, In Common Council, November 30, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, December 3, 1885.

No. 560.

Report.

Report:

School House on Somerset & Amherst sts. & Bellevue Ave.

To the Honorable City Council of the City of Providence:

The joint standing committee on education to whom, by resolutions approved September 25th. and November 7th. were authorized to procure plans and estimates for primary and intermediate school buildings to be erected upon the lots lately purchased by the city on Somerset street, Bellevue avenue and Amherst Street, respectfully report that in pursuance of said instructions, your committee advertised for competitive plans, and from the number received, they have selected the accompanying designs and herewith submit the same for your approval.

The estimated cost of the three buildings is twenty-seven thousand dollars.

Respectfully submitted for the committee,
Fred. S. Macy, Chairman.

Read, Whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, November 30, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, December 3, 1885.

No. 561.

Resolved.

Plans adopted.

That the plans submitted November 30, 1885, by the joint standing committee on education, who, under resolutions approved September 25th. and November 7th, current series, were directed to procure plans and estimates for primary and intermediate school buildings to be erected upon the lots lately purchased by the city on Somerset street, Bellevue avenue and Amherst Street, be and the same are hereby adopted and approved.

Passed, In Common Council, November 30, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, December 3, 1885.
Approved, December 5, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle
Mayor.

No. 562.

Ordinance.

School House on Somerset St. Bellevue ave. Amherst st.

An Ordinance Appropriating $27,000. for the Erection of Three Primary and Intermediate School Buildings, on Somerset Street, Bellevue avenue and Amherst Street.

Chapter CCCVIII.

For Ordinance see Book of Ordinances No. 4 Page 198.

Passed, In Common Council, November 30, 1885.

In Board of Aldermen December 3, 1885.

Approved, December 5, 1885.

Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 563.

Report.

Report.

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence:

The joint committee on highways, to whom, on the 5th. day of October, 1885, was referred the petition of the Valley Worsted Mills et al, that certain repairs be made on the roadway of Atwells avenue, and that certain sidewalks on said avenue be concreted make report that they have visited the locality, and also have given a public hearing on the subject, and recommend the passage of the accompanying resolution for concreting the sidewalks.

Valley Worsted Mills et al

Atwells ave

Your committee are not now prepared to make report upon the matter of repairing the roadway, and ask further time for its consideration.

Respectfully submitted for the committee,

Benj. E. Kinsley,

Providence, November 30, 1885. Chairman.

Read whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, November 30, 1885.

In Board of Aldermen, December 3, 1885.

No. 564

190.

Concreting

Resolved;

And it is hereby ordered and directed, that the sidewalks on the north side of Atwells avenue, from the railroad bridge to Harris avenue; and on the south side of Atwells avenue, from Knight street to Harris avenue, in the City of Providence, shall be altered and improved by concreting the same, so that said sidewalks for their whole length, as aforesaid, shall be the width as now occupied, three-eighths of an inch rise per foot from the inside of the curb to the street line, except modifications necessary to meet the occupation line, and shall be otherwise constructed in manner and of materials as follows, viz.:

All material above said grade shall be excavated and removed. Said sand or gravel shall be used for filling wherever it may be required.

The foundation shall be composed of clean, coarse gravel, properly coated with tar, and shall not be less than two inches in depth, after being rolled and thoroughly compacted.

Atwells ave.

The top of the foundation shall be formed to a smooth surface by the addition of fine pebbly gravel, completely coated with tar and thoroughly rolled.

The top dressing shall consist of clean, sharp sand, thoroughly saturated with tar, and applied in a layer of such thickness that, after being rolled and compacted, it will not be less than an inch in depth. The total depth of walk when finished shall not be less than three inches.

The quality of the tar used shall be equal in all respects to that made by the Providence Gas Company.

The gravel and sand shall be thoroughly dry before coating or saturating the same with tar.

Said alteration and improvement of said sidewalks shall be completed within six weeks from the time of the passage hereof.

And it is hereby further resolved, ordered and directed, that the notice of the aforegoing resolution, order and direction, required to be given and the publication of the aforegoing required to be made, shall be given or made as the case may be, in manner and as required by law.

Passed, In Common Council, November 30, 1885.

In Board of Aldermen, December 3, 1885.

Approved December 5, 1885.

Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 365.

H. Special Committee re Public Market.

Resolved.

That a joint special committee, consisting of Messrs. Rogers, Angell and Lounds of the common council, and Aldermen Root and Brennan be hereby appointed with instructions to report the feasibility of establishing a public market, also, what buildings would be necessary for the purpose, their probable cost, and consider the matter of location.

Passed, In Common Council, November 30, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, December 3, 1885.
Approved, December 5, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 366.

Resolved.

That the mayor and aldermen be and they are hereby requested to lay out Cabot Street, from Angell Street to Meeting Street as a public highway.

Cabot St.

Passed, In Common Council, November 30, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, December 3, 1885.
Approved, December 5, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 367.

Resolved.

That the gift of Mary C. Bragg, of the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars, to the commissioners of the North Burial Ground, in trust, the income thereof to be applied under the provisions of chapter 367 of the public laws, to the preservation and care of the burial lot standing in the name of said Bragg, in said ground, be and the same is hereby accepted under the name of the Mary C. Bragg fund.

Mrs. C. Bragg.

Passed, In Common Council, November 30, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, December 3, 1885.
Approved, December 5, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle,
Mayor.

No. 368.

Resolved.

That the gift of Robert Harris, executor, of the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars, to the commissioners of the North Burial Ground, in trust, the income thereof to be applied under the provisions of chapter 367 of the public laws, to the preservation and care of the burial lot standing in the name of Nathaniel Cushing Harris, in said ground, be and the same is hereby accepted under the name of the Nathaniel Cushing Harris fund.

Robert Harris.

Passed, In Common Council, November 30, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, December 3, 1885.
Approved, December 5, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 369.

Resolved.

That the gift of Elizabeth Hitchin of the sum of fifty dollars, to the commissioners of the North Burial Ground, in trust, the income thereof to be applied under the provisions of chapter 367 of the public laws, to the preservation and care of the burial lot standing in the name of said Hitchin, in said ground, be and the same is hereby accepted under the name of the Elizabeth Hitchin fund.

Elizabeth Hitchin.

Passed, In Common Council, November 30, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, December 3, 1885.
Approved, December 5, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

No. 370.

Resolved.

That the gift of Mary A. Penniman and Adin Alexander, of the sum of four hundred and fifty dollars to the commissioners of the North Burial Ground, in trust, the income thereof to be applied under the provisions of chapter 367 of the public laws, to the preservation and care of the burial lot standing in the name of

Mary A. Penniman

said Penniman and Alexander, in said ground, be and the same is hereby accepted under the name of the Penniman and Alexander fund.

Passed, In Common Council, November 30, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, December 3, 1885.
Approved, December 5, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 571.

Resolved.

That the city treasurer is hereby directed to pay Sergt Orr the sum of forty-seven dollars and eighty-five cents, being the amount of tax paid by him the same having been erroneously assessed, said payment to be charged to the appropriation for contingencies.

Sergt Orr.

Passed, In Common Council, November 30, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen December 3, 1885.
Approved December 9, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 572.

Resolved,

That the sum of eight thousand dollars be hereby appropriated for the purpose of making alterations in the Dexter Asylum building; said sum to be taken from any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Appropriation for Dexter Asylum Building.

Passed In Board of Aldermen, September 3, 1885.
In Common Council, December 14, 1885.
Approved, December 15, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 573.

The Joint Committee on Finance make their Monthly Report upon the Issue of Registered Bonds for the Month of November, 1885.

Finance Committee Issue of Bonds.

Read, whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, December 14, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, December 17, 1885.

No. 574.

The City Treasurer makes his Monthly Report upon the Issue of Registered Bonds for November, 1885.

City Treasurer on Issue of Bonds.

Read, whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, December 14, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, December 17, 1885.

No. 575.

The City Treasurer makes his Monthly Report for November, 1885.

City Treasurer.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, December 14, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, December 17, 1885.

No. 576.

The City Auditor makes his Monthly Report for November, 1885.

City Auditor.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed In Common Council, December 14, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen December 17, 1885.

No. 577.

The Chief Engineer of the Fire Department makes his Monthly Report for November 1885.

Chief Eng. of the Fire Dept.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed In Common Council, December 14, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, December 17, 1885.

No. 578.

The City Messenger makes his Monthly Report for November, 1885.

City Messenger.

Read, whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.

Passed In Common Council, December 14, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, December 17, 1885.

No. 579.

Report.

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence.

Report. The joint special committee on the Brook Street District, present this their thirty fifth quarterly report of receipts and expenditures:

Receipts for the quarter ending September 30, 1885.

Rents, $10.00

Expenditures for the quarter ending September 30, 1885.

Brook St. Dist.

Paid Henry N. Redman, salary $30.00

" labor and cartage, old material on Reform School estate } 11.00

Total: $41.00

For the Committee

Thomas A. Willett

Providence September 30, 1885. Chairman.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed In Common Council December 14, 1885.

In Board of Aldermen, December 17, 1885.

No. 580.

Report of the joint Special Committee to secure Right of Way for Main Trunk Sewer in the Woonasquatucket and West River Drainage District.

City Document No. 34.

Report. Woonasquatucket & West River Drainage Dist.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed In Common Council, December 14, 1885.

In Board of Aldermen, December 17, 1885.

No. 581.

Communication.

City of Providence
City Clerk's Office, City Hall
December 7th 1885.

Prov. Telephone Co.

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence.

Do. The Providence Telephone Company who was granted permission by resolution No. 520 current series to erect and maintain poles and wires in Atwells avenue, have accepted the provisions of said resolution as required by chapter CCLIII of the ordinances by filing an agreement in writing, in the office of the City Clerk on the 17th day of November, 1885.

Respectfully submitted.

Henry J. A. Jobin, City Clerk.

Read whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed In Common Council, December 14, 1885.

In Board of Aldermen, December 17, 1885.

No. 582.

Communication.

City Treasurer's Office
City of Providence December 14, 1885.

City Treasurer.

The Honorable City Council.

Gentlemen:

The City Treasurer herewith reports that the accompanying schedule contains two assessments for the year 1879, for the laying out and widening of Broad Street, which have been vacated by a decree of the supreme court of this State, amounting to twenty-four hundred and ten dollars, and also the names of a number of persons against whom taxes were assessed for the year 1881, amounting to twenty-one hundred fifty-three dollars and eleven cents, and for the year 1882, thirty-eight hundred sixty-six dollars and twenty-two cents, remaining unpaid, and upon investigation it is found that the taxes assessed against said persons, from various causes are uncollectable, and therefore suggests that all of the same be abated by your honorable body.

Uncollectable Taxes.

Respectfully submitted.

Benjamin Tripp, City Treasurer.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, December 14, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, December 17, 1885.

No. 583.

Communication.

Communication.

Providence, December 14, 1885.

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence:

You are hereby notified that application will be made to the general assembly at its January session, A.D. 1886, to amend title nine of the public statutes so as to provide that the school committee of said City of Providence shall have the power to fix the salaries of the superintendent of public schools, the teachers in the public schools and the secretary of the school committee, with the provisions that said committee in fixing such salaries shall not in any one year exceed the appropriation made therefor by said city council.

School Committee

Charles H. Parkhurst,
For and in behalf of the school committee of said city.

Read, whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, December 14, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, December 17, 1885.

No. 584.

Report.

Report.

To the Honorable the City Council:

Your committee on water wish to ask the attention of the city council to a matter which is gradually forcing itself into notice. For more than four years the subject of furnishing water to the high parts of the tenth ward has been more or less under consideration by your committee, by the board of public works, and by the city engineer. While the localities in question can be supplied by an extension of the present system of high service mains into which water is continually pumped day and night, it is conceded on all hands that it is far better to construct a reservoir into which water can be

High Service Reservoir in North Providence.

Dr. forced from the Hope station engines during the day time only, and the entire high service, in whatever section of the city placed, supplied by "gravity." The most practicable and economical scheme in this view embraces the locating of a reservoir just beyond the city line, in the Town of North Providence, and some 140 to 150 rods northwesterly from the old Powder Mill turnpike, now Smith street, substantially as recommended in a report of the board of public works to the city council, December 18, 1882. It will be remembered that on the 22d day of May last the town council of North Providence resolved to exempt from all taxation any water works in said town belonging to the City of Providence, in consideration of the payment of four hundred dollars annually from the time when a reservoir may be ready to be filled with water, and that these terms were accepted by the city council in a resolution approved June 23d last.

Dr. So far, then, as the town of North Providence is concerned, the way is open for the city to extend its high service.

Your committee is satisfied that at no distant day the plan indicated in this report will be carried into effect, and therefore that it would be the part of wisdom to prepare for it by securing land in the locality referred to. The contemplated reservoir, and a suitable road from Smith street thereto, will require nearly thirty acres of land, and the committee recommend the purchase of said land in accordance with the accompanying resolution.

Several papers heretofore referred to your committee, having reference to the subject covered in part by this report, viz.: report of the water committee, dated December 18, 1882; communication of the board of public works, dated December 18, 1882; resolution of the city council to connect the high service with Mount Pleasant District, and petition of William H. Bailey et als., for improvement in water supply in the tenth ward, are herewith returned to be placed on the files of the city council.

Dr. For the committee,
F. H. Peabody, Chairman.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, December 14, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, December 17, 1885.

No. 585.

High Service Reservoir in North Providence

Resolved,

That the board of public works be hereby authorized and directed to purchase the land necessary for a high service reservoir to be located in North Providence near Smith street and the right of way thereto, the deeds of the land to be subject to the approval of the city solicitor and the expense to be charged to the appropriation for water works construction, provided, the cost of the same shall not exceed the sum of eleven thousand dollars.

Passed, In Common Council, December 14, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, December 17, 1885.
Approved, December 21, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 586.

Ordinance

Dept. of Fire Alarms

An Ordinance upealing Chapter CCXI and fixing the Salary of the Superintendent of Fire Alarms.

Chapter CCCIX.

For Ordinance See Book of Ordinance No. 4 Page 198.

Passed, In Common Council, December 14, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, December 17, 1885.
Approved, December 21, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 587.

Estate of Wm. F. Brenn

Resolved.

That the personal property tax amounting to the sum of seventy two dollars and fifty cents assessed upon the estate of William F. Brenn, John H. Brenn Administrator, in 1885, be remitted.

Passed, In Common Council, December 14, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, December 17, 1885.
Approved, December 21, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 588.

Wm. F. Channing & Wife.

Resolved.

That the tax of three hundred and three dollars and five cents, assessed against William F. Channing and wife, on personal property, in 1885, be remitted, said parties being residents of Pasadena California when such assessment was erroneously made.

Passed, In Common Council, December 14, 1885,
In Board of Aldermen, December 17, 1885.
Approved, December 21, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

Read and ord.

No. 589.

Sticks Damaged at Point St. Bridge

Resolved,

That the expense of rebuilding the tide gauge at the Point street bridge be charged to the appropriation for contingencies, provided the same shall not exceed the sum of four hundred dollars, and that the bills there for already contracted be paid therefrom.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, December 30 1885.
In Common Council, December 30, 1885.
Approved, December 30, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 590.

Report.

Report

25th Anniversary of the Settlement of Providence.

Report of the joint Special Committee to submit recommendations for the Observance of the 250th Anniversary of the Settlement of Providence.

City Document No. 35.

Read, Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen December 17, 1885.
In Common Council, December 28, 1885.

No. 591.

Resolved

That the city solicitor be, and he is hereby directed to apply to the general assembly, at its January session 1886, and request that authority be granted to the city council of the City of Providence to appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars for the purpose of holding a municipal celebration commemorative of the 250th anniversary of the founding of Providence, June 23 and 24 1886.

250th Anniversary of the City of Providence.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, December 17, 1885.
In Common Council, December 28, 1885.
Approved, December 30, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 592.

Report.

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence:

The joint standing committee on Education to whom was refered the message of his Honor the Mayor, in reference to the funds left by the late Senator H.B. Anthony, beg leave to report:

That in recognition of the patriotic purpose that actuated him in making the bequest, referred to it in said message, they deem that it is proper to provide a place for the best use of the money bequeathed; but that such plan requires further consideration to it. That for the present it is only necessary to accept the trust made in his will, leaving it to the future action by the city council, to initiate and inaugurate such plans.

Senator H.B. Anthony's Bequest.

Therefore they recommend the passage of the accompanying joint resolutions and will at an early day report a plan.

Respectfully submitted.
Fred. J. Macy
Chairman.

Read, whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.

Passed In Board of Aldermen, December 17, 1885.

In Common Council December 28, 1885.

No. 593.

Whereas, The late Senator Henry B. Anthony, mindful of the importance of the education of the people as a safe-guard to free institutions, and recognizing the need of our public schools in furnishing such education, by his last will and testament bequeathed to the city of Providence the sum of three thousand dollars, to be invested, and the interest thereof to be applied to "prizes or medals for excellence in the public schools," it is therefore

Bequest of Senator H.B. Anthony.

Resolved,

That such bequest be, and the same is hereby accepted for the uses and purpose designated in said will.

Do.

Resolved,

That the city treasurer is hereby authorized to receive said bequest from his executors, and to receipt to the said executors therefor.

Do

Resolved,

That the city treasurer pay over the aforesaid sum to the commissioners of the sinking funds, and said commissioners are directed to invest the same in such manner as that the interest thereon can be used for the purposes named in said will, and that said fund shall be known as the "Senator Anthony Prize Fund for Excellence in the Public Schools."

Do.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen December 17, 1885.
In Common Council, December 28, 1885.
Approved, December 30, 1885. Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 594.

Resolved, That the board of aldermen be requested to define a grade for Sabin avenue, from President avenue to Olney Street, in accordance with Chapter 322 of the public laws.

Do'd concd.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, December 17, 1885.
In Common Council, December 28, 1885.
Approved, December 30, 1885.

Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 595.

Resolved,

That the board of aldermen be hereby requested to define a grade for Eighth street, from Pawtucket avenue to Summit street, in accordance with chapter 322 of the public laws.

Eighth Street

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, December 17, 1885.
In Common Council, December 28, 1885.
Approved, December 30, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 596.

Resolved,

That the board of aldermen be hereby requested to define a grade for Flora Street from Branch avenue to Chatham street, in accordance with Chapter 322 of the public laws.

Flora Street

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, December 17, 1885.
In Common Council, December 28, 1885.
Approved, December 30, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 597.

Resolved,

That the board of aldermen be hereby requested to define a grade for Summit street, from Pawtucket avenue to Summit street, in accordance with chapter 322 of the public laws.

Summit Street.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, December 17, 1885.
In Common Council, December 28, 1885.
Approved, December 30, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 598.

Resolved,

That the city treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to abate the several taxes and assessments for the years 1879, 1881 and 1882, reported by the city

Taxes Abated

treasurer, December 14, 1885, as uncollectable, amounting to eight thousand four hundred and twenty-nine dollars and thirty-three cents.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, December 17, 1885.
In Common Council, December 28, 1885.
Approved, December 30, 1885.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 599.

Sealer of Weights & Measures

His Sealer of Weights and Measures make his Semi-Annual Report.

Read, Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, December 28, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, December 31, 1885.

No. 600.

Report.

Report:

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence:

The joint standing committee on ordinances, to whom, October 1, 1885, was referred, by the honorable board of aldermen, the report of the joint standing committee on finance relative to bonds of city officers, with instructions to report an "ordinance providing for the payment by the city of the insurance on bonds taken by security companies of such city officers as, in the opinion of said committee, should give bonds, and also the amounts of the bonds of such officers." Once also to whom, December 23, 1885, was referred by the honorable board of aldermen a resolution ordering "that the joint committee on ordinances be hereby authorized and directed to report to the next meeting of the common council an ordinance providing for the taking of bonds of city officers from security companies," respectfully report:

Bonds of City Officers

That at several meetings of said committee, the subject has been given very careful attention, and your committee herewith present to the honorable

Do. common council an ordinance or bill for an ordinance, as directed, prepared under the advice of the assistant city solicitor of said Providence.

Your committee, however, are of opinion that the city of Providence ought not, at its own expense, to furnish bonds for its city officers required by law to give bonds, and therefore recommend that the bill for an ordinance herewith presented be not passed and made an ordinance of said city.

For the Committee
J. S. S. Cobb,
Chairman.

Read, Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed. In Common Council, December 28 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, Decembr 31, 1885.

No 601.

Report.

Report. To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence.

The joint standing committee on education respectfully report the completion and occupation of the new primary and intermediate school house on the corner of Plain and Bayles streets, and herewith submit a detailed statement of the cost thereof:

School House at the corner of Plain & Bayles Sts.

For builders' contract and extras,	$8,548.15
For plumbing,	270.87
For heating apparatus,	669.56
For Architects services,	348.32
For furniture and seating,	879.55
For curtains,	69.75
For cellar window screens,	29.40
For blackboards,	92.83
For bell and hangings,	43.21
For vaults, cess-pools and outbuildings,	610.88
For fencing lot,	475.58
For grading,	231.62

Do. For cementing	125.10
For cleaning,	3.38
Total,	$12,398.20
Whole amount of appropriation,	$12,600.00
Whole amount of expenses,	$12,398.20
Balance,	$201.80

Respectfully submitted for the committee,
Fred. J. Macy,
Chairman.

Do. Read, Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, December 28 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, December 31, 1885,

No 602.

Report.

Report. To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence.

The joint standing committee on education respectfully report the completion and occupation of the primary and intermediate school building on Smith and Duke Streets, and herewith submit a detailed statement of the cost thereof:

School House on Smith & Dunn Sts.

For masons' contract and extras,	$13,724.53
For carpenters " " "	10,037.50
For plumbing,	496.45
For heating and ventilation,	1370.56
For architects services,	385.00
For furniture and seating,	1,576.32
For curtains,	94.87
For blackboards,	146.50
For bell and hangings,	50.00
For cellar window screens,	57.96
For iron work for conductors,	33.58
For vaults and out buildings,	1149.90
For bank wall and wooden fence,	1.185.45
For granite curbing, and posts for front fence,	188.00
For Iron front fence,	230.16

Do. For filling lot and grading, 391.38
For concreting, 82.08
For cleaning, 6.00
Total $31.706.24
Whole amount of appropriation, $32.100.00
Whole amount expended, 31,706.24
Balance, $393.76

Respectfully submitted for the committee,
Fred. D. Stacy,
Chairman.

Do. Read, Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council December 28, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, December 31, 1885.

No. 603.

Ordinance

Salaries of Officers and Teachers of Public Schools

An Ordinance Fixing the Salaries of the Officers and Teachers of the Public Schools.

Chapter CCCX.

For Ordinance see Book of "Ordinance" No. 5 Page 1.
Passed, In Common Council, December 28, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, December 31, 1885.
Approved, January 2, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 604.

Ordinance

Assistance in Tax Department

An Ordinance Providing for Additional Assistance in the Tax Department.

Chapter CCCXI.

For Ordinance see Book of "Ordinances" No. 5 Page 3.
Passed, In Common Council, December 28, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, December 31, 1885.
Approved, January 2, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 605.

Patrick Gallagher

Resolved,

That the city treasurer is hereby directed to pay Patrick Gallagher the sum of one hundred dollars, in full settlement of his claim against the city, whenever the said Patrick Gallagher shall execute a release to the city, satisfactory to the city solicitor, of all claims for damages to his estate, premises or property, situate at the corner of Blackstone and Culver streets, arising from the overflow of sewage or otherwise, to the date thereof; said payment to be charged to the appropriation for contingencies.

Passed, In Common Council, December 28, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, December 31, 1885.
Approved, January 2, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 606.

Appropriation for Ascertaining Bed of the River.

Resolved,

That an appropriation of a sufficient sum, not to exceed three hundred dollars be taken from any money lying in the city treasury not otherwise appropriated, to defray the expense of ascertaining the condition of the bed of the river, from Crawford Street bridge to the head of the cove basin, so as to ascertain what would be necessary for foundations to build retaining walls upon, for the purpose of narrowing the stream to a suitable width.

Passed, In Common Council, December 28 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, December 31, 1885.
Approved, January 2, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 607.

Mary E. Peck

Resolved,

That the gift of Mary E. Peck, of the sum of seventy-five dollars to the commissioners of the North Burial Ground in trust, the income thereof to be applied under the provisions of Chapter 367 of the public laws, to the preservation and care of the burial lot standing in the name of said Peck in said ground, be and the same is hereby accepted under the name of the Mary E. Peck fund.

Passed, In Common Council, December 28, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, December 31, 1885

Approved January 2, 1886,
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 608.

Resolved,

That the joint standing committee on city property are hereby authorized and directed to purchase, as a right for a primary and intermediate school building in the third school district, the estate designated as lot No. 359, on assessors' plat No. 28, provided the cost thereof shall not exceed the sum of fifteen thousand dollars, to be paid for from the appropriation for school houses and lots; and said committee are further directed, after purchasing said estate, to dispose of the buildings standing thereon, and the proceeds of said sale to be credited by the city treasurer to the aforesaid appropriation for school houses and lots.

School House in 3rd School Dist

Passed In Common Council, May 11, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, December 31, 1885.
Approved January 2, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 609.

Resolved:

That the tax of three hundred sixty nine dollars and seventy five cents assessed against William Goddard, Thomas R. S. Goddard and Moses B. S. Goddard, Trustees, on personal property, for 1885, be remitted, said trustees having paid over the personal property to Horace Binney a resident of Newport R. I., upon said assessment was erroneously made.

Wm., Thomas R. S. & Moses B. S. Goddards.

Passed, In Common Council, December 28, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, December 31, 1885.
Approved, January 2, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No 610.

Resolved:

That the tax of two hundred fifty three dollars and seventy five cents, assessed against Sylvester L. Merrill on personal property, for 1885 be remitted, said Merrill being a resident of the town of Cranston R. I., where such assessment was erroneously made.

Sylvester L. Merrill

Passed, In Common Council, December 28, 1885.
In Board of Aldermen, December 31, 1885.
Approved, January 2, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

In Convention.

January 4, 1886.

The City Council met, in obedience to the summons of the Mayor, assembled in the Reception Room of the City Hall, on the first Monday in January, 1886, at 1:45 o'clock, P.M., it being the fourth of said month and the day fixed by law for the annual organization of the municipal government of the City of Providence, and at 2 o'clock in the afternoon a procession is formed by the City Sergeant in the following order, which proceeds to the Chamber of the Common Council, where is held the inauguration ceremonies:

Organization

City Sergeant. Chief of Police.
His Honor the Mayor,
His Excellency the Governor, and His Honor the Lieutenant Governor,
The Rev. Chaplain of the day, accompanied by the
Judge of the Municipal Court.
City Clerk.
The Aldermen in the order of wards,

Convention.

The Common Councilmen in the order of wards.

The convention is called to order by His Honor the Mayor, Thomas A. Doyle.

Certificate of Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

The certificate of the election of Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor of the City of Providence for the year insuing the first Monday in January, A.D. 1886, is read by the City Clerk, and the oath of office is administered to him by Honorable Joseph E. Spink, Judge of the Municipal Court.

Oath of Office.

State of Rhode Island, &c.
Providence, &c. } In the City of Providence January 4th 1886.

Personally appeared the above named Thomas A. Doyle, and made solemn oath that he would be true and faithful unto the State and support the Laws and Constitution thereof, and the Constitution of the United States, and well and truly execute the office of Mayor of the City of Providence for the insuing year, or until another be engaged in his place, or until he be otherwise discharged from same.

Before me

J. E. Spink
Judge of the Municipal Court.

Original Certificate

The roll of the Board of Aldermen is called, and all the members respond to their names and present their certificates of election to Alderman White, Committee on Credentials.

Oath of Office

The oaths of office is administered to the following Aldermen elected by the Mayor.

Stillman White,	First Ward.
George E. Martin,	Second Ward.
Thomas B. Ross	Third Ward.
Isaac A. Sampson,	Fourth Ward.
John H. Briggs,	Fifth Ward.
George A. Burnham,	Sixth Ward.
Gilbert F. Robbins	Seventh Ward.
Franklin A. Chase,	Eighth Ward.
Henry J. Root,	Ninth Ward.
John H. Brennan,	Tenth Ward.

Certificates of Councilmen Elect.

The roll of the Common Council is called, and all the members respond to their names and present their certificates of election to Councilmen Dennisti and Manchester Committee on Credentials.

Oath of Office.

The oath of office is administered to the following Councilmen elect by the mayor.

First Ward.

William B. Avery,	Charles D. Rogers,
James Kendall,	Augustus S. Miller,

Second Ward.

John H. Kennedy,	Rathbone Gardner,
Arthur N. Watson,	Alfred Stone.

Third Ward.

Thomas A. Hallett,	Henry C. Armstrong,
Fitz Herbert Peabody,	William E. Clarke.

Fourth Ward.

James H. Dalby,	Frederick E. Anthony,
George R. Phillips,	William B. Blanding.

Fifth Ward.

George L. Pierce,	Dexter Horton.
David Burton,	Henry Cram.

Sixth Ward.

Fred. J. Marcy,	Joseph S. T. Stone,
Alfred S. Potter	Ephraim B. Thurber

Seventh Ward.

Benjamin E. Kinsley,	Ira Winsor,
Joseph N. Fanning,	Silas A. Manchester.

Eighth Ward.

William H. Batchelder,	Daniel Perrin,
Edwin Lowe,	Edwin Winsor.

Ninth Ward.

Albert S. Carpenter,	Edward D. Bassett,
Hoffman S. Dorchester,	Francis H. Miner.

Tenth Ward.

William E. Whipple,	Fergus J. McOsker,
John J. Dennisti,	John Casey,

City Clerk.

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

Rev. Wm. F. B. Jackson.

Prayer is offered by Rev. William F. B. Jackson, Rector of St. Jamie's Episcopal Church.

Mayor Doyle's address.

Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor, delivers his inaugural address. (See city Document No. 1.)

Municipal Officers Elected.

The following municipal officers are elected for the municipal year ensuing the first Monday in January, 1886, viz.:

Chief of Police,	Benjamin N. Child.
Judge of the Municipal Court,	Joseph E. Spinks.
Clerk of the Municipal Court,	Clifford A. Harrington.
Recorder of Deeds,	Gustavus A. Williamson.
City Auditor,	James M. Cross,
City Engineer,	Samuel M. Gray,
Superintendent of Public Buildings,	Obadiah Shaw,
Superintendent of Lights,	Samuel B. Swan.
Chief Engineer of the Fire Department,	George A. Steere.
Deputy Chief Engineer of the Fire Department,	Holden C. Hill.

Assistant Engineers of the Fire Department:

1. James M. Baker,
2. Stephen S. Shepard,
3. Leander M. Walling,
4. James Golding.

Presidents of the Fire Department:

Ira Winsor,
George A. Steere,
John H. Dillingham.

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

Commissioners of the North Burial Ground:

Owen Wolcott,
Gorham Thurber,
John W. Biggs.

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

Pound Keepers in Tenth Ward:

William L. Stokes,	Edward N. Smith.
Sealer of Weights and Measures,	Elmer E. Brown.
Overseers of the Hospital,	Mayor and Aldermen.
Overseer of the City Pump,	George A. Steere.
Viewers of Fences,	John A. Cottrell.

Do.

Port Wardens:

James N. Potter, William Francevillé,
Cyrus B. Manchester.

Public Administrator: Jonathan T. Parkhurst.

Packers of Fish:

Shubael S. Howe, Joseph S. Matthews,
John H. Potter.

Inspector of Pot and Pearl Ashes: Cyrus A. Howland.

Inspector of Saleratus and Bi-carbonate of Soda:
Cyrus A. Howland.

Inspector of Kerosene,	William D. Child.
Inspector of Chain Cables,	William C. Hammond.
Inspector of Beef and Pork,	Henry W. Kimball.
Sealer of Leather,	Frank A. Congdon.
Viewer of Hoops,	Gustavus T. Gray.

Surveyors and Corders of Wood:

Charles D. Cobb,	Robert Manchester,
Edwin H. Yates,	John E. Warren.
Do. Christopher L. Holden,	Franklin A. Steere,

Surveyors and Measurers of Stone:

George W. Cady, Clifton A. Hall.
Edmund R. Willson.

* Measurers of Grain, Salt and Sea Coal:

Charles H. Cowell, James S. Olney,

Weigher for the Platform Scale at the Haymarket:
Charles D. Cobb.

Weighers of Cotton:
(Vacant.)

Appraisers of Damages under the Dog Law:

Frederic Denison, Robert W. Burbank,
Jonathan T. Parkhurst.

Sawyer, John E. Burroughs.

Inspector of Buildings for two years:
Spencer B. Hopkins.

Do. * Inspectors and Measurers of Carpenters', Masons' and Painters' Works.

John Buckley, Robert Manchester,
Clifton A. Hall, Charles E. Paine,
Edmund R. Willson.

The Convention is dissolved

Joint Standing Committees:

Appointed January 4, 1886.

No. 1.
Joint Committee.

City Debt:
Councilman Benjamin E. Kinsley.
City Engineers Department:
Councilman, James Mc Nally,
City Property:
Councilman James Mc Nally, William W. Batchelder,
John M. Rounds, David Burton,
Alderman Thomas B. Ross.
Claims:
Councilman Dennis Perrin, William B. Blanding,
Charles D. Rodgers Edward D. Bassett,
Alderman George E. Martin.
Education:
Councilman Fred. J. Marcy, Augustus S. Miller,
Joseph H. Fanning Alfred Stone,
Alderman Gilbert F. Robbins.

Do.

Finance:
Councilman George R. Phillips, Fred. J. Marcy,
Arthur H. Watson, Alfred Stone,
Alderman Gilbert F. Robbins.
Fire Department:
Councilman Asa Winsor, Ephraim B. Monilton,
James Randall, Dexter Horton,
Alderman Stillman White.
Harbor:
Councilman William L. Whipple, Charles D. Rodgers,
Benjamin E. Kinsley, William E. Clarke,
Alderman George H. Burnham.
Highways:
Councilman Benjamin E. Kinsley, Frederick E. Anthony,
John M. Rounds, William L. Whipple,
Alderman Stillman White.
Lamps:
Councilman Arthur H. Watson, William B. Arny,

Do.

Do.

George R. Phillips, Henry C. Armstrong,
Alderman Charles F. Sampson.

North Burial Ground:
Councilman Albert F. Carpenter, Edwin Lowe,
Fitz Herbert Peabody, Henry Cram,
Alderman Franklin A. Chase.
Ordinances:
Councilman, Augustus S. Miller, Francis H. Winsor,
James Mc Nally, Edward D. Bassett,
Alderman John M. Brennan.
Parks:
Councilman Joseph H. Fanning, Daniel Perrin,
Albert F. Carpenter Alfred Stone,
Alderman Henry F. Hart.
Police:
Councilman Alfred S. Potter, Hoffman S. Dorchester
William B. Arny Edwin Winsor.

Do.

Alderman Gilbert F. Robbins.
Printing:
Councilman James Randall, Silas H. Manchester,
Hoffman S. Dorchester, Sergue J. Mc Ostar,
Alderman Thomas B. Ross
Railroads:
Councilman Frederick E. Anthony, William W. Batchelder,
Alfred S. Potter Silas H. Manchester,
Alderman John M. Briggs.
Sewers:
Councilmin, Thomas A. Millett, John J. Dennish,
William B. Blanding, George L. Pierce,
Alderman John M. Briggs.
Water:
Councilmin Fitz Herbert Peabody, Edwin Lowe,
Ephraim B. Monilton, John Casey,
Alderman Franklin A. Chase.

Do.

No. 2.
Advertising,
Printing & Stationery.

Resolved,

That the joint committee on printing be,

and they are hereby authorized to contract for the city printing and advertising, and also for the stationery for the use of the various city officers, for the present municipal year.

Passed, In Common Council, January 4, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, January 4, 1886.
Approved, January 6, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 3.

Resolved:

That Messrs. Randall, Dorchester, Manchester, and the Clerk of the Common Council, with Alderman Ross, are hereby appointed a committee to wait upon his honor Mayor Doyle and request him to furnish for publication a copy of the address delivered by him to the city council January 4, 1886; and to cause the same to be published in such manner as they shall deem expedient.

Printing Mayor Address

Resolved:

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

City Manual

Passed In Common Council, January 4, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, January 4, 1886.
Approved, January 6, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 4.

Resolved;

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

Reports to be Printed.

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

The annual report of the chief engineer of the fire department.

The annual report of the overseer of the poor.

Passed, In Common Council, January 4, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, January 4, 1886.
Approved, January 6, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 5.

Resolved;

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

City Documents number of.

Passed, In Common Council, January 4, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, January 4, 1886.
Approved, January 6, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 6.

Resolved;

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

Referring Mayor's Message.

Passed In Common Council, January 4, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, January 4, 1886.
Approved, January 6, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor

No. 7.

Resolved;

That the city clerk, under the direction of the joint committee on printing, is hereby instructed to cause an index to the printed resolutions of the city council, passed in 1885, to be prepared and printed, and also to cause said

Resolutions Ordering & Binding

restrictions to be bound for the use of the city government.

Resolved,

do. That the city clerk, acting under the direction of the same committee, is hereby instructed to cause two

City Documents hundred and fifty copies of the documents of 1885, with a proper list of contents, to be bound for the use of the city government.

Passed, In Common Council, January 4, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, January 4, 1886.
Approved, January 6, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 8.

The City Auditor makes his Annual Report upon the Receipts and Expenditures for the year ending Sept-

City Auditor. ember 30, 1885.

City Document No. 2.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, January 4, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, January 4, 1886.
Approved, January 6, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 9

The City Treasurer makes his Annual Account for the Fiscal year ending September 30, 1885.

City Treasurer. In City Document No. 2.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, January 4, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, January 4, 1886.
Approved January 6, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 10

The Overseer of the Poor makes his Annual Report for the year 1885.

Overseer of the Poor. City Document No. 4.

Read whereupon it is ordered, that the same be

received.

Passed, In Common Council, January 4, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, January 4, 1886.
Approved January 6, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 11.

The Chief Engineer of the Fire Department makes his Annual Report for the year, 1885.

Chief Eng. of the Fire Depart. City Document No. 5.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, January 4, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, January 4, 1886.
Approved, January 6, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 12.

The Inspector of Buildings makes his Annual

Inspector of Buildings. Report for the year, 1885.

City Document No. 8.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, January 4, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, January 4, 1886.

No. 13.

Lorin M. Cooke, Justice of the Police Court makes

Annual Report of Lorin M. Cooke Police Justice his Annual Report for the year, 1885.

Number of warrants issued,	2,260	
Number of warrants served,	2,251	
Number of warrants for drunkenness	2,140	
Amount of fines collected,		$2,270.00
Amount of costs collected,		2,999.50
Total,		$5,269.50

Read, whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, January 4, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, January 4, 1886.

No. 14.

Elias M. Jenckes, justice of the Police Court, makes his Annual Report, for the year 1885.

Annual Report of Elias M. Jenckes Police Justice.

Number of Warrants issued,	2,288	
Number of Warrants served,	2,259	
Number of warrants for drunkenness	2,173	
Amount of fines collected		$2,471.00
Amount of costs collected		3,016.60
Total,		$5,487.60

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council January 4, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen January 4, 1886.

No. 15.

Report:

Annual Report of the Gauger.

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence:

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

From January 1, 1885, to January 1, 1886, the number of casks gauged by myself and my deputies was 48,690, of which number 31,172 contained oils of different kinds; 8,480 contained molasses and syrups; 6,560 contained liquors; 2,478 contained turpentine and alcohol, etc. The amount of fees received was $4,310.00

Respectfully submitted,
Edward S. Tanner, Gauger.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed In Common Council, January 4, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, January 4, 1886.

No. 16.

Report:

Annual Report of the Inspector of Kerosene.

To the Honorable the City Council:

I have the honor to report, that during the year just closed I have inspected and branded 22,103 barrels of kerosene for sale and use in this city, the income from which, after deducting expense account, has been $1,308.68.

Respectfully submitted,
W. D. Child, Inspector.

No. 17.

Report:

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence:

The board of commissioners of sinking funds in this their twelfth annual report of the condition of the several sinking funds under their control, on the thirty first day of December, 1885, and of the Henry B. Anthony page fund.

Annual Report of the Board of Commissioners of Sinking Funds.

The bonds and notes comprised in the funded debt, for the redemption of which sinking funds are held by the commissioners, the purposes for which they were issued, and the amounts of the sinking funds, are shown by the following table:

	Debt.	Sinking Funds.
Bonds due January 1, 1893, for expenses incurred in enlisting soldiers in the war of the rebellion, (5 per cent.)	$300,000.00	$313,347.34
Bonds due July 1, 1895, for construction of sewers and city hall 5 per cent. sterling loan.	1,397,250.00	480,389.99
Bonds due June 1, 1899, for construction of sewers and city hall (4½ per cent.)	600,000.00	151,690.35
Bonds due July 1, 1899, for public improvements, made since 1853 (5 per cent.)	450,000.00	92,783.19
Bonds due July 1, 1900, for same purposes, (5 per cent.)	146,000.00	25,376.33
Bonds due July 1, 1900, for the water works, (5 and 6 per cent.)	4,000,000.00	371,750.26
Bonds due July 1, 1906, for the water works, (5 per cent.)	1,500,000.00	
Notes due in 1885 and 1886		

(over.)

Sinking Funds

for the Brook Street district improvement, (4½ per cent.)	140,000.00	12047.72
Totals,	$8533,250.00	$1,447,085.78

Sinking fund to redeem bonds due in 1893 (war expenses) This fund amounts to $313.347.94, and is invested as follows:

City of Providence note due in 1886,	$15,000.00
City of Providence bonds due in 1893,	222,000.00
City of Providence bond due in 1899,	59,000.00
City of Providence bond due in 1900,	16,000.00
Cash on hand,	1347.94
Total,	$313.347.94

Sinking fund to redeem bonds due in 1895 (City Hall and Sewer sterling loan). This fund amounts to $480,389.99 and is invested as follows:

do.

City of Providence note due in 1886,	$101,000.00
City of Providence note due in 1887,	15,000.00
City of Providence bonds due in 1893,	38,000.00
City of Providence bonds due in 1895	106,500.00
City of Providence bonds due in 1899,	173,000.00
City of Providence bond due in 1900,	46,000.00
Cash on hand	889.99
Total,	$480,389.99

Sinking fund to redeem bonds due in 1899 (City hall and sewer sterling loan). This fund amounts to $151,690.35, and is invested as follows:

City of Providence note due in 1886,	$4,000.00
City of Providence bond due in 1899,	117,000.00
City of Providence bond due in 1900,	30,000.00
Cash on hand,	690.35
Total,	$151,690.35

Sinking fund to redeem bonds due in 1899, (public improvement loan). This fund amounts to $92,783.19, and is invested as follows:

do.

City of Providence bonds due in 1899,	$68,000.00
City of Providence bonds due in 1900,	24,000.00

Sinking Funds.

Cash on hand	783.19
Total,	$92,783.19

Sinking fund to redeem bonds due in 1900 (public improvement loan). This fund amounts to $25,076.33, and is invested as follows:

City of Providence bonds due in 1899,	$25,000.00
Cash on hand,	76.33
Total	$25,076.33

Sinking fund to redeem the water loan. This fund amounts to $371,750.26, and is invested as follows:

do.

City of Providence notes due in 1886,	$236,000.00
City of Providence certificate due in 1889,	4,938.22
City of Providence bond due in 1895,	75,000.00
City of Providence bond due in 1899	33,000.00
City of Providence bond due in 1900,	22,000.00
Cash on hand,	812.04
Total,	$371,750.26

Sinking fund to redeem the Brook Street district notes. This fund amounts to $12,047.72 and is invested as follows:

Cash on hand,	$10,047.72
City of Providence notes due in 1886,	2,000.00
Total,	$12,047.72
The Henry Bowen Anthony page fund	$3,000.00

The increase in the several sinking funds since the thirty first day of December 1884, has been as follows:

In the fund of 1893,	$20,410.55
In the fund of 1895,	57,297.89
In the city hall and sewer loan of 1899,	26,045.21
In the public improvement loan of 1899	17,696.08
In the public improvement loan of 1900	5,607.16
In the water loan,	234,018.22
In the Brook Street district loan,	11,818.18
Whole increase,	$372,893.29

do.

Sinking Funds.

It will be observed that the amount of funds in the hands of the commissioners is $398,545.29 less than the amount reported one year since. This arises from the fact that the commissioners paid $568.89 on the first day of May last, to the City of Providence on account of notes of the Brook street district maturing on that day, and $50000 on the first day of September last for the bonds of the public improvement loan due on that day.

The entire income of the several funds received by the commissioners during the year amounted to $202,023.60. This amount and the decrease in the total funds equals the sum paid to the City of Providence as above stated.

The Henry B. Anthony prize fund is held by the commissioners as an investment, the income of which is to be applied as directed in the will of the late Senator Anthony as prizes to the public schools.

A personal examination of all the securities belonging to the sinking funds was made by the members of the

Do. board.

Respectfully submitted.

Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor,
Benjamin Tripp, City Treasurer,
James M. Cross, City Auditor,
Franklin A. Chase, Chairman of the Committee of Finance,
Oliver A. Hastburn, Jr.,
Daniel E. Day,
Jesse Metcalf,
Board of Commissioners of Sinking Funds.

Do. Providence, January 4, 1886.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, January 4, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, January 4, 1886.

No. 18.

Weigher at the Haymarket.

The Weigher at the Haymarket Scales makes his Quarterly Report, for the Quarter ending December 31, 1885.

Read, whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, January 4, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, January 4, 1886.

No. 19.

Issue of Registered Bonds.

The Joint Committee on Finance make their Monthly Report upon the Issue of Registered Bonds for December, 1885.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, January 4, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, January 4, 1886.

No. 20.

Do.

The City Treasurer makes his Monthly Report on the Issue of Registered Bonds for December, 1885.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, January 4, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, January 4, 1886.

No. 21.

City Auditor

The City Auditor makes his Monthly Report for December, 1885.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, January 4, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, January 4, 1886.

No. 22.

Chief Engineer of the Fire Department.

The Chief Engineer of the Fire Department makes his Monthly Report for December, 1885.

Read, whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, January 4, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, January 4, 1886.

No. 23.

City Messenger

The City Messenger makes his Monthly Report for December, 1885.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, January 4, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, January 4, 1886.

No. 24.

City Engineer

Resolved,

That the city engineer be, and he is hereby authorized and directed to present his annual reports for 1885 in print for the use of the city council.

Passed, In Common Council, January 4, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen January 4, 1886.
Approved January 6, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No 25.

Report upon petition of Peter Savigan

Report:

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence:

The joint standing committee on claims, to whom was referred August 6, 1885, the petition of Peter Savigan for compensation for damage to his estate on Fenner avenue, report:

That they have heard the petitioner, visited the premises and examined the matter. The petitioner claims that his estate has been damaged by the construction of said Fenner avenue; that access to and from his house has been rendered unsafe, and he asks damages therefor.

The committee are of the opinion that it is for the interest of the city that the matter be settled; and the petitioner having agreed, for the sum of three hundred dollars, to permit the city to fill in upon his estate to a distance sufficient to support the road way adjacent to the same, thereby saving to the city the cost of constructing and maintaining a stone wall, the committee therefore recommend the passage of the accompanying resolutions.

For the committee,

F. E. Anthony, Chairman.

Providence, December 31, 1885.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, January 4, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, January 4 1886.

No. 26.

Peter Savigan

Fenner Avenue

Resolved.

That the city treasurer is hereby directed to pay to Peter Savigan the sum of three hundred dollars, whenever the said Savigan shall execute a release to the city of all claims for damages to his estate on Fenner avenue, caused by the filling in of said avenue, and shall assent to the city, in writing, permission to fill in upon said estate to a sufficient distance to support the roadway of said avenue; both the release and permission to be satisfactory to the city solicitor; said payment to be charged to the appropriation for highways.

Passed In Common Council, January 4, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, January 4, 1886.
Approved, January 6, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 27.

Do.

Resolved.

That the board of public works are hereby directed to cause that portion of Fenner avenue adjoining on the estate of Peter Savigan to be filled in to its full width and to the established grade, whenever the said Savigan shall cause the house situated on the estate to be raised to the new grade.

Passed, In Common Council, January 4, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen January 4, 1886.
Approved January 6, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle,
Mayor.

No. 28.

Report.

Report.

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence:

The joint standing committee on ordinances, to whom was referred the petition of John Wilson Smith for compensation for land taken by the city for Hope reservoir, respectfully report:

That in the year 1870, about fifty thousand feet of land belonging to Smith was taken by the city as a part of the site of Hope reservoir. That at the time of taking, the city offered as compensation therefor a sum of money amounting in the aggregate to between nine and ten thousand dollars, which Smith refused to accept. That said Smith failed to pursue the remedy in such case by law provided, and that an action brought by him in the supreme court thereafterwards was dismissed. That in the opinion of your committee and the city solicitor the petitioner has no claim for compensation that could now be legally enforced. Your committee, however, are unanimously of opinion that in equity and good conscience the city ought to pay the petitioner for the land taken as aforesaid.

John Wilson Smith Land for Hope Reservoir.

At a recent meeting of your committee, the petitioner being present expressed his willingness to execute a deed to the city of said land, upon the payment to him of the sum of nine thousand nine hundred ninety-nine dollars, this being the amount originally offered by the city with the addition of a sum of less than seventy dollars, arising from an error made in former survey or measurement of the lands. The question of interest upon this amount was left entirely to the judgment of your committee.

After due and careful consideration of the subject in all its various aspects, your committee have unanimously decided that the city ought, in justice, to pay to the petitioner the sum of nine thousand nine hundred ninety-nine dollars, and therefore recommend the passage of the resolutions herewith presented.

For the committee,

J. S. S. Cobb, Chairman.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, January 4, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, January 4, 1886.

No. 29.

Resolved

That the city treasurer pay to John Wilson Smith, the sum of nine thousand nine hundred ninety-nine dollars upon delivery to the City of Providence by said Smith of a deed satisfactory to the City Solicitor, of the land taken from him by said city by condemnation for the Hope reservoir.

John Wilson Smith.

Passed, In Common Council January 4, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen January 4, 1886.
Approved January 6, 1886
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

Received.
No. 30.

Deputy Gaugers

To the Hon. City Council.

Gentlemen,

I respectfully nominate the following named gentlemen as Deputy Gaugers. Zachariah C. Farmer and Elbert Freeman and ask their confirmation.

Very respectfully
J. E. Burroughs
City Gauger.

Deputy Gaugers.

Providence January 14th 1886.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be confirmed.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, January 14 1886.
In Common Council, January 18 1886.
Approved, January 25 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle
Mayor.

No. 31.

Mayor's Message.

Gentlemen of the City Council:

Message.

Arnold Green was, by resolution of the city council No. 159, approved April 17, 1884, appointed "a commissioner to collect and arrange the city ordinances, and such of the public laws as relate to the City of Providence, together with the rules and regulations of the board of aldermen, and to report the same to the city council in print." The work has now been completed, making a volume of nearly eight hundred pages, and awaits the action of the city council thereon. The portion containing the statutes relating to the city, comprising nearly one half of the entire volume, should be ordered printed at once, that there may be no delay in publishing the entire work upon the completion of its revision by the city council and board of aldermen.

Revision of the Ordinances.

The board of aldermen have appointed a committee to revise their rules and regulations, with instructions to submit a report of the same to that body.

I recommend that the commissioner, Mr. Green, together with the city solicitor, be instructed to report at once such changes as in their opinion are necessary in the existing ordinances.

Certain changes are necessary to make them conform to the statutes now in force and the orders of the city council, notably in the ordinance prescribing the duties of the highway commissioners, whose powers are all vested in the board of public works; also the ordinances having reference to the railroads, telegraphic, telephonic and electric light wires, and other subjects.

If this be done by these gentlemen, the work of the examination and revision of the ordinances by the city council will be greatly facilitated.

The fact that these ordinances have been electrotyped will not prevent any changes that the city council may deem necessary.

Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

Read, In Board of Aldermen, January 14, 1886.
In Common Council, January 18, 1886.

No. 32.

Resolved,

That Arnold Green, appointed a commissioner by resolution No. 159 of the city council, approved April 17, 1884, together with the city solicitor, be instructed to examine the ordinances as presented to the city council by Arnold Green, and report at the earliest practicable date such changes as in their opinion are necessary.

Revision of the Ordinances

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, January 14, 1886.
In Common Council, January 18, 1886.
Approved, January 25 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 33.

Resolved,

That the city clerk be and is hereby authorized to cause to be printed for the use of the city council eight hundred copies of "statutes of the State of Rhode Island relating to the City of Providence," as revised by Arnold Green.

Statutes of R. I.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, January 14 1886.
In Common Council, January 18, 1886.
Approved, January 25, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 34.

Resolved,

That the joint committee on city property is hereby authorized to furnish and place in position additional radiators, with the necessary connections in the recitation rooms north side and main hall of the high school building, at an expense not to exceed one hundred dollars, said sum to be paid from the appropriation for the repairs of public buildings.

High School Radiators.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, January 14 1886.
In Common Council, January 18, 1886.
Approved, January 25, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle
Mayor.

No. 35.

Report.

Awarding the Contract for Printing, Advertising & Stationery.

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence:

The joint committee on printing who were authorized by resolution No. 2, current series, to contract for advertising, printing and stationery for the present municipal year, report:

That they have awarded the contract for advertising to the Providence Daily Journal and the Evening Telegram; the contract for printing to the Providence Press Company, and the binding to the Akeerman Company.

In the matter of purchase of stationery and other supplies, the committee have authorized the departments to buy from the following: E. L. Freeman & Co., Tibbitts & Preston, Bugbee & Thompson, Rhode Island News Co., Robert L. Greene, Sidney S. Rider, Harry Gregory, Albert R. Davis, and Jennison & Hall.

Respectfully submitted for the committee.

James Randall, Chairman.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, January 18, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, January 21, 1886.

No. 36.

Report.

Awarding Report on the Brook Street District.

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence:

The joint special committee on the Brook Street district present this their thirty-sixth quarterly report of receipts and expenditures.

Receipts for the quarter ending December 31, 1885:
From the sale of old lumber, Reform School estate, $118.25

Expenditures for the quarter ending December 31, 1885:
Henry H. Goodman, Salary, $30.00
Sergt. A. Burnham, bills of Commissioners, etc., sale of land, $138.22
Total, 168.22.

The committee report the sale of land and old buildings in the district, during the quarter, amounting to the sum of ninety-eight hundred fifty-seven dollars and ninety-one cents.

For the committee,
Thomas A. Willett,
Chairman.

Providence, January 1, 1885.

Schedule of Sales.

1885.

July 1.	Amount of sales reported to this date	$1,923.42
July 23.	Estate Nos. 8 and 10 Pike street,	$2,850.00
	Lot on Brook street,	2,550.00
August 22,	Lot on Lockwood street,	855.00
" 29	Lot on corner Lockwood and Blanding street,	800.00
" "	Old lumber, Reform School estate	118.25
October 7,	Lot corner Sans and Lockwood sts.	2688.66
Do. " "	Old barn and sheds, Reform School estate,	46.50
	Total	$200.199.98

Do. ty-one cents.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, January 18, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, January 21, 1886.

No. 37.

Report.

Annual Report on the Brook Street District.

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence:

The joint special committee on the Brook Street district present their annual report of receipts and expenditures for the year ending December 31, 1885, showing the amount of receipts to have been six hundred forty-one dollars and forty one cents, and the expenditures four hundred sixty-two dollars and fifty-six cents.

Acting under the advice of the city solicitor, the committee sold, on the twenty-third of July the only piece of improved property remaining in their charge being the estate numbered eight and ten Pike street. The amount received from this and other sales of property during the year

Do. amount to the sum of seven thousand seven hundred thirty-nine dollars and seventy cents, which, with the amount previously reported, makes the total amount received to date from the sale of the property in the district two hundred thousand one hundred ninety-nine dollars and ninety eight cents.

For the committee,
Thomas A. Willett,
Chairman.

Providence, January 1, 1886.

Read, whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, January 18, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, January 21, 1886.

No. 38.

Dean Street District Committee.

Resolved, That the joint special committee on the Brook Street district, appointed by resolution approved February 4, 1881, be hereby continued.

Passed, In Common Council, January 18, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, January 21, 1886.
Approved January 25, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 39.

Communication.

Treasurer's Office,
City of Providence, January 18, 1886.

To the Honorable the City Council:

Gentlemen: I regret to announce the resignation of Mr. John G. Massie as deputy in my office, to which position he was appointed November 9, 1868.

Deputy City Treasurer.

Mr. Massie leave the employ of the city to accept the position of treasurer of the Peoples Saving Bank in this city, to which place he will carry much experience and ability.

In expressing much regret at his departure, I take great pleasure on this occasion, after so extended a

Do. period, to bear testimony to his strict integrity and personal worth, his assiduous and faithful attention to the duties of his office, and to his promptness and efficiency in a continuous service of the city for more than seventeen years.

I trust he will meet with that success in his new position to which he is so conspicuously entitled.

I have appointed Mr. George A. Emerson deputy in his place, and respectfully request your approval of the appointment.

Very respectfully,
Benjamin Tripp,
City Treasurer.

Read, whereupon it is ordered that the same be received and approved.

Passed, In Common Council, January 21, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, January 21, 1886.
Approved January 25, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 40.

School House at the corner of Potter Ave. & Greenwich St.

Resolved, That the superintendent of public buildings, acting under the advice and direction of the joint standing committee on city property, be and he is hereby directed to furnish with grammar school furniture the building recently erected by the city on the corner of Potter's avenue and Greenwich street, the expense attending the same to be paid for from the appropriation for the repairs of public buildings.

Passed, In Common Council, January 18, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, January 21, 1886.
Approved, January 25, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 41.

Land for Park purposes.

Resolved, That the city solicitor be, and he hereby is directed to apply to the general assembly at its January session, 1886, to set off from the town of Cranston and annex to the city of Providence that certain tract of land

recently, purchased by the city for park purposes of the Park Land Company.

Passed, In Common Council, January 18, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, January 21, 1886.
Approved, January 25, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 42.

Jt. Special Committee.

Broadway.

Resolved.

That Messrs. Stone, Linsley and Avery of the common council, with aldermen Sampson and White, be and they hereby are appointed a committee to report a plan or plans for a street to connect Broadway, at its junction with Olney street, with Exchange Place, at the corner of Torrance street, together with estimate of the probable cost of the same.

Passed, In Common Council, January 18, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, January 21, 1886.
Approved, January 25, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 43.

Helme St.

Resolved.

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about sixty hundred and seventy five feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Helme Street, from Valley street to Harris avenue.

Passed, In Common Council, January 18, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, January 21, 1886.
Approved, January 25, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 44.

Whipple Ave.

Resolved.

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about one hundred and ninety feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Whipple avenue, Cranston, from Corry avenue, southwesterly.

Passed, In Common Council, January 18, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, January 21, 1886.

Approved, January 25, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 45.

Evening Bulletin & Star.

Resolved.

That the committee on printing is hereby directed to advertise in the Bulletin and Star as well as the Journal and Telegram.

Passed, In Common Council, January 18, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, January 21, 1886.
Approved, January 26, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 46.

Jt. Special Committees continued.

Resolved

That all joint special committees that were in existence on the first Monday in January, 1886 be hereby continued.

Passed, In Common Council, January 18, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, January 21, 1886.
Approved, January 26, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 47.

Brown St.

Whereas, the commissioners of estimate and assessment appointed by the supreme court at the January term, 1885, to lay out and extend Brown street, from Olney street, to Barnes street under and pursuant to an act entitled "An act in relation to the laying out, enlarging, straightening, or otherwise altering streets in the City of Providence, and the acts in amendment thereof and in addition thereto," made their first report to said court on December 1, 1885, now therefore, within sixty days after the making of said report to said court:

Resolved,

That the city council do hereby elect to make said improvement.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, January 14, 1886.
In Common Council, January 18, 1886.
Approved, January 28, 1886.

Thomas A. Doyle
Mayor.

No 48.

Electrical Wires Underground.

Report of the joint Special Committee relative to Placing Electrical Wires Underground.

City Document No. 15.

Read, Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, January 18, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, January 27, 1886.

No 49.

Resolved,

That the joint special committee created by resolution No. 178, approved May 6, 1885, is hereby authorized to visit the cities of Chicago, Washington and Philadelphia for the purpose of examining the systems of underground wires there in use, and the sum of five hundred dollars is hereby appropriated for that purpose, such sum or so much thereof as may be necessary to be paid from any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed, In Common Council, January 18, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, January 27, 1886.
Approved, January 29, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No 50.

Annual Report of the City Engineer on Public Bridges.

Annual Report of the City Engineer upon the condition of the Public Bridges for 1885.

City Document No. 9.

Read, Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, January 21, 1886.
In Common Council, February 1, 1886.

No. 51.

Resolved,

That aldermen Ross and Rose, with

250th Anniversary of the Settlement of Providence.

Messrs Watson, Blanding and Miller of the common council, be and they are hereby appointed a committee of arrangements for a municipal celebration of the two hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the founding of Providence, in accordance with the plan recommended in the report of the joint special committee presented to the city council December 17, 1885.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen January 21, 1886.
In Common Council, February 1, 1886.
Approved, February 2, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

No. 52.

Bridget Gleeson.

Resolved,

That permission be granted to Mrs. Bridget Gleeson to raise a certain building, located at No. 4 Spruce street, pursuant to her petition.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, January 21, 1886.
In Common Council, February 1, 1886.
Approved, February 2, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 53.

Message.

Mayor's Message.

City of Providence,
Executive Department, City Hall,
January 27, 1886.

Gentlemen of the City Council:

Frank Wiatt Jr. Unlicensed Dogs.

There is confined in the State's jail in default Frank Wiatt, Jr, who was convicted on the 13th of October last of keeping five dogs without having the same properly licensed. Up to the 26th instant he had worked out one half of his fine. On application of his mother, who is dependent upon his services for her support, the costs in his case were remitted by Mr. Justice Miller, of the court of common pleas.

His mother now requests that the remainder of his fine be also remitted, that he may be liberated from imprisonment.

The dog officer, Mr. Prentiss, is willing to re-

Do. mit the one half of the fine to which he is entitled; and as the more than three months' imprisonment which White has already suffered seems to be a sufficient punishment for his offence, I recommend the adoption of a resolution by the city council remitting the remainder of the fine to which the city is entitled.

Thomas A. Doyle
Mayor.

Read, In Board of Aldermen, January 27, 1886.
In Common Council, February 1, 1886.

No. 54.

Frank White Jr.

Resolved.

That the city treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and directed to pay, on half of the fine of Frank White Jr., remaining unpaid, who was convicted on the 13th of October 1885 - of keeping five unlicensed dogs, provided said sum shall not exceed twelve dollars, the same to be charged to the appropriation for contingencies.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen January 27, 1886.
In Common Council, February 1, 1886.
Approved, February 2, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

No. 55.

Board of Public Works.

Twelfth Quarterly Report of the Board of Public Works ending December 31, 1885.

City Document No. 14.

Read, Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen January 27, 1886.
In Common Council, February 1, 1886.

No. 56.

Report.

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence:

The street committee, to whom was referred the petition of William A. Robinson & Co., for permission to construct and maintain a steam pipe underground across Worces-

Shaft over, and Steam Pipe under, Worcester St.

ter street, between the Billings block and the building belonging to Chace & Arnold on the corner of Eddy and said Worcester streets, and also to construct and maintain a shaft over said Worcester street, for the transmission of power between the aforesaid buildings report:

That a public hearing was given upon the petition, and that at said hearing no person appeared to object. A plan of location of said steam pipe and shaft was presented to the committee, prepared by the city engineer, upon which was designated the height the shaft was to be placed above the street, its size and also the form and manner of attachment to the buildings it is to connect.

The committee, in considering the petition, which is signed by William A. Robinson & Co., determined that as said petitioners were lessees of the building occupied by them the interests of the city would be best subserved by granting the permission to Messrs. Billings Brothers, who are the owners of one of the buildings to which said shaft is to be attached, and who are interested in the construction for the reason that power is to be furnished to their tenants.

The committee, therefore, recommend the passage of the accompanying resolution.

Respectfully submitted for the committee,
Stillman White, Chairman.

Providence, January 27, 1886.

Read, Whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, January 27, 1886
In Common Council, February 1, 1886

No. 57
Do.

Billings Bros.

Resolved.

That permission is hereby granted to Billings Brothers to place and maintain a steam pipe underground across Worcester street, and also to construct and maintain a shaft over said Worcester street, for the purpose of transmitting power between the buildings Nos. 9 and 21 Eddy street, provided said Billings Brothers shall at

Billings Bros

all time indemnify and save harmless and defend the City of Providence of and from all damages, costs and expenses to which said city may be subjected or made liable by any proceedings at law or in equity or otherwise growing out of the grant or continuance of the permission and privilege granted to the said Billings Brothers by this resolution, or out of the exercise and enjoyment of the same by said Billings Brothers, said shaft and steam pipes to be constructed to the satisfaction of and in accordance with the plans of the city engineer on file in his office, and provided also, that before proceeding to do any work under this resolution the said Billings Brothers shall file in the city clerk's office their acceptance in writing of the conditions of this resolution, and provided further that said shaft and steam pipe shall be removed at any time by order of the city council.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen January 27, 1886.
In Common Council, February 1, 1886.
Approved February 2, 1886.
Thomas E. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 58.

The joint Committee on Finance make their Monthly Report on the Issue of Registered Bonds for January, 1886.

Registered Bonds.

Read, Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, February 1, 1886
In Board of Aldermen, February 4, 1886.

No. 59.

The City Treasurer makes his Monthly Report on the Issue of Registered Bonds for January, 1886.

Registered Bonds.

Read, Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, February 1, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, February 4, 1886.

No. 60.

The Chief Engineer of the Fire Department makes his Monthly Report for January, 1886.

Chief Engineer of the Fire Dept.

Read, Whereupon it is ordered, that the same

be received.

Passed, In Common Council, February 1, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, February 4, 1886.

No. 61.

The City Messenger makes his Monthly Report for January, 1886.

City Messenger.

Read, Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, February 1, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, February 4, 1886.

No. 62.

Report.

Report.

To the Honorable the City Council.

Gentlemen: In compliance with section 31, chapter XIX, of the city ordinances, the joint committee on finance respectfully report that they have examined the annual report of the city auditor and the accounts of the city treasurer for the year ending September 30, 1885, and compared them with the vouchers and find them to be correct.

Accounts of City Auditor & City Treasurer.

For the committee,
George H. Phillips, Chairman.

Providence, January 26, 1886.

Read, Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, February 1, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, February 4, 1886.

No. 63.

Report.

Annual Report of the Commissioners of the

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence.

The commissioners of the North Burial Ground make their their annual report of receipts and expenditures for the year ending December 31, 1885:

Receipts.

Jos to Burial Ground.	Balance on hand January 1, 1885,		$3,768.14
	From sale of lots containing 10,216 sq. feet of land,	$4,509.55	
	From improvement of lots,	5,428.20	
	" interments,	2,192.52	
	" brick grave,	968.00	
	" tomb rents,	793.45	
	" rent of buildings,	670.00	
	" one monument lettered and set,	100.00	
	" sale of wood	88.50	
	" " " rough curbing, old stone and stone paste,	19.50	
	" sale of gate keys,	9.75	
	" removal of bodies,	14.50	
	" certificates,	42.00	
	" for account,	57.85	
Do.	" sundries,	76.73	14,970.75
			$28,738.89

Expenditures

Labor.

For grading,	$3.595.14	
" improvements,	2.009.89	
" avenues,	1.181.00	
" interments,	820.00	$7,606.03
" salaried,		1.800.00
		$9,406.03

Sundries.

For grain and feed	$329.22		
" brick, stone and cement	371.74		
" hardware, tools and iron work	180.59		
" blacksmithing and horse shoeing	186.20		
" water,	274.70		
" lumber,	113.53		
" earth, manure and fertilizers,	183.27		
" teaming	157.94		
" rebuilding fence	115.57		
" marble markers,	83.20		
" stone cutting,	121.40	$2,117.36	$9,406.03

	Amount brought forward,	$2,117.36	$9,406.03
Do.	For piping, plumbing and repairs,	92.55	
	" hose, couplings, etc.	51.25	
	" coal,	78.20	
	" carpenters' work,	93.88	
	" iron gates at both main street entrances	150.00	
	" gate keys for lot owners,	52.50	
	" paints and oils,	37.86	
	" drain pipe,	66.40	
	" plants and shrubs,	46.07	
	" stationery and printing	40.82	
	" Providence Telephone Co.	60.15	
	" harness and repairs,	38.30	
	" repairs of tools,	7.15	
	" cleaning head-stones,	10.00	
	" awnings,	15.00	
	" ice tanks and ice,	9.35	
Do.	" hose, filter, coal tar, car wheels, etc,	40.00	3,506.84
	Amount paid commissioners of sinking funds October 1, 1885, being five cents per foot on land sold,		595.98
	Balance in city treasury subject to commissioners order,		15730.07
			$28,738.89

Inventory of property on hand September 30, 1885, $3,401.60.

Respectfully submitted for the commissioners,
Chas Westcott,
Secretary and Treasurer.

Providence January 26, 1886.
Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.
Passed, In Common Council, February 1, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, February 4, 1886.

No. 64.

Annual Report of the Surveyor of Lumber.

The Surveyor of Lumber makes his Annual Report for 1885.

Read, whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.

Pass'd. In Common Council, February 1, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, February 4, 1886.

No. 65.

Report.

Report.

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence:

The joint standing committee on ordinances herewith unanimously report upon the bill for an ordinance regulating the collection of delinquent taxes, referred December 15, 1884, giving in brief a statement of the manner in which it came before them.

Delinquent Taxes

Resolution No. 215 approved May 21, 1884, directed the joint standing committee on finance to examine and report what, if any, changes were necessary in the manner of collecting delinquent taxes in this city, or in any other matter or thing connected with the treasury department that they might deem advisable.

The report of said committee, in accordance with the resolution, was presented to the board of aldermen on the 23d day of October, 1884, and the common council on the 1st day of December, 1884; it was recommitted to said committee, "with instructions to report an ordinance regulating the matter therein referred to."

On the 15th day of December, 1884, said committee on finance reported to the common council a bill for an ordinance, in accordance with their instructions, which bill was referred to this committee.

Do.

Your committee have made a careful examination of the subject, and find from the papers in the case transmitted to them and from information furnished at their request by the city treasurer, that since the duty of collecting the taxes in this city has devolved upon the city treasurer, the work incident to the collection of delinquent taxes on real estate has not been performed by the treasurer or by any of his deputies, but by a

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person outside the office of the treasurer, and who has received as payment for his services certain fees charged to and paid by such delinquent tax payers.

A record of the amounts thus received and paid out has been kept for the past year in pencil upon a blotter, which was shown to the committee by the treasurer, who has also furnished a record of the amounts received and paid out the one year next previous, but prior to that time no record whatever has been preserved, and your committee can form no estimate, therefore, of the receipts and disbursements during that period.

The authority for making these charges the treasurer has found in the statutes of the State - Chapter 46 of the public statutes - in section 4 of which is provided that "in case of distraint of personal property, or levy on land, the collector shall have the same fees as sheriffs have in similar cases."

These fees, thus charged, as they have been collected have been paid over to the person outside the office of the treasurer, employed as hereinbefore stated, under the supposition that in some way this work was not included in the regular official duties of the treasurer, and that being under a state law, it was wholly beyond the jurisdiction and direction of the city council.

Do.

Chapter 735 of the public laws, amending the city charter, passed by the general assembly March 12, 1868, abolished the office of collector of taxes within and for the City of Providence.

Sections 3, 4 and 5 of said chapter are as follows:

"Sec. 3. The city treasurer of said city shall, from and after said first Monday of June, 1868, perform all the duties and exercise all the powers which now are, by law, imposed upon and vested in said collector of taxes.

"Sec. 4. Said city treasurer is hereby authorized to ask out as many deputies as may be necessary for his assistance in the due performance of the duties of his office. Each such deputy, shall, before entering upon the duties of his office, be approved by the city council of said city, and shall be sworn and give bond, with sufficient sureties satisfactory to the board of aldermen of said city, for the faithful

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Delinquent Taxes.

performance of the duties of his office as such deputy; and said city treasurer shall be at all times responsible to said city for the faithful performance of their duties by each and all of his said deputies, and said treasurer may discharge any of the said deputies in his discretion.

Sec. 3. The city council shall fix the salary for said city treasurer, and a salary or compensation for each of said deputies, and such salary or compensation shall be in full recompense and satisfaction for all their services."

The only other amendment to the city charter relating to the collection of taxes is found in chapter 932 of the public laws, passed by the general assembly March 24, 1871, section 1 of which act is as follows:

"Section 1. The city treasurer of the City of Providence shall perform all the duties and exercise all the powers which by law are imposed upon and invested in collectors of taxes."

This in no manner limits or changes sections 4 and 5, of chapter 735, hereinbefore quoted, so far as it appears to your committee.

Do.

It would seem perfectly clear, therefore, that from the time that the duties and powers of the collector of taxes were transferred to the city treasurer, as aforesaid, thenceforth the city treasurer, and his deputies approved by the city council and sworn, and who had given bonds with sufficient sureties satisfactory to the board of aldermen, alone were authorized and empowered to perform any work incident to the collection of the taxes of the City of Providence, and that no moneys other than their salaries as fixed by the city council should have been paid for such services.

It follows, of necessity, that all fees collected from delinquent tax payers during this long period should have been turned into the city treasury, and that the practice which has prevailed during the time mentioned, as aforesaid, has been pursued wholly without warrant, notwithstanding that the city treasurer may have followed an established custom of the office which arose, and was continued, through an honest misunderstanding of the law.

Do.

The bill for an ordinance referred to your committee, if adopted, would be nothing more than a mere expression of

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approval by the city council of the practice heretofore existing, since it could have no legal effect, being in direct conflict with the city charter.

It is therefore returned with the recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Your committee also return herewith the reports of the joint committee on finance, herein referred to, and the statements of the city treasurer showing the amounts received from delinquent taxpayers for the years 1883 and 1884 (collected 1884, and 1885,) and for what and to whom the same have been disbursed.

For the committee,

Augustus S Miller,

Chairman

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, February 4, 1886.

In Board of Aldermen, February 4, 1886.

Do.

Statement.

The amounts received for costs and expenses from delinquent tax payers for the year 1883, collected in 1884, and applied as follows:

For envelopes,	$1.50
" printing	7.50
" N. L. Holmes, for assistance in examining records,	100.00
" A. H. Cunningtow, for assistance in examining records,	100.00
" postage stamps,	2.57
" blank deeds,	5.00
" blanks for advertisement (no bill),	3.00
" Providence Journal, for advertisement,	71.86
" Leonidas Hines, for serving notices,	366.85
" J. C. Hidden, for services rendered,	767.23
Do. Total,	$1,425.51

Delinquent Taxes.

The amount received for costs and expenses from delinquent tax payers for the year 1884, and collected in 1885 and applied as follows:

For blanks for description of lots, etc.	$1.15
" stamps,	3.51
" printing deeds,	5.00
" envelopes,	1.75
" advertising estates,	84.11
" printing notices,	9.50
" A. L. Fobes, for assistance, searching records,	100.00
" A. H. Armington, for assistance, searching records,	100.00
" serving notices,	377.00
" J. C. Hidden, for services rendered,	824.32
Total,	$1,506.34

No. 66.

Report.

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence.

The joint standing committee on claims, to whom was referred, December 28, 1885, the bill of Arnold Green, for six hundred and nine dollars, and also the bill of Isaac H. Southwick, Jr., for twenty two hundred and three dollars, for services rendered in arranging, collating and printing the ordinances of the City of Providence, have heard the claimants and report:

Bills of Arnold Green & Isaac H. Southwick, Jr. for Revision of the Ordinances.

That they find that Mr. Green agreed to accept the supervision of the work if the city would engage a suitable person to attend to the details. Mr. Southwick was selected and performed the labor under the direction of Mr. Green, who gave the work as performed, much time and attention. Mr. Southwick claims to have given nearly his whole time for one year in collating and arranging the ordinances, and about one-half of the time for eight months to the printing, reading proof, etc., Mr. Green claims that their charges are very small in comparison to the charges of others for the same amount of work.

The committee, therefore, recommend the passage of the accompanying resolutions.

For the committee,

Daniel Perrin, Chairman.

Do.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, February 1, 1886.

In Board of Aldermen, February 4, 1886.

No. 67.

Resolved:

That the city treasurer is hereby directed to pay to Isaac H. Southwick, Jr., the sum of twenty two hundred and three dollars, the balance due him for services rendered in collating, arranging and reading the proof of the city ordinances; the same to be charged to the appropriation for contingencies.

Isaac H. Southwick Jr.

Passed, In Common Council, February 1, 1886.

In Board of Aldermen, February 4, 1886.

Approved, February 10, 1886.

Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 68.

Resolved.

That the city treasurer is hereby directed to pay to Arnold Green the sum of six hundred and nine dollars, the amount of his bill for services rendered in compiling the city ordinances; the same to be charged to the appropriation for contingencies.

Arnold Green.

Passed, In Common Council, February 1, 1886.

In Board of Aldermen, February 4, 1886.

Approved, February 16, 1886.

Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 69

Resolved,

That the superintendent of public buildings, acting under the advice and direction of the joint standing committee on city property, is hereby directed to cause movable screens to be placed in the upper hall of the high school for the purpose of protecting the pupils in entering from cold, and to prevent them from being disturbed by the frequent passing through the hall.

High School Building

Screens in.

Passed, In Common Council, February 1, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, February 4, 1886.
Approved, February 20, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 70.

Fire Alarm Box near Thomas Square.

Resolved, That the chief engineer of the fire department be hereby directed to procure a fire alarm signal box and cause the same to be placed in position in the vicinity of Fenner square, the expense thereof to be charged to the appropriation for the fire department.

Passed, In Common Council, February 1, 1886.
In Common Council, February 4, 1886.
Approved, February 20, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 71.

Gift of Wm. Howard Russell, Susan A. Williams & Alonzo Crowell to Smith Burial Ground.

Resolved, That the gift of William H. Crowell, executor, Susan A. Williams and Alonzo Crowell, of the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars, to the commissioner of the North Burial Ground, in trust, the income thereof to be applied under the provisions of chapter 367 of the public laws, to the preservation and care of the burial lot standing in the name of Harrison G. Williams, in said ground, be and the same is hereby accepted under the name of the Harrison G. Williams fund.

Passed, In Common Council, February 1, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, February 4, 1886.
Approved, February 20, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 72.

Appropriation for repairs of Reed Bridge.

Resolved, That the city engineer, acting under the advice of the committee on bridges, be hereby authorized and directed to cause Central or Reed bridge to be repaired at an expense not to exceed fifty two hundred dollars to be charged to the appropriation for public bridges.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, February 4, 1886.
In Common Council, February 15, 1886.
Approved, February 20, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 73.

Charity Building to be connected by Telephone.

Resolved, That the overseer of the poor is hereby directed to cause the charity building to be connected with the central office by telephone, the cost of the same to be charged to the appropriation for the support of the poor.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, February 4, 1886.
In Common Council, February 15, 1886.
Approved, February 20, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 74.

Fire Alarm Box Corner of Cranston st. & Potter's ave.

Resolved, That the chief engineer of the fire department be hereby directed to procure a fire alarm signal box and cause the same to be placed at the corner of Cranston street and Potter's avenue, the expense thereof to be charged to the appropriation for the fire department.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, February 4, 1886.
In Common Council, February 15, 1886.
Approved, February 20, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 75.

Portland St.

Resolved, That the mayor and aldermen be and they are hereby requested to layout Portland street from Friendship street to Providence street, as a public highway.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen January 21, 1886.
In Common Council, February 15, 1886.
Approved, February 20, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

Enacted

Passed, In Common Council, February 1, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, February 4, 1886.
Approved, February 20, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 70.

Fire Alarm Box near Fenner Avenue.

Resolved. That the chief engineer of the fire department be hereby directed to procure a fire alarm signal box and cause the same to be placed in position in the vicinity of Fenner avenue, the expense thereof to be charged to the appropriation for the fire department.

Passed, In Common Council, February 1, 1886.
In Common Council, February 4, 1886.
Approved, February 20, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 71.

Gift of Wm. Howard, Susan A. Williams & Alonzo Cowell to North Burial Ground.

Resolved. That the gift of William H. Cowell, executor, Susan A. Williams and Alonzo Cowell, of the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars, to the commissioner of the North Burial Ground, in trust, the income thereof to be applied under the provisions of chapter 367 of the public laws, to the preservation and care of the burial lot standing in the name of Harrison S. Williams, in said ground, be and the same is hereby accepted under the name of the Harrison S. Williams fund.

Passed In Common Council, February 1, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, February 4, 1886.
Approved, February 20, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

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Passed, In Board of Aldermen, February 4, 1886.
In Common Council, February 15, 1886.
Approved, February 20, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

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Resolved. That the overseer of the poor is hereby directed to cause the charity building to be connected with the central office by telephone, the cost of the same to be charged to the appropriation for the support of the poor.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, February 4, 1886.
In Common Council, February 15, 1886.
Approved February 20, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

No. 74.

Fire Alarm Box corner of Cranston st. & Potters ave.

Resolved. That the chief engineer of the fire department be hereby directed to procure a fire alarm signal box and cause the same to be placed at the corner of Cranston street and Potters avenue, the expense thereof to be charged to the appropriation for the fire department.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, February 4, 1886.
In Common Council, February 15, 1886.
Approved February 20, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 75.

Portland St.

Resolved. That the mayor and aldermen be and they are hereby requested to lay out Portland Street, from Friendship street to Providence street, as a public highway.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen January 21, 1886.
In Common Council, February 15, 1886.
Approved February 20, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

Entered

No. 76.

The City Auditor makes his Monthly Report for January, 1886.

City Auditor.

Read, Whereupon it is, Ordered that the same be received.
Passed, In Common Council February 15, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, February 18, 1886.

No. 77.

The City Treasurer makes his Monthly Report for January, 1886.

City Treasurer.

Read Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received
Passed, In Common Council, February 15, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, February 18, 1886.

No. 78.

Invitation.

Invitation

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence:

Gentlemen:

A cordial invitation is extended to your honorable
R. I. Homeo- body to be present at the formal opening of the Rhode Island Homeo-
pathic Hospital pathic Hospital on Tuesday, February 16, 1886, at 3 o'clock P.M.
Mid Case

For the board of trustees and directors of the Ladies' Rhode
Island Homeopathic Hospital Aid Association,
Mrs. William von Bottschalk

Providence, February 13, 1886.

Read Whereupon it is ordered, that the same
be accepted.

Passed, In Common Council, February 15, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, February 18, 1886.

No. 79.

Report.

Report.

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence:

Stairways, Fire Escapes, Elevators &

The joint standing committee on ordinances, to whom was
referred, on the 4th. day of January, 1886, the resolution directing the city
solicitor to apply to the general assembly for the repeal of any act or

Hoistways.

statute inconsistent with chapter 340 of the public laws, respectfully report:

Chapter 340 of the public laws, referred to in said resolution, gives to town and city councils authority to regulate, by ordinances, and by rules and regulations, the construction and location of stairways, the putting up of fire escapes and the construction, location and operation of elevators, and hoistways within the limits of their respective towns or cities, and to provide for the punishment, by fine, of the persons violating the same.

The resolution referred to your committee is indefinite, since it does not specify what acts or statutes are deemed inconsistent with the said chapter 340, and if adopted would not sufficiently inform the city solicitor of the intent of the council in the matter, and the object desired to be attained.

If the object of this resolution is to remedy any in-
Do. definite and uncertain provisions of the law relative to fire escapes, stairways and elevators, in accordance with the will of the city council as heretofore repeatedly expressed, your committee are of the opinion that the repeal of those sections of chapter 688 of the public laws, "an act in relation to buildings in the city of Providence and for other purposes", which provide for the erection of fire escapes and stairways, and the placing of elevators and hoistways in this city, and the substitution therefor of an ordinance of the city council, would not only be ineffective to correct the present deficiencies of the law, but would be equivalent to a positive enactment that all rights of civil action in favor of persons injured through the neglect of the precautionary measures therein prescribed should be taken away, since an ordinance of the city council would subject the person neglecting the duty thereby created only to the public penalty prescribed by such ordinance.

Your committee recommend, therefor, that said resolution be indefinitely postponed.

On the other hand, since our supreme court has pronounced the law relative to fire escapes, stairways and elevators defective as it now stands, the city council, in the interest of our citizens, should take action to have such
Do. deficiencies as may exist in the law remedied without further delay.

Elevators &c.

Your committee recommend, therefor, the passage of the accompanying resolution as a substitute for the one referred to them.

For the committee,

Augustus S. Miller,

Chairman.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, February 15, 1886.

In Board of Aldermen, February 18, 1886.

No. 80.

Resolved,

That the city solicitor be, and he is hereby instructed to apply to the general assembly at its January, session, 1886, for such amendment to chapter 688 of the public laws, entitled "an act in relation to buildings in the City of Providence and for other purposes," as shall be necessary to render it certain by what persons and under what conditions the requirements of said act are to be fulfilled, and to provide a civil remedy against any person or persons violating or neglecting the requirements of said act in favor of such persons as may be injured through such neglect or violation.

Building Act.

Passed, In Common Council, February 15, 1886.

In Board of Aldermen, February 18, 1886.

Approved, February 20, 1886.

Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 81.

Report.

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence

The joint standing committee on education, to whom was referred a petition of the school committee, "that additional accommodations be provided to meet the needs of grammar school pupils in the fifth district, who on account of its crowded condition, cannot be received into the Bridgham school," respectfully report:

Chapel Building on Harrison St.

That they have inquired into this matter, and find that the promotions usually in order at this term cannot be made unless special accommodations be provided. Your committee have endeavored to find some building in the immediate vicinity of the Bridgham school which could be rented for school purposes. Failing in this direction they are compelled to recommend that the "Chapel Building" on Harrison street be utilized for this purpose. In order to enable a school to be properly conducted in this building, it will be necessary to fence a portion of the lot construct out buildings, introduce water, and supply blackboards and additional heating apparatus. The superintendent of public buildings estimates that these improvements will cost from seven to eight hundred dollars. Your committee would recommend that this building be fitted up, supplied with the necessary articles of furniture, and be used for grammar school purposes until provision can be made for relieving this and the adjacent school districts by the erection of a new grammar school building.

Grammar School.

Do.

Your committee further submit and recommend the passage of the accompanying resolution.

For the committee,

Fred. S. Marcy, Chairman.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, February 15, 1886.

In Board of Aldermen, February 18, 1886.

No. 82.

Resolved,

That the superintendent of public buildings, acting under the advice and direction of the joint standing committee on city property, be and he is hereby directed to fit the "Chapel Building," so called, on Harrison street, for grammar school purposes, by constructing suitable out buildings and fences and providing such furniture, etc., that may be required, provided that the expense attending the same shall not exceed the sum of eight hundred dollars; which sum, or so much thereof as may be necessary for the purpose, is hereby appropriated, to be paid for from the appropriation for the repair of public buildings.

Chapel Building on Harrison Street for Grammar School purposes.

Passed, In Common Council, February 15, 1886.

In Board of Aldermen, February 18, 1886.

Approved, February 20, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 83.

Resolved,

That the joint standing committee on education be and they are hereby authorized to procure plans, specifications and estimates for a six-room primary and intermediate school building, to be located on the lot on Orrell's avenue lately purchased by the city; the cost attending the same to be paid for from the appropriation for school houses and lots.

Dexter Street vs. City and Cove.

Passed, In Common Council, February 15, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, February 18, 1886.
Approved, February 20, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 84.

Resolved,

That the city messenger, acting under the advice and direction of the standing committee on finance, be and he is hereby authorized to procure plans and estimates for furnishing the reception room in the city hall, and report the same to either branch of the city council.

Reception Room in City Hall.

Passed, In Common Council, February 15, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, February 18, 1886.
Approved, February 20, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 85.

Resolved,

That the board of public works, as surveyors of highways of the City of Providence, be hereby ordered to proceed, at the expense of said city, and execute the directions given by the city council to the owners of adjoining lots to concrete the sidewalks on Manton avenue, from Delaine street to Pitman street, in and pursuant to resolution No. 216, approved October 17, 1885; and said board of public works is hereby further ordered to certify the expense thereof to the assessors of taxes with ten percent. in addition thereto, to cover the interest, cost of assessing and collecting.

Written orders concerning sidewalks.

Passed, In Common Council, February 15, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, February 18, 1886.
Approved, February 20, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 86.

Resolved,

That the chief of police be and he is hereby directed to connect by telephone the second, fourth and sixth police stations with the Providence Telephone Exchange and also the fifth police station on Plain street when it is completed, the cost thereof to be charged to the appropriation for police.

Police Stations 2d, 4th, 5th & 6th to be connected by Telephone

Passed, In Common Council, February 15 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, February 18, 1886.
Approved, February 20, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 87.

Communication.

City of Providence
City Clerk's Office,
City Hall, February 18, 1886.

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence:

In accordance with resolution No. 57, series of 1886, the Messrs. Billings Brothers have filed in this office an agreement in writing to accept and abide by all the conditions and limitations contained in said resolution by which they were granted authority to erect and maintain a shaft for the transmission of power over Worcester street, between Nos. 9 and 21 Eddy street, and also to place and maintain a steam pipe underground across said Worcester street.

City Clerk.

Billings Bros. Shaft over Worcester St.

Respectfully submitted,
Henry V.A. Joslin, City Clerk.

Read, Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, February 18, 1886.

In Common Council March 1, 1886.

No. 88.

Bates street.

Resolved.

That the further proceedings in the matter of the layout and extension of Bates street, from North Main street to Camp street, by commissioners appointed by the supreme court, January 2, 1886, be hereby discontinued.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, February 18, 1886.
In Common Council, March 1, 1886.
Approved March 9, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 89.

Ordinance Appropriation for Public Bridges.

An Ordinance in Amendment of Chapter CCCIII of the Ordinances Entitled "An Ordinance making Appropriations for the Support of the City Government for the Financial year ending September 30, 1886," transferring $15,000 to the Appropriation for Public Bridges.

Chapter CCCXII.

For Ordinance see Book of Ordinances No 5 Page 4.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, February 18, 1886.
In Common Council, March 1, 1886.
Approved March 9, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 90.

Bridges to be Repaired & Rebuilt.

Resolved.

That the advising committee on bridges be, and hereby are authorized and requested to cause the bridges on Beagle street, Sheldon street, and Smithfield avenue, to be rebuilt and renewed, and the bridges at Wamskeuck to be thoroughly repaired, the expenses thereof to be charged to the appropriation for bridges.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, February 18, 1886.
In Common Council, March 1, 1886.
Approved, March 9, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle
Mayor.

No. 91.

Zano Street.

Resolved.

That the board of aldermen be, and they are hereby requested to define a grade for Zano street, from Wickenden street to Pitman street, in accordance with chapter 322 of the public laws.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, February 18 1886.
In Common Council, March 1, 1886.
Approved, March 9, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 92.

Coupon Bonds.

The Joint Committee on Finance make their Monthly Report upon the Surrender of Coupon Bonds for February, 1886.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, March 1, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, March 4, 1886.

No. 93.

Coupon Bonds.

The City Treasurer makes his Monthly Report upon the Surrender of Coupon Bonds for February, 1886.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, March 1, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, March 4, 1886.

No. 94.

Chief Engineer of the Fire Dept.

The Chief Engineer of the Fire Department makes his Monthly Report for the Month of February, 1886.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, March 1, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen March 4, 1886

No. 95.

City Messenger

The City Messenger makes his Monthly Report for February, 1886.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, March 1, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, March 4, 1886.

No 96.

Mayor's Messages.

Message.

City of Providence,
Executive Department,
City Hall, March 1, 1886.

Gentlemen of the City Council:

A petition is now pending before the general assembly from the Providence, Warren and Bristol Railroad Company, that they may be "authorized and empowered to locate, lay out, construct and finally complete an extension to their present railroad in the City of Providence, from their present track on India street, at a point near Brook street to Weybosset bridge."

Providence Warren & Bristol R.R. Co.

They also ask authority "to erect and maintain a depot across the Providence river, between the Crawford street bridge and Weybosset bridge, over such portion of said river as may be necessary," the location of said track and the construction of the terminus to be "in such manner as may be prescribed or approved by the city council of the City of Providence, and subject to such regulations and conditions as may be prescribed by said city council."

It will be remembered that the railroad company are at present engaged in relaying and relocating a portion of their tracks in East Providence near its entrance to the city, thereby enabling their trains to enter the city direct, without the delays and annoyances to which they have hitherto been subjected.

This change will shorten their running time between this city and other points. It is the wish of the company to do away with the long ride in the horse car

Do.

Do. in this city now rendered necessary by the location of their passenger station. For this reason they desire to place it near Market square, and thereby greatly improve their facilities for passenger traffic.

It is claimed for this corporation that if their petition can be granted, the running time of their trains will thereby be shortened and with the new location of the passenger station, they will secure a great increase in the trade from Newport, Fall River and the entire southeastern portion of Massachusetts. The population of Fall River is between fifty and sixty thousand, and the business of that growing city, which by right belongs to the merchants of Providence, is by reason of the annoyances and delays of the railroad diverted to the city of Boston.

The passenger traffic of this Bristol railroad has increased with great rapidity, as will be seen by the following statement: In 1865, one hundred and fifty-seven thousand two hundred and ninety-nine passengers were carried over this road. In 1875 this number had increased to two hundred and sixty-two thousand seven hundred and twenty-one. In 1882 three hundred and ten thousand four hundred and eighty-eight passengers were carried. Owing to the reduction in the price of season tickets during 1882, and the putting on of additional trains in 1884, the number of passengers carried was increased to four hundred and forty-one thousand two hundred and eighty-nine during the year 1885. This number will be largely augmented if the improvements asked for by the corporation can be carried out.

Do.

A change in the location of the present track on South Water street of the Providence and Worcester railroad company to the centre of the street will be made if the petition of the Providence, Warren and Bristol railroad company is granted. Such change will remove many of the objections to a track on that thoroughfare, and make it far less an annoyance to the traffic on the street and the abutters thereon.

Do.

A locomotive is at present used on this track as far as James street in the transportation of

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freight cars, and has been for some years. If the proposed extension of the Providence, Warren and Bristol railroad is made, the passenger cars would be drawn by a dummy engine of an inverted bottom, easily controlled and far less annoying to the traffic and owners of property on that street than the string teams now used for the freight transportation. The granting of this petition of the railroad seems to offer facilities for the increase of the business of Providence, which will undoubtedly receive your hearty co-operation, especially as the act asked for by the corporation places the whole matter as regards details thereof within the control and under the direction of the city council of this city.

Prov. Warren & Bristol R.R. Co.

I recommend that a committee of the city council be appointed to act with the city solicitor before the general assembly in forming the grant to the railroad company and protecting the interests of the city.

Thomas A. Doyle,
Mayor.

Read, In Common Council, March 1, 1886
In Board of Aldermen, March 4, 1886.

No. 97.

Resolved,

That the message of the mayor, dated March 1, 1886, relative to the petition of the Providence, Warren and Bristol railroad company for an extension of their track in this city, be referred to the joint standing committee of the city council on ordinances and railroads, with instructions to act with the city solicitor in representing the interests of the city as affected by said petition.

Do.

Special committee

Passed, In Common Council, March 1st 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, March 4, 1886.
Approved, March 9, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 98.

Resolved,

That the joint standing committee on city property is hereby authorized to sell at public auction the lots owned by the city designated as lots Nos. 297 and 328 on assessor's card No. 9.

Sale of Land Hope near Reservoir

Passed, In Common Council, March 1, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, March 4, 1886.
Approved, March 9th 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 99.

Resolved,

That the city messenger be hereby directed to connect the municipal court by telephone with the telephone exchange, the expense thereof to be charged to the appropriation for contingencies.

Connect Municipal Ct. with Telephone

Passed, In Common Council, March 1, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, March 4, 1886.
Approved, March 9, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 100.

Resolved,

That the board of public works are hereby directed to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Myrtle street, from Broad street to Pine street.

Myrtle St.

Passed, In Common Council, March 1, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, March 4, 1886.
Approved, March 9, 1886
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 101.

Resolved,

That permission be granted to Silas Manchester to raise a certain building located at No. 330 Broad street, pursuant to his petition.

Silas Manchester.

Passed, In Common Council, March 1, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, March 4, 1886.
Approved, March 9, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 102.

Resolved,

That permission be granted to John B.

John B. Wade.

Wade to raise a certain building located at No. 932 High street, pursuant to his petition.

Passed, In Common Council, March 1, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, March 4, 1886.
Approved, March 9, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 103.

Resolved.

Electric Arc Lights

That the joint standing committee on lamps be and they are hereby authorized to contract, after advertising for bids therefor, in the name and on behalf of the City of Providence for use by the city, of fifty electric arc lights, for one year or less, at a cost of not more than thirty three cents each per night.

Passed, In Common Council, March 1, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, March 4, 1886.
Approved March 9, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 104.

Communication.

Treasurer's Office,
City of Providence, March 15, 1886.

To the Honorable the City Council:

Deputy Tax Collector in City Treasurer's Office

Gentlemen: By virtue of authority given under the city charter I have appointed Frank A. Williamson as an additional deputy in my office for the term of three months, viz: from March 29, 1886, to June 29, 1886, to render necessary assistance in the due performance of the duties of my office, pertaining to the collection of unpaid taxes after October 24, 1885, and respectfully request your approval of said deputy.

Very respectfully,
Benjamin Tripp,
City Treasurer.

Read, whereupon it is ordered that the same be received, and the appointment confirmed.

Passed, In Common Council, March 15, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, March 18, 1886.

Approved, March 18, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 105.

Ordinance

Salary of Deputy Tax Collector

An Ordinance fixing Salary of the Deputy Tax Collector in the City Treasurer's Office.

Chapter CCCXIII.

Passed, In Common Council, March 15, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, March 18, 1886.
Approved, March 18, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.
For Ordinance See Book of Ordinances No. 5 Page No. 4.

No. 106.

Communication.

Board of Public Works, Organization of.

Board of Public Works,
Office City Hall, Providence,
March 4, 1886.

To the Honorable the City Council:

The board of public works respectfully report that Messrs. Hunt and Sellew having been duly engaged, the board has organized by the election of Charles E. Carpenter, president, and Clinton D. Sellew, secretary.

Charles E. Carpenter,
Clinton D. Sellew,
Charles H. Hunt,
Board of Public Works.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, March 4, 1886.
In Common Council, March 15, 1886.

No. 107.

Whereas

250th Anniversary of the founding of the

The 250th. anniversary of the founding of Providence is to be observed by a municipal celebration on June 23 and 24, 1886; and

Whereas It is deemed advisable and necessary to

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make the said celebration anniversaries alike with the importance of the anniversary and worthy of the city and state, therefore, be it

Resolved,

That the city solicitor be and he is hereby directed to make application to the general assembly at its January session, A. D. 1886, to declare June 24, 1886, one of the days of holding said municipal celebration, a legal holiday.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, March 4, 1886.
In Common Council, March 15, 1886.
Approved March 23, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

Do.
Legal Holiday

No. 105.

Resolved,

That permission be granted to Emanuel Eastwood to raise a certain building, located at No. 22 Palmer street pursuant to his petition.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, March 4, 1886.
In Common Council, March 15, 1886.
Approved March 23, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

Emanuel Eastwood.

No. 109.

Resolved,

That the city treasurer be and he is hereby directed to pay to William A. Mallery the sum of three dollars and forty-seven cents, on account of injuries received by a misplaced iron gutter on Weybosset street; said payment to be charged to the appropriation for contingencies.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, March 11, 1886.
In Common Council, March 15, 1886.
Approved, March 23, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

Wm. A. Mallery.

No. 110

Resolved,

That the commission appointed by resolution No. 32, current series, be hereby directed to compile and report in print to the city council the charters of the several railroad companies having tracks within the city limits.

Trustees of Rail Roads compiling &c.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, March 11, 1886.
In Common Council, March 15, 1886.
Approved March 23, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

Do.

No. 111.

Resolved,

That permission be granted to Abraham A. Gray to raise a certain building, located at No. 95 Butler avenue, pursuant to his petition.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, March 4, 1886.
In Common Council, March 15, 1886.
Approved March 23, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

Abraham A. Gray.

Received.

No. 102.

The City Auditor makes his Monthly Report for February, 1886.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, March 15, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, March 18, 1886.

City Auditor.

No. 113.

The City Treasurer makes his Monthly Report for February 1886.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received

Passed, In Common Council, March 15, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, March 18, 1886.

City Treasurer.

No. 114.

The Superintendent of Public Buildings makes his Annual Report for the year ending December 31, 1885. City Document No. 3.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, March 15, 1886.

Superintendent of Public Buildings

In Board of Aldermen March 18, 1886.

No. 115.

The Chief of Police makes his Annual Report for 1885.

Chief of Police.

City Document No. 6.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, March 15, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, March 18, 1886.

No. 116.

Report.

Report.

To the Honorable the City Council:

The joint special committee appointed under resolution No. 406, approved September 15, 1885, to report plans for walling in the channels of the Woonasquatucket and Moshassuck rivers through the Cove basin, and for filling said Cove basin, respectfully report.

Channels of Woonasquatucket & Moshassuck Rivers & Cove Basin.

That they have carefully examined into the matter, and find that the subject which they were appointed to consider is so interwoven with other matters as to make it inseparable from them; and they are of the opinion that all of these matters should be considered at the same time and in connection with each other. In view of the existing state of affairs relative to the Cove basin, the committee deem it advisable that authority be granted to them to examine and report upon the matters indicated in the accompanying resolution, the passage of which is unanimously recommended.

For the committee
Charles D. Rogers, Chairman.

Providence, March 15, 1886.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, March 15, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, March 18, 1886.

No. 117.

Resolved.

City Engineer to Report.

That the city engineer be and he is hereby directed, acting under the advice and direction of the joint special committee appointed under resolution No. 406, approved September 15, 1885, "to report plans for walling in the channels of the Woonasquatucket and Moshassuck rivers through the Cove basin, and for filling said Cove basin," to prepare plans and estimates:

Woonasquatucket & Moshassuck Rivers.

Providence River.

First. For building retaining walls on both sides of the Providence river, from the south side of Crawford street bridge to the Cove basin.

Channel of Moshassuck River.

Second. Also plans and estimates for building retaining wall for a new channel for the Moshassuck river to empty into the Providence river at such a point as may be deemed best for the interests of the city.

Retaining Walls through Cove Basin.

Third. Also estimates of the cost of building retaining walls through the Cove basin, and for filling said basin except such parts as may be needed for the proposed channel.

Bridges for Spanning Prov. River.

Fourth. Also plans and estimates of the cost of the necessary bridges for spanning the Providence river from the Crawford street bridge to the Cove basin.

Marginal Sewers.

Fifth. Also plans and estimates of the cost of the marginal sewers bordering on each side of the river adjacent to the work contemplated in this resolution.

Passed, In Common Council, March 15, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, March 18, 1886.
Approved, March 23, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 118.

Resolved.

Benj. F. Payne Police Captain.

That the city treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to Benjamin F. Payne, police captain, the sum of nine dollars and fifty cents the same being the amount of expense for fees and witnesses in the case of Patrick and Bridget McCarlin against said Payne, March term A. D. 1884, of the supreme court, the same to be charged to the appropriation for police.

Passed, In Common Council, March 15, 1886.

In Board of Aldermen March 18 1886.
Approved March 23 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 119.

Resolved. And it is hereby ordered and directed that the sidewalk on the east side of Page street, from Pine street to Friendship street, in the City of Providence, shall be altered and improved by cementing the same from said Pine street to said Friendship street, so that said sidewalk for its whole length, as aforesaid, shall be the width as occupied, three-eighths of an inch rise per foot from the inside of the curb to the sheet line, except modification necessary to meet the occupation line, and shall be otherwise constructed in manner and of materials as follows, viz.:

Page Street.

Cementing Sidewalk.

All material above said grade shall be excavated and removed. Good sand or gravel shall be used for filling wherever it may be required.

The foundation shall be composed of clean, coarse gravel, perfectly coated with tar, and shall not be less than two inches in depth, after being rolled and thoroughly compacted.

The top of the foundation shall be brought to a smooth surface by the addition of fine pebble, completely coated with tar and thoroughly rolled.

The top dressing shall consist of clean, sharp sand, thoroughly saturated with tar, and applied in a layer of such thickness that, after being rolled and compacted, it will not be less than an inch in depth. The total depth of walk when finished shall not be less than three inches.

The quality of the tar used shall be equal in all respects to that made by the Providence Gas Company. The gravel and sand shall be thoroughly dry before coating or saturating the same with tar.

Said alteration and improvement of said walk shall be completed within six weeks from the time of the passage hereof.

And it is hereby further resolved, ordered and directed that the notices of the aforegoing resolution, order and direction, required to be given and the publication of the aforegoing required to be made, shall be given or made, as the case may be, in manner and as required by law.

Do.

Passed, In Common Council, March 15, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, March 18, 1886.
Approved, March 23, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 120.

Resolved.

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about four hundred and forty-five feet of six-inch water pipe to be laid in Wellington street, Cranston, from present end of pipe southerly.

Wellington St.

Passed, In Common Council, March 15, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, March 18, 1886.
Approved, March 23, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 121.

Resolved.

That permission be granted to Richard Cushing to raise a certain building, located at No. 26 Warren street, pursuant to his petition.

Richard Cushing.

Passed, In Common Council, March 15, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, March 18, 1886.
Approved, March 23, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 122.

Resolved.

That permission be granted to John J. Watson to raise a certain building located at No. 12 Cook street, pursuant to his petition.

John J. Watson.

Passed, In Common Council, March 15 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, March 18, 1886.
Approved, March 23, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle
Mayor.

No. 123.

Resolved.

125 Electric Arc Lights.

That the joint committee on lamps be and they are hereby authorized to contract, after advertising for bids therefor, in the name and on behalf of the City of Providence, for the use by the city, of not more than one hundred twenty five electric arc lights, for one year or less, from June 15, 1886, at a cost of not more than thirty three cents each per night.

Passed, In Common Council, March 15, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, March 18, 1886.
Approved, March 23, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 124.

Deputy Gauger.

Providence, R. I. March 18, 1886.

To the Honorable City Council:

Gentlemen:- I respectfully nominate Frank H. Macomber as deputy gauger in place of F. C. Farmer, resigned.

J. E. Burroughs,
City Gauger.

Deputy Gauger.

Read, Whereupon it is ordered, that said appointment be approved.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, March 18, 1886.
In Common Council, March 29, 1886.
Approved, March 30, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 125.

Resolved.

That the board of public works be, and they are hereby ordered to repair West Friendship street, by causing the present cobble stone pavements to be removed and the roadway of said street to be macadamized and that the cost thereof be paid from the appropriations for highways.

West Friendship Street.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, March 18, 1886.
In Common Council, March 29, 1886.
Approved, March 30, 1886.

Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 126.

Communication.

Communication of Board of Public Works Salaries.

Board of Public Works,
Office City Hall, Providence R. I.
March 18, 1886.

To the Honorable the City Council.

Gentlemen: The undersigned to whom on the 11th instant, was referred by the board of aldermen a report of the finance committee (with accompanying papers), upon a communication of the board of public works relative to salaries of employees, respectfully report that they have carefully revised their list of January 27, 1886, and desire to substitute therefor the following, viz:

Philip S. Chase, chief clerk and bookkeeper,	$1,800.00
Walter F. Slade, clerk,	1,200.00
Leonard N. Austin Jr., clerk,	1,200.00
Frederick A. Arnold, inspector of water fixtures,	1,100.00
Andrew B. Purdy, superintendent of distribution (water),	1,500.00
Charles B. Smith, pumping engineer at Hope,	1,200.00
Joseph F. Plant, pumping engineer at Hope,	1,100.00
Simeon Ford, pumping engineer at Pettaconsett,	1,200.00
Allen Aldrich, superintendent of sewers,	1,200.00

Very respectfully,
Charles E. Carpenter,
Clinton D. Bellou,
Charles H. Hunt,
Board of Public Works.

Read, Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, March 18, 1886.
In Common Council, March 29, 1886.

No. 127.

Resolved:

That the annual compensation of the following named employees, as recommended by the board of public works in a communication dated March 18, 1886, be hereby approved:

Compensation of Employees of the Board of Public Works.

Philip S. Chase, eighteen hundred dollars; Walter F. Slade, twelve hundred dollars; Leonard N. Austin, Jr., twelve hundred dollars; Frederick A. Arnold, eleven hundred dollars; Andrew B. Purdy, fifteen hundred dollars; Charles S. Smith, twelve hundred dollars; Joseph F. Plant, eleven hundred dollars; Simeon Snell, fourteen hundred dollars; Allen Aldrich, fourteen hundred dollars.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, March 18, 1886.
In Common Council, March 29, 1886.
Approved, March 30, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 128.

Communications.

Communication of City Auditor.

City of Providence,
City Auditor's Office,
City Hall, March 29, 1886.

To the Honorable the City Council:

The undersigned begs leave to report that he is unable to present to the city council at this time, as required by ordinance, "an estimate in print of the amount of money necessary to be raised during the financial year, together with an estimate of the receipts from all other sources than taxes:"

Estimates for Financial Year.

For the reason that he has not been furnished with the necessary estimates by some of the standing committees.

Very respectfully,
James M. Cross,
City Auditor.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, March 29, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, April 1, 1886.

No. 129.

Report on Public Market.

Report of the Joint Special Committee on a Public Market.

City Document No. 16.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, March 29, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, April 1, 1886.

No. 130.

Resolved:

That the joint special committee on a public market, with the city solicitor, be and they are hereby directed to apply to the general assembly at its January session for the reenactment of the act entitled "An act to authorize the City of Providence to construct and maintain a bridge over Providence river, for the purpose of erecting a public market thereon," passed at the January session 1871, providing for the erection and maintenance of a public market, between Weybosset bridge and a line drawn across said river in continuation of the southerly line of Crawford street, as described in said act.

Public Market application to General Assembly.

Passed, In Common Council, March 29, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, April 1, 1886.
Approved, April 2, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 131.

Ordinance, City Property.

An Ordinance in Amendment of Chapter X Entitled "City Property."

Chapter CCCXIV.

For Ordinance See Book of "Ordinances" No. 5 Page 5.

Passed, In Common Council, March 29, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, April 1, 1886.
Approved, April 2, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 132.

Resolved;

That the joint committee on lamps be and they are hereby authorized to contract, after advertising for bids therefor, in the name and on behalf of the City of Providence, for the use by the city, of not more than fifty electric arc lights in addition to the number authorized by resolution No. 123, annual series, for one year or less, from June 15, 1886, at a cost of not more than thirty-three cents each per night.

Electric Arc Lights.

Resolved;

That resolution No. 103, as passed March 9, 1886 be hereby rescinded.

Passed, In Common Council, March 29, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, April 1, 1886.
Approved, April 2, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 133.

Resolved;

That the joint standing committee on city property are hereby authorized to sell at public auction a lot of land belonging to the city, bounded by Doyle avenue, Scott street, Flint street and land belonging to ~~Lyman~~ Pierce.

Sale of certain Lands.

Passed,
In Common Council, March 29, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, April 1, 1886.
Approved April 2, 1886,
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 134.

Resolved;

That the sum of five hundred dollars is hereby appropriated towards defraying the expenses of a suitable observance of Memorial Day, said sum to be paid to the order of Theodore A. Barker, department commander grand army of the republic, and to be charged to the appropriation for contingencies.

Decoration Day.

Passed, In Common Council, March 29, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, April 1, 1886.
Approved, April 2, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 135.

Resolved;

That Charles F. Handy be and he is hereby granted permission to erect and maintain two lamp poles and run wires for electric lights thereon, on Westminster street, in front of Westminster Musee; provided, however, that the permission herein granted is subject to all the provisions of chapter CCLIV of the ordinances entitled, "An ordinance regulating the erection and use of wires for conducting electricity for light, heat and motive power," and of all ordinances in amendment thereof, and shall not be exercised until the said Charles F. Handy shall have filed with the city clerk the agreement therein required.

Charles F. Handy

Lamp poles in front of Westminster Musee.

Passed, In Common Council, March 29, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, April 1, 1886.
Approved, April 2, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 136.

Resolved;

That the joint committee on the city debt are hereby directed to apply to the general assembly for power and authority to issue the bonds of the city for the further sum of five hundred thousand dollars: to be appropriated for the Providence water works.

Appropriation for Providence Water Works.

Passed, In Common Council, March 29, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, April 8, 1886.
Approved April 8, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 137.

Whereas, The commissioners of estimate and assessment appointed by the supreme court at the October term, 1885, to lay out and widen Wickenden street, from Benefit street to a point near the junction of Bridge and Starkey

Wickenden St.

streets, under and pursuant to an act entitled "An act in relation to the laying out, enlarging, straightening, or otherwise altering streets in the City of Providence, and the acts in amendment thereof and in addition thereto," made their first report to said court on the eighth day of February, 1886, now, therefore, within sixty days after the making of said report to said court:

Resolved,

That the city council do hereby elect to make said improvement.

Passed, In Common Council, March 29, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, April 1, 1886.
Approved, April 9, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 134.

Resolved,

That the city treasurer is hereby directed to remit, or if already paid, to refund to Jennison C. Hall the sum of two hundred seventeen dollars and fifty cents being the amount of tax on personal property erroneously assessed against him in 1885 as administrator on the estate of Elizabeth A. Hall.

Jennison C. Hall

Passed, In Common Council, March 29, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, April 1, 1886.
Approved April 9, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 135.

Resolved,

That in the opinion of the city council it is desirable and necessary to lay out, widen and extend, or otherwise alter Bates street, from Camp street to North Main street, making the boundaries of the same as follows: Beginning for the southerly line at a point in the westerly line of Camp street and running thence westerly (in a line making an angle with said Camp street of 91° 55', measured on the south side of Bates street, passing 8 8/100 feet northerly from the northeasterly corner board of house nearly opposite the westerly end of Carrington avenue, so called, and belonging to Ebenezer B.

Bates Street.

Bates St. White), 117 75/100 feet to an angle; thence deflecting southerly 15° 34½' and running westerly 513 76/100 feet to an angle; thence deflecting northerly 3° 3' and running westerly to a point in the easterly line of North Main street, the northerly line to begin at a point in the easterly line of North Main street, being also in the southerly line as occupied of land held by the trustees of the Church of the Redeemer, and running thence easterly in the said southerly line of said land to a point 40 feet northerly, from (at right angles) the southerly line of Bates street as above described, continuing thence by line parallel with and 40 feet northerly from the corresponding portion of the said southerly line as afore described to a point in the westerly line of Camp street; and, whereas, certain real estate will be required for that purpose,

No.

Resolved,

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

Resolved,

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

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, March 11, 1886.
In Common Council, April 12, 1886.

Dr.

Approved April 19, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle
Mayor.

No. 410.

Mayor's Message.

Message.

City of Providence,
Executive Department,
City Hall, April 1, 1886.

Gentlemen of the City Council:

An ordinance in ammendment of an ordinance entitled "An ordinance creating a water loan of the City of Providence" approved March 31, 1874, provided the form of water bond under which the second portion of the five per cent. water loan amounting to $2,000,000, was issued to Blake Brothers & Company, of Boston, as follows:

Water Loan Bonds.

"That the City of Providence, a municipal corporation legally incorporated by the general assembly of said State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, acknowledges itself held and firmly bound, for value received, unto Blake Brothers and Company, or the bearer hereof, in the sum of one thousand dollars, payable in gold coin of the United States of America on the first day of July, in the year nineteen hundred, at the National City Bank, in the city of New York, or two hundred pounds sterling, payable in the sterling gold coin of Great Britain, on the first day of July, in the year nineteen hundred, at the office of Blakes Brothers and Company, of London, in the City of London, at the option of the holder, with interest at the rate of five per cent. per annum, payable semi-annually at the same places at the option of the holder, on the first days of January and July in each year."

Blakes, Boissevain & Co.

The ordinance also provided the following form of coupon:

{Form of Coupon.}

$25. No. Providence Water Loan. £5.

The City of Providence will pay to the bearer twenty-five dollars in gold coin, at the National City Bank, in the city of New York, or at his option five pounds in the sterling gold coin of Great Britain, at the office of Blakes Brothers and Company, of London, on the first day of , A. D., , being six months interest on bond No.

City Treasurer.

A short time since the city treasurer was informed

Do. by Blake Brothers & Company, of Boston, that the firm of Blakes Brothers & Company, of London, had expired by limitation, "and no person or firm had been authorized to succeed to their business."

I call your attention to the following extracts from the letter of Blakes Brothers & Company:

"A new firm has been organized and announced business in London on the first of January last, under the style of Blakes, Boissevain & Company, consisting of Mr. Stanton Blakes, Mr. Adolphe Boissevain and Mr. Francis B. Blake. Although we were partners in the firm of Blakes Brothers & Company, we have no interest as partners in the firm of Blakes, Boissevain & Company, but we have very close business relations with them. They would like to have the City of Providence coupons and bonds payable at their office upon the same terms and conditions that they were payable at the office of Blakes Brothers & Company, for although the amount which would be paid in London at present is very insignificant, they would have the privilege of following the London custom of advertising that the coupons are payable with them, if the city are willing to make them so payable."

Do

The dealings of Messrs. Blakes Brothers & Company with the city have always been highly honorable and satisfactory, and it seems desirable that the city should continue their relations with the new house as recommended.

I have therefore caused the draft of an ordinance to be prepared by the law department, which I transmit herewith, providing for the payment of the coupons and bonds at the office of the new house, and recommend its passage by the city council.

Do.

Thomas A. Doyle,
Mayor.

Read, In Board of Aldermen, April 1, 1886.
In Common Council, April 12, 1886.

No. 1141.

Ordinance.

Water Loan Bonds.

An Ordinance providing for the Payment of the Coupons and Bonds of the Water Loan, at the Office of Blake, Bissenaire & Company, London.

Chapter CCCXV.

For Ordinance see Book of "Ordinances" No. 5 Page 5.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, April 1, 1886.
In Common Council, April 12, 1886.
Approved, April 19, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 1142.

Albert P. Hawkins gift to North Burial Ground.

Resolved,

That the gift of Albert P. Hawkins, of the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars to the commissioners of the North Burial Ground, in trust, the income thereof to be applied under the provisions of chapter 367 of the public laws, to the preservation and care of the burial lot standing in the name of said Hawkins, in said ground, be and the same is hereby accepted under the name of the Albert P. Hawkins fund.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, April 1, 1886.
In Common Council, April 12, 1886.
Approved, April 19, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 1143.

Mary E. Luft gift to North Burial Ground.

Resolved,

That the gift of Mary E. Luft of the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars to the commissioners of the North Burial Ground, in trust, the income thereof to be applied under the provisions of chapter 367 of the public laws, to the preservation and care of the burial lot standing in the name of said Luft, in said ground, be and the same is hereby accepted under the name of the Mary E. Luft fund.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen April 1, 1886.
In Common Council April 12, 1886.
Approved, April 19, 1886.

Thomas A. Doyle,
Mayor.

No. 1144.

Esther A. Pierce gift to North Burial Ground.

Resolved,

That the gift of Esther A. Pierce and Almira F. Pierce, of the sum of five hundred dollars to the commissioners of the North Burial Ground, in trust, the income thereof to be applied under the provisions of chapter 367 of the public laws, to the preservation and care of the burial lot standing in the name of George A. Pierce and the heirs of William H. Pierce, in said ground, be and the same is hereby accepted under the name of the George A. and Heirs of William H. Pierce fund.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, April 1, 1886.
In Common Council, April 12 1886.
Approved, April 19, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 1145.

Rufus Waterman gift to North Burial Ground.

Resolved,

That the gift of Rufus Waterman, of the sum of one hundred and twenty-five dollars to the commissioners of the North Burial Ground, in trust, the income thereof to be applied under the provisions of chapter 367 of the public laws, to the preservation and care of one-fourth of the burial lot standing in the name of John Barstow, Alexis Caswell, Freeman Foster and Richard Waterman, in said ground, be and the same is hereby accepted under the name of the Richard Waterman fund.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, April 1, 1886.
In Common Council, April, 12, 1886.
Approved April 19, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 1146.

Thomas A. Read.

Resolved,

That the city treasurer is hereby directed to pay to Thomas A. Read the sum of twenty-five dollars

Thomas A. Read. for injury to his horse on the 15th. of February, 1886, by reason of a defect in Cushing street, whereupon said Read shall execute and deliver to the city a release satisfactory to the solicitor of all claims for damages to the date thereof, said payment to be charged to the appropriation for contingencies.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, April 8, 1886.
In Common Council, April 12, 1886.
Approved, April 19, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

Ordered
No. 147.

H. Committee on Finance. Issue of Bonds.

The Joint Committee on Finance makes their Monthly Report upon the Issue of Registered Bonds for March, 1886.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, April 12, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, April 15, 1886.

No. 148

City Treasurer Issue of Bonds.

The City Treasurer makes his monthly Report upon the Issue of Registered Bonds for March, 1886.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, April 12, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, April 15, 1886.

No. 149.

City Auditor

The City Auditor makes his Monthly Report, for March, 1886.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, April 12, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, April 15, 1886.

No. 150.

City Treasurer.

The City Treasurer makes his monthly Report, for March, 1886.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same

be received.

Passed, In Common Council, April 12, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, April 15, 1886.

No. 151.

Chief Engineer of the Fire Department

The Chief Engineer of the Fire Department makes his Monthly Report, for March, 1886.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, April 12, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, April 15, 1886.

No. 152.

City Messenger

The City Messenger makes his Monthly Report, for March, 1886.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, April 12, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, April 15, 1886.

No. 153.

Weigher at the Haymarket Scales.

The Weigher at the Haymarket Scales makes his Quarterly Report for the Quarter ending March 31, 1886.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, April 12, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, April 15, 1886.

No. 154.

Report upon Petition of B. B. Knight et al.. Paving of Broad St.

Report of the Joint Standing Committee on Highways upon the petition of B. B. Knight et al, for paving Broad street with granite blocks, with an Appendix showing the Manner in which in other Cities the Cost of Land and Construction of Streets is paid.

City Document No. 18.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, April 12, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, April 15, 1886.

No. 155.

Resolved,

That the sum of thirty thousand dollars is hereby added to the appropriation for the construction of the Providence Water Works, and the city treasurer acting under the advice of the joint committee on finance is hereby authorized to hire the same.

Appropriation for Prov. Water Works.

Passed, In Common Council, April 12, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, April 15, 1886.
Approved, April 19, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 156.

Resolved,

That the superintendent of public buildings, acting under the advice of the joint standing committee on city property, be and he is hereby authorized and directed to have the bath houses belonging to the City of Providence, put in order for use during the season of 1886, and deliver the same to the joint standing committee on harbor; the expense thereof to be paid out of the appropriation for the repairs of public buildings.

Bath Houses.

Passed, In Common Council, April 12, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, April 15, 1886.
Approved, April 19, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 157.

Resolved,

That the sum of three hundred dollars be and is hereby appropriated to the Rhode Island School of Design, for the purpose of enabling it to continue during the remainder of the school year, tuition to the pupils belonging to the city who have heretofore attended and received instruction free of cost to themselves; said sum to be paid from the appropriation for the support of public schools.

Appropriation for R.I. School of Design.

Passed, In Common Council, April 12, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, April 15, 1886.

Approved, April 19, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 158.

Resolved,

That the board of aldermen be hereby requested to define a grade for Belmont avenue, from Mount Pleasant avenue to Academy avenue, in accordance with chapter 322 of the public laws.

Belmont avenue

Passed, In Common Council, April 12, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, April 15, 1886.
Approved, April 19, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 159.

Resolved,

That the board of aldermen be hereby requested to define a grade for Clairmont avenue, from Roanoke street to Charleston avenue, in accordance with Chapter 322 of the public laws.

Clairmont ave.

Passed, In Common Council, April 12, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, April 15, 1886.
Approved, April 19, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 160.

Resolved,

That the board of aldermen be hereby requested to define a grade for Mount Pleasant avenue, from Fairmount avenue to Charleston avenue, in accordance with chapter 322 of the public laws.

Mt. Pleasant ave.

Passed, In Common Council, April 12, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, April 15, 1886.
Approved, April 19, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle,
Mayor.

No. 161.

Roanoke St.

Resolved,

That the board of aldermen be hereby requested to define a grade for Roanoke street, from Mount Pleasant avenue to Academy avenue, in accordance with Chapter 322 of the public laws.

Passed, In Common Council, April 12, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, April 15, 1886.
Approved, April 19, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 162.

Ashburton St.

Resolved,

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about two hundred and ninety-six feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Ashburton street, from present end of pipe to Charles street.

Passed, In Common Council, April 12, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, April 15, 1886.
Approved, April 19, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 163.

Chad Brown and Ruggles Sts.

Resolved,

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about two hundred and ninety feet of six inch water pipes to be laid in Chad Brown and Ruggles streets, from end of pipe in Chad Brown street to about one hundred and sixty feet south of Chad Brown street in Ruggles street.

Passed, In Common Council, April 12, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, April 15, 1886.
Approved, April 19, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 164.

Eighth St.

Resolved,

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about

five hundred and forty-two feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Eighth street, from Highland avenue to Summit avenue.

Passed, In Common Council, April 12, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, April 15, 1886.
Approved, April 19, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 165.

Irving St. and Bergen St.

Resolved,

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about three hundred and ninety-six feet of eight-inch and about one hundred and twenty feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Irving street, from present end of pipe to Harold street and in Bergen street, from Irving street about one hundred and six feet southerly.

Passed, In Common Council, April 12, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, April 15, 1886.
Approved, April 19, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 166.

Lexington St. from Webster to Johnston

Resolved,

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about three hundred and ninety-five feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Lexington street, Johnston, from Webster avenue, easterly.

Passed, In Common Council, April 12, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, April 15, 1886.
Approved, April 19, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 167.

Seventh St.

Resolved,

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about five hundred and sixteen feet of six-inch water

pipe to be laid in Seventh street, from Highland avenue to Summit avenue.

Passed, In Common Council, April 12, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, April 15, 1886.
Approved, April 19, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 168.

Resolved.

That the gift of William Kenyon, of the sum of seventy-five dollars, to the commissioners of the North Burial ground, in trust, the income thereof to be applied under the provisions of chapter 367 of the public laws, to the preservation and care of the burial lot standing in the name of said Kenyon, in said ground, be and the same is hereby accepted under the name of the William Kenyon fund.

William Kenyon Gift to North Burial Ground.

Passed, In Common Council, April 12, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, April 15, 1886.
Approved, April 19, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 169.

Resolved.

That the gift of Amos Maker and Amanda A. Chatman, of the sum of ninety dollars, to the commissioners of the North Burial Ground, in trust, the income thereof to be applied under the provisions of chapter 367 of the public laws, to the preservation and care of the burial lot standing in the name of said Maker and Chatman, in said ground, be and the same is hereby accepted under the name of the Maker and Chatman fund.

Amos Maker & Amanda A. Chatman Gift to No. Burial Ground.

Passed, In Common Council, April 12, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, April 15, 1886.
Approved April 19, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 170.

Resolved;

That permission be granted to Patrick Burke, to raise a certain building located at No. 18 Dale street,

Patrick Burke

pursuant to his petition.

Passed, In Common Council, April 12, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, April 15, 1886.
Approved, April 19, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 171.

Resolved;

That permission be granted to George A. Cook, to raise a certain building located on north side of Wickenden avenue, pursuant to his petition.

Geo. A. Cook.

Passed, In Common Council, April 12, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, April 15, 1886.
Approved April 19, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 172.

Resolved;

That permission be granted to Peter Garigan to raise a certain building located at No. 22 Turner avenue, pursuant to his petition.

Peter Garigan.

Passed, In Common Council, April 12, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, April 15, 1886.
Approved, April 19, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

Received

No. 173.

Mayor's Message.

Message.

City of Providence,
Executive Department,
City Hall, April 27, 1886.

Gentlemen of the City Council.

I have convened you at this in accordance with the request of the committee appointed by resolution of the city council, approved October 8, 1885, to arrange for a test of the new bridge across the Seekonk river.

Bridge across the Seekonk River.

The committee appointed under this resolution, together with the representatives of the towns of East Provi-

Washington Bridge

testing of.

dence and Pawtucket, the Providence and Worcester and the Providence, Warren and Bristol Railroad Companies, and the Commissioners to build the new bridge, met from time to time, and finally determined upon the form and manner of test to be made of the structure, a copy of which I herewith transmit.

Samuel M. Gray, city engineer of this city, was selected to conduct the test, and to make the necessary arrangements pertaining thereto. He appointed the 26th instant as the day upon which the trial was to begin, but upon making application to Messrs. Hopkins, Penney & Company, of this city, for the necessary material and teams to make a portion of the test, they declined to furnish them unless they could be secured against any loss or injury to the said material and teams. This the bridge commissioners declined to do.

The committee of the city council being without authority to meet the emergency, the date of the test was necessarily postponed.

Do. At a meeting of the committee, held yesterday, it was decided that the matter should be laid before the city council for its action in the premises.

In view of the experience of the city in the matter of the test of the Point street bridge, it would hardly seem wise or prudent for the city council to accept from the commissioners the control and management of the new structure until a full and thorough test has been made thereof.

The city solicitor, at the request of the committee, has prepared a resolution which will be submitted to you for consideration, and I recommend that it may receive your favorable consideration. Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

Read, In Common Council, April 27, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, April 27, 1886.

No. 174.

Do.

Resolved;

That the committee on testing the Seekonk river bridge, appointed October 8, 1885, by resolution No. 438, be and they are hereby authorized to employ such teams as may be necessary to make the test of the Seekonk

Do. river bridge, and to give such guaranty for the safety of the teams so employed as may in their judgement be proper.

Passed, In Common Council, April 27, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, April 27, 1886.
Approved, April 27, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 175.

Illuminated Clock for City Hall.

Resolved;

That the joint committee on city property be directed to inquire into and report to the city council as to the expediency and probable cost of an illuminated clock in the tower of the city hall, fronting on Exchange Place.

Passed, In Common Council, March 29, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, April 1, 1886.
Became a law upon the adjournment of the Common Council, April 27, 1886.

No. 176.

Electric Light Plant.

Resolved;

That the joint committee on lamps be and they are hereby requested to inquire into and report upon the expediency of erecting and maintaining an electric light plant, for the purpose of lighting the streets and public buildings of the city with electricity.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, April 27, 1886.
In Common Council, April 27, 1886.
Approved, April 28, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

Mat. and

No. 177.

John B. Bartlett Jr.

Resolved;

That the city treasurer be and he is hereby requested to remit, or if already paid to refund, to John B. Bartlett, Jr., the tax erroneously assessed against him upon fifteen shares of the stock of the Third National

Banks of this city.

Passed, In Common Council, April 12, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, April 15, 1886.
Approved, April 26, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 178.

Resolved:

That the tax of twenty-six dollars and ten cents assessed against Lucy M. Hordbury on personal property in 1885, be remitted, said Hordbury having no property when the tax was erroneously made.

Lucy M. Hordbury.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, April 1, 1886.
In Common Council, April 12, 1886.
Approved, April 26, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 179.

The City Solicitor makes his Semi-Annual Report.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, April 15, 1886.
In Common Council, May 3, 1886.

No. 180.

Communication.

Communication of City Clerk.

City of Providence
City Clerk's Office
City Hall, April 15, 1886.

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence:

Acceptance of Charles F. Handy.

In accordance with resolution No. 135, series of 1886, Mr. Charles F. Handy has filed in this office an agreement in writing to accept and abide by all the conditions and limitations contained in said resolution by which he was granted permission to erect and maintain two lamp poles, and wires thereon for electric lights in front of the Westminster House.

Respectfully, submitted,
Henry V. A. Joslin, City Clerk.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, April 15, 1886.
In Common Council, May 3, 1886.

No. 181.

Resolved:

That the mayor and aldermen be and they are hereby requested to lay out Eddy street, from Westminster street to Broad street, as a public highway.

Eddy Street.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, April 15, 1886.
In Common Council, May 3, 1886.
Approved, May 5, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 182.

Resolution:

That the mayor and aldermen be and they are hereby requested to lay out Waterman street, from North Main street to Benefit street, as a public highway.

Waterman St.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, April 15, 1886.
In Common Council, May 3, 1886.
Approved, May 5, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 183.

Resolved:

That the board of public works, as surveyors of highways of the City of Providence, be hereby ordered to proceed, at the expense of said city, and execute the directions given by the city council to the owners of adjoining lots to concrete the sidewalks on the north side of Atwells avenue from the railroad bridge to Harris avenue, and on the south side of Atwells avenue, from Knight street to Harris avenue, in and pursuant to resolution No. 564,

Atwells avenue Concreting Sidewalks.

approved December 5, 1885, and said board of public works is hereby further ordered to certify the expense thereof to the assessors of taxes, with ten per cent. in addition thereto, to cover the interest, cost of assessing and collecting.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, April 15, 1886.
In Common Council, May 3, 1886.
Approved, May 5, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 184.

Resolved,

Mary Sauer. That permission be granted to Mary Sauer to raise a certain building located at No. 23 Mowry Street, pursuant to her petition.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, April 15, 1886.
In Common Council, May 3, 1886.
Approved, May 5, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 185.

Resolved,

Bath Houses. That the joint standing committee on harbor are hereby authorized and directed to locate and maintain during the season of 1886, the bath houses belonging to the City of Providence, the expense for the same to be paid from the appropriation for contingencies.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, April 15, 1886.
In Common Council, May 3, 1886.
Approved, May 5, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 186.

Report.

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence:

Sinking Funds. The board of commissioners of sinking funds make this their thirty-eighth quarterly report.

The bonds and notes comprised in the funded debt, for the redemption of which sinking funds are held

Do. by the commissioners, the purposes for which they were issued, and the amounts of the sinking funds, March 31, 1886, are shown by the following table:

	Debt.	Sinking Funds.
Bonds due January 1, 1893, for expenses incurred in enlisting soldiers in the war of the rebellion, (5 per cent.)	$300,000.00	$325,066.44
Bonds due July 1, 1895, for construction of sewers and city hall (5 per cent. sterling loan)	1,395,250.00	491,075.69
Bonds due June 1, 1899, for construction of sewers and city hall (4½ per cent.)	600,000.00	154,527.36
Bonds due July 1, 1899, for public improvements, (5 per cent.)	450,000.00	94,516.64
Bonds due July 1, 1900, for same purpose, (5 per cent.)	146,000.00	25,491.52
Bonds due July 1, 1900, for the water works, (5 and 6 per cent.) 4,000,000.00		
Bonds due July 1, 1906, for the water works, (5 per cent 1,300,000.00	5,300,000.00	387,344.59
Do. Note due in 1886 for the Brook street district improvement, (4½ per cent.)	140,000.00	
Totals	$8,533,250.00	$1,491,922.24

The amount of funds in the control of the board, December 31, 1885, was:

Of the fund of 1893,	$313,347.94
Of the fund of 1895,	480,387.99
Of the city hall and sewer loan of 1899,	151,690.35
Of the public improvement loan of 1899,	92,783.19
Of the public improvement loan of 1900,	25,076.33
Of the water loan,	371,750.26
Of the Brook street district loans,	12,047.72
Whole amount,	$1,447,085.78

The increase in the several funds has been:

In the fund of 1893,	$11,718.50
In the fund of 1895,	10,685.70
Amount carried forward,	$22,404.20

Sinking Fund.

Amount brought forward	$22,404.20
In the city hall and sewer loan of 1899,	2,837.01
In the public improvement loan of 1899	1,733.45
In the public improvement loan of 1900,	415.19
In the water loan,	12,494.33
In the Brook street district loan,	74.13
Whole increase	$39,958.31

The whole amount of the funds in the hands of the commissioners on the thirty first day of December, 1885, was $1,447,085,78.

On the first day of March, 1886, the commissioners directed the treasurer to pay to the City of Providence on account of the Brook street district improvement loan due on that day the sum of $12,121.85, the entire balance of the fund.

The whole amount of funds in the hands of the commissioners on the thirty-first day of March, 1886, was $1,474,922,24.

The entire increase of the funds for the quarter ending March 31, 1886, has been $39,958.31.

In our twelfth annual report for the year ending December 31, 1885, we announced that the sum of $3.000 received from the executors of the late Senator Henry Bowen Anthony had been paid to the treasurer of the sinking funds by order of the city council to be held by the commissioners until the further action by that body. The fund remains as at our last report with a small addition of interest accumulated on the daily balance at the rate agreed upon for the funds of the city, being $0.25.

Respectfully submitted by request of the board of commissioners,

Thomas A. Doyle,
Mayor and Chairman.

Providence April 12, 1886.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, April 12, 1886,
In Board of Aldermen, May 3, 1886.

No. 187.

Finance Committee

Report of Bonds.

The Finance Committee make their Monthly Report upon the Issue of Registered Bonds for April, 1886.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, May 3, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, May 3, 1886.

No. 188.

Mayor's Message.

Message.

City of Providence,
Executive Department,
City Hall, May 3, 1886.

Gentlemen of the City Council:

I have received and transmit herewith an invitation for the city government to participate in a reception to be given by the Grand Lodge, Knights of Honor, of this State, to the Supreme Grand Lodge. This body is to hold its annual session in this city, beginning on the 11th. inst, and continuing for several days, and I recommend that this invitation be accepted.

Knights of Honor.

This being a beneficial organization, similar to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and its Supreme Grand Lodge consisting of representatives from all sections of the country, it has been usual in the various cities where it has met for the municipal government to make suitable recognition of their presence in this city by extending some official courtesy. I therefore recommend that the mayor may be authorized, on behalf of the city council, to give an official reception and welcome to the Supreme Grand Lodge, Knights of Honor, at the city hall on such evening as to that body may be most acceptable.

Thomas A. Doyle,
Mayor.

Read, In Common Council, May 3, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, May 3, 1886.

Invitation:

Knights of Honor.

Grand Lodge, Knights of Honor,
State of Rhode Island, Office of Grand
Reporter, Providence May 1, 1886.

Honorable Thomas A. Doyle:

Dear Sir:- The Grand Lodge, Knights of Honor, State of Rhode Island, desire to extend a cordial invitation to your honor, with the board of aldermen, members of the city council, and officers of the city government to be present at a reception tendered by the members of the order in the State to the Supreme Grand Lodge, Knights of Honor, at Music hall, Providence, on Wednesday Evening, May 12, at 8 o'clock.

Very respectfully,
F. A. Carleton,
Secretary of Committee.

No. 189.

Report.

Report:

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence:

The joint committee on lamps, who by resolution No. 132, approved April 2, 1886, were authorized to contract for electric arc lights, would most respectfully report:

That on April 19 your committee advertised for bids to be received at the office of the superintendent of lights until April 26, 1886 at 12, o'clock noon, at which hour no bids were received. The inclosed communication was received from the treasurer of the R. I. Electric Lighting Company, which is respectfully submitted.

Electric Arc Lights.

Your committee offer the accompanying resolution and recommend its passage.

For the committee,
Arthur H. Watson,
Chairman.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, May 3, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, May 3, 1886.

No. 190.

Resolved;

That the joint standing committee on lamps be and they are hereby authorized to contract in the name and on behalf of the City of Providence for the use by the city of not more than one hundred and seventy five electric arc lights for one year or less, from June 15, 1886.

Electric Arc Lights.

Resolved;

That resolution, No. 132, approved April 2, 1886, is hereby rescinded.

Passed, In Common Council, May 3, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, May 3, 1886.
Approved, May 5, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 191.

An Ordinance permitting the Union Rail-road Company to lay rails for Turnouts in certain Streets.

Ordinance

Chapter CCCXVII.

U. R. R. Co.

For Ordinance See Book of Ordinances No. 5 Page 6.

Passed, In Common Council, May 3, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, May 3, 1886.
Approved, May 5, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 192.

Resolved;

That the joint committee on parks be hereby requested to cause Roger Williams Square to be graded, the expense to be charged to the appropriation for parks.

Roger Williams Square.

Passed, In Common Council, May 3, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, April 27, 1886.
Approved, May 5, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor

No. 193.

Resolved;

That the sum of two thousand dollars be hereby appropriated for the purpose of defraying the ex-

Appropriation for.

25th Anniversary

panses of the celebration of the two hundred and fifteth anniversary of the founding of Providence; said sum to be charged to the appropriation for contingencies, and to be expended under the direction of the joint special committee of arrangements, appointed by resolution No 51, approved February 2, 1886.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, May 3, 1886.
In Common Council, May 3, 1886.
Approved, May 5, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 194.

City Treasurer Issue of Bonds.

The City Treasurer makes his Monthly Report upon the Issue of Registered Bonds for April, 1886.

Read, Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, May 3, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, May 6, 1886.

No. 195.

City Auditor.

The City Auditor makes his Monthly Report for April, 1886.

Read, Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, May 3, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, May 6, 1886.

No. 196.

City Treasurer.

The City Treasurer makes his Monthly Report for April, 1886.

Read, Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, May 3, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, May 6, 1886.

No. 197.

Chief Engineer of the Fire Department.

The Chief Engineer of the Fire Department makes his Monthly Report, for April, 1886.

Read, Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, May 3, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, May 6, 1886.

No. 198.

City Messenger.

The City Messenger makes his Monthly Report for April, 1886.

Read, Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, May 3, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, May 6, 1886.

No. 199.
No. 200.

(See Page 353).

Report.

Report:

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence:

The joint special committee on the Brook street district present this their thirty-seventh quarterly report of receipts and expenditures.

Receipts for quarter ending March 31, 1886:
Rent of land, $5.00

Brook Street District.

Expenditures for quarter ending March 31, 1886:
Henry H. Rodman salary $30.00

For the committee,
Thomas A. Willett, Chairman.

Providence, April 1, 1886.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, May 3, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, May 6, 1886.

No. 201.

City Engineer.

The City Engineer makes his Annual Report for 1885. (City Document No. 10.)

Read, Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, May 3, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, May 6, 1886.

No. 202

Receipts & Expenditure.

The City Auditor presents an Estimate of the Receipts and Expenditure for the Fiscal year ending September 30, 1887.

City Document No. 19.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, May 3, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, May 6, 1886.

No. 203.

Report. Electric Wires Underground.

The Joint Special Committee on Placing Electric Wires Underground, make report.

City Document No. 22.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, May 3, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, May 6, 1886.

No. 204.

Resolved:

That Messrs. Miller, Bassett and McNally of the common council, and alderman Brennan and Burnham, are hereby appointed a committee to prepare and present to the city council a bill for an ordinance prohibiting the further placing of electric wire on the poles now erected, and the erection of poles for supporting electric wire, in any public highway in the close building district of this city, as said district is defined in the report of the committee on placing electric wire underground, this day presented, and to prescribe the time for the commencement and completion of the removal of such poles and wire as are now in the highways of said district

Joint Special Committee

Electric Wires.

Passed, In Common Council, May 3, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, May 6, 1886.
Approved, May 8, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle
Mayor.

No. 205.

Resolved:

That Messrs. Lowe, Fanning and Burton of the common council, and Aldermen Burnham and Briggs, are hereby appointed a committee to enquire into and report to the city council the best manner or system for placing underground all electric wires belonging to the city in the close district, as defined in the report of the committee on placing electric wires underground, this day presented, with probable cost thereof.

Joint Special Committee

Electric Wires belonging to the City.

Passed,
In Common Council, May 3, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, May 6, 1886.
Approved, May 8, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 206.

Debt of the City of Providence.

The City Auditor presents a Statement of the Reduction in the Debt of the City of Providence from September, 1879 to May, 1886.

City Document No. 21.

Read and ordered printed,
In Common Council, May 3, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, May 6, 1886.

No. 207.

Resolved;

That the committee on city property is hereby directed to inquire into and report upon the expediency of placing a new and improved elevator in the city hall with an estimate of the probable cost of the same.

Elevator for City Hall.

Passed, In Common Council, May 3, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, May 6, 1886.
Approved, May 8, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle,
Mayor.

No. 208.

Resolved,

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause one hundred and forty feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Chapin avenue, from Wasser street, westerly.

Chapin avenue.

Passed, In Common Council, May 3, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, May 6, 1886.
Approved, May 8, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 209.

Resolved,

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about two hundred feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Colwell street, from Baird avenue, easterly.

Colwell street.

Passed, In Common Council, May 3, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, May 6, 1886.
Approved, May 8, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 210.

Resolved,

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about sixty-three feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Dike street westerly, from present end of pipe west of Edward street.

Dike street.

Passed, In Common Council, May 3, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, May 6, 1886.
Approved, May 8, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 211.

Resolved,

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about four hundred and fifty-one feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Doyle avenue, from Olney street easterly.

Doyle avenue.

Passed, In Common Council, May 3, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, May 6, 1886.
Approved, May 8, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 212

Resolved,

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about two hundred and eighty-six feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Elk street, from West Main street to Erie street, and in Erie street fifty-two feet, northerly.

Elk and Erie Streets.

Passed, In Common Council, May 3, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, May 6, 1886.
Approved, May 8, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 213.

Resolved,

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about five hundred and fifty-five feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Highland street, from Abbott street to Grand View street, and in Grand View street to a point eighteen feet west of Highland street.

Highland St. and Grand View Street.

Passed, In Common Council, May 3, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, May 6, 1886.
Approved, May 8, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 214.

Resolved,

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation are hereby directed to cause about five hundred and fifty feet of six inch water pipes to be laid in Jessamine street, to connect pipes now laid.

Jessamine St.

No. 215.

Resolved,

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about one hundred and one feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Madison street, from present end of pipe, southerly.

Madison St.

Passed, In Common Council, May 3, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, May 6, 1886.
Approved, May 8, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 216.

Resolved,

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about one hundred and twenty-seven feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Manning street, from Sumner street, westerly.

Manning St.

Passed, In Common Council, May 3, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, May 6, 1886.
Approved, May 8, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 217.

Resolved,

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about two hundred and seventeen feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Rocky Hill avenue, from Plainfield street, southerly.

Rocky Hill Avenue (Johnston).

Passed, In Common Council, May 3, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, May 6, 1886.
Approved, May 8, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 218.

Resolved,

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about six hundred and forty-three feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Stamford street, from end of pipe to Public street.

Stamford St.

Passed, In Common Council, May 3, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, May 6, 1886.
Approved, May 8, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 219.

Resolved,

That permission be granted to Christopher Sumner to raise a certain building located at No. 23 Shawmut street, pursuant to his petition.

Christopher Sumner.

Passed, In Common Council, May 3, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, May 6, 1886.
Approved, May 8, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 199.

The Board of Public Works make their Thirteenth Quarterly Report.

Report of the Board of Public Works.

City Document No. 20.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, May 3, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, May 6, 1886.

Withdrawn.

No. 220

Resolved,

That the mayor and aldermen be directed to cause Academy avenue to be laid out, from Charleston avenue to Atwells avenue, of a uniform width of forty-seven feet.

Academy ave.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, April 15, 1886.
In Common Council, May 3, 1886.
Approved, May 17, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle
Mayor.

No. 221.

Resolved,

That the board of aldermen be and they are hereby requested to define a grade for Boylston avenue, from Montague street to Olney street, in accordance with chapter 322 of the public laws.

Boylston avenue.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, April 15, 1886.
In Common Council, May 17, 1886.
Approved, May 18, 1886,
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 222.

Resolved,

That the board of aldermen be and they are hereby requested to define a grade for Brenton avenue, from Montague street to Olney street, in accordance with chapter 322 of the public laws.

Brenton avenue.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, April 15, 1886.
In Common Council, May 17, 1886.
Approved, May 18, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 223.

Resolved,

That the board of aldermen be and they are hereby requested to define a grade for Montague street, from East avenue to Olney street, in accordance with chapter 322 of the public laws.

Montague Street.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, April 15, 1886.
In Common Council, May 17, 1886.
Approved, May 18, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 224.

Resolved,

That the thirty-first annual report of the city registrar, for the year ending December 31, 1885, be received, and that six hundred copies thereof, and of the communication accompanying the same, be printed in

Report of City Registrar.

do. pamphlet form for the use of the city council, under the direction of the joint committee on printing.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, May 6, 1886.
In Common Council, May 17, 1886.
Approved, May 18, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 225.

Resolved,

That permission be granted to Horace Kimball to raise a certain building, located at No. 297 Manton avenue, pursuant to his petition.

Horace Kimball.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, May 6, 1886.
In Common Council, May 17, 1886.
Approved, May 18, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

Withdrawn

No. 226.

Resolved,

That the city auditor is hereby authorized to transfer any balance remaining in the reserve fund to the appropriation for contingencies.

Balance from Reserve Fund to Appropriation for Contingencies.

Passed, In Common Council, May 17, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, May 20, 1886.
Approved, May 24, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 227.

An Ordinance providing for the Furnishing of the Police Station on Plain street and the Draining, Shading and Fencing of the Station Lot.

Ordinance 5th Police Station.

Chapter CCCXVII.

Passed, In Common Council, May 17, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, May 20, 1886.
Approved, May 24, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle,
Mayor.

For Ordinance see book of Ordinances No. 5 Page 17.

No. 228.

Resolved,

That for the purpose of providing for the payment of the city's proportion of the state tax, payable June 15, 1886, the sum of one hundred and one thousand one hundred and twenty-eight dollars and sixty-three cents is hereby added to the appropriation for the state tax, and the city treasurer, acting under the advice of the committee on finance, is hereby authorized to hire the same.

State Tax.

Passed, In Common Council, May 17, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, May 20, 1886.
Approved, May 24, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 229.

Resolved,

That the city solicitor is hereby directed to apply to the general assembly, at its May session, for the amendment of section 1 of chapter 587 of the public laws, by adding to said section the following:

Lay out of Highways

"Any city officer not interested or concerned in the land through which such highway is to pass shall be deemed eligible to be appointed under this section. But such officer shall serve without compensation."

Passed, In Common Council, May 17, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, May 20, 1886.
Approved, May 24, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 230.

Resolved,

That the board of public works be hereby directed to set curbstone, pave the gutter and concrete the sidewalk on Borden street adjoining the fifth police station estate, and also to concrete the sidewalk in front of said station on Main street, the expense thereof to be charged to the appropriation for highways.

5th. Police Station Concreting of Sidewalk.

Passed, In Common Council, May 17, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, May 20, 1886.
Approved May 24, 1886.

Thomas A. Doyle,
Mayor.

No. 231.

Resolved,

That the board of aldermen be, and they are hereby requested to define a grade for Bowen street, from Wheaton and Pratt streets to Benefit street, in accordance with chapter 322 of the public laws.

Bowen St.

Passed, In Common Council, May 17, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, May 20, 1886.
Approved, May 24, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 232.

Resolved,

That the board of aldermen be, and they are hereby requested to lay out Fabyan avenue, from a point one hundred feet northerly of Humboldt avenue to Irving avenue, as a public highway.

Fabyan avenue

Passed, In Common Council, May 17, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, May 20, 1886.
Approved, May 24, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 233.

Resolved,

That the board of public works are hereby directed to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in East Beacon street, from Beacon street to Marlborough street, and in Marlborough street, from East Beacon street to Lockwood street.

East Beacon Street. & Marlborough St.

Passed, In Common Council, May 17, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, May 20, 1886.
Approved, May 24, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle
Mayor.

No. 234.

Resolved.

That the board of public works are hereby directed to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Friendship street, from No. 277 Friendship street to Prince street.

Friendship St.

Passed, In Common Council, May 17, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, May 20, 1886.
Approved, May 24, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 235.

Resolved.

That the board of public works are hereby directed to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Pleasant street, from Ivy street, and in Camp street from Pleasant street to Doyle avenue.

Pleasant St. & Camp St.

Passed, In Common Council, May 17, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, May 20, 1886.
Approved, May 24, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 236.

Resolved.

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about four hundred and seventy feet of eight inch water pipes to be laid in Admiral street, from Douglass avenue, westerly.

Admiral St.

Passed, In Common Council, May 17, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, May 20, 1886.
Approved, May 24, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 237.

Resolved.

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about four hundred and eighty-six feet of eight, and about two hundred and sixty-one feet of six inch water pipes to be laid in

Hawkins and Jappan Sts.

Hawkins street, from Admiral street to Jappan street, and in Jappan street, from Hawkins street southeasterly.

Passed, In Common Council, May 17, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, May 20, 1886.
Approved, May 24, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 238.

Resolved.

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about one hundred and eighty-three feet of six inch water pipes to be laid in James street, between South Main street and South Water street.

James Street.

Passed, In Common Council, May 17, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, May 20, 1886.
Approved, May 24, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 239.

Resolved.

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about two hundred and three feet of six inch water pipes to be laid in Ruggles street, from present pipe southerly.

Ruggles Street.

Passed, In Common Council, May 17, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, May 20, 1886.
Approved, May 24, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 240.

Resolved.

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about one hundred and four feet of six inch water pipes to be laid in Whipple street, from end of pipe to Orgon street.

Whipple St.

Passed, In Common Council, May 17, 1886.

In Board of Aldermen, May 20, 1886.
Approved, May 24, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 241.

Resolved,

That the gift of Susan Moffitt of the sum of one hundred and seventy five dollars, to the commissioners of the north burial ground, in trust, the income thereof to be applied under the provisions of chapter 367 of the public laws, to the preservation and care of the burial lot standing in the name of said Moffitt, in said ground, be and the same is hereby accepted under the name of the Susan Moffitt fund.

Susan Moffitt

No. Burial Ground.

Passed, In Common Council, May 17, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, May 20, 1886.
Approved, May 24, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 242.

Resolved,

That the gift of Margaret R. Pierce of the sum of seventy-five dollars, to the commissioners of the North Burial ground, in trust, the income thereof to be applied under the provisions of chapter 367 of the public laws, to the preservation and care of the burial lot standing in the name of said Pierce, in said ground, be and the same is hereby accepted under the name of the Margaret R. Pierce fund.

Margaret R. Pierce.

No. Burial Ground.

Passed, In Common Council, May 17, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, May 20, 1886.
Approved, May 24, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 243.

Resolved,

That the gift of Sarah F. Atkinson of the sum of one hundred and thirty dollars, to the commissioners of the North burial ground, in trust, the income

Sarah F. Atkinson

No. Burial Ground. thereof to be applied under the provisions of chapter 367 of the public laws, to the preservation and care of the burial lot standing in the name of said Atkinson, in said ground, be and the same is hereby accepted under the name of the Sarah F. Atkinson fund.

Passed, In Common Council, May 17, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, May 20, 1886.
Approved, May 24, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 244.

Resolved,

That the gift of Mary A. Sherman of the sum of one hundred dollars, to the commissioners of the North burial ground, in trust, the income thereof to be applied under the provisions of chapter 367 of the public laws, to the preservation and care of the burial lot standing in the name of said Sherman, in said ground, be and the same is hereby accepted under the name of the Mary A. Sherman fund.

Mary A. Sherman

No. Burial Ground.

Passed, In Common Council, May 17, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, May 20, 1886.
Approved, May 24, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 245.

Resolved,

That the gift of Lydia A. Cook of the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars, to the commissioners of the North Burial ground, in trust, the income thereof to be applied under the provisions of chapter 367 of the public laws, to the preservation and care of the burial lot standing in the name of said Cooke, in said ground, be and the same is hereby accepted under the name of the Lydia A. Cook fund.

Lydia A. Cook

No. Burial Ground

Passed, In Common Council, May 17, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, May 20, 1886.
Approved, May 24, 1886.

Thomas A. Doyle,
Mayor.

No. 246.

Resolved;

And it is hereby ordered and directed, that the sidewalks on Harrison street, from Cranston street to Sprague street, in the City of Providence, shall be altered and improved by covering the same from said Cranston street to said Sprague street, so that said sidewalks for their whole length, as aforesaid, shall be the width as occupied, three-eighths of an inch rise per foot from the inside of the curb to the street line, except modification necessary to meet the occupation line, and shall be otherwise constructed in manner and of materials as follows, viz:

All material above said grade shall be excavated and removed. Good sand or gravel shall be used for filling wherever it may be required.

Harrison Street. The foundation shall be composed of clean, coarse gravel, properly coated with tar, and shall not be less than two inches in depth, after being rolled and thoroughly compacted.

The top of the foundation shall be brought to a smooth surface by the addition of fine pebble, completely coated with tar and thoroughly rolled.

The top dressing shall consist of clean, sharp sand, thoroughly saturated with tar, and applied in a layer of such thickness that, after being rolled and compacted, it will not be less than an inch in depth. The total depth of walk when finished shall not be less than three inches.

The quality of the tar used shall be equal in all respects to that made by the Providence Gas Company. The gravel and sand shall be thoroughly dry before coating or saturating the same with tar.

Said alteration and improvement of said sidewalks shall be completed within six weeks from the time of the passage hereof.

And it is hereby further resolved, ordered and directed, that the notices of the aforegoing resolution, order and direction, required to be given and the publication of the aforegoing required to be made, shall be given or made, as the case may be, in manner and as required by law.

Passed, In Common Council, May 17, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, May 20, 1886.
Approved, May 24, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 247.

Resolved;

That permission be granted to Stephen F. Peckham to raise a certain building located on Colwell street, pursuant to his petition.

Stephen F. Peckham.

Passed, In Common Council, May 17, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, May 20, 1886.
Approved, May 24, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

No. 248.

Resolved;

That the city treasurer be, and he is hereby authorized to remit the sewer assessment tax standing against Whipple V. Phillips and Walter M. Jackson, amounting to three hundred twenty-two dollars and fifty nine cents, the said tax having been erroneously assessed against them.

Whipple V. Phillips & Walter M. Jackson.

Passed, In Common Council May 17, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, May 20, 1886.
Approved June 3, 1886.
Thomas A. Doyle
Mayor.

Tax Ordinance

No. 249.

An Ordinance Providing for the Assessment and Collection of a Tax upon the Real and Personal Estate in the City of Providence.

Tax Ordinance.

Chapter CCCXVIII.

For Ordinances see Book of Ordinances No 5 Page 8.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, June 3, 1886.
In Common Council, June 7, 1886.

Approved, June 8, 1886.
Gilbert H. Robbins,
President of the Board of Aldermen
and Acting Mayor.

No. 250.

Mayor's Message.

Message.

City of Providence,
Executive Department,
City Hall, June 3, 1886.

Gentlemen of the City Council:

Election of Assessors of Taxes

I beg leave to call your attention to the provisions of chapter 585 of the public laws, passed April 30, 1886, which requires the city council to elect during the present month of June, three assessors of taxes, one to serve for three years, one for two years and one for one year, from the first day of February last, to constitute the board of assessors of this city.

Section 2, provides that upon said election the terms of office of the present assessors shall terminate.

Thomas A. Doyle
Mayor.

Read, In Board of Aldermen, June 3, 1886.
In Common Council, June 7, 1886.

No 251.

Report:

To the Honorable the City Council:

Report

Revision of Ordinances.

The undersigned, directed by resolution No. 32 of the current year, approved January 25, 1886, "to examine the ordinances as presented to the city council by Amelia Green and to report at the earliest practicable date such changes as in their opinion are necessary," respectfully report:

That during the first week of February they carefully examined the ordinances, and after preparing what in their opinion were the

Do. changes needed, they submitted their work to the committee on ordinances of the city council. The committee with the undersigned examined and reviewed the ordinance and the changes suggested on the 6th and 9th of March, 1886.

That the ordinances as changed and reviewed by the undersigned and the committee on ordinances were, pursuant to the direction of the committee on ordinances, at once sent to the city printers and are now submitted for approval.

The printed ordinances herewith reported, embody the changes advised by the committee on ordinances as well as all changes suggested by the undersigned and approved by the committee.

Amelia Green,
N. Van Slyck.

Do. Providence, June 2, 1886.

Read, Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen June 3, 1886.
In Common Council, June 7, 1886.

Mayor's
No 252.

Acting Mayor's Message.

City of Providence,
Executive Department, City Hall, June 10, 1886.

Message

Gentlemen of the City Council:

Death of Mayor Thomas A. Doyle

It becomes my painful duty to announce to you the death of Honorable Thomas A. Doyle, mayor of this city, which occurred at 9.26 o'clock last evening. His long and faithful service of eighteen years as mayor, and his great interest in the welfare and prosperity of the municipality, has made him prominent in the position he has for so many years filled with the highest honor to himself and the people he represented.

Faithful to the trust imposed upon him as a chief magistrate, zealous in guarding every interest of the city, he has reckoned no public

Approved, June 8, 1886.
Gilbert I. Robbins,
President of the Board of Aldermen
and Acting Mayor.

No. 250.

Message.

Mayor's Message.

City of Providence,
Executive Department,
City Hall, June 3, 1886.

Election of Assessors of Taxes

Gentlemen of the City Council:

I beg leave to call your attention to the provisions of chapter 585 of the public laws, passed April 30, 1886, which requires the city council to elect during the present month of June, three assessors of taxes, one to serve for three years, one for two years and one for one year, from the first day of February last, to constitute the board of assessors of this city.

Section 2, provides that upon said election the terms of office of the present assessors shall terminate.

Thomas A. Doyle
Mayor.

Read, In Board of Aldermen, June 3, 1886.
In Common Council, June 7, 1886.

No. 251.

Report

Revision of Ordinances.

Report.

To the Honorable the City Council.

The undersigned, directed by resolution No. 32 of the current year, approved January 25, 1886, "to examine the ordinances as presented to the city council by Amoles Green and to report at the earliest practicable date such changes as in their opinion are necessary," respectfully report:

That during the first week of February they carefully examined the ordinances, and after preparing what in their opinion were the

Do. changes needed, they submitted their work to the committee on ordinances of the city council. The committee with the undersigned examined and reviewed the ordinances and the changes suggested on the 6th and 9th of March, 1886.

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Faithful to the trust imposed upon him as a chief magistrate, zealous in guarding every interest of the city, he has reckoned no public

Do. duty too onerous, but has devoted the best years of his life to unremitting labor for the advancement of its position to the highest rank among the cities of the union.

In recognition of his faithful endeavor, and as a fitting tribute to his memory, remd alike by all the citizens of this city, I recommend that the city council take appropriate action by the appointment of a committee to make arrangements for his funeral, and to report a suitable minute to be placed upon the records of the city council.

I have therefore convened you at this time that you may take action thereon.

Gilbert F. Robbins,
Acting Mayor.

Read, In Board of Aldermen, June 10, 1886.
In Common Council, June 10, 1886.

No. 253.

In Special Committee

Death of Mayor Thomas A. Doyle.

Resolved, That the acting mayor, with aldermen Wirth and Root, and Messrs. Stone, Willett, Phillips, Pierce, Marcy, Perrin and Whipple of the common council, be hereby appointed a joint special committee with authority to make arrangements for the funeral of Thomas A. Doyle, late mayor of this city, and to draw upon the city treasurer for any expense attending the same;

Resolved, That the said committee prepare and submit an appropriate minute in respect to his memory, to be inscribed upon the records of the city council.

Resolved, That the city hall be closed for the transaction of business on the day set for the funeral.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, June 10, 1886.
In Common Council, June 10, 1886.
Approved, June 10, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 254.

Free Kindergarten Association.

Resolved, That the Free Kindergarten Association, which was permitted to occupy rooms in the school house on Smith street, by resolution No. 501, series 1885, be hereby authorized to continue the occupancy of said rooms during the summer vacation of 1886 of the public schools.

Passed, In Common Council, May 24, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, June 3, 1886.
Approved, June 16, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 255.

Longbow Station on Harrison St. Concreting.

Resolved, That the board of public works be hereby directed to cause the block pavement to be removed from the sidewalk in front of the engine station on Harrison street, and to cause the sidewalk to be concreted in front of the lot upon which said station is located, and also between the building and the inner line of the sidewalk, the cost thereof to be charged to the appropriation for highways.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, May 20, 1886.
In Common Council, June 7, 1886.
Approved, June 16, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 256.

Brook St. Sewer.

Resolved, That the board of public works are hereby directed to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Brook street, from Bourn street to Whiting street.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, June 3, 1886.
In Common Council, June 7, 1886.
Approved, June 16, 1886.

Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 257.

Resolved,

That permission be granted to John Gannon to raise a certain building located at No. 922 High
John Gannon. and pursuant to his petition.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, June 3, 1886.
In Common Council, June 7, 1886.
Approved June 16, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 258.

Resolved,

That permission be granted to William Grant to raise a certain building located at No. 85 Lippitt
Wm. Grant. street, pursuant to his petition.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, June 3, 1886.
In Common Council, June 7, 1886.
Approved, June 16, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 259.

Resolved,

That permission be granted to Mary P. Wicker to raise a certain building located at No. 735
Mary P. Wickes. High street, pursuant to her petition.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen May 20, 1886.
In Common Council, June 7, 1886.
Approved, June 16, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 260.

Resolved:

That the city engineer be and he is

hereby instructed to lower or otherwise change the bound-
Johnston Boundary Lins. ary stone or post at the city line, which is the dividing bound between this city and the town of Johnston, and is located on the northerly side of High street and in front of property of Colonel Jonas Bliss.

Passed, In Common Council, May 24, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, June 3, 1886.
Approved, June 22, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

Indexed
No. 261.

Report Finance Committee. The Finance Committee make their Monthly Report upon the Issues of Registered Bonds for May, 1886.

Surrender of Bonds. Read, Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, June 7, 1886.
Passed, In Board of Aldermen, June 17, 1886.

No. 262.

Do. City Treasurer. The City Treasurer makes his Monthly Report on the Surrender of Coupon Bonds for May, 1886.

Read, Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, June 7, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, June 17, 1886.

No. 263.

City Auditor Report. The City Auditor makes his Monthly Report for May, 1886.

Read, Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, June 7, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, June 17, 1886.

No. 264.

City Treasurer Report.

The City Treasurer makes his Monthly Report for May 1886.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council June 7, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, June 17, 1886.

No. 265.

Chief Eng. of Fire Dept. Report.

The Chief Engineer of the Fire Department makes his Monthly Report for May, 1886.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, June 7, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, June 17, 1886.

No. 266.

City Messenger Report.

The City Messenger makes his Monthly Report for May, 1886.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, June 7, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, June 17, 1886.

No. 267.

School Committee Report.

The School Committee make their Annual Report.

City Document No. 26.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, June 7, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, June 17, 1886.

No. 268.

Repair of School Houses.

Resolved:

That the superintendent of public buildings, acting under the advice and direction of the joint standing committee on city property, be and he is hereby authorized and directed, during the coming vacation, to

Do.

furnish new floors, stairs and windows to the Beacon street school house, to paint the interior of the building, and to supply single seats and desks; to connect the Benefit street school house with the sewer, to renovate the interior of the same, and to refurnish two rooms in the upper story; to paint the exterior wood and metal work of the Doyle avenue school building, also to repair, whitten and paint the interior of said buildings; to shellac the interior wood work of the high school, and to rebuild the bank wall at the Graham street school house. The expenses attending the same to be paid for from the appropriation for the repairs of public buildings.

Do.

Passed, In Common Council, June 7, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen June 17, 1886.
Approved, June 26, 1886.
Gilbert J. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 269.

Communication.

Petition of Samuel Ames Atty. for Daniel S. Grafton et al. Proprietors Burial Ground

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence:

Respectfully represents your petitioner, Samuel Ames, that at a meeting of the common council of said City of Providence held on the second day of November, 1885, your petitioner, acting for and in behalf of Daniel S. Grafton and others, filed a petition to your honorable body under chapter 431 of the acts and resolves of the general assembly of the state of Rhode Island, passed at the January session, 1864, which chapter relates to the Proprietors' Burial Ground of said city, so called, which petition, in accordance with the terms of said act, offers the interests of said Grafton and others to said city at a price named therein; that your petitioner is informed and believes that said petition was referred to a special committee of the Proprietors' Burial Ground, appointed by said common council; that it has been in the hands

Prospectus' Burial Ground.

and possession of said committee for an unusually long time, and when your petitioner inquires of one James A. Tourr, who was the reputed chairman of said committee why such unusual delay was made about this petition, as the time when the right to recorr anything against said city for the appropriation of the land of said Drafton and others would soon expire, by said Tourr, informed your petitioner, that the city solicitor had informed him, said Tourr, not to do anything with that petition, either by way of reporting upon the same or recommending that the petitioners should have leave to withdraw; and your petitioner further represents that the said city solicitor, Nicholas Van Slyck, has admitted to your petitioner that this is true, and given as a reason that he did so to keep them from presenting their claims against the city.

Your petitioner avers that the claim presented by him, for and in the name of said Drafton and others, is a good and valid claim, and that in justice and right said claim should be attended to by the city befor the rights of the claimants to recorr the same have expired by law. Your petitioner therefor prays that said petition may be taken at once out of the hands of said special committee and acted upon by your

do. honorable body.

Samuel Ames
Attorney for Daniel J. Drafton and others.

Providence June 7, 1886.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, June 7, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, June 17, 1886.

No. 270.

Application.

Prov. Warren & Bristol R.R. Co.

Application.

To the Honorable the City Council, of the City of Providence.

Gentlemen: At a meeting of the board of di-

do. rectors of the Providence, Warren and Bristol Railroad Company, held this day, all the members of the board being present, the following votes were adopted:

"Voted, That the president, general superintendent and Royal C. Taft, be and they are hereby appointed a committee for the purpose of conferring with any committee of the city council of the City of Providence to which the subject may be referred as to the most convenient and desirable plans and details to be adopted in order to execute the powers granted to the Providence, Warren and Bristol Railroad Company in and by an act in addition to and in amendment of an act to incorporate the Providence and Bristol Railroad Company and of the several acts in amendment thereof, passed by the general assembly of the state of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, at their January session, a.d. 1886, it being the desire of the directors to act in harmony with the city

do. government in perfecting such lands and details."

"Voted, That the said committee are hereby authorized and directed to invite said city council to appoint a committee for the purpose of the conference aforesaid."

In accordance therewith the undersigned, respectfully invite your honorable body to appoint a committee to meet them for the purpose of discussing and agreeing upon a most convenient and feasible plan for extending the line of said railroad to and establishing a terminal station thereof near the centre of the city.

It is believed that with the co-operation of the city government the railroad company will be able to secure the objects contemplated by the legislature in passing the act above referred to, to wit: greatly increased travelling accommodations to the people of a considerable portion of the state, together with the greatest benefit and the least annoyance to the city itself.

do. Henry A. Whitney,
Royal C. Taft,

A. A. Folsom,
Committee.

Providence, R. I., May 26, 1886.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, June 7, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, June 17, 1886.

No. 271.

Report.

Report.

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence.

No. Burial Ground

Destruction of Trees.

The joint committee on the north burial ground, to whom at the last regular meeting of the council was referred the resolution inquiring into the matter of the destruction of trees in the north burial ground, report:

That they have consulted with the commissioners of the north burial ground as to their action in regard to such destruction, with the reasons therefor, and beg leave to present the statement of the commissioners over their signatures with this report.

For the committee,
Albert G. Carpenter, Chairman.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, June 7, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, June 17, 1886.

Communication.

Do.

To Albert G. Carpenter, Esq. Chairman of Standing Committee on North Burial Ground.

Commissioners of No. Burial Ground.

Dear Sir:

The undersigned commissioners of the North burial ground herewith return to you the resolution offered in Common Council May 17, 1886 in relation to the destruction of trees in said ground.

Do.

In answer thereto we would say that it is and has been our constant endeavor in the management of the ground to avoid cutting down any healthy tree, unless it appeared to be absolutely necessary for the permanent improvement of the ground.

In regard to the Ridge walk, so called, we would say that when we entered upon our duties as commissioners we found the beauty of said Ridge walk as a whole absolutely and irretrievably destroyed by a large cutting which had previously been made through it, thereby separating the southern portion from the rest, and this southern portion was otherwise seriously mutilated.

After carefully considering the matter, it was decided that the best thing to be done would be the entire removal of the said southern portion, thereby necessitating the cutting down of more or less trees.

Do.

Among other reasons which led to this conclusion was the fact that the city council had but recently refused to purchase a lot of land in the immediate vicinity of this part of the ground upon which was a large amount of sand urgently needed for filling purposes.

Finding, therefore, that the condition of the Ridge walk could not be improved by retaining this southern portion, and that the material could be used very advantageously, the above mentioned course was decided upon.

In conclusion we would say that we earnestly invite inspection of our work by members of the city government, and we are confident that had the mover of this resolution made inquiry of either member of the commission a satisfactory explanation of our work could have been given.

Very respectfully,
John W. Briggs,
Gorham Thurber
Chas Westcott,
Commissioners of North Burial Ground.

Do.

Providence, June 7, 1886.

No. 272.

Report.

Report.

To the Honorable the City Council.

The joint standing committee on the North Burial Ground, to whom, on the 7th of September, 1885, was referred the message of the mayor relative to "soldiers or sailors buried in places used for the burial of paupers," report that they have given the matter full consideration and find that under the statute passed by the general assembly, at the May session, 1885, such bodies of honorably discharged soldiers or sailors as are buried in pauper ground must be removed therefrom.

Prescott Post Lot in No. Burial Ground.

There is a lot in the North Burial Ground known as the "Prescott Post lot." It has been suggested that bodies above mentioned be buried therein but the present size of the lot, 50 × 60 feet, is now too large to hold the bodies of those that will eventually be buried therein by the different posts of the grand army of the republic.

Your committee, therefore, recommend that the said "Prescott Post lot" be enlarged by annexing to it the present Police Association lot, giving the Police Association a lot near the French monument, in exchange.

The estimated cost of moving the monument on the Prescott Post Lot, in order to bring it to the centre of said lot when enlarged, grading, turfing, etc., is four hundred and sixty dollars.

Your committee desire to express their thanks to the gentlemen of the Prescott Post and the Providence Police Association for their hearty co-operation in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,
Albert E. Carpenter, Chairman.

Read, whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, June 7, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, June 17, 1886.

No. 273.

Resolved,

That the commissioners of the north burial ground are hereby authorized to increase the size of the Prescott Post lot, so called, according to the plans of the city engineer, which includes an exchange of lots with the Providence Police Association; the expense of the same, provided it is not over five hundred dollars, to be paid out of the appropriation for contingencies, and the said commissioners shall cause to be buried in the Prescott Post lot, when so enlarged, all the bodies of honorably discharged soldiers and sailors, now interred in pauper ground.

Prescott Post Lot and Providence Police Asso.

Passed, In Common Council, June 7, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, June 17, 1886.
Approved, June 28, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

Convention.

In Convention.

June 28, 1886.

Assessors of Taxes & Port Wardens.

The following officers are elected:

Assessors of Taxes from the first Monday in February, 1886:

George P. Jew,	for three years.
Elisha H. Rhodes,	" two years.
Arthur H. Arnington,	" one year.

Port Wardens:
John H. Perkins.

No. 274.

Resolved,

That the city treasurer be and he is hereby directed to refund the tax assessed against Henry A. Bartlett in 1885, amounting to four hundred and thirty-five dollars, the said tax having been erroneously assessed against him.

Henry A. Bartlett.

Passed, In Common Council, June 7, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, June 17, 1886.
Approved, June 28, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 276.

Resolved:

That the board of public works in accordance with their recommendations, are hereby directed to cause about five hundred and forty-five feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Ruggles street, from Smith street to Chalestone avenue.

Ruggles Street.

Passed, In Common Council, June 7, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, June 17, 1886.
Approved, June 28, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 277.

Resolved.

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about two hundred and seventy-five feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Harris avenue, from present end of pipe, northerly.

Harris avenue.

Passed, In Common Council, June 7, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, June 17, 1886.
Approved, June 28, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 278.

Resolved.

That the board of public works in accordance with their recommendations, are hereby directed to cause about two hundred and seventy-five feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Harris avenue, from present end of pipe, northerly.

Harris avenue.

Passed, In Common Council, June 7, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, June 17, 1886.
Approved, June 28, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 279.

Resolved.

That the gift of Jennie Christie, of the sum of one hundred dollars to the commissioners of the North Burial Ground, in trust, the income thereof to be applied under the provisions of chapter 367 of the public laws, to the preservation and care of the burial

Jennie Christie.

lot standing in the name of heirs of William Christie, in said ground, be and the same is hereby accepted under the name of the heirs of William Christie fund.

Passed, In Common Council, June 7, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, June 17, 1886.
Approved June 28, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 280.

Resolved.

That the gift of Harriet M. Gardner of the sum of one hundred and forty dollars, to the commissioners of the North Burial Ground, in trust, the income thereof to be applied under the provisions of chapter 367 of the public laws, to the preservation and care of the burial lot standing in the name of said Gardner, in said ground, be and the same is hereby accepted under the name of the Harriet M. Gardner fund.

Harriet M. Gardner.

Passed, In Common Council, June 7, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, June 17, 1886
Approved, June 28, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 281.

Resolved;

That the gift of Ann E. Merrill, of the sum of one hundred and forty dollars, to the commissioners of the North Burial Ground, in trust, the income thereof to be applied under the provisions of chapter 367 of the public laws, to the preservation and care of the burial lot standing in the name of said Merrill, in said ground, be and the same is hereby accepted under the name of Ann E. Merrill fund.

Ann E. Merrill.

Passed, In Common Council, June 7, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, June 17, 1886.

Approved June 28, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 280.

Resolved,

That the gift of Jane B. Tilley, executrix, of the sum of three hundred dollars, to the commissioners of the North Burial Ground, in trust, the income thereof to be Jane B. Tilley applied under the provisions of chapter 367 of the public laws, to the preservation and care of the burial lot standing in the name of William J. Tilley, in said ground, be and the same is hereby accepted under the name of the William J. Tilley fund.

Passed, In Common Council, June 7, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen June 17, 1886.
Approved June 28, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 281.

Resolved,

And it is hereby ordered and directed, that the sidewalks on Clifford street, from Richmond street to Eddy street, and on Page street, from Clifford street Clifford and Page Streets to Friendship street in the City of Providence, shall be altered and improved by converting the same, so that said Converting. sidewalks for their whole length, as aforesaid, shall be the width as occupied, three-eighths of an inch rise per foot from the inside of the curb to the street line, except modification necessary to meet the occupation line, and shall be otherwise constructed in manner and of materials as follows, viz:

All material above said grade shall be excavated and removed. Good sand or gravel shall be used for filling wherever it may be required.

The foundation shall be composed of clean, coarse gravel, properly coated with tar, and shall not be less than two inches in depth, after being rolled and thoroughly

Do. by compacted.

The top of the foundation shall be brought to a smooth surface by the addition of fine pebbh, completely coated with tar and thoroughly rolled.

The top dressing shall consist of clean, sharp sand, thoroughly saturated with tar, and applied in a layer of such thickness that, after being rolled and compacted, it will not be less than an inch in depth. The total depth of walk when finished shall not be less than three inches.

The quality of the tar used shall be equal in all respects to that made by the Providence Gas Company. The gravel and sand shall be thoroughly dry before coating or saturating the same with tar.

Said alteration and improvement of said sidewalks shall be completed within six weeks from the time of the passage hereof.

And it is hereby further resolved, ordered, and directed, that the notices of the aforegoing resolution, order and direction required to be given, and the publication of the aforgoing required to be made, shall be given or made Do. as the case may be, in manner and as required by law.

Passed, In Common Council, June 7, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, June 17, 1886.
Approved, June 28, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 282.

Resolved,

That permission be granted to the Richmond Land Company to raise a certain building Richmond Land Co. located at No. 244 River street, pursuant to their petition.

Passed, In Common Council, June 7, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen June 17, 1886.
Approved June 28, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

Providence
No. 283.

City of Newport, R. I.
City Clerk's Office, June 12, 1886.

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence.
Gentlemen:

In accordance with the direction therein contained, a copy of a resolution of the city council of Newport, passed this evening, is communicated herewith.

City of Newport

Very respectfully
William G. Stevens,
City Clerk.

Resolutions upon Death of

The City of Newport.
Resolutions of the City Council.

Resolved,

That the city council, expressing the sentiment of the citizens of Newport, hereby respectfully extends to the city council of Providence, as the representatives of the people of that city, most earnest and sincere consideration for and condolence with the city government and people of our sister capital in the lamentable occurance of the death of its honored chief magistrate, Thomas A. Doyle so long and faithfully their wise public servant, benefactor and friend; and as a mark of respect to his memory and for the government and people of the mourning city, this council hereby designates his honor the mayor of the city, and aldermen Pearce and Newton, on the part of the board of Aldermen, the president of the common council, and councilmen Read and Austin, on the part of the common council, to represent it in attendance at the funeral of the deceased mayor.

Mayor Thomas A. Doyle.

Resolved,

That a copy of this resolution be communicated to the city council of Providence, and that on its passage this council immediately adjourn.

Do.

In Board of Aldermen June 12, 1886:
Read and Passed
William G. Stevens, City Clerk.

Do.

In Common Council June 12, 1886:
Concurred, and councilmen
Read and Austin appointed.
Alexander A. Barker, Clerk.

The City of Newport,
City Clerk's Office June 12, 1886.

This is to certify that the aforegoing is a true copy of a resolution passed by the city council of the city of Newport.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of said city of Newport.

William G. Stevens,
City Clerk.

Do.

In Board of Aldermen June 17, 1886.
Read and accompanying resolution
Ordered communicated to the Common Council.
Henry V. A. Joslin, Clerk

In Common Council, June 28, 1886.
Read.
D. F. Hayden, Clerk.

No. 284.

Ordinance Salary of Assessors of Taxes,

An Ordinance fixing the Salaries of the Assessors of Taxes.

Chapter CCCXIX.

For Ordinance see Book of Ordinances No. 5 Page 9.

Passed, In Common Council, June 28, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, June 28, 1886.
Approved, June 28, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 285.

Resolved,

That the city maurer be and he is hereby directed to pay to Stephen J. Lyons the sum of four hundred and seventy-five dollars, said sum being one-sixth part of the amount received by the city by the sale of real estate on Pike street, which was formerly owned by Thomas and Mary Lyons, and condemned and sold by the city, whenever the said Stephen J. Lyons shall execute a release to the city satisfactory to the city solicitor for all claims he may have against the city.

Stephen J. Lyons.

Passed, In Common Council, June 7, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, June 17, 1886.
Approved July 1, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 286.

Resolved,

That the board of aldermen be hereby requested to lay out North Davis street, from Douglass avenue to Chalkstone avenue, as a public highway.

North Davis St.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, May 20, 1886.
In Common Council, June 28, 1886.
Approved, July 1, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 287.

Resolved,

That the board of aldermen be hereby requested to lay out Dahlia street, from Evanston street to Beattie street, as a public highway.

Dahlia Street.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, May 20, 1886.
In Common Council June 28, 1886.
Approved July 1, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 288.

Resolved,

That the board of aldermen be hereby requested to lay out Beattie street, from Dahlia street to Potter's avenue, as a public highway.

Beattie St.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, May 20, 1886
In Common Council, June 28, 1886.
Approved, July 1, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 289.

Resolved,

That the board of aldermen be hereby requested to lay out Jessamine street, from Evanston street to Sabin street, as a public highway.

Jessamine St.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, May 20, 1886.
In Common Council, June 28, 1886.
Approved, July 1, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 290.

Resolved,

That the board of aldermen be hereby requested to lay out Lilac street, from Evanston street to Sabin street, as a public highway.

Lilac St.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, May 20, 1886.
In Common Council, June 28, 1886.
Approved, July 1, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 291.

Resolved,

That the board of public works be and they are hereby authorized to sell the Fruit Hill school estate.

Fruit Hill School Estate Sale of.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen June 17, 1886.

In Common Council, June 28, 1886.
Approved July 1, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 292.

Resolved;

That the board of public works is hereby directed to cause the sidewalks adjoining Franklin square, so called, on Atwells avenue, to be converted on the north, east and west sides, and the sidewalk on the south side to be top-dressed. The expense attending the same to be paid for from the appropriations for sidewalks and curbing.

Franklin Square.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, June 17, 1886.
In Common Council, June 28, 1886.
Approved, July 1, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 293.

Whereas, The Union Company, Charles A. Cathin, Benjamin A. Jackson, Lucy A. Jackson and Henry A. Hidden, have presented a petition to the mayor and aldermen to establish a street upon their land, situate between Hope street and Cooke street, and known as Young Orchard avenue, thereon,

Resolved;

That the mayor and aldermen be hereby requested to declare that portion of the land of said Union Company, Charles A. Cathin, Benjamin A. Jackson, Lucy A. Jackson and Henry A. Hidden, known as Young Orchard avenue, between Hope and Cooke streets, to be a public highway, as set forth and described in their petition.

Young Orchard Avenue.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, June 17, 1886.
In Common Council, June 28, 1886.
Approved, July 1, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins, Acting mayor.

Read

No. 294.

Resolved;

That the board of aldermen be hereby requested to lay out Princeton avenue, from Hopkins street to Greenwich street, as a public highway.

Princeton Ave.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen June 17, 1886.
In Common Council, June 28, 1886.
Approved, July 1, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 295.

Resolved;

That permission be granted to Hiram F. Page to raise a certain building located at No. 270 Prairie avenue, pursuant to his petition.

Hiram F. Page.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, June 17, 1886.
In Common Council, June 28, 1886.
Approved, July 1, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 296.

An Ordinance in Amendment of Chapter CCCX of the Ordinances Providing for an Increase in the Salary of the Principal of the Girls' Department of the High School.

Ordinance Salary of the Principal of Girls' Depart. in High School.

Chapter CCCXX.

For Ordinance see Book of Ordinances No. 5, Page 9.
Passed, In Common Council June 28, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, June 28, 1886.
Approved, July 1, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 297.

Resolved;

That the board of public works be and they are hereby directed to rebuild Benefit

Benefit St.

Bowfet St. street, from Short alley (now Halsey street) to Transit street, according to the plans, and under the direction of the city engineer.

The above work to be commenced immediately after the passage of this resolution.

Passed, In Common Council, June 28, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, June 28, 1886.
Approved, July 1, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No 298.

Resolved,

That the compensation of Nelson Viall, as superintendent of highways, at a salary of fifteen hundred dollars per annum, as recommended by the board of public Nelson Viall Supt. of Highways works in their communication to the city council, dated June 7, 1886, be and the same is hereby disapproved.

Passed, In Common Council June 28, 1886,
In Board of Aldermen June 28, 1886.
Approved, July 1, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins,
Acting Mayor.

No. 299.

Resolved,

That the sum of six hundred dollars be hereby appropriated to be expended by the joint special committee on the two hundred and fiftieth celebration, in 4th of July. defraying the expense of ringing bells and firing salutes Appropriation. on July 5, 1886, and also for paying for the storage of fireworks, the display of which was postponed from June 24, 1886, and for providing a band for a promenade concert before the display of fireworks on said July 5th, the same to be paid out of the appropriation for contingencies.

Passed, In Common Council, June 28, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, June 28, 1886.
Approved, July 1, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins, Acting Mayor.

No. 300.

Report

upon Petition of Union R.R. Co.

Report:

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence.

The joint standing committee on railroads, to whom was referred, May 24, 1886, the petition of the Union Railroad Company for permission to build a railway on certain streets, report:

That they have heard the petitioners and examined the matter. The petitioners propose to construct a railroad connecting with the rails at present laid in Westminster street, near the Mechanics' bank building, thence on the south side of Market Square Cable Road in Ontario Streets. to College street, in College street with double tracks laid as near as possible to the south line of the street to Prospect street, in which street the double tracks will extend nearly to the corner of Waterman street, and thence easterly in Waterman street with a single track and suitable turnouts. That portion of the road through Market Square, College and Prospect streets to be operated as a cable road by steam power, and the remaining portion as a horse railroad.

Agreeably to the requirements of section 1 of Chapter 204 of the ordinances, the committee held two public hearings, one on the 1st. and the other on the 8th. day of June, each of said hearings having been duly Do. advertised. At both of these meetings there was a large attendance of the owners of property and residents on the streets upon which it is proposed to lay rails, and also of other citizens residing in that section of the city. Of those present a very large proportion expressed themselves as being strongly in favor of the proposed location of the road, urging upon the attention of the committee the very great inconvenience and loss of time to which they Do. are at present subjected when using the horse cars to and from their homes, by reason of the circuitous route over which the present road is laid,

Cable Roads. to avoid College hill, requiring thirty to forty minutes to accomplish distances which by the proposed route will be reached in half the time.

Another argument advanced by those favoring the granting of the petition was that if more speedy means of communication is furnished between the centre of the city and this section that real estate in that vicinity would be more rapidly improved, increasing its value and thus furnishing a larger return to the city in taxes than is at present received.

All the parties appearing to object to the granting of the prayer of the petition reside on Waterman street, between Prospect and Governor streets, and their reasons of objection are fully stated in the remonstrance of the Hon. Benjamin T. Thurston accompanying this report. Briefly stated, they are as follows:

Do. "It is a grave question whether the present proposal to condemn College street for a two track cable road is within the authority granted by the legislature.

"It involves the practical destruction of College street for travel by teams, and I respectfully submit that this honorable committee should hesitate long before it gives its approval to the direction of destroying an important means of carriage communication from the east hill to the low level.

"That the committee ought not to allow a horse car track to cover the whole length of Waterman street, from Prospect street to the Red bridge. The owners of estates on both sides, from Hope street to Governor street, with only one exception, are opposed to the road being built. The street at present is largely used for pleasure driving, and is regarded as one of the most beautiful of the streets running east and west in the city.

"It is true that cable roads are in successful operation in San Francisco, Chicago and some portions of Philadelphia, Beyond a doubt they are mechanical possibilities, but they are nuisances in the general estimation of the public, and should not be resorted to except in cases of necessity.

Do. "A cable road has all the elements of danger

Do. which belongs to a train of cars drawn on a surface road with a locomotive, without having the element of safety against accident which a locomotive possesses."

The committee after hearing the arguments presented for and against the grant asked by the petition, are of opinion that the privilege should be granted.

In arriving at this conclusion the committee have given careful consideration and full weight to the arguments of the remonstrants. They have consulted the city solicitor with reference to the legal questions submitted and are advised that, in his opinion, the act of the legislature of 1873, which was passed March 28, 1873, and is entitled, "An act in amendment of an act entitled 'An act in Do. amendment of the several acts to incorporate the Providence and Stonington Railroad Company, the Broadway and Providence Railroad Company, the Elmwood Horse Railroad Company, the South Main Street Horse Railroad Company, and Providence and Pawtuxet Horse Railroad Company,' and to unite said companies under the name of the 'Union Railroad Company,'" is broad enough to give the city council authority to grant to said company (Union Railroad Company) the right asked by their petition.

With reference to the suggestions of the remonstrants as to the injurious effect upon the public convenience which will be caused by laying rails upon College and Waterman streets, the committee are guided in their conclusions by the results of the public hearings, which after having been fully advertised were not productive of a very numerous representation of objectors on the part of the public. The principal opposition of those who presented themselves appeared to be to the laying of rails on Waterman street, between Do. Prospect and Governor streets, the claim being made

Cable Roads. that if the rails were laid the street would be injured for driving purposes.

The committee are of opinion, however, that if the rails are laid and the street properly rebuilt, that as much if not more of the roadway will be available for carriages than is in use at present. It is also to be remarked that, while parties appeared to remonstrate against rails on Waterman street, parties residing on that part of Angell street where rails are at present laid, being informed that in the event of the city council granting permission for rails on Waterman street the rails would be removed from Gano and Angell streets, at once presented themselves to protest against such removal.

Regarding the further suggestions that cable roads "are nuisances in the general estimation of the public, and should not be resorted to except in cases of necessity," and that it has certain elements of danger," the committee reply that although from the statements made at the hearing June 1st. it appears that at the present time cable roads are in operation at "Los Angeles, San Francisco, Oakland, St. Louis, Kansas City, Chicago, Cincinnati, Philadelphia, the Brooklyn Bridge, Hoboken, New York, Dunedin, N.Z., Sidney, N.S.W., Melbourne, Aus., and London, "some of these built on streets of a steeper grade than that of College street, no evidence was presented by the remonstrants that in any of the central cities when they are in use are they regarded as being "dangerous," and "a nuisance, instead of a benefit." On the contrary, it was stated by gentlemen who have made the matter a careful study that those roads which they have examined are in safe and successful operation. Further than this it has been stated to members of the committee by engineers conversant with the construction and operation of such roads that a cable road is the only available method of overcoming the obstruction of the grade of College hill, which prevents rapid transit from the centre of the city to that section of the city lying east of said hill, and that such method is and has been found by use to be reasonably safe.

Do.

Do. In view, therefore, of these facts, and for these reasons, the committee recommend the passage of the accompanying bill for an ordinance granting to the Union Railroad Company, under certain conditions deemed to be for the protection of the public interest, permission to build a railway in certain streets.

For the committee,

F. E. Anthony, Chairman.

Providence, June 28, 1886.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, June 28, 1886.

In Board of Aldermen, June 28, 1886.

No. 301.

Do.

Ordinance. An Ordinance "Permitting the Union Railroad Company to lay a Cable Road from Westminster street at Merchants' Bank Building in said Street to Market Square, in Market Square to College street, in College and Prospect Streets to Waterman Street, and to lay Rails in Waterman street from Prospect street."

Chapter CCCXXI.

For Ordinance see Book of Ordinances No. 5, Page 10.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, June 28, 1886.

In Common Council, June 28, 1886.

Approved, July 1, 1886.

Gilbert F. Robbins

Acting Mayor.

No. 302.

Resolved, That the city treasurer be and he is hereby directed to pay to Francis Gill for injuries sustained while in the employ of the city, the sum of one hundred and twenty-five dollars, whereof he shall sign a release for all claims against the city to the date thereof; said payment to be charged to the appropriation for contingencies.

Francis Gill.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen June 28, 1886.
In Common Council, June 28, 1886.
Approved July 1, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

Received
No. 303.

Report of the Sealer of Weights & Measures.

The Sealer of Weights and Measures makes his semi-Annual Report.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, June 28, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, July 1, 1886.

No. 304.

Report. Receipts & Expend. Trust Fund No. Burial Ground

The Commissioners of the North Burial Ground make their Annual Report upon the Receipts and Expenditure of the Trust Fund.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, June 28, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, July 1, 1886.

No. 305.

Do. Trust Fund.

The Commissioners of the North Burial Ground make their Annual Report upon the Trust Fund.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, June 28, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, July 1, 1886.

No. 306.

Report Rent of Brickmill River Bridge.

The Joint Special Committee to Test the Norwalk River Bridge, make Report.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, June 28, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, July 1, 1886.

No. 307.

School House on Somerset St. & Bellevue ave. Furnishing &c.

Resolved,

That the joint standing committee on education are hereby authorized to cause the new school buildings on Somerset street, Bellevue avenue and Orrill street to be provided with suitable heating apparatus and furniture, the lots to be fenced and graded, and proper outbuildings constructed, provided the entire cost thereof shall not exceed the sum of thirteen thousand dollars; and said sum, or so much thereof as may be necessary for this purpose, is hereby appropriated, to be paid from the appropriation for school houses and lots.

Passed, In Common Council, June 28, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, July 1, 1886.
Approved, July 3, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 308.

Elbow Street

Resolved,

That the board of public works are hereby directed to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Elbow street, from Hippocanoe street to Ship street.

Passed, In Common Council, June 28, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, July 1, 1886.
Approved, July 3, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 309.

Chalkstone Ave. & Lawn St.

Resolved,

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about four hundred and eighteen feet of twelve-inch pipe and about two hundred and sixty feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Chalkstone avenue, from Knox avenue

to Lawn street, and in Lawn street about one hundred and forty feet.

Passed, In Common Council, June 28, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, July 1, 1886.
Approved July 3, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins,
Acting Mayor.

No. 310.

Resolved:

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about five hundred feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Sahm street, from Lilac street to Dahlia street, and in Dahlia street to connect with pipes now laid.

Sahm St. & Dahlia St.

Passed, In Common Council, June 28, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, July 1, 1886.
Approved, July 3, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 311.

Resolved:

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about eighteen hundred and fifty feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Shaw avenue, Cranston, from Broad street to Allen's avenue.

Shaw ave. (Cranston)

Passed, In Common Council, June 28, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, July 1, 1886.
Approved July 3, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 312.

Resolved:

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about one hundred and eighty feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Western street, from end of pipe between Jenkins and Pheasant streets to Pheasant street.

Western St.

Passed, In Common Council, June 28, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, July 1, 1886.
Approved July 3, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 313.

Resolved:

That the gift of executors of the will of Charlotte R. Goddard, of the sum of five hundred dollars, to the commissioners of the North Burial Ground, in trust, the income thereof to be applied under the provisions of chapter 367 of the public laws, to the preservation and care of the burial lot standing in the name of Mary A. Goddard, in said ground, be and the same is hereby accepted under the name of the Charlotte R. Goddard fund.

Charlotte R. Goddard.

Passed, In Common Council, June 28, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, July 1, 1886.
Approved July 3, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 314.

Resolved:

That the gift of James M. Holroyd, of the sum of three hundred and seventy-five dollars, to the commissioners of the North Burial Ground, in trust, the income thereof to be applied under the provisions of chapter 367 of the public laws, to the preservation and care of the burial lot standing in the name of said Holroyd, in said ground, be and the same is hereby accepted under the name of the James M. Holroyd fund.

James M. Holroyd.

Passed, In Common Council, June 28, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, July 1, 1886.

Approved July 3, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 315.

Resolved,

That a joint special committee of the city council, consisting of the members of the joint standing committee on railroads and the joint standing committee on ordinances, of the city council, be and they are hereby directed to confer with a committee of the board of directors of the Providence, Warren and Bristol Railroad Company, in accordance with a communication from said railroad company addressed to the city council, and dated May 26, 1886.

Joint Special Committee

Providence Warren & Bristol R.R. Company.

Passed, In Common Council, June 28, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, July 1, 1886.
Approved July 3, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 316.

An Ordinance in Amendment of Chapter CCCXVIII of the Ordinances Entitled "An Ordinance Providing for the Assessment and Collection of a Tax upon the Real and Personal Estate of the City of Providence."

Ordinance. Assessment & Collection of a Tax.

Chapter CCCXXII.

For Ordinance see Book of Ordinances No. 5, Page 12.
Passed, In Common Council, July 8, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, July 8, 1886.
Approved July 8, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins Acting Mayor.

No. 317.

An Ordinance granting the Rhode Island Electric Lighting Company and the Narragansett Electric Lighting Company permission to erect and maintain Poles and Wires in certain Streets.

Ordinance R.I. Elec. Lgt. Co. & Narragansett Electric Lighting Co.

Chapter CCCXXIII.

For Ordinance see book of Ordinances No. 5, Page 13.

Passed, In Common Council, July 8, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, July 8, 1886.
Approved July 9, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 318.

An Ordinance permitting the Union Railroad Company to lay Rails for Turnouts in certain streets.

Ordinance Union R.R. Co.

Chapter CCCXXIV.

For Ordinance see Book of Ordinances No. 5 Page 14.
Passed, In Common Council, July 8, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen July 8, 1886.
Approved July 9, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 319.

An Ordinance for Issuing a Water Loan for the City of Providence.

Ordinance Water Loan.

Chapter CCCXXV.

For Ordinance see Book of Ordinances No. 5, Page 14.
Passed, In Board of Aldermen July 1, 1886.
In Common Council, July 8, 1886.
Approved, July 15, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 320.

Resolved,

That the sum of one hundred and seventy four dollars be paid William H. Bowen, eighty seven dollars and fifty cents be paid Jabez C. Knight, eighty seven dollars and fifty cents be paid the estate of Samuel H. Wales, being in full for services rendered to the City of Providence.

License Commissioners.

Passed, In Common Council, July 8, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, July 8, 1886.

Approved, July 15, 1886
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 321.

Philip A. Capelle.

Resolved.

That permission be granted to Philip A. Capelle to raise a certain building, located at No. 9 & 11 Potters avenue, pursuant to his petition.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen July 1, 1886.
In Common Council, July 8, 1886.
Approved, July 9, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 322.

Michael F. Manning

Resolved.

That permission be granted to Michael F. Manning to raise a certain building located at the corner of Central and B streets, pursuant to his petition.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, July 1, 1886.
In Common Council, July 8, 1886.
Approved, July 9, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

Warrant
No. 323.

Land on Thos. B. Cole's Plat on Richardson St.

Resolved.

That the joint standing committee on city property is hereby authorized to purchase lots 17 and 18 and one half of lot 19 on the Thomas B. Cole plat, Richardson street, provided that the cost of the same shall not exceed the sum of thirty five hundred dollars. The deed and title to be satisfactory to the city solicitor, and the amount to be paid from the appropriation for highways.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, July 1, 1886.
In Common Council, July 8, 1886.
Approved, July 20, 1886.

Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 324.

Finance Committee Surrender of Bonds.

The Finance Committee make their Monthly Report upon the Surrender of Coupon Bonds for June, 1886.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, July 8, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, July 15, 1886.

No. 325.
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City Treasurer.

The City Treasurer makes his Monthly Report upon the Surrender of Coupon Bonds for June, 1886.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, July 8, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen July 15, 1886.

No. 326.

City Auditor.

The City Auditor makes his Monthly Report for June 1886.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, July 8, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, July 15, 1886.

No. 327.

City Treasurer.

The City Treasurer, makes his Monthly Report for June, 1886.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, July 8, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, July 15, 1886.

No. 328.

Chief Engr. of Fire Dept.

The Chief Engineer of the Fire Department makes his Monthly Report for the Month of

June, 1886.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, July 8, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, July 15, 1886.

No. 329.

Report.

Report.

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence.

The joint special on the Brook street district present this their thirty-eighth quarterly report of receipts and expenditures.

Receipts for quarter ending June 30, 1886:

Rents, $300.00

Expenditures for quarter ending June 30, 1886:

Henry W. Kedman, salary, 30.00

Brook Street District Committee

The committee have to report the receipt during the quarter, from the "India Point Bridge Commission" of the sum of thirteen thousand dollars, the same being the amount allowed by said commission for the land taken for the westerly approach to said bridge. This sum, with the amount already reported as having been received from the sale of land in the district, makes the total amount received to date two hundred thirteen thousand one hundred ninety-nine dollars and ninety-eight cents.

For the committee,
Thomas A. Millett, Chairman.

Providence, July 1, 1886.

Schedule of Sales.

1886.

January 1, Amount of sales reported to this date $200,199.98
April 28. " received from "India Point Bridge Commission", land taken for westerly approach to the bridge 13,000.00
$213,199.98

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, July 8, 1886.

In Board of Aldermen, July 15, 1886.

No. 330.

The City Messenger makes his Monthly Report for the Month of June, 1886.

City Messenger.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, July 8, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, July 15, 1886.

No. 331.

Resolved.

That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to George B. Parish the sum of five thousand dollars for injuries received January 5, 1886, at the corner of Broad and Early streets, whenever the said Parish shall execute a release to the city, satisfactory to the city solicitor, of all claims against said city for injury then received, said payment to be charged to the appropriation for contingencies.

George B. Parish.

Passed, In Common Council, July 15, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, July 15, 1886.
Approved, July 15, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 332.

Resolved.

That the city auditor is hereby directed to charge to the appropriation for the Brook street district the sum of four hundred and seventy-five dollars ordered paid to Stephen J. Lyons, as per resolution No. 285, current series, and that said sum of four hundred and seventy-five dollars is hereby added to the appropriation for the Brook street district, from any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Stephen J. Lyons.

Appropriation for Brook St. Dist.

Passed, In Common Council, July 15, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, July 15, 1886.

Approvd, July 17, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 333.

Resolved,

That the board of public works are hereby directed to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Benefit st, from the summit about one hundred and seventy feet northerly from Church st to Star st, with the necessary connections therefrom to the curb line, said connections to be made under the direction of the city engineer.

Benefit St.

Passed, In Common Council, July 15, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, July 15, 1886.
Approved July 17, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 334.

Resolved,

That the board of public works are hereby directed to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Benefit st, from Meeting st to Thomas street, and in Thomas st, from Benefit st to North Main st, with the necessary connections therefrom to the curb line, said connections to be made under the direction of the city engineer.

Benefit St. & Thomas St.

Passed, In Common Council, July 15, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, July 15, 1886.
Approved July 17, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 335.

Resolved,

That the board of public works are hereby directed to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Benefit st, from a point one

Benefit St.

from Church st to Meeting st. hundred and seventy feet northerly from Church st, to Meeting st, with the necessary connections therefrom to the curb line, said connections to be made under the direction of the city engineer.

Passed, In Common Council, July 15, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, July 15, 1886.
Approved, July 17, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 336.

Resolved,

That the board of public works are hereby directed to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Benefit st, from Williams st to Power st, with the necessary connections therefrom to the curb line, said connections to be made under the direction of the city engineer.

Benefit St. from Williams St. to Power st.

Passed, In Common Council, July 15 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, July 15, 1886
Approved, July 17, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 337.

Resolved,

That the board of public works are hereby directed to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in John st, from East st to Brook st.

John St.

Passed, In Common Council, July 15, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, July 15, 1886.
Approved, July 17, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 338.

Resolved,

That the board of public works

Orville St.

Orville St. in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about six hundred and seventy-one feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Orville street, between Oswell's avenue and Amherst street.

Passed, In Common Council, July 15, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, July 15, 1886.
Approved, July 17, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 339.

Resolved,

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about two hundred and forty-eight feet of eight, and four hundred and twenty-five feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Elmwood avenue, (Cranston) from present end of pipe to America street, and in America street easterly.

Elmwood ave. & America St. (Cranston)

Passed, In Common Council, July 15, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, July 15, 1886.
Approved, July 17, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 340.

Resolved,

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about one hundred and seventy-five feet of eight-inch water pipes to be laid in North Perry street, from Broadway northerly.

North Perry St.

Passed, In Common Council, July 15, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, July 15, 1886.
Approved, July 17, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 341.

Resolved,

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about one hundred feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Waterman street, Johnston, from present end of pipe near Rocky Hill avenue northerly.

Waterman St. (Johnston).

Passed, In Common Council, July 15, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, July 15, 1886.
Approved, July 17, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 342.

Resolved,

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

Benj. Brown.

Passed, In Common Council, July 15, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, July 15, 1886.
Approved July 17, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor

No. 343.

Resolved,

That the gift of Lucy Ann Butts, of the sum of two hundred dollars to the commissioners of the North Burial Ground, in trust, the income thereof to be applied under the provisions of chapter 367 of the public laws, to the preservation and care of the burial lot standing in the name of the said Butts, in said ground, be and the same is hereby accepted under the name of the Lucy Ann Butts fund.

Lucy Ann Butts.

Passed, In Common Council, July 15, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, July 15, 1886.
Approved, July 17, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 344.

Resolved,

That the gift of Elizabeth A. Hammell and Hope B. Russell, of the sum of one thousand dollars to the commissioners of the North Burial Ground, in trust, the income thereof to be applied under the provisions of chapter 367 of the public laws, to the preservation and care of the burial lot standing in the name of said Hammell and Russell, in said ground, be and the same is hereby accepted under the name of the Hammell and Russell fund.

Elizabeth A. Hammell & Hope B. Russell.

Passed, In Common Council, July 15, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, July 15, 1886.
Approved, July 17, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 345.

Resolved,

That the gift of B. B. Hammond and N. A. Gladding, Executors, of the sum of four hundred and fifty dollars to the commissioners of the North Burial Ground, in trust, the income thereof to be applied under the provisions of chapter 367 of the public laws, to the preservation and care of four burial lots standing in the name of, R. M. Gladding, Fergus F. and B. F. Gladding, Florence Mahoney and William E. Jillson, in said ground, be and the same is hereby accepted under the name of the Gladding, Mahoney and Jillson funds.

B. B. Hammond & N. A. Gladding Executors.

Passed, In Common Council, July 15, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, July 15, 1886.
Approved, July 17, 1886.

Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 346.

Resolved,

That the gift of Mary A. Soule, of the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars to the commissioners of the North Burial Ground, in trust, the income thereof to be applied under the provisions of chapter 367 of the public laws, to the preservation and care of the burial lot standing in the name of Mary A. Soule, in said ground, be and the same is hereby accepted under the name of the Mary A. Soule fund.

Mary A. Soule.

Passed, In Common Council, July 15, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, July 15, 1886.
Approved, July 17, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor

No. 347.

An Ordinance Amending Chapter CCC III of the Ordinances and Transferring $6,300.00 to the appropriation for the Health Department.

Ordinance Appro. $6,300.00 for Health Dept.

Chapter CCCXXVI.

For Ordinance see Book of Ordinances No. 5, Page 18.

Passed, In Common Council, July 15, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, July 15, 1886.
Approved, July 17, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 348.

Resolved,

That the board of public works are directed to fill in and grade Veazie street at the bridge, in accordance with plan of the city engineer, the expense of the same to be charged to the appropriation for highways.

Veazie St. grade.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, July 1, 1886.

In Common Council, July 8, 1886.
Became a law upon the adjournment of the Board of Aldermen, July 22, 1886.

No. 349.

Highway over Bridge across Seekonk River.

Resolved:

That the board of aldermen be hereby requested to layout a highway from the westerly line of the Town of East Providence, over the bridge across the Seekonk river, to Hano street, at the intersection of said Hano street with Pachwottow street.

Passed, In Common Council, July 15, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, July 15, 1886.
Approved, July 31, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 350.

Printing Proceedings of 250th Anniversary.

Resolved:

That the joint special committee of the city council to celebrate the two hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the founding of Providence, be and they are hereby authorized to cause to be printed 1500 copies of the proceedings in commemoration of said event; the expense of the same to be charged to the appropriation for printing.

Passed, In Common Council, July 8, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, July 15, 1886.
Approved July 31, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 351.

Messages.

Acting Mayor's Message.

City of Providence,
Executive Department, City Hall.
August 17, 1886.

Knights of Pythias.

Gentlemen of the City Council:

I have received from the uniformed division of Rhode Island Knights of Pythias the accompanying invitation for the city council to review the parade of that body on August 26th inst., which I recommend be accepted.

Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

Read, In Common Council, August 17, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, August 17, 1886.

No. 352.

Ordinance

Approp. for Contingencies.

An Ordinance Adding $10,000.00 to the Appropriation for Contingencies.

Chapter CCCXXVII.

Approp. for Contingencies.

For Ordinance in Book of Ordinances No. 5 Page 19.
Passed, In Common Council, August 17, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, August 17, 1886.
Approved, August 23, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 353.

Approp. for Construction of Sewers.

Resolved:

That the sum of thirty thousand dollars is hereby added to the appropriation for the construction of sewers, said sum to be taken from the amount in the treasury received from sewer assessments.

Passed,
In Common Council August 17, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, August 17, 1886.
Approved, August 23, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 354.

Message.

Acting Mayor's Message.

City of Providence,
Executive Department.
City Hall, August 26, 1886.

Gentlemen of the City Council.

The resolution of the common council and board of aldermen electing to lay out West Exchange street is before me for action. Since it has been in my hands it has been represented that the members of your bodies were misinformed as to the number of appeals that had been taken from the assessments and awards made in the report of the commissioners, and that it is desirable that you should have an opportunity to reconsider your action in view of the facts as they exist.

West Exchange St.

I am aware that this could be done by vetoing the resolution, but as such action by reason of the absence of many of your members from the city will imperil the enterprise by reason of such absences without obtaining your will, I have refrained from the exercise of the prerogative of a veto, and have called you together that if you deem it advisable you may take different action in reference to said lay out.

Without such action on your part I shall approve the resolution.

Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

Read, In Common Council, August 26, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, August 26, 1886.

No. 355.

West Exchange St.

Whereas, the commissioners of estimate and assessment appointed by the supreme court at the October term, 1885 to lay out and extend West Exchange street from Cove street to Dean street of an uniform width of fifty feet and from said Dean street to Atwells avenue of an uniform width of forty feet, under and pursuant to an act entitled "An act in relation to the laying out, enlarging, straightening, or otherwise altering streets in the City of Providence, and the acts in amendment thereof and in addition thereto," made their first report to said court on the twenty-ninth day of June A.D. 1886, now therefore, within sixty days after the making of said report to said court:

Resolved:

That the city council do hereby elect to make said improvement.

Passed, In Common Council August 19, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, August 19, 1886.
Approved, August 26, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 356.

Sewer Connections in Benefit St.

Resolved:

That the board of public works be directed to make the necessary sewer connections from the curb line to all the sewers in Benefit street, before the work of repairing said Benefit street is completed as directed by resolution No. 297 current series.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen Aug. 26, 1886.
In Common Council, August 26, 1886.
Approved, August 30, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

Under set portions of Read

No. 357.

Weigher at the Haymarket Scales

The Weigher at the Haymarket Scales, makes his Quarterly Report for the Quarter ending June 30, 1886.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, July 15, 1886.
In Common Council, September 6, 1886.

No. 358.

Resolved;

That permission be granted to John Checkley to raise a certain building located in Catholic street, pursuant to his petition.

John Checkley

Passed; In Board of Aldermen, July 15, 1886
In Common Council, September 6, 1886.
Approved, September 8, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 359.

Resolved.

That permission be granted to Sarah E. Stone to raise a certain building, located at No. 34 Susan street, pursuant to her petition.

Sarah E. Stone.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, July 15, 1886.
In Common Council, September 6, 1886.
Approved, September 8, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 360.

Report.

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence;

The board of commissioners of sinking funds make this their thirty-ninth quarterly report.

Commissioners of Sinking Funds.

The bonds and notes comprised in the funded debt, for the redemption of which sinking funds are held by the commissioners, the purposes for which they were issued, and the amounts of the sinking funds June 30, 1886, are shown by the following table:

	Debt.	Sinking Funds.
Bonds due January 1, 1893, for expenses incurred in enlisting Soldiers in the war of the rebellion, (5 per cent.)	$300,000.00	$325,441.92
Bonds due July 1, 1895, for construc-		

Do. tion of sewers and city hall (5 per cent. sterling loans.)	$1,397,250.00	491,452.47
Bonds due June 1, 1899, for construction of sewers and city hall (4½ per cent.)	600,000.00	173,541.45
Bonds due July 1, 1899, for public improvements, (5 per cent.)	450,000.00	94,520.58
Bonds due July 1, 1900, for same purpose, (5 per cent)	146,000.00	25,495.28
Bonds due July 1, 1900, for the water works, (5 and 6 per cent.)	4,000,000.00	384,490.71
Bonds due July 1, 1906, for the water works, (5 per cent.)	1,500,000.00	
Brook street district fund		355.66
Totals:	$8,393,250.00	$1,495,298.07

Do.

The amount of funds in the control of the board, March 31, 1886, was:

Of the fund of 1893,	$325,066.44
Of the fund of 1895,	491,175.69
Of the city hall and sewer loan of 1899,	154,527.36
Of the public improvement loan of 1899,	94,516.64
Of the public improvement loan of 1900,	25,491.52
Of the water loan,	384,241.59
Of the Brook street district fund,	----------
Whole amount,	$1,474,922.24

The increase in the several funds has been:

In the fund of 1893,	$375.48
In the fund of 1895,	376.78
In the City Hall and sewer loan of 1899,	19,014.09
In the public improvement loan of 1899,	3.94
In the public improvement loan of 1900,	3.76
In the water loan,	246.12
In the Brook street district fund	13,355.66
Whole increase	$33,375.83

The whole amount of the funds in the hands of the commissioners on the thirty-first day of

Do. March, 1886, was $1,474,922.24.

Sinking Funds.

By direction of the commissioners the treasurer paid to the City of Providence on account of the Brook street district improvement loan due April 30, 1886, the sum of $3000.00, having a balance of $355.66 to the credit of said fund.

The whole amount of funds in the hands of the commissioners on the thirtieth day of June, 1886, was $1,495,298.07

The increase in the funds for the quarter ending June 30, 1886 has been $33,375.83.

The Senator Henry Brown Anthony prize fund held by the commissioners in trust, which is not included in the above report, remains as at the last report of the commissioners, with an addition of interest amounting to $23.03, making the entire amount of the fund $3,023.28.

Respectfully submitted by request of the board of commissioners,

Gilbert F. Robbins,
Acting Mayor
and Chairman.

Providence July 15, 1886.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, July 22, 1886.
In Common Council, September 6, 1886.

No. 361.

Somerset St.

Resolved:

That the board of aldermen are hereby requested to lay out Somerset street, from Providence street to Prairie avenue, and declare the same a public highway.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, July 22, 1886.
In Common Council, September 6, 1886
Approved, September 8, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 362.

Spicer & Peckham.

Resolved:

That permission be granted to Spicer and Peckham to raise a certain building located at the corner of Cox, Merrill and Adam streets, pursuant to their petition.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, July 22, 1886.
In Common Council, September 6, 1886.
Approved, September 8 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 363.

Daniel B. Waite.

Resolved:

That permission be granted to Daniel B. Waite to raise a certain building located at No. 35 Prairie avenue, pursuant to his petition.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, July 22, 1886.
In Common Council, September 6, 1886.
Approved, September 8, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 364.

Kossuth St.

Resolved:

That the board of aldermen be hereby requested to lay out Kossuth street, from Putnam street to Hyatt street, as a public highway.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, July 29, 1886.
In Common Council, September 6, 1886.
Approved, September 8, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 365.

Report Board of Public Works.

The Board of Public Works make their Fourteenth Quarterly Report, ending June 30, 1886.
City Document No. 28.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the

sums be received.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, August 19, 1886.
In Common Council, September 6, 1886.

No. 366.

Resolved,

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about one hundred and sixty-five feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Alton street, from Irving street about 151 feet southerly

Alton St.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, August 19, 1886.
In Common Council, September 6, 1886.
Approved, September 8, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 367.

Resolved,

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about four hundred and sixty-five feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Hazard avenue or Howell street, from Olney street easterly.

Hazard ave. & Howell St.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, August 19, 1886.
In Common Council, September 6, 1886.
Approved, September 8, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 368.

Resolved,

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about two hundred and thirty-one feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Langdon street, from present end of pipe to Alaska street.

Langdon St.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, August 19, 1886.
In Common Council, September 6, 1886.

Approved, September 8, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 369.

Resolved,

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendations, are hereby directed to cause about thirteen hundred and twenty-six feet of eight inch water pipes to be laid in Manton avenue, Johnston, from present end of pipe northwesterly.

Manton ave. (Johnston)

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, August 19, 1886
In Common Council, September 6, 1886
Approved, September 8, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 370.

Resolved,

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendations, are hereby directed to cause about seven hundred and thirty feet of eight inch and about four hundred and ninety-three feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Olney street, from present end of pipe at Montague street to twenty feet west of Benton avenue.

Olney St.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, August 19, 1886.
In Common Council, September 6, 1886.
Approved, September 8, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 371.

Messages.

Acting Mayor's Message.

City of Providence,
Executive Department,
City Hall, September 2, 1886.

Grand United Order of Odd Fellows.

Gentlemen of the City Council:

I transmit herewith for your consideration an invitation from the Grand United Order of Odd Fellows of New England to review a parade of that body on Thursday, September 9th next, at two o'clock P.M.

Gilbert F. Robbins,
Acting Mayor.

Invitation:

Providence, August 19, 1886.

To the Honorable the Acting Mayor, the Honorable the Members of the City Council of the City of Providence:

The annual celebration of the Grand United Order of Odd Fellows of New England will be held in this city on Thursday, September 9th, and the committee of arrangements respectfully request that you will review the procession at two o'clock on the afternoon of that date in front of the city hall.

I.O.O.F. Parade.

Respectfully yours,
B. Kinggold, Chairman.
A. J. Means, Corr. Sec, 65 Westminster street.

The above Message is read and the Invitation is read and accepted.

In Board of Aldermen, September 2, 1886.
In Common Council, September 6, 1886.

No. 372.

Ordinance. 1st House at Dexter Asylum.

An Ordinance Authorizing the Building of a Hot House at the Dexter Asylum Farm.

Chapter CCCXXVIII.

(For Ordinance See Book of Ordinances No. 5 Page 70)

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, September 2, 1886.
In Common Council, September 6, 1886.
Approved, September 8, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 373.

Broad St.

Resolved,

That the board of public works are hereby directed to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Broad street, from Somerset street to Pearl street.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen September 2, 1886
In Common Council, September 6, 1886.
Approved, September 8, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 374.

Charles & Ashburton Sts.

Resolved,

That the board of public works are hereby directed to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Charles street, from West River bridge in said Charles street to Ashburton street, and in Ashburton street, from Charles street to the present sewer in said Ashburton street.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, September 2 1886.
In Common Council, September 6, 1886.
Approved, September 8, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 375.

Friendship St.

Resolved,

That the board of public works are hereby directed to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Friendship street, from Pearl street to Somerset street.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, September 2, 1886.
In Common Council, September 6, 1886.
Approved, September 8, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 376.

Hay St.

Resolved,

That the board of public works are hereby directed to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Hay street, from Pine street

to Dyer street.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, September 2, 1886.
In Common Council, September 6, 1886.
Approved, September 8, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 377.

Resolved;

That permission be granted to Anson M. Barr to raise a certain building, located at No. 9 Colwell street, pursuant to his petition.

Anson M. Barr.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, September 2, 1886.
In Common Council, September 6, 1886.
Approved, September 8, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 378.

Resolved;

That permission be granted to Valentine Knoblock to raise a certain building located at corner of David and Balch streets, pursuant to his petition.

Valentine Knoblock

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, September 2, 1886.
In Common Council, September 6, 1886.
Approved, September 8, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 379.

Resolved;

That permission be granted to Catherine Knight to raise a certain building, located in rear of 492 Atwells avenue, pursuant to her petition.

Catherine Knight.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, September 2, 1886.
In Common Council, September 6, 1886.
Approved, September 8, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 380.

Ordinance

An Ordinance Suspending the work of paving Richmond street from Ship street to Point street.

Richmond St.

Chapter CCCXXIX.

(For Ordinance see Book of Ordinances No. 5 Page 70.)

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, May 20, 1886.
In Common Council, September 6, 1886.
Approved, September 8, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 381.

Resolved;

That the Burnside Statue Building Committee be and they are hereby permitted and authorized to erect under the direction of the joint standing committee on highways but without expense to the City of Providence the equestrian statue of the late Major General A. E. Burnside now in process of construction, on the easterly end of Exchange Place.

Burnside Statue.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, July 15, 1886.
In Common Council, September 6, 1886.
Approved, September 8, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins.
Acting Mayor.

No. 382.

Resolved;

That the board of aldermen be hereby requested to lay out Ship street, from Chestnut street easterly to highwater mark of the Providence river, as a public highway.

Ship St.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, July 15, 1886.
In Common Council, September 6, 1886.
Approved, September 8, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 383.

Appropriation Mechanical Drawing.

Resolved.

That the school committee is hereby authorized to expend two hundred and fifty dollars for teaching mechanical drawing in the high school the present school year, said amount to be paid from the appropriation for the support of public schools.

Passed, In Common Council, August 26, 1886
In Board of Aldermen, September 2, 1886.
Approved, September 8, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 384.

City Auditor

The City Auditor makes his Monthly Report for July, 1886.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, September 6, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, September 16, 1886.

No. 385.

City Auditor.

The City Auditor makes his Monthly Report for August, 1886.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, September 6, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, September 16, 1886.

No. 386.

City Treasurer.

The City Treasurer makes his Monthly Report for July, 1886.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, September 6, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, September 16, 1886.

No. 387.

The City Treasurer makes his Monthly

City Treasurer. Report for August, 1886.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, September 6, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, September 16, 1886.

No. 388.

Chief Engineer of the Fire Department

The Chief Engineer of the Fire Department makes his Monthly Report for July, 1886.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, September 6, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, September 16, 1886.

No. 389.

Do.

The Chief Engineer of the Fire Department makes his Monthly Report for August, 1886.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, September 6, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, September 16, 1886.

No. 390.

City Messenger.

The City Messenger makes his Monthly Report for July, 1886.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received

Passed, In Common Council, September 6, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, September 16, 1886.

No. 391.

Do.

The City Messenger makes his Monthly Report for August, 1886.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, September 6, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, September 16, 1886.

No. 392.

City Engineer and Sewerage System

Report of the City Engineer Showing Location and Size of the Main and Intercepting Sewers.

City Document No. 27.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, September 6, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, September 16, 1886.

No. 393.

Communications.

City Clerk

City of Providence,
City Clerk's Office.
City Hall, September 6, 1886.

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence:

Narragansett & R. I. Electric Lighting Companies

The Narragansett and Rhode Island Electric Lighting Companies who were granted permission to erect and maintain poles and wires in certain streets in the city have accepted the provisions of Chapter CCC XXIII and CCLIV of the ordinances, under which said permission was granted, by filing in this office the written agreements therein required.

Respectfully submitted,
Henry E. A. Joslin
City Clerk

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, September 6, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, September 16, 1886.

No. 394.

Report

Prov. Warren & Bristol R. R. Co.

Report of the Joint Special Committee appointed to Confer with the Providence, Warren and Bristol Railroad Company upon the Extension of their Tracks to Crawford Street Bridge.

City Document No. 30.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received,

Passed, In Common Council, September 6, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, September 16, 1886.

No. 395.

Providence Warren & Bristol R.R. Co.

Resolved.

That the report of the joint special committee appointed to confer with the "Providence, Warren and Bristol Railroad Company" relative to the extension of their tracks, dated September 6, 1886, be hereby received, and that the further consideration of the matter be indefinitely postponed.

Passed, In Common Council, September 6, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, September 16, 1886.
Approved, September 17, 1886.
Gilbert A. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 396.

Lippitt St.

Resolved.

That the board of public works are hereby directed to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Lippitt street, from a point about forty feet westerly from Dwight street to Camp street.

Passed, In Common Council, September 6, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, September 16, 1886.
Approved, September 17, 1886.
Gilbert A. Robbins,
Acting Mayor.

No. 397.

Bellevue ave.

Resolved.

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about one hundred and sixty-three feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Bellevue avenue, from present end of pipe to the school house.

Passed, In Common Council, September 6, 1886.

In Board of Aldermen, September 16, 1886.
Approved September 17, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 398.

Resolved,

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about one hundred and fifty two feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Black st., from Chalkstone avenue to Hawes st.

Black St.

Passed, In Common Council, September 6, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, September 16, 1886.
Approved September 17, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No 399.

Resolved,

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about three hundred and ninety feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Colfax st., from present end of pipe to Prairie avenue.

Colfax St.

Passed, In Common Council, September 6, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, September 16, 1886.
Approved, September 17, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 400.

Resolved,

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about one hundred feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Colwell st., from present end of pipe easterly.

Colwell St.

Passed, In Common Council, September 6, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, September 16, 1886.

Approved, September 17, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 401.

Resolved,

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about six hundred and six feet of eight inch water pipes to be laid in Eddy st., from present end of pipe near Aldrich st., southerly.

Eddy St.

Passed, In Common Council, September 6, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, September 16, 1886.
Approved, September 17, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 402.

Resolved,

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about two hundred and eleven feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Grand View st., from present end of pipe to Knowles st., and in Knowles st. about eighty feet southerly.

Grand View & Knowles St.

Passed, In Common Council, September 6, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, September 16, 1886.
Approved, September 17, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 403.

Resolved,

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about two hundred and twenty feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Huron st., from Irving st. northerly.

Huron St.

Passed, In Common Council, September 6, 1886.

In Board of Aldermen, September 16, 1886.
Approved September 17, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 404.

Resolved,

That the board of public works in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about nine hundred and eighty four feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Kendrick street, from present end of pipe westerly to thirty-four feet west of Mount Pleasant avenue.

Kendrick Street.

Passed, In Common Council, September 6, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, September 16, 1886.
Approved, September 17, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 405.

Resolved,

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about fifty-six feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Lily street, from present end of pipe southerly

Lily st.

Passed, In Common Council, September 6, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, September 16, 1886.
Approved, September 17, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 406.

Resolved,

That the board of aldermen be, and they are hereby requested to define a grade for Silver Spring street, from Branch avenue to Northup avenue, in accordance with chapter 323 of the public laws, passed April 21, 1883.

Silver Spring Street.

Passed, In Common Council, September 6, 1886.

In Board of Aldermen, September 16, 1886.
Approved, September 17, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 407.

Resolved,

That the city messenger be authorized to cause a telephone to be placed in the office of the superintendent of lights, the same to be connected with wire running to the central office of the Providence Telephone Company, the expense thereof to be charged to the appropriation for the city hall.

Telephone in office of Supt. of Lights.

Passed, In Common Council, September 6, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, September 16, 1886.
Approved, September 17, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins,
Acting Mayor.

No. 408.

Resolved,

And it is hereby ordered and directed, that the sidewalk on the west side of Benefit street, from Short alley to North Main street, in the City of Providence, shall be altered and improved by concreting the same, from said Short Alley to said North Main street, so that said sidewalk for its whole length, as aforesaid, shall be the width as occupied, three-eighths of an inch rise per foot from the inside of the curb to the street line, except modification necessary to meet the occupation line, and shall be otherwise constructed in manner and of materials as follows, viz.:

Benefit St.

All material above said grade shall be excavated and removed. Good sand or gravel shall be used for filling whenever it may be required.

The foundation shall be composed of clean, coarse gravel, properly coated with tar, and shall not

Benefit St. be less than two inches in depth, after being rolled and thoroughly compacted.

The top of the foundation shall be brought to a smooth surface by the addition of fine pebble, completely coated with tar and thoroughly rolled.

The top dressing shall consist of clean, sharp sand, thoroughly saturated with tar, and applied in a layer of such thickness that, after being rolled and compacted, it will not be less than an inch in depth. The total depth of walk when finished shall not be less than three inches.

The quality of the tar used shall be equal in all respects to that made by the Providence Gas Company. The gravel and sand shall be thoroughly dry before coating or saturating the same with tar.

Said alteration and improvement of said sidewalk shall be completed within six weeks from the time of the passage hereof.

And it is hereby further resolved, ordered and directed, that the notices of the aforegoing resolution, order and direction required to be given, and the publications Do. of the aforegoing required to be made, shall be given or made, as the case may be, in manner and as required by law.

Passed, In Common Council, September 6, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, September 16, 1886.
Approved, September 17, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins,
Acting Mayor.

No. 109.

Resolved:

And it is hereby ordered and directed, that the sidewalk on the west side of Eddy street, from Crary street to Thurber's avenue, in the City of Providence, shall be altered and improved by covering the same from Eddy St. said Crary street to paved Thurber's avenue, so that said sidewalk for its whole length, as aforesaid, shall be the width as occupied, three-eighths of an inch rise per foot from the

Eddy st. inside of the curb to the street line, except modification necessary to meet the occupation line, and shall be otherwise constructed in manner and of materials as follows, viz.:

All material above said grade shall be excavated and removed. Good sand or gravel shall be used for filling wherever it may be required.

The foundation shall be composed of clean, coarse gravel, properly coated with tar, and shall not be less than two inches in depth, after being rolled and thoroughly compacted.

The top of the foundation shall be brought to a smooth surface by the addition of fine pebble, completely coated with tar and thoroughly rolled.

The top dressing shall consist of clean, sharp sand, Do. thoroughly saturated with tar, and applied in a layer of such thickness that, after being rolled and compacted, it will not be less than an inch in depth. The total depth of walk when finished shall not be less than three inches.

The quality of the tar used shall be equal in all respects to that made by the Providence Gas Company. The gravel and sand shall be thoroughly dry before coating or saturating the same with tar.

Said alteration and improvement of said sidewalk shall be completed within six weeks from the time of the passage hereof.

And it is hereby further resolved, ordered and directed, that the notices of the aforegoing resolution, order and direction, required to be given, and the publication of the aforegoing required to be made, shall be given or made, as the case may be, in manner and as required by law.

Passed, In Common Council, September 6, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, September 16, 1886.
Approved, September 17, 1886. Do.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 410.

Resolved,

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

Hannah Pope.

Passed, In Common Council, September 6, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, September 16, 1886.
Approved, September 17, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 411.

Resolved,

That the gift of Anna P. Smith, of the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars, to the commissioners of the North Burial Ground, in trust, the income thereof to be applied under the provisions of chapter 367 of the public laws, to the preservation and care of the burial lot standing in the name of Catherine James, in said ground, be and the same is hereby accepted under the name of the Catherine James fund.

Anna P. Smith.

Passed, In Common Council, September 6, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, September 16, 1886.
Approved September 17, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 412.

Resolved,

That the gift of Sidney Mc Knight, of the sum of fifty dollars, to the commissioners of the North Burial Ground, in trust, the income thereof to be applied under the provisions of chapter 367 of the public laws, to the preservation and care of the burial lot standing in the

Sidney Mc Knight.

name of said Mc Knight, in said ground, be and the same is hereby accepted under the name of the Sidney Mc Knight fund.

Passed, In Common Council, September 6, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, September 16, 1886.
Approved, September 17, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 413.

Resolved,

That the gift of George F. Paine, administrator, of the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars, to the commissioners of the North Burial Ground, in trust, the income thereof to be applied under the provisions of chapter 367 of the public laws, to the preservation and care of the burial lot standing in the name of Rosina Emmerwood and John Curtis, in said ground, be and the same is hereby accepted under the name of the Emmerwood and Curtis fund.

George F. Paine.

Passed, In Common Council, September 6, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, September 16, 1886.
Approved, September 17, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 414.

Resolved,

That the gift of Edward D. Williams, of the sum of seventy-five dollars, to the commissioners of the North Burial Ground, in trust, the income thereof to be applied under the provisions of chapter 367 of the public laws, to the preservation and care of the burial lot standing in the name of said Williams, in said ground, be and the same is hereby accepted under the name of the Edward D. Williams fund.

Edward D. Williams.

Passed, In Common Council, September 6, 1886.

In Board of Aldermen, September 16, 1886.
Approved September 17, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 415.

Robert P. Williams.

Resolved,

That the gift of Robert P. Williams, of the sum of seventy five dollars, to the commissioners of the North Burial Ground, in trust, the income thereof to be applied under the provisions of chapter 367 of the public laws, to the preservation and care of the burial lot standing in the name of said Williams, in said ground, be and the same is hereby accepted under the name of the Robert P. Williams fund.

Passed, In Common Council, September 6, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, September 16, 1886.
Approved, September 17, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 416.

Ordinance

Supervisory Teacher of Drawing.

An Ordinance in Amendment of Chapter CCCX of the Ordinances, Providing for the Employment of a Supervisory Teacher of Drawing in the Public Schools.

Chapter CCCXXX.

(For Ordinance see Book of Ordinances No. 5 Page 21).

Passed, In Common Council, September 6, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, September 16, 1886.
Approved, September 17, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 417.

Appropriation for Washington Bridge.

Resolved.

That the sum of one thousand dollars be and the same is hereby added to the appropriation for the construction of Washington bridge across the Seekonk river, and the city treasurer, acting under the advice of the joint committee on finance, is hereby authorized to him the same.

Passed, In Common Council, September 6, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, September 16, 1886.
Approved, September 17, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 418.

Sewerage Plan of Samuel M. Gray, City Engineer.

Resolved,

That the president of the American Society of Civil Engineers be requested to appoint three competent persons to visit the City of Providence and examine the plan proposed by Samuel M. Gray, city engineer, for a sewerage system and for the disposal of the sewage of said city, and to report to the city council whether or not in their opinion said plan is the best and most economical which can be adopted for the collection and disposal of the sewage of the city, and if not to recommend any changes which they may deem advisable. The expense of said commission to be charged to the appropriation for sewer construction.

Passed, In Common Council, July 8, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, September 16, 1886.
Approved, September 17, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

Transmitted.

No. 419.

Finance Committee

Issue of Bonds.

The Joint Committee on Finance make their Monthly Report upon the Issue of Registered Bonds, for July, 1886.

Read, whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, September 20, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, September 27, 1886.

No. 420.

Finance Committee. The Joint Committee on Finance make their Monthly Report on the Summder of Coupon Bonds for August, 1886.

Summder of Bonds. Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, September 20, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, September 27, 1886.

No. 421.

City Treasurer. The City Treasurer makes his Monthly Report on the Issue of Registered Bonds, for July, 1886.

Issue of Bonds. Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, September 20, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, September 27, 1886.

No. 422.

P. O. The City Treasurer makes his Monthly Report on the Summder of Coupon Bonds, for August, 1886.

Summder of Bonds. Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, September 20, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, September 27, 1886.

No. 423.

Communication.

Board of Public Works.

Board of Public Works,
Office City Hall, Providence R.I.
September 20, 1886.

To the Honorable City Council:

Main Water Pipes to Smith Hill Reservoir. Gentlemen: One of the first provisions for economical work in the construction of Smith Hill Reservoir, presumed soon to be ordered by your honorable body, will be an abundant supply of water for puddling the materials. Rather than lay a long line of temporary pipes for this purpose it would be better to put down

the permanent mains from Hope pumping station, for they would be required so nearly coincident with the reservoir work. The board of public works asks, therefore, that it may be authorized to purchase the necessary quantity of Iron pipes, more especially because prices of iron have an upward tendency. A contract can be made at lower prices probably this autumn than next spring.

Very respectfully,
Clinton D. Sellew
Secretary.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, September 20, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, September 27, 1886.

No. 424.

Report.

Report.

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence:

Finance Committee. The joint committee on finance present herewith a bill for an ordinance making appropriations for the support of the city government for the fiscal year beginning on the first day of October, 1886, and ending September 30, 1887.

Annual Appns. Privation Bill. The city auditor's estimative expenditures, made to the city council under date of May 3, 1886, were, $2,329,971.99

The taxable valuation of the real and personal property of the city for 1886, as returned by the assessors of taxes August 2d. is real estate, $97,975,900; personal property, $32,281,500; total, $130,257,400; showing a gain in real estate of $5,088,500, and personal property of $966,900, as compared with the valuation of 1885.

The rate of tax as approved by the city council, June 8, 1886, was $1.40 on each $100. of the valuation which will produce a revenue of $1,823,603.60

For widening and extending Clinton Street, 1,723.97

$1,825,327.57

Report.

Amount brought forward	$1.825.337.57
For widening and extending Bowne st,	13,287.16
For widening and extending Hicksville st,	1,657.54
Unlawful buildings,	50.00
Amount of estimated receipts as per auditor's report,	470.000.00
Showing a total summ of	$2,310.332.27

Appropriation Ordinance.

As the larger part of the expenditure for the introduction of water into this city, and the completion of the main portion of the water works, was made several years since, your committee are of the opinion that the time has now arrived when the city should discontinue the system of hiring money on account of water construction, except for some extraordinary expense that may occur, and therefor have inserted in this bill an appropriation for the water works construction account.

There is a large amount of work needed to be done immediately on the highways, and your committee, knowing the pressing importance of such work, have made the appropriation for highways $220.000, believing the city council will approve the same, as recommended by the committee.

After careful consideration of the wants of the various departments for the next financial year, your committee have prepared the accompanying bill apportioning the revenue as in the opinion of the committee the best interests of the city will require.

For the committee,

George L. Phillips,

Chairman.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, September 29, 1886.

In Board of Aldermen, September 27, 1886.

Concurred.

No. 425.

City Hall Asphalt Pavement around.

Resolved,

That the board of public works are hereby directed forthwith, to cause the hollows worn in the asphalt pavement around the City Hall, to be filled with an asphalt concrete mixture, applied hot, the cost of the same to be charged to the appropriation for highways.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen September 27, 1886.

In Common Council, September 29, 1886.

Approved, September 30, 1886.

Gilbert T. Robbins

Acting Mayor.

No. 426.

Appropriations for Interest & Contingencies

Resolved,

That the sum of five thousand dollars is hereby added to the appropriation for interest, and the sum of ten thousand dollars to the appropriation for interest, and the sum of ten thousand dollars to the appropriation for contingencies, said sums to be taken from any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, September 30, 1886.

In Common Council, September 30, 1886.

Approved September 30, 1886.

Gilbert T. Robbins

Acting Mayor.

No. 427

City Auditor to balance Appropriations.

Resolved,

That in order to balance any of the general appropriations made by the city council, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1886, that may be exhausted, the city auditor is hereby authorized to transfer from one appropriation having a surplus to any other that may be exhausted such sum or sums as may be necessary to meet the same.

Passed, In Common Council, September 20, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, September 20, 1886.
Approved, September 30, 1886.
Gilbert J. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 428.

An Ordinance making Appropriations for the Support of the City Government for the Financial Year ending September 30, 1887.

Chapter CCCXXXI.

For Ordinance see Book of Ordinances No. 5 Page 21.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, September 20, 1886.
In Common Council, September 20, 1886.
Approved September 30, 1886.
Gilbert J. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 429.

Resolved,

Purchase of Lot in No. Burial Ground.

That the city treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to purchase of the owners, lot number one hundred and seventy-two, group number twelve, for a sum not exceeding twenty-four dollars, and charge the same to the North Burial Ground sinking fund.

Passed, In Common Council, September 20, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen September 27, 1886.
Approved, October 2, 1886.
Gilbert J. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 430.

Resolved,

Appropriation for Evening Schools

That the school committee is hereby authorized to expend the sum of fifteen thousand dollars for maintaining evening schools in the City of Providence during the fall and winter of 1886 and 1887; said sum or so much thereof as may be necessary to be charged to the appropriation for public schools.

Passed, In Common Council, September 20, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, September 27, 1886.
Approved, October 2, 1886.
Gilbert J. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 431.

Resolved,

Establishing Evening Schools.

That the school committee be and they are hereby authorized to establish for a term not exceeding twenty weeks during the fall and winter of 1886 and 1887, eleven ordinary evening schools, to be located in such buildings as said committee may select, subject to the approval of the joint committee on education.

Passed, In Common Council, September 20, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, September 27, 1886.
Approved October 2, 1886.
Gilbert J. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 432.

Resolved,

Sewer. Comstock ave.

That the board of public works are hereby directed to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Comstock avenue, from Broad street to Prairie avenue.

Passed, In Common Council, September 20, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, September 27, 1886.
Approved, October 2, 1886.
Gilbert J. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 433.

Resolved,

Taber ave. Water Pipes.

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about five hundred feet of eight-inch water pipes to be laid in Taber avenue, from Hem-

bolt avenue to Irving avenue.

Passed, In Common Council, September 20, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, September 27, 1886.
Approved October 2, 1886.
Gilbert J. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 434.

Resolved,

And it is hereby ordered and directed, that the sidewalks on Central street, from Pearl street to Bridgham street, in the City of Providence, shall be altered and improved by concreting the same from said Pearl street to said Bridgham street, so that said sidewalks for their whole length, as aforesaid, shall be the width as occupied, three eighths of an inch rise per foot from the inside of the curb to the street line, except modifications necessary to meet the occupation lines, and shall be otherwise constructed in manner and of materials as follows, viz.:

Central St.

All material above said grade shall be excavated and removed. Good sand or gravel shall be used for filling wherever it may be required.

Sidewalks Concreted.

The foundation shall be composed of clean, coarse gravel, properly coated with tar, and shall not be less than two inches in depth, after being rolled and thoroughly compacted.

The top of the foundation shall be brought to a smooth surface by the addition of fine pebble, completely coated with tar and thoroughly rolled.

The top dressing shall consist of clean, sharp sand, thoroughly saturated with tar, and applied in a layer of such thickness that, after being rolled and compacted, it will not be less than an inch in depth. The total depth of walk when finished shall not be less than three inches.

The quality of the tar used shall be equal in all respects to that made by the Providence Gas Company. The gravel and sand shall be thoroughly dry before coating or saturating the same with tar.

Do.

Said alteration and improvement of said sidewalks shall be completed within six weeks from the time of the passage hereof.

And it is hereby further resolved, ordered and directed, that the notices of the aforegoing resolution, order and direction, required to be given, and the publication of the aforegoing, required to be made, shall be given or made, as the case may be, in manner and as required by law.

Passed, In Common Council, September 20, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, September 27, 1886.
Approved October 2, 1886.
Gilbert J. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 435.

Resolved,

And it is hereby ordered and directed, that the sidewalks on the northerly side of Kenyon street, from America street to Dean street, in the City of Providence, shall be altered and improved by concreting the same from said America street to said Dean street, so that said sidewalks for their whole length, as aforesaid, shall be the width as occupied, three-eighths of an inch rise per foot from the inside of the curb to the street line, except modifications necessary to meet the occupation line, and shall be otherwise constructed in manner and of material as follows, viz.:

Kenyon St.

Concreting Sidewalks

All material above said grade shall be excavated and removed. Good sand or gravel shall be used for filling wherever it may be required.

The foundation shall be composed of clean, coarse gravel, properly coated with tar, and shall not be less than two inches in depth, after being rolled and thoroughly compacted.

The top of the foundation shall be brought to a smooth surface by the addition of fine pebble, com-

Kempton St.

pletely coated with tar and thoroughly rolled.

The top dressing shall consist of clean, sharp sand, thoroughly saturated with tar, and asphalt in a layer of such thickness that, after being rolled and compacted, it will not be less than an inch in depth. The total depth of walk when finished shall not be less than three inches.

The quality of the tar used shall be equal in all respects to that made by the Providence Gas Company. The gravel and sand shall be thoroughly dry before coating or saturating the same with tar.

Said alteration and improvement of said sidewalks shall be completed within six weeks from the time of the passage hereof.

And it is hereby further resolved, ordered and directed, that the notices of the aforegoing resolution, order and direction, required to be given, and the publication of the aforegoing required to be made, shall be given or made, as the case may be, in manner and as required by law.

Passed, In Common Council, September 20, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, September 27, 1886.
Approved, October 2, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 436.

Resolved:

That permission be granted to Thomas Feeley to raise a certain building located at No. 52 Steuben

Thomas Feeley

street, pursuant to his petition.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, September 27, 1886.
In Common Council, September 30, 1886.
Approved, October 2, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 437.

Water Pipes to Connect Reservoir on Smith Hill with Hope Pumping Station.

Resolved.

That the board of public works be hereby authorized to contract for the quantity of iron pipes necessary to connect the reservoir location on Smith Hill with the Hope Pumping Station, at an expense to the city of not exceeding ninety-five thousand dollars, and the city treasurer is hereby authorized to hire the same under the direction of the joint committee on finance.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, September 30, 1886.
In Common Council, September 30, 1886.
Approved, October 2, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 438.

Fall River & Providence Steamboat Co.

Resolved.

That permission is hereby granted to the Fall River and Providence Steamboat Company to place a steam heating pipe underground, across South Water street, from No. 70 on said street, to the new building opposite; provided that said Fall River and Providence Steamboat Company shall at all times indemnify and save harmless and defend the City of Providence of and from all damages, costs and expenses to which said city may be subjected or made liable by any proceedings at law, or in equity, or otherwise, growing out of the grant or continuance of the privileges granted to the said Fall River and Providence Steamboat Company by this resolution, or out of the exercise and enjoyment of the same by said company; said steam heating pipe to be constructed to the satisfaction of and in accordance with the plans of the city engineer, on file in his office; and provided, also, that before proceeding to do any work under this resolution, the said steamboat company shall file in the city clerk's office their acceptance in writing of the conditions of this resolution; and provided further, that said steam heating pipe shall be removed at any time by order of the city council.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, September 30, 1886.
In Common Council, September 30, 1886.
Approved, October 2, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 439.

E. P. Chapin.

Resolved,

That permission be granted to E. P. Chapin, trustee, to raise a certain building located at No. 160 Fountain street, pursuant to his petition.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, September 30, 1886.
In Common Council, September 30, 1886.
Approved, October 2, 1886,
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 440.

Intermediate School in the old Eddy St. School House.

Resolved,

That the school committee are hereby authorized to establish an intermediate school in the old Eddy street school building, and that said authority date from September 1, 1886.

Passed, In Common Council, September 30, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, September 30, 1886.
Approved, October 2, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 441.

Bellevue Avenue Grade of.

Resolved,

That the board of public works be, and they are hereby directed to cause Bellevue avenue to be graded from a point about nine hundred and fifty feet easterly from Canton street to Long pond, or to a point five hundred feet easterly, provided that the abuttors on said street where said grading is ordered, execute an instrument satisfactory to the city solicitor holding the city harmless from any damage or injury to their property

caused by said grading; the expense of said grading to be charged to the appropriation for contingencies.

Passed, In Common Council, September 30, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, September 30, 1886.
Approved, October 2, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 442.

Grand View St. Grade.

Resolved,

That the board of aldermen be, and they are hereby requested to define a grade for Grand View street, from North Main street to Camp street, in accordance with chapter 322 of the public laws, passed April 21, 1882.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen September 16, 1886.
In Common Council, September 20, 1886.
Approved, October 2, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 443.

North Davis St. & Chalkstone Ave.

Resolved,

That the board of public works, are hereby directed to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in North Davis street, from a point about three hundred and forty feet southerly from Chalkstone avenue to Chalkstone avenue and in Chalkstone avenue, from North Davis street to the present sewer in said Chalkstone avenue at the railroad bridge.

Passed, In Common Council September 30, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, September 30, 1886.
Approved, October 2, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

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No. 4444.

Report. Weigher at the Haymarket.

The Weigher at the Haymarket Scales, makes his Quarterly Report ending September 30, 1886.

Ordered, thereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, October 14, 1886.
In Common Council, October 18, 1886.

No. 4445.

Report.

Report.

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence:

The board of commissioners of sinking funds make this their fortieth quarterly report:

The bonds and notes comprised in the funded debt, for the redemption of which sinking funds are held by the commissioners, the purposes for which they were issued, and the amounts of the sinking funds, September 30, 1886, are shown by the following table:

Commissioners of Sinking Funds.

	Debt.	Sinking Fund.
Bonds due January 1, 1893, for payment incurred in suppressing the war of the rebellion, (6 per cent.)	$300,000.00	$333,366.92
Bonds due July 1, 1895, for construction of sewers and city hall (5 per cent. sterling loan.)	1,397,250.00	542,018.15
Bonds due June 1, 1899, for construction of sewers and city hall (4½ per cent.)	600,000.00	177,345.95
Bonds due July 1, 1899, for public improvements, (5 per cent.)	450,000.00	110,553.65
Bonds due July 1, 1900, for same purpose, (5 per cent.)	146,000.00	30,624.15
Bonds due July 1, 1900 for the water works, (5 and 6 per cent.)	4,000,000.00	393,795.97
Bonds due July 1, 1906, for the water works, (5 per cent.)	1,500,000.00	
Brook Street district fund		6,674.88
Amount carried forward,	$8,393,250.00	$1,594,579.67

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Amount brought forward	$8,393,250.00	$1,594,579.67
Bonds due September 1, 1916, for water works, (3½ per cent.)	483,000.00	58,479.22
Totals,	$8,876,250.00	$1,653,058.89

The amount of funds in the control of the board June 30, 1886, was—

Of the fund of 1893,	$325,441.92
Of the fund of 1895,	491,452.47
Of the city hall and sewer loan of 1899,	173,541.45
Of the public improvement loan of 1899,	94,520.58
Of the public improvement loan of 1900,	25,495.28
Of the water loan,	384,490.71
Of the Brook Street district fund,	355.66
Whole amount,	$1,495,298.07

The increase in the several funds has been:

In the fund of 1893,	$7,925.00
In the fund of 1895,	50,565.68
In the city hall and sewer loan of 1899,	4,004.50
In the public improvement loan of 1899,	16,033.07
In the public improvement loan of 1900,	5,128.87
In the water loan,	9,305.26
In the Brook Street district fund,	6,319.22
In the water loan of 1916,	58,479.22
Whole increase,	$157,760.82

The whole amount of the funds in the hands of the commissioners on the thirtieth day of June, 1886, was $1,495,298.07.

The whole amount of funds in the hands of the commissioners on the thirtieth day of September, 1886, was $1,653,058.89.

The increase in the funds for the quarter ending September 30, 1886, has been $157,760.82.

The Senator Henry Bowen Anthony prize fund held by the commissioners in trust, which is not included in the above report, remains as at the

Do.

last report of the commissioners, with an additions of interest amounting to $23.30, making the entire amount of the fund $3,046.58.

The amount to the credit of the water loan of 1916 shows the sums received for premiums on the bonds issued.

Respectfully submitted by request of the board of commissioners,

Gilbert F. Robbins

Acting Mayor and Chairman.

Providence, October 14, 1886.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, October 14, 1886.

In Common Council, October 18, 1886.

No. 4446.

Acting Mayor's Message.

Message.

City of Providence,
Executive Department,
City Hall, October 14, 1886.

Gentlemen of the City Council:

Commission to Examine Plan of Samuel M. Gray City Engineer for Sewerage System.

By resolution of the City Council, No. 418, current series, it was directed "that the president of the American Society of Civil Engineers be requested to appoint three competent persons to visit the City of Providence and examine the plan proposed by Samuel M. Gray, city engineer, for a sewerage system," etc, and on the 24th ultimo I addressed a communication to the president of the above society, enclosing a copy of the resolution, and requesting him to kindly comply with the same.

I have received and herewith transmit for your consideration his reply, naming Messrs. James P. Davis, Rudolf Hering and Robert Moore, as the gentlemen selected by him for the examination.

Gilbert F. Robbins,
Acting Mayor.

Read, In Board of Aldermen, October 14, 1886.

Do. In Common Council, October 18, 1886.

Copy.

St. Louis, October 7, 1886.

Hon. Gilbert F. Robbins, Acting Mayor, Providence, R.I.

Dear Sir:- In compliance with resolution No. 418 of the honorable city council of the City of Providence, transmitted to me in your letter of September 24th. I herewith appoint the following persons to examine the plans of Samuel M. Gray, city engineer, for a sewerage system, viz:

Jas. P. Davis, C. E.
Address care American Society C. E., New York city

Rudolf Hering, C. E.
Address Chief Engineer, board of public works, Chicago Ill.

Do. Robert Moore C. E.
Address 325 Chestnut street St. Louis Mo.

I beg leave to state that each of the above named gentlemen has signified to me his willingness to serve.

Yours very truly,
Henry Flad,
President American Society C. E.

No. 4447.

Sewerage System.

Resolved,

That the message of the mayor communicating the appointment by the president of the American Society of Civil Engineers of a commission to examine the plan of Samuel M. Gray, city engineer, for a sewerage system of the City of Providence, is hereby referred to the joint standing committee on the city engineer's department, with authority to arrange with said commission for an examination of said plan as proposed by resolution No. 418 current series.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, October 14, 1886.
In Common Council, October 18, 1886.
Approved, October 20, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 448.

Resolved,

That the Ladies' Missionary Society of the Central Congregational Church of this city are hereby permitted to use the ward room of the second ward, situated on Benefit street, at such times as will not conflict with the requirements of the city, and upon such terms as the committee on city property may direct.

Ladies' Missionary Society of Central Congl.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, October 14, 1886.
In Common Council, October 18, 1886.
Approved, October 20, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 449.

Resolved,

That the joint standing committee on city property is hereby authorized to reshingle the roof, repair the gutters, lay a new floor and put in new doors in the hook and ladder room, and do such painting and plastering as may be necessary on the fire station on Harrison street. Also to reshingle the roof, repair the gutters and to otherwise renovate the fire station on Richmond street. The expense in each case is limited to one thousand dollars, and shall be paid from the appropriation for the repairs of public buildings.

Fire Stations on Harrison and Richmond Sts.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, October 14, 1886.
In Common Council, October 18, 1886.
Approved, October 20, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 450.

Resolved,

That the joint committee on city property is hereby authorized to fit a room at the Thayer street grammar school building for the use of intermediate pupils, and a room at the Smith street primary and intermediate school building for the use of grammar pupils, the expense thereof to be charged to the appropriation for the repairs of public buildings, and the rooms to be designated by the superintendent of public schools.

Furnishing of Rooms in Thayer & Smith Sts. School Houses.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, October 14, 1886.
In Common Council, October 18, 1886.
Approved, October 20, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 451.

Resolved,

That the city treasurer be and he is hereby directed to pay to Mary Fallon, of Winslow place, the sum of eighteen dollars and nine cents, the same being the amount erroneously paid by her for a tax assessed in 1884, said payment to be charged to the appropriation for contingencies.

Mary Fallon.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, October 14, 1886.
In Common Council, October 18, 1886.
Approved, October 20, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 452.

Resolved,

That permission be granted to the Providence Gas Company to raise a building located at the corner of Fremont and Ashburton streets, pursuant to its petition.

Prov. Gas Co.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, October 14, 1886.
In Common Council, October 18, 1886.
Approved, October 20, 1886.

Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 453.

Resolved,

That the board of aldermen be, and they are hereby requested to define a grade for Amy street, from Iris street to Hano street, in accordance with Chapter 322 of the public laws.

Amy St.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, September 16, 1886.
In Common Council, October 18, 1886.
Approved, October 20, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

Referred.

The Joint Committee on Finance make their Monthly Report upon the Issue of Registered Bonds.

Finance Committee on Issue of Bonds.

Read, whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, October 18, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, October 21, 1886.

The City Treasurer makes his Monthly Report upon the Issue of Registered Bonds.

City Treasurer on Issue of Bonds.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, October 18, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, October 21, 1886.

No. 456.

The Chief Engineer of the Fire Department makes his Monthly Report for September, 1886.

Report. Chief Eng. of the Fire Depart.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, October 18, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, October 21, 1886.

No. 457.

The City Messenger makes his Monthly Report for September, 1886.

Report. City Messenger.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, October 18, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, October 21, 1886.

No. 458.

Communication.

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence:

In accordance with resolution No. 438, series of 1886, the Fall River and Providence Steamboat Company have filed in this office an agreement in writing to accept and abide by all the conditions contained in said resolution by which they were granted authority to place and maintain a steam pipe underground, across South Water street.

Fall River & Providence Steamboat Company.

Respectfully submitted,
Henry O. Jackson,
City Clerk.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, October 18, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, October 21, 1886.

No. 459.

Acting Mayor's Message.

Messages.

City of Providence
Executive Department
City Hall, October 18, 1886.

Gentlemen of the City Council:

Obadiah Slade, superintendent of public buildings, died suddenly on the 18th. instant.

Death of Obadiah Slade Supt. of Public Buildings.

Mr. Slade had held the office of superintendent since the establishment of the department of

Obadiah Slade. Death of. public buildings in January, 1869. His peculiar qualities for the position which he occupied, and the careful and correct manner in which he managed the varied details of his department, rendered him a valuable officer to the city.

In the death of Mr. Slade the city council has lost a valued servant, on whose great aim was to perform his duties for the accomplishment of what was for the best interest of the city.

I recommend that the city council takes into consideration the matter of filling the existing vacancy in the office of superintendent of public buildings.

Gilbert F. Robbins,
Acting Mayor.

Read, In Common Council, October 18, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, October 21, 1886.

No. 461.

Messages.

Acting Mayor's Messages.

City of Providence
Executive Department
City Hall, October 18, 1886.

Gentlemen of the City Council:

The city messenger has called my attention to the present imperfect condition of the electric call system to the several offices and rooms of the city hall.

Electric Call System in City Hall.

For a long time these calls have required frequent attention from an electrical engineer, necessitating a great expense for reparation, which is constantly increasing, without any substantial benefits being derived. In the construction of the city hall, the plan for the arrangement of the wires was defective, no provision being made by which in case of accident they could be accessible for repairs, and not even a diagram is in existence showing the location of wires.

To obviate this trouble it will be necessary to arrange for a new and complete system in place of the one now almost useless.

I therefore recommend that authority be given the city messenger to provide a new arrangement of wires to

do. connect with the speaking tubes to the different offices and rooms in the city hall.

Gilbert F. Robbins,
Acting Mayor.

Read, In Common Council, October 18, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, October 21, 1886.

No. 461.

Electric Wires in City Hall.

Resolved,

That the message of the mayor, dated October 18, 1886, relative to the condition of the electric wires in the city hall, be and the same is hereby referred to the joint standing committee on city property.

Passed, In Common Council, October 18, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, October 21, 1886.
Approved, October 25, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 462.

Messages.

Acting Mayor's Message.

City of Providence
Executive Department
City Hall, October 18, 1886.

Gentlemen of the City Council:

I have received from the president of the New York and New England Railroad Company a communication, a copy of which is herewith transmitted, requesting the city to join in a reference of all matters arising from a grant to the Hartford, Providence and Fishkill Railroad Company of the cove lands, so called, to three judges of the supreme court, as individuals, as arbitrators.

N.Y. & N.E. R.R. Co.

Cove Lands.

This communication was referred by me to the law department, and a copy of the reply of the city solicitor is also transmitted herewith.

I recommend that the whole matter be referred to the joint standing committee on

ordinances, with instructions to examine and report thereon.

Gilbert F. Robbins,
Acting Mayor.

Read, In Common Council, October 18, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, October 21, 1886.

Copy.

Communication from President of the N.Y. & N.E.R.R. Co.

New York and New England Railroad Company, President's Office, 244 Federal Street,
Boston, Mass., October 11, 1886.

To His Honor Gilbert F. Robbins, Acting Mayor of the City of Providence:

Dear Sir: It has recently become necessary, under advice of counsel, to bring a fresh suit before the supreme court of Rhode Island in reference to land granted by the city many years ago. The necessity of bringing this suit was a matter of regret to the company, as well as to me personally, and the board of directors has authorized me to enter into an agreement with the City of Providence to refer to arbitrators the title of the company to the land claimed by it under the resolutions of the City Council of Providence passed in 1852, thus saving the expense and delay of a technical trial in court.

This company therefore proposes and asks the city to join in a reference of this entire matter to the three judges of the supreme court who are senior in office, as individuals, as arbitrators.

Very truly yours,
Charles P. Clark,
President.

City Solicitor's Office,
City of Providence, October 14, 1886.

To Gilbert F. Robbins, Acting Mayor:

Communication of City Solicitor

Dear Sir: I am in receipt of the letter to you of the date of October 11, 1886, from Charles P. Clark, Esq., President of the New York and New England Railroad Company.

It is true that the New York and New England Railroad Company has brought a suit by bill in equity against the city in reference to the title of a portion of the cove lands, so called, as also for the recovery of certain bonds held by the city treasurer. Such suit or action must ultimately be tried and decided by the supreme court in equity under the strict rules of law and equity, unless some other course is adopted by agreement. It is thought that a reference of all matters involved in the controversy concerning said lands and said bonds can be more speedily and fairly tried and more satisfactorily determined by the judges as arbitrators, with full power to determine all questions between the parties and full power to define the lines between the land of the New York and New England Railroad Company and the city, than even by the same men sitting as a court of equity. I not only see no objection to the course suggested, but believe such course will conduce to the best interest of each party, and therefore unhesitatingly recommend that the city join the railroad company in making such arbitration.

Do.

It is for the interests of both parties that these controversies be speedily settled.

I am very truly yours,
N. Van Slyck,
City Solicitor.

Do.

No. 463.

Resolved:

That the message from the mayor, dated October 18, 1886, relative to the request of the New York and New England Railroad Company for a reference to arbitrators of the claim of said company to the title of a portion of the cove lands, so called, be referred to the joint standing committee on ordinances with instructions to ex-

Arbitrators N.Y. & N.E.R.R. Co. vs Cove Lands.

amind and report thereon.

Passed, In Common Council, October 18, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, October 21, 1886.
Approved, October 25, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins,
Acting Mayor.

No. 464.

Report.

Report.

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence:

The joint committee on parks, to whom, on the seventh day of June, 1886, was referred the resolution requesting the said committee to examine and report as to the feasibility of purchasing a tract of land lying between Chalkstone avenue and Valley street, near Pond street, for the purpose of a park, report that they have examined the tract of land named, which belongs to the Honorable Thomas Davis, and find that it is eminently suitable for a park. It contains about thirty-five acres, with four or five buildings on the same, all built of stone, one of them being a large and beautiful house, that would serve for the purpose of a museum. The others could be used to good advantage for various purposes.

Thomas Davis Estate for Public Park.

Perhaps but few of the citizens of Providence are aware that one of the most beautiful places for a park lies within one mile of the city hall, but this is the fact, as the spot named extends to Valley street, near the Rhode Island Locomotive works.

There is a beautiful lawn on the top of the hill, and we find a diversity of landscape that is well adapted for a park. There are many large and beautiful trees, such as oak, chestnut, white and yellow pine, maple, beach, besides other forest and ornamental trees, some of them being at least seventy-five years old. There is also a valley, with a brook running through its entire length, that would answer for a lake.

Do.

There would be no necessity of laying out much

Do.

in the place for a number of years, as it is in good condition for use at once.

All of the committee were present, being accompanied by the superintendent of parks and two members of the common council from the tenth ward.

It was the unanimous opinion of the committee that this tract of land is well adapted for a park.

As to the feasibility of purchasing the same, that must depend upon the action of the city council.

For the committee,
Joseph H. Fanning,
Chairman.

In Common Council October 18, 1886,
Do. In Board of Aldermen, October 21, 1886,
Read, whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.

No. 465.

Resolved,

That the joint committee on parks be directed to obtain a price for which the estate of Thomas Davis can be purchased for park purposes, and that they be directed to obtain a refusal of said estate until the city council decides whether or not the purchase shall be made.

Thomas Davis Estate for Park purposes

Passed, In Common Council, October 18, 1886
In Board of Aldermen, October 21, 1886.
Approved, October 25, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 466.

Resolved,

That the joint committee on parks be, and they are hereby authorized to expend the sum of fifteen hundred dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, for the alteration and repairs of the building known as the boat house at Roger Williams park;

Boat House at Roger Williams Park.

the same to be charged to the appropriation for Roger Williams park.

Passed, In Common Council, October 18, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, October 21, 1886.
Approved, October 25, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor

No. 467.

Resolved.

That the committee on city property be, and they are hereby directed to make a valuation of the Fruit Hill School Estate. Fruit hill school estate, and report the same to the board of public works.

Passed, In Common Council, October 18, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, October 21, 1886.
Approved, October 25, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 468.

Resolved.

That the board of public works be, and they are hereby directed to pay into the city treasury the Fruit Hill School Estate. amount of the valuation made by the committee on city property for the Fruit hill school estate, and charge the same to the water works construction account.

Passed, In Common Council, October 18, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, October 21, 1886.
Approved, October 25, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 469.

Resolved.

That the city treasurer is hereby di- Prov. Journal Co. rected to pay the Providence Journal Company four hundred and fifty-one dollars and thirty-six cents, and David O. Black three hundred and sixty-four

dollars and eighty-eight cents for advertising, and charge the same to the appropriation for contingencies.

Passed, In Common Council, October 18, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, October 21, 1886.
Approved, October 25, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins

No. 470.

Resolved,

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed Bergen St. to cause about two hundred and twenty-three feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Bergen street, from Irving street northerly.

Passed, In Common Council, October 18, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, October 21, 1886.
Approved, October 25, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 471.

Resolved,

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation are hereby directed to Blackstone St. cause about four hundred and seventy-nine feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Blackstone street, from Prairie avenue easterly.

Passed, In Common Council, October 18, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, October 21, 1886.
Approved, October 25, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 472.

Resolved,

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed Manchester St. to cause about two hundred and sixty feet of six-inch

water pipes to be laid in Manchester street, from Hospital street westerly.

Passed, In Common Council, October 18, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, October 21, 1886.
Approved, October 25, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 473.

North Perry Bell & Eiswald Streets.

Resolved,

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about two hundred and ninety seven feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in North Perry street, from end of pipe to Bell street, in Bell street from North Perry to Eiswald street, and in Eiswald street, from Bell street one hundred and eighty feet northerly.

Passed, In Common Council, October 18, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, October 21, 1886.
Approved, October 25, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 474.

Oregon & Derry Streets.

Resolved,

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about three hundred and eighty-six feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Oregon and Derry streets, from Whipple street to a point about one hundred and fifty feet northwest of Oregon street.

Passed, In Common Council, October 18, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, October 21, 1886.
Approved, October 25, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 475.

Richardson St.

Resolved,

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about twenty-four feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Richardson street, from end of pipe west of Plain street westerly.

Passed, In Common Council, October 18, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, October 21, 1886.
Approved, October 25, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 476.

Sampson & Jackson aves. & Barrington Street.

Resolved,

That the board of public works are hereby directed to cause about seventeen hundred and forty-two feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Sampson avenue, from present end of main easterly to Burrington street, in Burrington street to Jackson avenue, and in Jackson avenue easterly to Barnaby street.

Passed, In Common Council, October 18, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, October 21, 1886.
Approved October 25 1886,
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 477.

Robert H. Lee

Resolved,

That the gift of Robert H. Lee, of the sum of three hundred dollars, to the commissioners of the North Burial Ground, in trust, the income thereof to be applied under the provisions of chapter 367 of the public laws, to the preservation and care of the burial lot standing in the name of said Lee, in said ground, be and the same is hereby accepted under the name of Robert H. Lee fund.

Passed, In Common Council, October 18, 1886.

In Board of Aldermen, October 21, 1886.
Approved, October 25, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 478.

Abby F. Sessions Admnx.

Resolved,

That the gift of Abby F. Sessions, administratrix, of the sum of one hundred dollars, to the commissioners of the North Burial Ground, in trust, the income thereof to be applied under the provisions of chapter 367 of the public laws, to the preservation and care of the burial lot standing in the name of Thomas Sessions, in said ground, be and the same is hereby accepted under the name of the Thomas Sessions fund.

Passed, In Common Council, October 18, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, October 21, 1886.
Approved, October 25, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 479.

Emily A. Hopkins

Resolved,

That the gift of Emily A. Hopkins, of the sum of seventy-five dollars, to the commissioners of the North Burial Ground, in trust, the income thereof to be applied under the provisions of chapter 367 of the public laws, to the preservation and care of the burial lot standing in the name of said Hopkins, in said ground, be and the same is hereby accepted under the name of the Emily A. Hopkins fund.

Passed, In Common Council, October 18, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, October 21, 1886.
Approved October 25, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 480.

Wm. G. Hammond & Simon M. Pike

Resolved,

That the gift of William G. Hammond and Simon M. Pike, of the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars, to the commissioners of the North Burial Ground, in trust, the income thereof to be applied under the provisions of chapter 367 of the public laws, to the preservation and care of the burial lot standing in the name of said Hammond and Pike, in said ground, be and the same is hereby accepted under the name of the Hammond and Pike fund.

Passed, In Common Council, October 18, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, October 21, 1886.
Approved, October 25, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 481.

Valley Street

Resolved,

That the board of aldermen be hereby requested to lay out Valley street, from Helen street to Dike street, as a public highway.

Passed, In Common Council, October 18, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, October 21, 1886.
Approved October 25, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

Ordered.

In Convention

October 25, 1886.

In Convention

No. 482.
Report.

Funeral of late Mayor Thomas A. Doyle

Report.

To the Honorable the City Council.

The joint special committee appointed to arrange for the funeral of Thomas A. Doyle, late

Committee

mayor of this city, beg leave to report that the first part of their duty was duly attended to by causing the city hall to be properly draped, the body to lie in state in the building which had for so many years been his official home, and then borne to the First Congregational Church, where appropriate funeral services were held; after the ceremonies the Masonic fraternity took charge of the remains and committed them to their final resting place in Swan Point cemetery. The city, through its committee, assumed the full charge and direction of the funeral, and now, in furtherance of the time-honored usage and in accordance with the instructions of the resolution appointing said committee, they submit the accompanying minute.

For the Committee,
Alfred Stone,
Chairman

Read, Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

1883.
Minute

Minute.

Thomas Arthur Doyle, member of the common council from June, 1852, to June, 1855, and from June, 1856, to June, 1857, president of that body from June, 1854, to June, 1855, and mayor of the city from June, 1864, to June, 1869, from June, 1870, to January, 1881, and from January, 1884, died June 9, 1886.

His death closed a life of unremitting toil in the service of his native city.

Thomas Arthur Doyle.

Identified in the earliest years of his manhood with the municipal government, he carefully and zealously studied the principles of civil polity and became prominent as an active and fearless exponent of those principles, while at the same time he conceived and urged with untiring energy, aided by the force of a convincing argument, those advanced ideas of municipal growth and improvement which had for their attainment the greatest benefit to the city.

Memorial.

Not alone was his merit recognized in the inception and advancement of those greater projects which have inured to the city's benefit, but in the smallest details of the government, his painstaking care and upright were particularly manifested.

Persistent to the extreme in the advocacy of those measures which to him seemed best and right for the municipality, he yet so far accorded to those who differed from him an honesty of purpose and an equal right to their opinions in opposition to his, that were it proved to him that he had erred in judgment, no one was readier, or more willing, than he to admit his error and accept the position which had been proved to him to be better.

There was no project conceived or inaugurated during his connection with the municipal government which did not obtain his careful consideration and an independent expression of his opinion. The records of the city bear ample and convincing evidence of the successful issue of the great works which he advocated, and which in so great a degree have been instrumental in the growth and prosperity of the City of Providence.

His conception of duty is best expressed in his own words addressed to the city council in his first inaugural message as mayor, and defined the position upon which was based his action, and to which he persistently adhered: "It is not my nature, however, to falter in the accomplishment of a purpose until I am satisfied that the object sought cannot be attained. . . . . Taking the charter and laws for my guide, I shall not shrink from the performance of any duty that shall seem to be required, or hesitate to assume any responsibility that may belong to my position."

Fearless and independent in the discharge of every duty, no consideration of personal interest could induce him to give his support to any measure which he did not thoroughly believe was for the high

Committee. est good of the community. This adherance to duty and disregard for self and personal aggrandizement, together with an entire freedom from the slightest imputation of seeking, or accepting any emolument other than that to which he was justly and legally entitled, commanded the respect of his opponents, and while they may have rightly opposed the measures which he supported, yet they accorded to him a sincerity of motive in the support of those measures and an honest purpose in their execution.

His long public life is ended, and the record that he leaves to the generations of people of this city will remain an enduring memorial of a man kind and generous alike to friends and antagonists, bold and fearless in the performance of duty, and honest in the administration of the numerous trusts committed to his care.

Of him it is unquestionably recorded that he loved his native city, was true to her interests, and devoted the best years of his life to her faithful service.

Read and unanimously adopted.

Eulogistic addresses are delivered by Aldermen White and Burnham, Councilmen Miller, Millett, Marcy, Fanning, Carr, Crane and Armstrong, and acting mayor Robbins.

Resolved:

That the city clerk under the direction of Messrs. Slom, Millett, Phillips, Pierce, Marcy, Perrin and Whipple, of the common council, and Aldermen White and Hart be hereby authorized to arrange and print, for the use of the city council, a memorial of the proceedings in connection with the obsequies of the late mayor Thomas Arthur Doyle, together with the addresses delivered at the session of the city council, held October 28, 1886; the expense thereof to be charged to the appropriation for contingencies

Passed, In Common Council, October 28, 1886.

Pt. Special Committee to print

Memorial to Thomas A. Doyle.

In Board of Aldermen October 28, 1886.
Approved November 6, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins,
Acting Mayor.

No. 485.

Resolved:

That in the opinion of the city council it is desirable and necessary to lay out, widen and extend Gesler street, from Knight street to Vinton street, of an uniform width of forty feet, and making the southerly boundary of the same to coincide with the southerly line of Gesler street as shown and defined on a certain plat entitled "Plat of House Lots in the City of Providence, belonging to the heirs of Bradford Allen," and recorded in plat book 6, page 56, in the office of the recorder of deeds; and, whereas, certain real estate will be required for that purpose,

Gesler St.

Resolved:

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

Resolved,

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

Do.

Passed, In Common Council, October 18, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, November 4, 1886.
Approved, November 6, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

Indexed.
No. 486.

Index to City Documents of the City of Providence. (1854 to 1886).
City Document No. 29.
In Board of Aldermen November 4, 1886,
In Common Council, November 8, 1886,
Read, Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Index to City Documents.

No. 487.

Acting Mayor's Message.

City of Providence,
Executive Department,
City Hall, November 3, 1886.

Message.

Gentlemen of the City Council:

I herewith transmit for your consideration a communication received from the Seekonk river bridge commission.

Seekonk River Bridge Commission.

Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

Read, In Board of Aldermen, November 4, 1886.
In Common Council, November 8, 1886.

Copy.

Seekonk River Bridge Commission,
Secretary's Office,
Providence, October 30, 1886.

Do.

To Gilbert F. Robbins, Acting Mayor, &c, City:

Communication.

Dear Sir: This commission have heretofore notified you, as also your predecessor in the mayor's chair in his life time, of their desire to surrender the manage-

ment and control of the Seekonk river bridge within its limits to the City of Providence. The commission having adjusted all outstanding claims are now, as for six months past they have been, anxious to close their accounts at the earliest practicable date, in order that they may make their report to the supreme court, and secure the appointment of a commission of apportionment.

By order of the Seekonk river bridge commission,

George E. Webster,
Secretary.

No. 488.

Report.

Report:

To the Honorable the City Council.

The joint standing committee on ordinances, to whom was referred the joint resolution of the city council to pay William H. McGrath his salary as foreman of Hook and Ladder Company, No 2, for the months of April, May, June, July and August, together with the report of the joint committee on the fire department thereon, respectfully report:

Pay of Fireman Wm. H. McGrath.

That they have given the matter careful consideration, and it appearing that the absence from duty of said McGrath, during the period above mentioned, was caused by disability incurred in the service, and that during all said period and until his return to his company, his name was continued on the roll of membership of the fire department as foreman of said company, your committee are of the opinion that he is entitled to be paid for the whole time mentioned in the resolution.

In considering this matter your committee have inquired into the custom of the

Foreman McGrath.

fire department in such cases, and have examined the rules and regulations of the fire department established April 6, 1885, and now in operation, and they have arrived at their conclusions not without encountering some difficulties.

Rule 35 of the said rules and regulations provides that "all applications for leave of absence from officers and members will be decided by the chief engineer;" and furthermore, that "in case of sickness said applicant shall report at headquarters before returning to duty."

This rule 35 contains the only reference to be found in said rules to the absence of officers, and there is no provision in said rules for the appointment of a substitute for an absentee except in rule 37, which provides that any call member intending to be absent from the city for twelve hours or more, shall, before leaving, give due notice to the foreman of his company, who shall fill said vacancy, the substitute receiving the sum of one dollar for each roll

Do. call he answers in such capacity, said sum to be paid by the absentee; and in the event of such absence being continued for a period of one week or more, that such absent member shall pay to the person filling his vacancy his full fire pay for that period. Yet without any other provision for the appointment of substitutes, rule 41 provides that "the pay of a substitute shall be at the rate of a hoseman, laddderman or driver, and shall be paid by the member for whom he serves, and any neglect to conform to this rule must be reported to the chief engineer."

This rule 41, besides being indefinite in that there are two classes of hosemen and laddermen, viz: permanent and call, whose salaries greatly differ, seems capable of two constructions; the one that it is applicable only to the members of the several companies, exclusive of the officers; the other that the officers and men are alike subject to its provisions, so that should a foreman be absent he would be compelled to pay

Do. for a substitute, although only at the rate of a hoseman, laddderman or driver, as the case might be.

Do. It appears, however, that it is the practice in the fire department, in the case of the absence of a foreman, not only to advance the assistant foreman to the duties and obligations of his superior, as provided by rule 17, but all other members of the company are advanced in like manner, so that, a foreman being absent, if another man is added to the company, he is given the lowest position, but is considered the foreman's substitute; and it is claimed that such a substitute was appointed and served for foreman McGrath during his absence, not only receiving the pay (from the city) of a laddderman, but being in fact a laddderman.

Furthermore it appears that the practice in the fire department has been, in the case of the absence of a foreman, to give the foreman's salary during his absence to the assistant foreman, which was done in McGrath's case, and the as-

Do. sistant foreman's salary is given in like manner to the next below him, and so on through the company, the result of which is that the foreman has no salary during his absence from which to pay his substitute if a hoseman, laddderman, or driver appointed to a company during the absence of a foreman merely to complete the complement of men on duty in such company under any circumstances can be deemed the substitute of such officer.

Your committee think that this custom is without authority, and should be discontinued, and that the rules and regulations of the fire department should be thoroughly revised, and that a definite provision for cases like the one under consideration should be made at once.

Meanwhile, under the existing ordinance, and provisions of said rules and regulations of the fire department, your committee are of the opinion that foreman McGrath is entitled

Do. to his full proportion of his annual salary during the of his absence, and therefor recommend

the passage of the resolution referred to them, and herewith returned.

For the Committee
Augustus S. Miller,
Chairman.

October 21, 1886.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen Oct. 21, 1886.
In Common Council, Oct. 8, 1886.

No. 489.

Fireman

Wm. H. McGrath.

Resolved,

That the city treasurer be and is hereby directed to pay to William H. McGrath his salary as fireman of Hook and Ladder Company No. 2 for the months of April, May, June, July and August in the year 1886.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, October 21, 1886.
In Common Council, November 8, 1886.
Approved, November 11, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 490.

Ordinance.

Boat House at Roger Williams Park.

Chapter CCCXXXII.

An Ordinance providing for the alteration and Repairs of the Boat House at Roger Williams Park.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, November 4, 1886.
In Common Council, November 8, 1886.
Approved, November 12, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.
(For Ordinance see Book of Ordinances No. 5 Page 25)

No. 491.

Resolved,

That the message from the Mayor transmitting the communication of the Seekonk river bridge commission, dated November 3, 1886, be hereby referred to the joint committee on ordinances, with instructions to examine and report as to whether said bridge is completed in accordance with the act directing the building of the same, and is in all respects ready for delivery to the City of Providence.

Seekonk River Bridge Commission.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen November 4, 1886.
In Common Council, November 8, 1886.
Approved, November 12, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 492.

Resolved,

That the board of aldermen be hereby requested to define a grade for Hazard avenue, from Olney street to Elmgrove avenue.

Hazard ave.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen October 21, 1886.
In Common Council, November 8, 1886.
Approved, November 12, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 493.

Resolved,

That the board of public works are hereby directed to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Gaspee street, from Angell street to Manning street.

Gaspee St.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, October 21, 1886.
In Common Council, November 8, 1886.
Approved, November 12, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 494.

Resolved:

That the board of public works are hereby directed to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Jewett street, from the sewer in Holden street to a point 220 feet northerly from Holden street,

Jewett St.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, October 21, 1886.
In Common Council, November 8, 1886.
Approved, November 12, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 495.

Resolved,

That permission be granted to Antonio Cella to raise a certain building located at No. 55 Spencer street, pursuant to his petition.

Antonio Cella

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, October 21, 1886.
In Common Council, November 8, 1886.
Approved November 12, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 496.

Resolved:

That permission is hereby granted to the Silver Spring Bleaching and Dyeing Company to erect and maintain a platform scale in Charles street, in front of the office of said company, provided that said company shall at all times indemnify and save harmless and defend the City of Providence of and from all damages, costs and expenses to which said city may be subjected or made liable by any proceedings at law or in equity, or otherwise, growing out of the grant or continuance of the privileges granted to said company by this resolution, or out of the exercise and enjoyment of the same by said company; said platform scale to be constructed to the satisfaction of and located in accordance with the plan of the city engineer, on file in his office, and

Silver Spring Bleaching and Dyeing Co.

provided, also, that before proceeding to do any work under this resolution, the said Bleaching and Dyeing Company shall file in the city clerk's office their acceptance in writing of the conditions of this resolution, and provided further, that said platform scales shall be removed at any time by order of the city council.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen November 4, 1886.
In Common Council, November 8, 1886.
Approved, November 12, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Mayor.

Received,
No. 497.

In Joint Committee on Finance make their Monthly Report on the Surrender of Coupon Bonds for October 1886.

Finance Committee.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Surrender of Coupon Bonds.

Passed, In Common Council, November 8, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, November 18, 1886.

No. 498.

The City Treasurer makes his Monthly Report on the Surrender of Coupon Bonds for October, 1886.

City Treasurer

Surrender of Coupon Bonds.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, November 8, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, November 18, 1886.

No. 499.

The City Auditor makes his Monthly Report for September, 1886.

City Auditor.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, November 8, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, November 18, 1886.

No. 500.

The City Auditor makes his Monthly Report for October, 1886.

City Auditor.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, November 8, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, November 18, 1886.

No. 501.

The City Treasurer makes his Monthly Report for September 1886.

City Treasurer.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, November 8, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, November 18, 1886.

No. 502.

The City Treasurer makes his Monthly Report for October, 1886.

City Treasurer.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, November 8, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, November 18, 1886.

No. 503.

The Chief Engineer of the Fire Department makes his Monthly Report for October, 1886.

Chief Eng. of the Fire Dept.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received

Passed, In Common Council, November 8, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, November 18, 1886.

No. 504.

The City Messenger makes his Monthly Report for October, 1886.

City Messenger.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, November 8, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, November 18, 1886.

No. 505.

Report Board of Public Works.

Fifteenth Quarterly Report of the Board of Public Works

City Document No. 31.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, November 8, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, November 18, 1886.

No. 506.

Report City Solicitor.

Semi-Annual Report of the City Solicitor

City Document No. 32.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, November 8, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, November 18, 1886.

No. 507.

Invitation.

Invitation Prov. Police Association.

Office of the Secretary,
Providence Police Association,
Providence November 8, 1886.

To His Honor the Acting Mayor and the Honorable City Council:

Gentlemen: In accordance with a unanimous vote of the entertainment committee of the Providence Police Association, an invitation is hereby respectfully extended to his honor the acting mayor and the honorable the city council to attend the fourth annual grand concert and ball of the association, to take place at Infantry hall, South Main street, December 2, 1886.

For the committee
John A. Murray
Chairman.

Read, and accepted, In Common Council, November 8, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, November 18, 1886.

No. 508.

Resolved.

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about one hundred and eighty-nine feet of six-inch and eighty-six feet of eight inch water pipes to be laid in Ashton street, from present end of pipe westerly, and in Silver Spring street, from Ashton street southerly.

Ashton & Silver Spring Streets.

Passed, In Common Council, November 8, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, November 18, 1886.
Approved, November 26, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 509.

Resolved,

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about two hundred and ninety-five feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Cambridge street, from Broad street westerly.

Cambridge St.

Passed, In Common Council, November 8, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, November 18, 1886.
Approved, November 26, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 510.

Resolved,

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about five hundred and forty-three feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Evergreen street, from Camp street westerly.

Evergreen St.

Passed, In Common Council, November 8, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, November 18, 1886.
Approved, November 26, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 511.

Resolved,

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about seven hundred and fifty feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Greeley street, from Charles street westerly.

Greeley St.

Passed, In Common Council November 8, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen November 18, 1886.
Approved, November 26, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 512.

Resolved,

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about eighty-five feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Harriet street, from Sayles street northerly.

Harriet St.

Passed, In Common Council, November 8, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, November 18, 1886.
Approved, November 26, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 513.

Resolved,

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about two hundred and thirty-four feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Laurel street, from Acorn street westerly.

Laurel St.

Passed, In Common Council November 8, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, November 18, 1886.
Approved, November 26, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 514.

Resolved,

That the board of public works, in accordance with their recommendation, are hereby directed to cause about two hundred and sixty-seven feet of six-inch water pipes to be laid in Shepard street, from Carpenter street to Broadway.

Shepard St.

Passed, In Common Council, November 8, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, November 18, 1886.
Approved, November 26, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 515.

Resolved,

That the board of public works are hereby directed to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Taber avenue, from Humboldt avenue to Irving avenue.

Taber av.

Passed, In Common Council, November 8, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, November 18, 1886.
Approved, November 26, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 516

Resolved,

And it is hereby ordered and directed, that the sidewalks on Doyle avenue, from Camp street to Eastern, in the City of Providence, shall be altered and improved by concreting the same from said Camp street to said Eastern avenue, so that said sidewalks for their whole length, as aforesaid, shall be the width as occupied, three eighths of an inch rise per foot from the inside of the curb to the street line, except modification necessary to meet the occupation line, except modification necessary to meet the occupation lines, and shall be otherwise constructed in manner and of materials as follows, viz:

Doyle ave.

All material above said grade shall be excavated and removed. Good sand or gravel shall be used for filling wherever it may be required.

Do.

The foundation shall be composed of clean, coarse gravel, properly coated with tar, and shall not be less than two inches in depth, after being rolled and thoroughly compacted.

The top of the foundation shall be brought to a smooth surface by the addition of fine pebble, completely coated with tar and thoroughly rolled.

The top dressing shall consist of clean, sharp sand, thoroughly saturated with tar, and applied in a layer of such thickness that, after being rolled and compacted, it will not be less than an inch in depth. The total depth of walk when finished shall not be less than three inches.

Do.

The quality of the tar used shall be equal in all respects to that made by the Providence Gas Company. The gravel and sand shall be thoroughly dry before coating or saturating the same with tar.

Said alteration and improvement of said sidewalk shall be completed within six weeks from the time of the passage hereof.

And it is hereby further resolved, ordered, and directed, that the notices of the aforegoing resolution, order and direction, required to be given, and the publication of the aforegoing required to be made, shall be given or made, as the case may be, in manner and as required by law.

Passed, In Common Council, November 8, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, November 18, 1886.
Approved, November 26, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 517.

Resolved,

That the city treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to remit, or if already paid to refund, the personal property tax erroneously assessed on fix-

Horace F. Carpenter.

teen thousand dollars against Horace F. Carpenter for the year 1886, said Carpenter being a resident of the town of Cranston, R. I.

Passed, In Common Council, November 8, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, November 18, 1886.
Approved, November 26, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 518.

Resolved,

That the board of aldermen be, and they are hereby requested to define a grade for Carolina street, Carolina St. from Pawtucket avenue to Nashua street, in accordance with chapter 322 of the public laws, passed April 21, 1882.

Passed, In Common Council, September 6, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, November 18, 1886.
Approved, November 26, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 519.

Resolved,

That the board of aldermen be, and they are hereby requested to define a grade for Concord street, northerly to as far as said street is unaccepted by the city, in Concord St. accordance with chapter 322 of the public laws, passed April 21, 1882.

Passed, In Common Council, September 6, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, November 18, 1886.
Approved, November 26, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 520.

Resolved,

That the board of aldermen be, and they are hereby requested to define a grade for Forest street, from Pawtucket avenue to Cemetery street, in Forest St. accordance with chapter 322 of the public laws, passed

April 21, 1882.

Passed, In Common Council, September 6, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, November 18, 1886.
Approved, November 26, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 521.

Resolved,

That the board of aldermen be, and they are hereby requested to define a grade for Nashua street, from Matilda street to Cemetery street, in accord- Nashua St. ance with chapter 322 of the public laws, passed April 21, 1882.

Passed, In Common Council, September 6, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, November 18, 1886.
Approved, November 26, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 522.

Resolved,

That the sum of fourteen thousand dollars is hereby added to the appropriation for the Appropriation for Sewers. construction of sewers, said sum to be transferred from the amount in the treasury received for sewer assessments.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, Nov. 18, 1886.
In Common Council, November 29, 1886.
Approved December 1, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 523.

Resolved,

That permission be granted to James Ivory to raise a certain building located at Nos. 80 and 82 James Ivory Oak street, pursuant to his petition.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, November 18, 1886.

In Common Council, November 29, 1886.
Approved, December 1, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 524.

Resolved:

That the city treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to Paris W. Mathewson the sum of seven hundred fifty-three dollars and ninety cents for granite furnished by him for the police station at the corner of Plain and Borden Paris W. Mathewson. streets, whenever said Mathewson shall execute a release to the city satisfactory to the city solicitor, in full for all claims to the date thereof.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, November 18, 1886.
In Common Council, November 29, 1886.
Approved December 1, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 525.

Resolved:

That the board of public works, as surveyors of highways of the City of Providence, be hereby ordered to proceed at the expense of said city, and execute the direction given by the city council to the owners of adjoining lots to concrete the sidewalks on Harrison street, from Cranston street to Sprague street, in and pursu- Harrison St. ant to resolution No. 346 approved May 24, 1886; and said board of public works is hereby further ordered to certify the expense thereof to the assessors of taxes with ten per cent. in addition thereto to cover the interest, cost of assessing and collecting.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, November 24, 1886.
In Common Council, November 29, 1886.
Approved, December 1, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

Passed.

No. 526.

Resolved:

That the sum of three thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated to pay the amounts due for land damages on account of the Seekonk river bridge, as provided for by chapter 249 of the public laws, passed at the January session of the general assembly, 1883, the same to be allowed by the city auditor to such parties and in such sums as the city solicitor shall certify to, and the city treasurer, acting under the advice and direction of the joint standing committee on finance, be and is hereby authorized to issue the said amount.

Appropriation for Seekonk River Bridges. (Land Damages)

Washington Bridge.

Passed, In Common Council, November 29, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, December 2, 1886.
Approved, December 6, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 527.

Communication.

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence.

The Silver Spring Bleaching and Dyeing Company, who were granted permission to erect and maintain a platform scale in Charles street, in front of the office of said company, have accepted the conditions of the resolution, under which the authority was given, by filing a written agreement in this office, November 18, 1886.

Silver Spring Bleaching & Dyeing Co.

Respectfully submitted,
Henry A. Joslin,
City Clerk.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, November 29, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, December 2, 1886.

No. 528.

Report:

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence:

Report: The joint special committee on the Brook street district present this their thirty-ninth quarterly report of receipts and expenditures:

Receipts for quarter ending September 30, 1886.

Rents, $12.00

Expenditures for quarter ending September 30, 1886.

Jt. Special Committee on Brook St. District. Henry M. Rodman, salary, $30.00

The committee further report the sale of land and old buildings in the district, during the quarter, amounting to the sum of sixty-nine hundred twenty-eight dollars and thirty-nine cents.

For the committee,

Thomas A. Millett,

Chairman.

Providence, October 1, 1886.

Schedule of Sales.

1886.			
July 1.	Amount of sales reported to this date,		$213,199.98
Aug. 21.	Stone lots, Cole street, south side,	$2,542.09	
" 21.	Wash house, reformatory estate,	56.00	
Sept. 6.	Stone lots north side Jackson street, corner Hope street	3,707.10	
" 14.	Lot on south side Jackson street,	623.20	6,928.39
	Total,		$220,128.37

No. 529.

Report of Commission on R.R. Terminal Facilities.

Final Report of the Commission on Railroad Terminal Facilities. Together with Correspondence between the Commission and the Providence and Worcester Railroad Company.

City Document No. 33.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same

Facilities. be received.

Passed, In Common Council, November 29, 1886.

In Board of Aldermen, December 2, 1886.

No. 530.

Resignation of Commission on Railroad Terminal Facilities.

Resolved:

That the resignations of William Goddard, Samuel J. Sprague and Harry E. Hillman, commissioners on improved terminal facilities, are hereby accepted, and it is further

Resolved:

That the thanks of the city council are hereby tendered to said commissioners for the faithful, patient and zealous manner in which they have for a protracted period discharged the onerous duties imposed upon them by resolution No. 65 of the series of 1885.

Passed, In Common Council, November 29, 1886.

In Board of Aldermen, December 2, 1886.

Approved December 7, 1886.

Gilbert F. Robbins

Acting Mayor.

No. 531.

Jt. Special Committee on R.R. Terminal Facilities.

Resolved.

That Messrs. Bassett, Mc Sally and Stone of the common council, and Aldermen Burnham and White be and hereby are appointed a committee to consider and report as soon as possible some method of action designed to provide additional terminal facilities for the various railroads entering the city.

Passed, In Common Council, November 29, 1886.

In Board of Aldermen, December 2, 1886.

Approved, December 7, 1886

Gilbert F. Robbins

Acting Mayor.

No. 532.

Report.

Report. To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence:

The joint standing committee on education, to whom was referred the petition of the Providence Free Kindergarten Association, praying the city to adopt the kindergarten on Smith's hill and provide for its maintenance, beg leave to submit the following report:

We have given to the question submitted to us our attention, and as directed gave a public hearing upon the matter. We have visited and inspected the kindergarten on Smith's hill and after mature deliberation unanimously recommend that the prayer of the petitioners be granted, and that the kindergarten now maintained in the Smith street school house by "Free Kindergarten Association" be adopted; that it be placed under the same management as the other schools; that the expenses of the kindergarten be provided for in the same manner as Kindergarten School. other schools, and that the school committee be authorized to fix the salaries of the teachers in the kindergarten at an aggregate sum not to exceed one thousand dollars per annum.

Our reasons for this recommendation may be briefly summarized as follows:

We believe the proper education of the rising generation to be one of weightiest if not the paramount obligation resting upon us. The public school system is the best yet devised to secure this end. To ensure its highest efficiency this system must be modified, from time to time, to keep pace with the progress of educational ideas. By the common consent of those best competent to judge, the point at which our school system most needs improvement is in the primary grades. We ask your attention at this point to the report of the school committee, pages 4-10.

Do. In the opinion of educational experts the introduction of the kindergarten into our system and

Do. the consequent infusion of the kindergarten methods and spirit into all our primary grades will prove of the greatest advantage to our educational work. The respect for the individuality of the pupil, the kindly personal attention, the mild discipline, the systematic training of the senses, the care in the formation of correct habits in manners and morals and especially the skill in the use of hands which prepare the way for industrial pursuits, seem to us to commend the kindergarten as a most valuable auxiliary.

That there is a public demand for the kindergarten is shown by the fact that a free kindergarten has been maintained for more than two years at private expense by public spirited citizens, who had no other object in view than the demonstration of the utility of this method of instruction. This fact was still further shown by the large number of citizens who, notwithstanding the stormy day, came to the public hearing. It is significant that while representatives of the State and city schools, the university, the normal school, the clergy, and the business men of the community came to urge the reform, no one appeared to say a word against it, and although the matter has been before the public for more than two years, and numerous articles have appeared in the public prints in its favor, nothing, so far as your committee advised, has ever been printed against it. If anything further was wanting to show that this improvement in our schools will meet the wants of those most deeply interested in it, it is found in the popularity of the school as shown by the large attendance and the enthusiasm evinced by the parents whose children have shared its advantages.

The kindergarten is no longer an experiment. Your committee are prepared to recommend it as existing on the ground of what this school has already done and from their own personal knowledge of its workings. But it is noteworthy that the kindergart-

Do.

Kindergarten School.

ew is making rapid headway throughout the country, and is now in successful operation in Boston, Philadelphia, St. Louis and other prominent cities, and has been adopted as a part of the city school system in our sister city Newport.

The expense of maintaining this kindergarten will be very small, and while it is desired to extend the system this can be done very gradually and only so fast as the experience of the practical working of this experiment shall make it manifestly wise.

While your committee do not believe that the adoption of this new school will necessitate any sudden or violent change in the working of our school system, we do confidently believe that its adoption is in the line of that general spirit of liberality and conservative progress that has ever characterized the management of the schools of this city, and that the adoption of this particular kindergarten will be the introduction of a new element into our schools, which in time will adjust itself to other parts of the system, modifying them to some extent, and being modified by them itself, doubtless thus rendering the public schools of Providence still more efficient, giving to every child in the city, rich and poor alike, a fair start in life, and thus ensuring to the city that intelligence and civic virtue which are the foundations of our prosperity, and the ripest fruits of our civilization.

Your committee further recommend the passage of the accompanying bill or an ordinance providing for carrying the provisions of the petition into effect.

Respectfully submitted for the committee,

Fred. J. Ward,

Chairman

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Do. Passed, In Common Council, November 29, 1886.

In Board of Aldermen, December 2, 1886.

No. 533.

Ordinance

An Ordinance Establishing a Kindergarten in the Smith Street School House.

Chapter CCCXXXIII.

(For Ordinance see Book of Ordinances, No. 5 Page 25.)

Passed, In Common Council, November 29, 1886.

In Board of Aldermen, December 2, 1886.

Kindergarten School.

Approved December 7, 1886.

Gilbert F. Robbins

Acting Mayor.

No. 534.

Report.

Report.

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence:

The joint standing committee on police would respectfully represent that the amount of the appropriation for building the new police station on Plain street is insufficient to meet the outstanding obligations. The causes which have led to an expenditure more than the estimated cost of the building, are largely due to the fact that some months were suffered to elapse between the time of preparing plans, specifications and estimates, and that of awarding the contracts. In the meantime prices of material had increased, and it necessitated carrying building operations through winter season not intended.

5th. Police Station on Plain St.

The extra work embraced some minor changes which were deemed necessary and advisable by the committee and superintendent of public buildings.

There is a balance of six hundred and forty-four dollars and thirty-eight cents remaining from the appropriation, for furniture, etc., which your committee request and recommend be transferred to the construction account of said building and in addition thereto the sum of thirteen hun-

5th Police Station.

dred and fifty dollars, said sum to be taken from any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated. In furtherance of this object your committee submit and recommend the passage of the accompanying resolutions.

Respectfully submitted,
Alfred S. Potter,
Chairman.
Joint Standing Committee on Police.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, November 29, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, December 2, 1886.

No. 535.

Appropriation for 5th Police Station.

Resolved,

That the sum of thirteen hundred and fifty dollars be, and the same is hereby added to the appropriation for the police station on Blair and Borden streets, to be taken from any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, and the balance of the appropriation made for furnishing said building, amounting to six hundred and forty-four dollars and thirty-eight cents is hereby transferred to the construction account.

Passed, In Common Council, November 29 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, December 2, 1886.
Approved, December 7, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 536.

Ordinance.

An Ordinance providing for the Perpetual Care of the Prescott Post Lot in the North Burial Ground.

Chapter CCCXXXIV

(For Ordinance See Book of Ordinances No. 5 Page 26)

Prescott Post Lot in No. Burial Ground.

Passed, In Common Council, November 29, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, December 2, 1886.
Approved, December 7, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins, Acting Mayor.

No. 537.

Electric Lights in Board of Aldermen and Common Council Chambers.

Resolved,

That the city messenger be, and he is hereby directed to cause electric wires and lamps to be put in the aldermen and common council chambers of the city hall, provided the cost of the same shall not exceed the sum of two hundred dollars, to be paid from the appropriation for maintenance of city hall.

Passed, In Common Council, Nov. 29, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, December 2, 1886.
Approved December 7, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor

No. 538.

Chambers of the Board of Aldermen & Common Council.

Resolved,

That the joint committee on lamps be and they are hereby directed to make a contract for lighting the aldermen and the common council chambers of the city hall, at an expense not exceeding the sum of two hundred dollars per annum, the same to be paid from the appropriation for maintenance of city hall.

Passed, In Common Council, November 29, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, December 2, 1886.
Approved, December 7, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 539.

Furnishings for the Reception Room in City Hall.

Resolved.

That the joint standing committee on finance be, and they are hereby appointed a committee to procure a proper rug for the floor of the reception room and such additional furniture as they may deem necessary, and they are hereby directed to remove the portraits of the eight senior mayors of the city from the common council chamber and to have them properly framed and hung in the

ception room of the city hall the expense of which shall not exceed two thousand dollars, to be taken from the appropriation for contingencies.

Passed In Common Council, November 29, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, December 2, 1886.
Approved, December 7, 1886.
Gilbert A. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 540.

School House on Carroll Street.

Resolved:

That the school committee be hereby authorized to establish a primary and intermediate school in the new school building on Carroll street.

Passed, In Common Council, November 29, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, December 2, 1886.
Approved, December 7, 1886.
Gilbert A. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 541.

Kenyon St. to Existing Sidewalk.

Resolved.

That the board of public works, as surveyors of Highways of the City of Providence, be hereby ordered to proceed at the expense of said city and execute the direction given by the city council to the owners of adjoining lots, to concrete the sidewalk on the northerly side of Kenyon street, from America street to Dean street, in and pursuant to resolution No. 435, approved October 2, 1886; and said board of public works is hereby further ordered to certify the expense thereof to the assessors of taxes, with ten percent. in addition thereto, to cover the interest, cost of assessing and collecting.

Passed, In Common Council, November 29, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, December 2, 1886.
Approved, December 7, 1886.
Gilbert A. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 542.

Benevolent St. Sewerage.

Resolved.

That the board of public works are hereby directed to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Benevolent street, from Thayer street to Brook street.

Passed, In Common Council, November 29, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, December 2, 1886.
Approved, December 7, 1886.
Gilbert A. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 543.

Ward Room & Police Station in Ninth Ward Eastern Dist.

Resolved.

That the joint standing committee on city property is hereby directed to cause to be constructed, a ward room and police station, in accordance with plans and specifications herewith submitted, upon the easterly portion of school lot corner of Greenwich street and Potters avenue, provided the cost of said structure, including its furnishings, shall not exceed the sum of eight thousand dollars; said sum, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to be paid from the appropriation for contingencies.

Passed In Common Council, October 18, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, December 2, 1886.
Approved, December 7, 1886.
Gilbert A. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 544.

Reports Division of Wards IX & X.

Report of the joint Committee on Ordinances upon the Division of Wards IX. and X. together with the Report of a Minority of said Committee.

City Document No. 35.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, December 2, 1886.

In Common Council, December 13, 1886.

No. 545

Ordinance. Hot House at Dexter Asylum.

On Ordinance Appropriating $800.00 for Building a Hot House at the Dexter Asylum.

Chapter CCCXXXV.

(For Ordinances See Book of Ordinances No. 5 Page 26)

Passed, In Common Council December 13, 1886.

In Board of Aldermen, December 16, 1886.

Approved, December 16, 1886.

Gilbert A. Robbins

Acting Mayor.

No. 546.

Report of Finance Committee. Issue of Bonds.

The Joint Committee on Finance make their Monthly Report on the Issue of Registered Bonds for November, 1886.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, December 13, 1886.

In Board of Aldermen, December 16, 1886.

No. 547.

Report of City Treasurer. Issue of Bonds.

The City Treasurer makes his Monthly Report on the Issue of Registered Bonds for November 1886.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed In Common Council, December 13, 1886.

In Board of Aldermen, December 16, 1886.

No. 548

Report. City Auditor

The City Auditor makes his Monthly Report for November, 1886.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, December 13, 1886.

In Board of Aldermen, December 16, 1886.

No. 549.

Report City Treasurer.

The City Treasurer makes his Monthly Report for November, 1886.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, December 13, 1886.

In Board of Aldermen December 16 1886.

No. 550

The Chief Engineer of the Fire Department makes his Monthly Report for November, 1886.

Read Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, December 13, 1886.

In Board of Aldermen December 16, 1886.

No. 551.

Report. City Messenger.

The City Messenger makes his Monthly Report for November 1886.

Read Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council December 13, 1886.

In Board of Aldermen, December 16, 1886.

No. 552.

Messages.

Acting Mayor's Messages.

City of Providence,
Executive Department, City Hall,
December 13, 1886.

Gentlemen of the City Council.

Complaint of Trustees of the Estate of Sarah B. Eaton against Fire Dept.

I have received a communication, now the trustees of the estate of Sarah B. Eaton, and from Daniel H. Carlin, complaining of the want of proper management and protection by the fire department at the fire upon their premises on the 7th inst, with the request that a public investigation of the matter be made.

I transmit herewith a copy of the complaint in

order that the city council may take such action thereon as may be considered proper and necessary.

Gilbert A. Robbins,
Acting Mayor.

Read, In Common Council, December 13, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, December 16, 1886.

Complaint against the Fire Department

[Copy.]

Providence, December 9, 1886.

Acting Mayor Robbins, Providence, R. I.:

Dear Sir: Complaint is hereby made of the want of proper management and protection by the fire department of this city at the fire upon the premises between Smith street, Oakland avenue and Eaton street, on Tuesday morning, December the 7th. inst.

We ask for a public investigation of the matter by the proper department or a committee of the city government, with public notice to all concerned, in order that the faults may fully appear.

W. W. Bailey,
Amasa M. Eaton,
Trustees of Estate of Sarah B. Eaton,
Daniel Mc Cartin.

No. 553.

Report

Report.

To the Honorable the City Council:

The joint standing committee on city property, to whom, by resolution No. 461, current series, was referred the message of the acting mayor relative to the repair of the electric call system in the city hall, report:

Electric Call System in City Hall.

That so far as relates to the condition of said electric call system, and the attempts that have been made at great expense to place said system in perfect order, but without success the message of his honor is a correct and concise statement.

So.

With regard to the suggestion that a new and complete system be substituted for the one now in use, your committee wish to say that in the opinion of the experts with whom they have conferred, such action is unnecessary; what is needed, however, is that the defective wires and annunciators be replaced by perfect ones. This can be done at an outlay not exceeding twenty-five hundred dollars, and satisfactory results guaranteed. The adoption of the accompanying bill for an ordinance is recommended.

Respectfully submitted for the Committee.

James Mc Daly
Chairman.

Read, thereupon it is ordered that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, December 13 1886
In Board of Aldermen December 16 1886.

No. 554.

Ordinance Electric Call System in City Hall.

An Ordinance Providing for the Repair of the Electric Call System in the City Hall.

Chapter CCCXXXVI.

For Ordinance see Book of Ordinances, No. 5 Page 27)

Passed, In Common Council, December 13, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen December 16, 1886.
Approved December 20, 1886.

Gilbert A. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 555.

Report.

Report.

To the Honorable the City Council:

Channel of the Woonasquatucket & Moshassuck

The joint special committee appointed by resolution No. 406, approved September 13, 1885, and continued by resolution No. 446, approved January 28 1886, "to report plans for walling in the channels of the Woonasquatucket and Moshassuck rivers through the Cov

Cove & Filling Cove Basin.

basin, and for filling said cove basin," respectfully report:

The resolution under which the committee was appointed, directed plans and specifications to be made for the following purposes, viz:

First. For building retaining walls for the channels of the Woonasquatucket and Moshassuck rivers from the points of their inlets into the Cove basin to the point of the outlet to the Cove basin into the Providence river.

Second. For dredging the channels of said rivers to a good and sufficient depth.

Third. For extending all sewers or main drains that now empty into the Cove basin into the proposed channels of said rivers, or to a point below the Crawford street bridge, or to such a point as may be deemed best for the health of the city of Providence.

Fourth. For filling the Cove basin except such parts as may be needed for the proposed channels of said rivers and the extension of all sewers or main drains."

There were also referred to this committee the following, viz.:

Do. First. Resolution to apply to the general assembly for authority to issue $1,000,000 for building walls and filling the Cove basin.

Second. Resolution to report a plan for constructing a conduit through the Cove basin.

Third. Report of the superintendent of health upon filling the Cove basin.

The committee has given the matter careful, earnest and mature consideration. The unsettled state of affairs in regard to the question of improved railroad terminal facilities at the time this important subject was first assigned to the committee led them to extend the scope of their inquiries with a view of adapting the contemplated improvement in the Cove basin so as to meet any of the exigencies that might arise in the solution of the railroad problem. The committee has been in constant consultation with the city engineer, and devoted much attention to the examination of

Do. various plans for carrying into effect the resolution

Do. under which they were appointed. From the engineer's estimates, herewith presented and made a part of this report, it will be seen that the cost of building retaining walls for the Moshassuck and Woonasquatucket rivers and for filling the Cove basin is more than $1,000,000 — a sum, in the opinion of your committee, altogether too large to ask the general assembly for authority to expend in this project at this time. In order, however, to obtain the best estimates of the cost of doing the work proposed, the city engineer made a careful investigation of the matter at different times, and in his report to the committee, presented November 4, 1885, the cost of the work was estimated at $1,224,117. On January 20, 1886, the engineer made another report reducing this amount somewhat, the estimated cost being $1,116,113. At the request of the committee the engineer made another examination of plans, etc., and on April 5, 1886, presented an estimate giving the cost at $1,003,467 — to which, however, must be added $95,887 for bridging over the new channel of the Moshassuck river, and

Do. $66,825 if the retaining walls to Providence river are built without piles and foundations.

The estimates submitted by the city engineer, together with an outline of the plans proposed, are appended to this report.

Your committee, therefore, in view of the great cost, and under existing circumstances relative to the possible future use of the Cove basin for improving the railroad terminal facilities of the City of Providence, return the resolutions referred to them, and recommend that the further consideration thereof be indefinitely postponed, and that the committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Respectfully submitted for the Committee

Charles D. Rogers,

Providence, December 13, 1886. Chairman.

Read, when upon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Do.

Passed, In Common Council, December 13, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, December 16, 1886.

No. 556.

Report of the joint Committee on Parks relative to Roger Williams Park.

Roger Williams Park.

City Document, No. 36.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, December 13, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, December 16, 1886.

No. 557.

Resolved,

That the city engineer is hereby directed to make an estimate of the cost of dredging the Dredging near Pleasure Island. water lying north of the Deer park, as per plans of H. A. S. Cleveland.

Passed, In Common Council, December 13 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, December 16, 1886.
Approved, December 20, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 558.

Resolved,

That the city treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to Ann Fraley the sum of two hundred dollars for the damages to her estate on Fenner avenue, caused by the filling in of said avenue, whenever she shall execute and deliver to the city a release satisfactory to the city solicitor of all claims for damages which have or may happen to her estate by reason of grading said avenue.

Ann Fraley.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen December 2, 1886.
In Common Council, December 13, 1886.
Approved, December 20, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 559.

Resolved,

That the city treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to remit the personal property tax assessed against Abby P. Welch, the same having been assessed against and paid by the estate of John C. Welch.

Abby P. Welch.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, December 2, 1886.
In Common Council, December 13, 1886.
Approved, December 30, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 560.

Resolved,

That the city treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to Mary Martha the sum of fourteen dollars, said amount having been paid by her into the treasury in excess of the tax upon the property as valued by the assessors through a clerical error in the office of the assessors, said sum to be charged to the appropriation for contingencies.

Fleury Martha.

Passed, In Common Council, December 13, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen December 16, 1886.
Approved, December 21, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 561.

Resolved,

That the board of aldermen is and they are hereby requested to define the grade of Douglas street, from Butler avenue easterly to the end of said Douglas street.

Douglas St. Grade.

Passed, In Common Council, July 15, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen December 16, 1886.
Approved, December 21, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 562.

Ordinance.

Revision of City Ordinance.

An Ordinance Comprising the General Ordinances of the City of Providence.

For Ordinance see Book of Ordinances (No. 5 Page 30.)

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, December 2, 1886.
In Common Council, December 13, 1886.
Approved December 27, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 563.

Special Committee

To investigate Fire Depart.

Fire in Estate of Sarah B. Eaton.

Resolved.

That the complaint transmitted by the acting mayor in a message dated December 13, 1886, of Messrs. H. W. Bailey and Amasa M. Eaton, trustees of the estate of Sarah B. Eaton and of Daniel Mc Carthy, against the fire department for want of proper management and protection at the fire upon their premises, December 7, 1886, be referred to a joint special committee consisting of Aldermen Burnham and Briggs, and Messrs. Manchester, Armstrong and John Mc. Rounds of the common council, with instructions to give a public hearing and to investigate all matters connected therewith, and to report to the city council; and said committee are hereby authorized, by its chairman for the time being, to summon witnesses and administer oaths.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, December 16, 1886.
In Common Council, December 27, 1886.
Approved December 29, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 564.

Jt. Special Committee To investigate Fire in Ninth Ward.

Resolved.

That a joint special committee consisting of aldermen Burnham and Briggs, and Messrs. Manchester, Armstrong and John Mc. Rounds of the Common Council, cause an

do. investigation and public hearing on the fire in the ninth ward which occurred December 6, 1886, at which one Finman lost his life, and two others were seriously injured.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen, December 16, 1886.
In Common Council December 27, 1886.
Approved December 29, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 565.

Appropriation for Purchase of Lands of Heirs of Williams Randall

Resolved.

That the joint standing committee on city property is hereby authorized to purchase for the City of Providence that tract of land, upon the northerly corner known as sections O. and B. on plat of heirs of the late William Randall, containing about 44,187 square feet, at an expense not greater than two thousand dollars, said sum, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to be paid from the appropriation for contingencies, provided the deed and title of said land is satisfactory to the city solicitor.

Passed, In Board of Aldermen December 16, 1886.
In Common Council December 27, 1886
Approved December 29, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 566.

Message.

Acting Mayors Message.

City of Providence,
Executive Department,
City Hall, December 27, 1886.

Committee of American Society of Civil Engineers

Gentlemen of the City Council:

I have received and herewith transmit for your consideration the report of the committee of the American Society of Civil Engineers, appointed under resolution No. 418, current series, "to examine the plan

proposed by Samuel M. Gray, city engineer, for a sewerage system," etc.

Gilbert J. Robbins,
Acting Mayor.

Read, In Common Council, December 27, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, December 30, 1886.

No. 567.

Rept of Commission of American Society Civil Engineers upon Sewerage Plan.

Report of the Commission of the American Society of Civil Engineers upon the Sewerage Plan of Samuel M. Gray, City Engineer.

{City Document No. 37.}

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, December 27, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, December 30, 1886.

No. 568

Report of Sealer of Weights & Measures.

Semi Annual Report of the Sealer of Weights and Measures.

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, December 27, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, December 30, 1886.

No. 569.

Report.

School House on Bellevue ave. Carll and Somerset sts.

Report.

To the Honorable the City Council.

The joint standing committee on education would respectfully represent that there is not money remaining from the appropriation sufficient to meet all the claims due upon the three school buildings now about ready for occupancy. Among the causes which have necessitated the request for an additional appropriation, they desire to say that in order to improve the Carll street lot and make a suitable play ground for the children, they were obliged to construct a bank wall and surmount the same with an iron fence. This

do. improvement necessitated an expenditure of nineteen hundred dollars not contemplated in the original estimate. In order to provide drainage for the water closets located in the basement of the Somerset street school house your committee were obliged to lay a six inch drain pipe from the building and connect the same with the sewer in Prairie avenue. This amount was additional to the estimate.

Your committee recommend and request the passage of the accompanying bill for an ordinance adding the sum of two thousand dollars to the appropriations for building the school house on Bellevue avenue, Carll and Somerset streets.

Respectfully submitted,
Fred. J. Macy,
Chairman.

do. Read, whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.

Passed, In Common Council, December 27, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen December 30, 1886.

No. 570.

Ordinance Appropriation for School House on Bellevue ave Carll & Somerset sts.

An Ordinance Adding Two Thousand Dollars to the Appropriation for Building School Houses on Bellevue avenue, Carll and Somerset Sts.

Chapter CCCXXXVII.

Passed, In Common Council, December 27 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, December 30 1886.
Approved December 31, 1886.
Gilbert J. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

(For Ordinance in Book of Ordinances No. 5 Page 28.)

No. 571.

Stephen G. Arnold.

Resolved.

That the message of his honor the acting mayor, returning, with his objections thereto, a resolution to remit the tax of fifteen dollars and forty cents against Stephen G. Arnold for cuttings, together with said resolution, be and they are hereby

referred to the committee on claims.

Passed, In Common Council, December 27, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, December 30, 1886.
Approved, December 31, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 572.

Ordinance. An Ordinance Providing for the Publication of the Revised Ordinances.

Chapter CCCXXXVIII.

Publishing the Revised Ordinances.

(For Ordinance see Book of Ordinances, No. 5 Page 28.)

Read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed In Common Council, December 27, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, December 30, 1886.
Approved, December 31, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 573.

Ordinance fixing Salaries of the Assessors of Taxes. An Ordinance fixing the Salaries of the Assessors of Taxes from and after the First Monday in January, 1887.

Chapter CCCXXXIX.

(For Ordinance see Book of Ordinances No. 5 Page 29.)

Passed, In Common Council, December 27, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, December 30, 1886,
Approved, December 31, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 574.

Mary F. Clark widow of Firman Clark. Resolved.

That the city treasurer be, and he is hereby authorized and directed to pay to Mary F. Clark, widow of Alonzo P. Clark, late permanent member of the fire department, full pay for the month ending December 31, 1886, amounting to fifty-eight dollars and thirty-three cents,

the same to be charged to the appropriation for the fire department.

Passed, In Common Council, December 27, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, December 30, 1886
Approved, December 31, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 575.

Ellen M. Duff Widow of Firman Duff. Resolved.

That the city treasurer be, and he is hereby authorized and directed to pay to Ellen M. Duff, widow of Nicholas B. Duff, late call member of the fire department, full pay for the quarter ending December 31, 1886, amounting to the sum of fifty dollars, the same to be charged to the appropriation for the fire department.

Passed In Common Council, December 27, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen December 30 1886.
Approved, December 31, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 576.

Somerset St. Water Pipes. Resolved.

That the board of public works be, and they are hereby ordered forthwith to lay a water pipe in Somerset street a sufficient distance to enable the school house on said street to be supplied with water.

Passed, In Common Council, December 27, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen December 30 1886.
Approved, December 31, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 577.

Uncollectable Taxes. Resolved,

That the city treasurer be, and he is

Uncollectable Taxes.

hereby directed to abate the several taxes and assessments for the years 1883 and 1884 reported by the city treasurer December 27, 1886, as uncollectable, amounting to eight thousand one hundred and eight dollars and sixty nine cents.

Passed, In Common Council, December 27, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, December 30, 1886.
Approved, December 31, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 578.

Commissioners of N. Burial Ground to Construct Railway across North Grove St.

Resolved,

That the commissioners of the North Burial Ground are hereby given permission to construct a temporary railway across North Grove street, in order to facilitate the transportation of sand and gravel to be used in filling and grading in the North Burial Ground,

Passed, In Common Council, December 27, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, December 30, 1886.
Approved, December 31, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

No. 579.

Mary W. Beattie Gift to North Burial Ground.

Resolved,

That the gift of Mary W. Beattie of the sum of one hundred and twenty-five dollars to the commissioners of the North Burial Ground, in trust, the income thereof to be applied under the provisions of chapter 367 of the public laws, to the preservation and care of the south half of the burial lot standing in the names of Walter and John Beattie in said ground, be and the same is hereby accepted under the name of the John Beattie Fund.

Passed, In Common Council, December 27, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, December 30, 1886.
Approved, December 31, 1886.
Gilbert F. Robbins, Acting Mayor.

No. 580.

Ellen M. Duff & Mary F. Clark Widows of Former Duff & Clark.

Resolved,

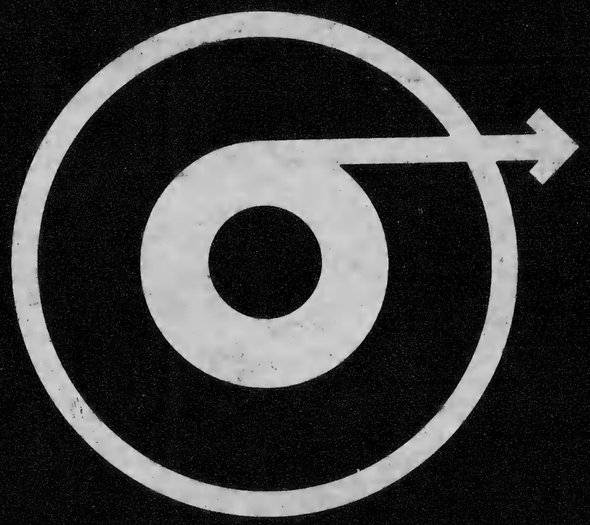
That the city treasurer be, and he is hereby authorized and directed to pay to Ellen M. Duff and Mary F. Clark, widows of Nicholas B. Duff and Alonzo B. Clark, late members of the fire department, who have died from injuries received and sickness contracted while engaged in actual fire service, the sum of one thousand dollars each, the same to be paid out of any moneys in the city treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed, In Common Council, December 27, 1886.
In Board of Aldermen, December 30, 1886.
Approved January 1, 1887.
Gilbert F. Robbins
Acting Mayor.

Mayor.

(See City Council Record, No. 14.)

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