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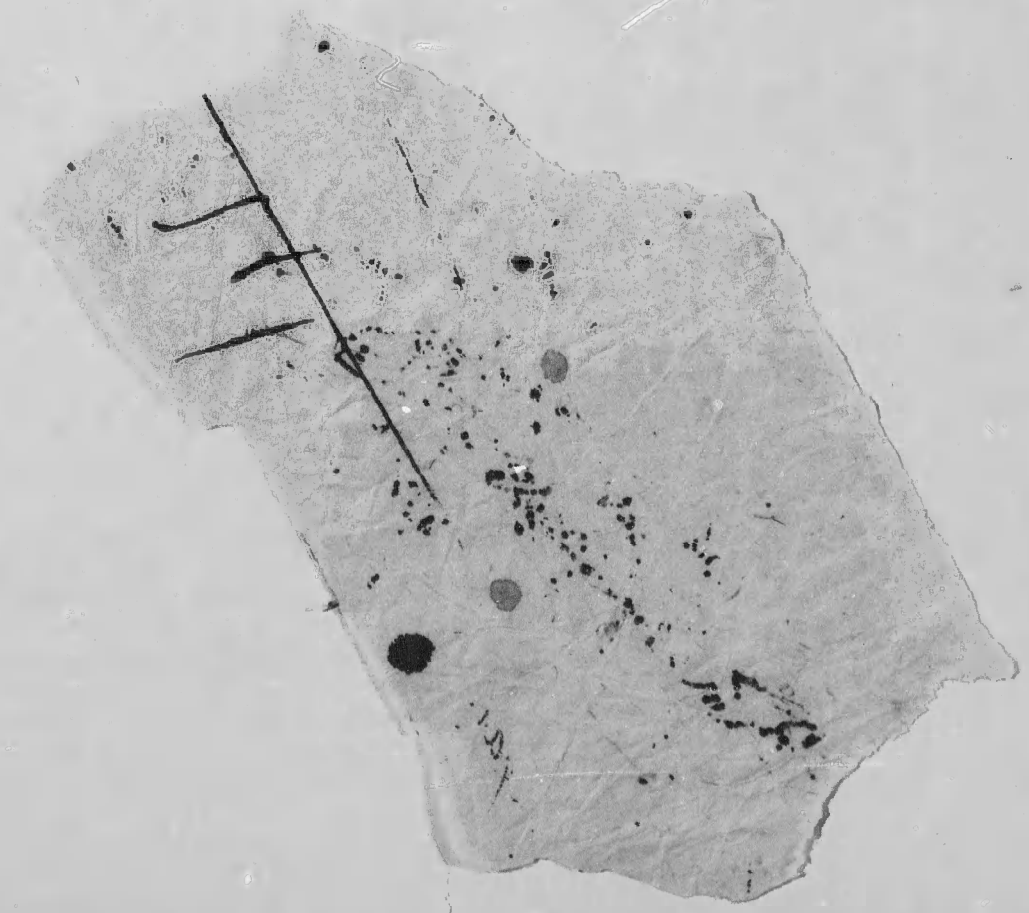
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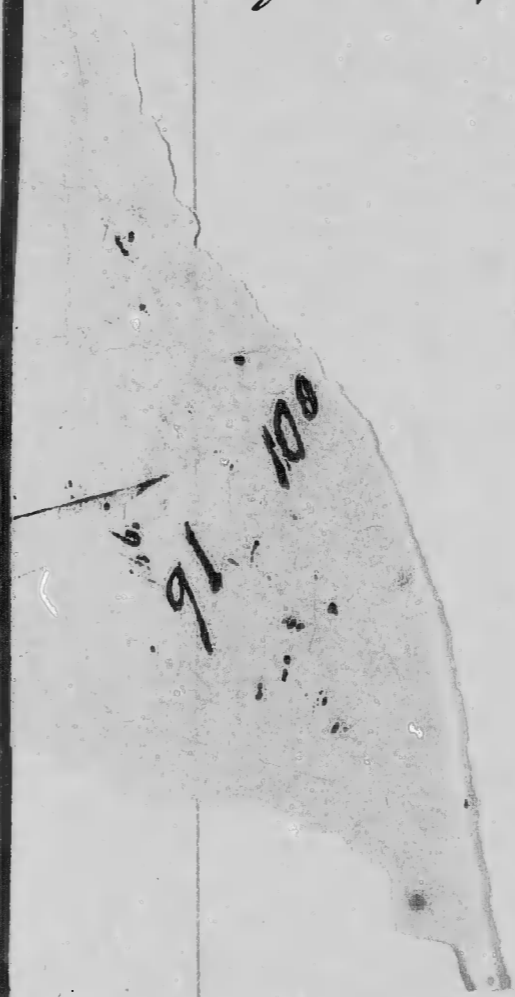
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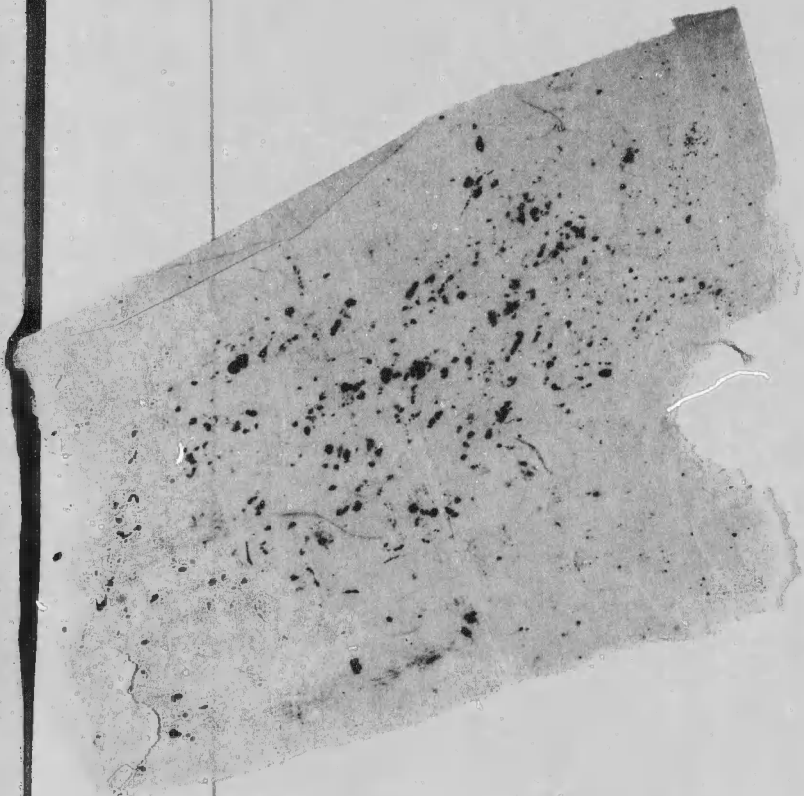
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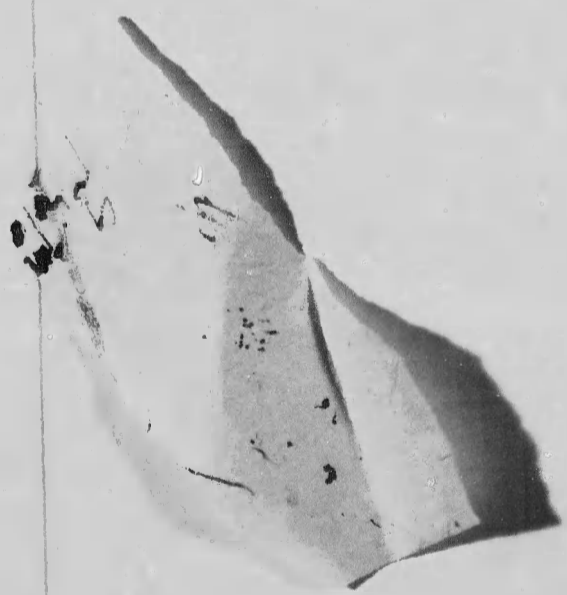
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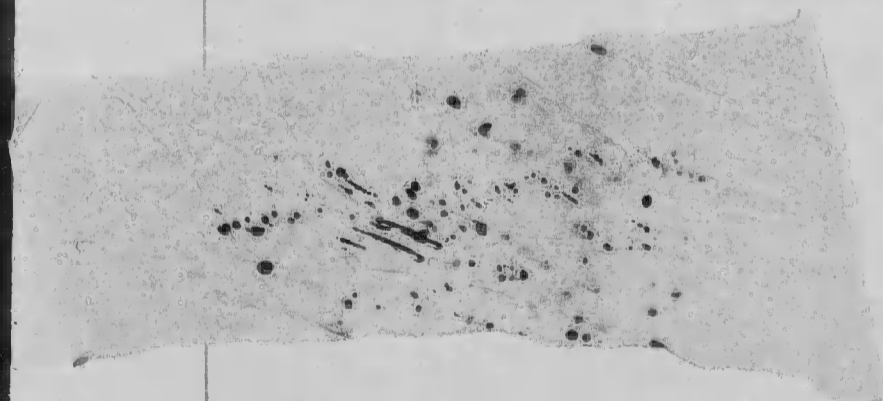
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**PROVIDENCE JOURNAL.**

THURSDAY MORNING, MAY 14, 1840.

FOR PRESIDENT:  
**WILLIAM H. HARRISON,**  
OF OHIO.

FOR VICE PRESIDENT:  
**JOHN TYLER,**  
OF VIRGINIA.

ON THE OUSIDE OF THE DAILY.—Round Clams, A  
Sketch by M. Baldwin.

**THE MUNICIPAL ELECTION.**

The election of City Officers took place yesterday, and resulted, as a matter of course, in the success of the Whig ticket. A ticket was run with the name of Gen. Carrington, for Mayor, it was done however without his consent and he publicly declined being a candidate. No locofoco ticket was run. The vote is unprecedentedly small.

Ward.	VOTE FOR MAYOR.	
	Bridgham.	Scattering.
1st Ward,	42	4
2d "	192	2
3d "	33	23
4th "	37	32
5th "	42	11
6th "	75	9
Total	381	80

Ward.	VOTES FOR ALDERMEN.					
	Thomas R. Holden	Joseph Cady	James Wheaton	Thomas C. Hopkins	Pinneas Foster	John F. Phillips
First Ward.	37	43	41	45	45	3
Second Ward.	102	101	104	105	104	105
Third Ward.	53	54	47	51	50	54
Fourth Ward.	87	85	74	88	87	89
Fifth Ward.	52	50	51	54	53	52
Sixth Ward.	80	82	77	83	69	77
Total	411	415	394	428	318	322

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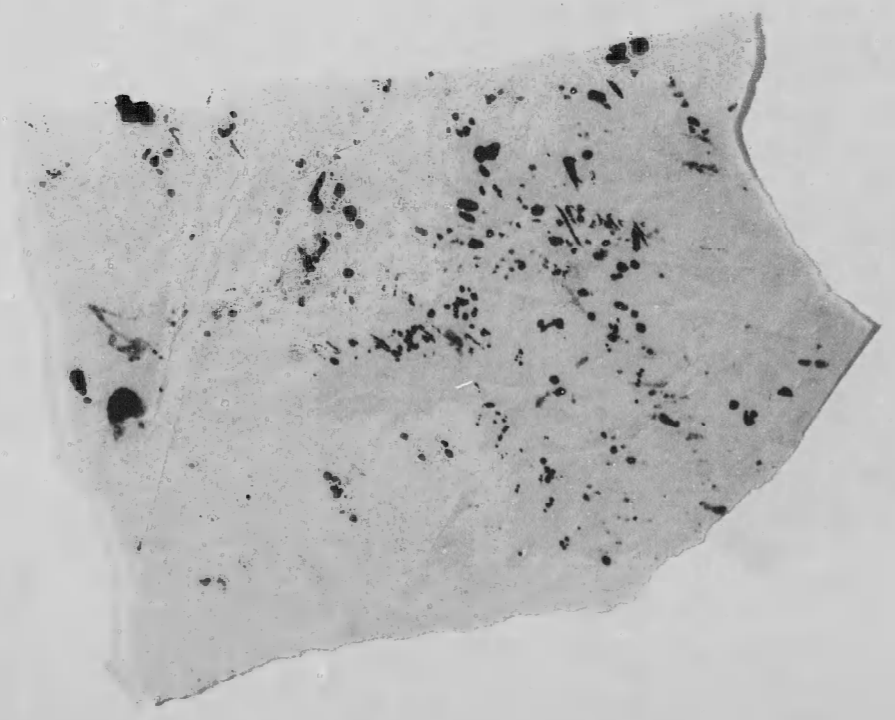
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*of the*  
*CITY OF PROVIDENCE.*

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*Book N<sup>o</sup> 3;*

*From*  
*September 16<sup>th</sup> 1839,*  
*to*  
*December 7<sup>th</sup> 1843.*

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September 16<sup>th</sup> 1839.

Common Council, September, 16<sup>th</sup> 1839.

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

*Job Luther.*  
24. A Petition of Job Luther, for leave to fence in & enclose a burying lot in the North Burial Ground, is presented and read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on the North Burial Ground, to examine and report thereon.

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

*City funds.*  
A Communication from the City Treasurer, respecting the deposit of the City funds, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance: - Which Committee report the following Resolution, which is read and passed: viz

- Do. Resolved, that Messrs Jackson, Young and Cranston, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be authorized to make an arrangement with any one of the City Banks, for the deposit of the City funds, for the present municipal year, upon such terms as they may think most for the interest of the City.
- Concurred: + Alderman Whipple a. d. d.

*Peter of H. H. Braun*  
Adm. A Petition of Hugh H. Braun, Administrator of the Estate

September 16<sup>th</sup> 1839.

of Ebenezer P. Brown deceased, for relief, is presented & read: Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received, and referred to Messrs Cranston, Young and Willard, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon.

Concurred: & Alderman Holden added.

My Servt.  
Boston  
Rail Road.

A Petition of the New York, Providence, and Boston Rail Road Company, for leave to extend their rail-road, from its present termination, to a lot of land owned by them on Dyer and Bonance Streets, - is presented and read: Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to Messrs Brown, Gardiner and Jackson, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon.

Concurred: & Alderman Whipple added.

Palemon  
Pidge.

A majority of the Joint Committee, to whom on the 26<sup>th</sup> of August last, was referred the petition of Palemon Pidge, for the restoration of certain swine, make Report, recommending the restoration of a part of said swine, accompanied by a Resolution for that purpose. and Mr Cranston, one of said Committee, also makes Report dissenting from the opinion of said majority: which Reports are read: Whereupon it is resolved that the same be severally received.

Resolved, That the swine taken up on the 19<sup>th</sup> ult, by the City Sergeant in behalf of the City, and belonging to Palemon Pidge, be restored to said Pidge; he paying the Keeper of the Dexter Asylum, the cost of keeping said swine from the time of their being taken up, until their delivery back to said Pidge: And that the Keeper of the Dexter Asylum is hereby authorized to deliver up said swine to said Pidge, on his compliance with the above conditions.

Concurred.

September 16<sup>th</sup> 1839.

Report on  
Board of St.  
Paving  
& others.

The Joint Committee to whom on the 26<sup>th</sup> of August last, was referred the petition of Job F. Angell and others, for the prohibition of the sale of all kinds of provisions in the vicinity of the Market House, from carts, make Report, that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of said petition, which Report is read: Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, and that said petitioners have leave to withdraw their petition  
Concurred.

Willard  
Charles  
Streets.

The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 26<sup>th</sup> of August last, was referred the petition of Joseph G. Melcalf & others for repairs on Will and Charles Streets, make Report, which is read: Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received.

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to cause Will and Charles Streets, to be graded and gravelled, - provided the owners of land adjoining said street, erect curb-stones.

Randall  
Street.

The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 26<sup>th</sup> of August last, was referred the petition of Philip W. Martin & others for repairs on Randall Street, make Report, which is read: Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received.

Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause the gutters in Randall Street to be paved, whenever the owners of the adjoining lands shall erect curb-stones in front of their respective lands.

(Concurred Sept 27<sup>th</sup> 1839)

Smith  
Street.

The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on

September 16<sup>th</sup> 1839.

the 26<sup>th</sup> of August last was referred the petition of Rufus Smith and others, for repairs on Smith Street, make Report, which is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received.

20. Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to cause the gutters in Smith Street, from Back Street to Charles Street, to be paved, provided that the owners of the adjoining lands shall first cause curb-stones to be erected, and the side-walks graded in front of their respective lands.

Resolved, that said Surveyor be and he is hereby directed to cause curb-stones to be erected, and the gutters paved in front of the Water House Lot, on said Smith Street.

(Concurred Sept<sup>r</sup> 23<sup>d</sup> 1839.)

cross walks High & Cranston Streets. A Petition of Benjamin S. Olney & others for a cross walk across High and Cranston streets, is presented and read.

2. Upon the petition of Benjamin S. Olney and others, it is Resolved, that the same be received, and that the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause a cross walk to be laid, across High and Cranston Streets, at the junction of said Streets.

Concurred.

City Debt. Resolved, that the City Treasurer, acting under and with the advice of Messrs Jackson, Young and Cranston, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be authorized to renew so much of the public Debt as may be due or falling due within thirty Days, not exceeding in the whole the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars, for a term not longer than twelve months, and at

September 16<sup>th</sup> 1839.

a rate of interest not exceeding six per cent. Concurred, and Alderman Cady added.

Waylopset & Cove Street Bridges. 2. 223.

Resolved, that the Committee appointed to cause Waylopset and Cove Street Bridges to be re-built, be, and they are hereby authorized and directed to procure a chain for connecting said Bridges, and also to draw upon the City Treasury for the payment of the expenses of relaying the pavement and side walks which were a way be taken up during the erection of said bridges. said expenses to be paid out of the appropriation for rebuilding said bridges.

Concurred.

Petition of Amasa Mason & others. 16.

A Petition of Amasa Mason and others, praying that measures may be adopted by the City, for the drainage of the land in that part of the City bounded North only on Broad Street, East by Bonaventure Street, South by Eddy's Point, and West by Chesnut Street, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to Messrs Knowlton, Ballett and Angell, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon.

Concurred, & Alderman Holden added.

Side walks Market Square.

Resolved, that Messrs Hughes, Hadron, and Willard, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to confer with the Commissioners of Side-Walks, relative to the widening of the sidewalks on the North side of Market Square.

Concurred, & Alderman Wheaton added.

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September 16<sup>th</sup> 1839.

Int. of the  
Dea. 3

Resolved, that the standing Committee to Enact Ordinances, together with Messrs Young and Cranston be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to cause fifty copies of the Bill entitled "An Ordinance relative to the Interment of the Dead," to be printed, for the use of the City Council.

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Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

Sundry persons are pro-pounded for admission as freemen of the City.

Sundry persons are elected members of Engine Companies No 4 and 5.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Thursday the 19<sup>th</sup> Day of September instant, at half past six o'clock, P.M.

Members present.

Mr. President.

Messrs Angell,

Anthony,

Brown,

Cranston,

Gardiner,

Goodhue,

Gurney,

Hudson

Hughes,

Jackson,

Knables,

Knawltor,

Mason,

Thornton,

Thurber,

Willard,

Young,

18.

Albert Greene, Clerk

7.

September 19<sup>th</sup> 1839.

Common Council, September 19<sup>th</sup> 1839.

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

Int. of the  
Dea. 3

The bill, entitled "An Ordinance relative to the Interment of the Dead," which was on the 16<sup>th</sup> of September instant, ordered to be printed for the use of the City Council, is again read, amended, and passed.

Engine  
House  
No 7.

A communication from the Board of Stewards, relative to the purchase of a lot of land, as a location for the Engine House for Engine No 7, is presented and read: whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received.

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12.

Resolved, that Messrs Knowlton, Gardiner & Burkin with Jack as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby authorized to purchase for the City, a lot of land suitable for a location for the Engine House for Engine No 7, for a sum not exceeding Five Hundred Dollars.

(Concurred Sept 23<sup>rd</sup> & Alderman Potter added.)

Asst. Walk  
High St.

A Petition of Thomas Allen & others, for a cross walk across High Street, from the East corner of Knight Street, is presented and read: whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received, and referred to the standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon: which Committee are directed to report at the next meeting of the Common Council.

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Resolved, that the Resolution of the City Council, passed

September 19<sup>th</sup> 1839.

*crop walks  
High &  
Cranston  
Streets.*

on the petition of Benjamin S. Olney & others, on the  
fifteenth day of September instant. Directing the Sur-  
veyors of Highways to cause a crop walk to be laid  
across High and Cranston Streets, at the junction of  
said streets, be, and the same is hereby repealed.

Resolved, that said petition be and the same is hereby  
referred to Messrs. Mallett, Knowlton & Angell, with  
such as the Board of Aldermen may add, who  
are hereby authorized to direct the Surveyors of  
Highways to lay a crop-walk across said streets,  
or across High Street, near the Hoyle Tavern, -  
provided they shall deem the same to be expedient.  
(Concurred, Sept. 23<sup>rd</sup> & Alderman Phillips added.)

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday  
the 21<sup>st</sup> Day of October next, at 6 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

- |                |            |
|----------------|------------|
| Mr President,  | Gould,     |
| Messrs Angell, | Hudson,    |
| Anthony,       | Hughes,    |
| Brown,         | Knowles,   |
| Bucklin,       | Knowlton,  |
| Cranston,      | Padelford, |
| Gardner,       | Willard,   |
| Goodhue        | Young.     |
- 16.

Albert Greene  
H. Clark.

October 21<sup>st</sup> 1839.

Common Council, October 21<sup>st</sup> 1839.

The Common Council met pursuant to adjournment,  
a Quorum present. The President being absent. Mr Jackson  
is chosen President pro. tempore.

*High &  
Charles  
Streets.*

The Resolution providing for the grading and gravelling of  
Mill and Charles Streets, which passed the Common Council  
on the 16<sup>th</sup> of September last, and was then sent up for con-  
-currence, is now returned from the Board of Aldermen,  
3. who concur therein, with the following Amendment, viz,  
that the words "and the gutters paved," be inserted between  
the word "gravelled" and the word "provided". Whereupon  
it is resolved that the Common Council do concur in  
said Amendment.

*City Funds.*

The Committee appointed on the 16<sup>th</sup> of September last, to  
make arrangements with any one of the City Banks, for  
the deposit of the City funds for the present munici-  
pal year, make report that they have made such  
1. arrangement with the City Bank, to receive, and allow  
interest for said funds, at the rate of five per cent, which  
Report is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same  
be received.

(Concurred.)

*Buying  
lots.*

Petitions of Joseph Eddy  
& Ezra N. Sampson, for leave to fence in and enclose  
24. buying lots in the North Burial Ground, are presented and  
read, received and referred to the standing Committee on  
the North Burial Ground, to examine and report thereon.

*George &  
Benevolent  
Streets.*

A Petition of John Pitman & others, for crop walks across  
George and Benevolent Streets, is presented and read; where-

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upon it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Treasurer's Statement.

The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20<sup>th</sup> 1834 is presented and read. whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance; which Committee thereupon report the following Resolution, which is read and passed, viz

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

For rebuilding Weybosset and Cove Street Bridges, - Four thousand Dollars;

For costs and expenses of suit against Martha Howell, Three thousand and fifty Dollars; -

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

(Concurred.)

N.Y. Prov. & Boston Rail Road Co.

The Committee to whom on the 16<sup>th</sup> of September last, was referred the Petition of the New York, Providence and Boston Rail Road Company, make Report, in favour of granting the prayer thereof; which Report is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received and laid upon the Table.

2. 14.

Town House Lot.

Resolved That Messrs Mallett and Anthony, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are appointed a Committee, with power to cause the Town House Lot to be enclosed by a suitable fence.

15.

(Concurred; + Alderman Potter added.)

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H. W. Brown, Admr.

The joint Committee to whom on the 16<sup>th</sup> of September last, was referred the petition of Hugh W. Brown, Administrator of the Estate of Ebenezer P. Brown deceased, - make Report that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer thereof; which Report is read. whereupon it is resolved that the same be received, and that said Petitioner have leave to withdraw his said Petition.

2.

(Concurred.)

Woodsen paving in M. Square.

Resolved That Messrs Young, Bucklin and Garney, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be a Committee to examine and report on the expediency of paving with wooden blocks, the North side of Market Square, between Weybosset Bridge and the cross-walks running from Tingley's Corner South, - whenever the Committee on Highways shall deem it necessary to take up the present paving.

(Concurred; + Alderman Woodson added.)

Int. of the Dead.

The bill entitled "An Ordinance relative to the Interment of the Dead;" which passed the Common Council, on the 19<sup>th</sup> of September last, and was then sent up for concurrence, is now returned from the Board of Aldermen, who concur therein, with sundry Amendments, which are read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur in said Amendments.

24.

cross walk High Street.

The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 19<sup>th</sup> of September last, was referred the Petition of Amason Allen and others, for a cross walk across High Street, make Report in favour of granting the prayer thereof; - which is read. Whereupon, it is resolved that the same be received.

7.

20.

Upon the Petition of Amason Allen + others, - it is Resolved, that the prayer thereof be granted; and that the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause a cross walk to be laid across High Street, at right angles

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7 therewith, - commencing at a point about ten feet easterly from Knight Street. (Concured.)

*The Burt + Work House Lot.* Resolved, That the Report of the Committee appointed to adjust the claim of the City upon David Burt, - and also to ascertain on what terms a certain small triangular piece of land adjoining the Work House Lot, can be purchased, be received, and that the same be recommitted to said Committee, - who are hereby directed to make further Report in the premises, recommending such proceedings to the City authorities as may most readily lead to an equitable settlement of said claim. (Concured.)

*Let for En- gine No. 7.* The joint Committee appointed to purchase a lot of land for the City, for a location for the Engine House for Engine No. 7, make Report, that they have purchased a lot on Field Street, of Mrs. Abigail Pond, for \$407.50, to which Report is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received. (Concured.)

*R. Clapp.* Resolved, that the sum of eighty four Dollars be, and the same is hereby allowed to Russell Clapp, in full payment of his bill, this day presented to the City Council, for his attendance on Cove Street Bridge; and that the same be paid out of any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated. (Concured.)

*Old Hospital Site.* Resolved, that Messrs Cranston and Hudson, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be a Committee to enquire into, and report upon, the expediency of using, renting, or disposing of, the Old Hospital Site, (situated on the easterly side of Pawtucket Turnpike, or Avenue,) for other than Hos-

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pital purposes; and that said Committee be authorized to take the opinion of Council on the subject. (Men - concured, May 25<sup>th</sup> 1840.)

*City Lands.* A Resolution for placing all the lands belonging to the City, adapted for agricultural purposes, under the supervision of the Keeper of the Dexter Asylum, to be by him improved or leased out, at his discretion, is presented, read, and laid on the Table.

*Oversee of the Poor.* A Resolution directing the Overseer of the Poor, in relation to certain cases of pauperism and mendicancy, - is presented and read, and laid upon the Table.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

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

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the 28<sup>th</sup> Day of October instant, at half past 6 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

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|--------------|-----------|----------|
| Mr. Angelle, | Goodhue,  | Mallett, |
| Anthony,     | Gurney,   | Mason,   |
| Brown,       | Hopkin,   | Redford, |
| Bucklin,     | Hudson,   | Willard, |
| Cranston,    | Jackson,  | Young,   |
| Fletcher,    | Knowles,  |          |
| Gardner,     | Knowlton, |          |

Albert Greene  
Clerk

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

M. Prov &  
Baton Rail  
Road Co.

10.  
16.

The Report of the Committee on the petition of the New York, Providence and Boston Rail Road Company, which was on the 21<sup>st</sup> Day of October instant, received and laid upon the Table, is now again read.

Upon the Petition of the New York, Providence and Boston Rail Road Company, which has been preferred to the City Council, praying for liberty to extend their Rail Road from its present termination on land of said Company, through Eddy and Dyer Streets to the Depot of said Company, on Dyer Street: It is Resolved that the City Council do hereby assent to such extension of said rail-road through and over the streets aforesaid, upon the terms, conditions and restrictions hereinafter named, and also upon such further and other terms, conditions and restrictions as may by the Committee hereinafter appointed, be deemed necessary for the interest and welfare of the City.

1<sup>st</sup>. That said streets shall be graded and prepared for the purpose aforesaid, at the expense of said Company; and that the manner of grading and preparing said streets, for that purpose, and the manner of laying the rails therein, shall be subject to the assent and approbation, and under the direction of the City Council, or of such Committee or Committees as said Council shall appoint for that purpose.

2<sup>d</sup>. Whenever it shall be deemed by the City Council, proper to cause any drain or sewer to be laid, in or under either of said streets, or any part thereof, or to cause either of said streets, or any part thereof to be paved, repaved, or otherwise repaired or altered, - any alteration which the City Council may deem requisite to be made for that purpose, in said rails or their appurtenances, whether by taking up and re-laying the same,

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or otherwise, - shall be made and done at the sole expense of said Company and under the advice and direction of the City Council, or of such Committee or Committees as said Council shall appoint for that purpose.

3<sup>d</sup>. No car or other vehicle shall be drawn or propelled through said streets or any part thereof, by any steam or locomotive engine; and no car or other vehicle shall be drawn on the rails, through said streets or any part thereof, at a greater speed than may by law be allowed for the driving of other carriages through the streets of the City; and the rate of speed and mode of travelling on said rails shall be always subject to the full control of the City Council, by such ordinances as said Council may from time to time, make and ordain.

Resolved, that Messrs Brown, Gardiner and Jackson, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to cause the aforesaid terms, conditions and restrictions, together with such further and other terms, conditions and restrictions as they may deem necessary for the interest and welfare of the City, in the premises, to be embodied in such Act or Acts as may be passed by the General Assembly, in relation to such extension of said rail road; and that said Committee be and they are hereby authorized to employ counsel, if necessary; and to draw on the City Treasury, for the payment of all necessary expenses which may be incurred in the discharge of said duty.

Resolved, That in the opinion of the City Council, no Act ought to be passed by the General Assembly, authorizing such extension of said rail-road, until previous notice shall have been publicly given for all parties interested, to appear and be heard in relation thereto. (Concurred, & Alderman Peter added.)

E. H. Balch.

A Petition of E. H. Balch, praying that a gate may be placed in such fence as may be placed around the Town House

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Let pursuant to the Resolution of the City Council passed on the 21<sup>st</sup> of October instant, and that it may be permitted to use the same, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and laid upon the Table.

James Selisbury & others  
Rail Road.

14 A Memorial of James Selisbury and others, against the granting to the New York, Providence and Boston Rail Road Company, liberty to extend their rail road through Eddy and Dyer Streets, to the Depot of said Company on said Dyer Street, is presented and read, and said memorialists are heard in relation thereto, and it is resolved that said memorial be received, and that the memorialists have leave to withdraw the same.

W. P. Studley

24 Petition of ~~Wingley~~ P. Studley for leave to fence in and enclose a burying lot in the North Burial Ground, is presented and read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on the North Burial Ground, to examine and report thereon.

A. Mason  
Denance St. Land.

5. The <sup>joint</sup> Committee to whom on the 16<sup>th</sup> of September last, was referred the petition of Amasa Mason & others, praying that measures may be adopted by the City, for the Drainage of certain lands bounding Northwly on Broad Street, East-aly on Denance Street Southwly on Eddy's Point, and Westwly on Chesnut Street, make report unanimously, that the prayer of said petition ought not to be granted. which report is read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received and placed on file. (Concurred.)

clerk of the Market.

Resolved, That the Clerk of the Market cause the second and third sections of the Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance for the regulation of the City Markets and Market Place"

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to be strictly enforced?

(Concurred. Nov. 11 1839.)

Fountain Street.

The joint committee appointed on the 31<sup>st</sup> Day of December 1838, to cause a Drain to be constructed sufficient to carry off the stream of water flowing in Fountain Street, and to agree with the owner a course of land through which it may be necessary for such Drain to pass, for such compensation for Damages, (if any) as may be suffered by such owner or owners: - make Report, which is read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received. (Concurred.)

Asph Walks.

21. A Petition of Samuel W. Wheeler & others, for a cross walk across Westminster Street, from the end of Green Street, at the foot of Brimell Street, is presented and read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Asph Walks.

9. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 21<sup>st</sup> of October instant, was referred the petition of John Pitman and others, for cross walks across George and Benevolent Streets, make Report in favour of granting the prayer thereof, which Report is read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received.

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Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to cause a cross walk to be laid across George Street to Meger Street, and also to cause a cross walk to be laid across Benevolent Street to said Meger Street. (Concurred.)

High School

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby authorized and directed to make and deliver in the name of

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the City, a promissory note or notes, for the sum of Five  
 Thousand Five Hundred Dollars, payable in twenty  
 years from the date thereof, with interest at five  
 per cent per annum, payable annually, - when  
 ever he shall receive from the owner or owners thereof  
 a good and sufficient Deed or Deeds, in fee simple, to  
 the City, of the lot of land on the corner of Angell  
 and Benefit Streets, and Southly on Waterman Street,  
 with all its appurtenances except the Blacksmiths  
 shop standing on the North-West corner, and the  
 small house standing on the North-East corner thereof;  
 said lot having been purchased for the City, for a  
 location for a school-house.  
 (Continued.)

News Weights.

Resolved, That the Scale of Weights and Measures be  
 authorized to purchase a set of Weights to replace  
 those recently stolen from his Office; and that the  
 City Treasurer be authorized to pay for the same  
 out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise  
 appropriated.  
 (Continued.)

Oversee of  
the Poor.

The Resolution directing the Overseer of the Poor, in cer-  
 tain cases which was on the 21<sup>st</sup> Day of October in-  
 stant, read and laid upon the Table, - is now again  
 read; and it passed, as follows, viz

13.

Resolved, That the Overseer of the Poor be, and he is  
 hereby requested to be active and diligent to ascertain  
 and make enquiry into all cases of pauperism or  
 mendicancy that may occur in this City; and to afford  
 such aid in all cases, as he may think proper; and  
 when such pauperism or mendicancy arises from in-  
 temperance or indolence on the part of the person or

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or his or her parents or guardians, - to report the facts to the  
 Board of Aldermen, forthwith, - that such action may be  
 had as the exigency of the case may demand.  
 (Now-concluded, Nov 4. 1839.)

Joined in Convention of the City Council.  
In Convention.

Sundry persons who have heretofore been duly proposed,  
 are admitted freemen of the City; and Sundry others  
 are proposed for admission as freemen.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Mon-  
 day the 2<sup>nd</sup> Day of November next, at 6 o'clock  
 P.M.

Members present.

Mr. President.  
 Messrs Angell,  
 Brown,  
 Bucklin,  
 Cranston  
 Gardner,  
 Goddard,  
 Hoppin,  
 Hughes,

Jackson  
 Knowles,  
 Hamilton,  
 Mallett,  
 Mason,  
 Padelford,  
 Barber,  
 Young

1  
 M. J. Green, Clerk

Common Council, November 25<sup>th</sup> 1839.

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

Buying  
Lots.

Petitions of Sally B. Comstock  
Almon D. Hodges.

24 & William M. Townsend, for leave to fence in  
buying lots in the North Burial Ground, are presented  
and read, received, and referred to the standing Com-  
mittee on the North Burial Ground, to examine and  
report thereon.

2. 321. A Petition of William Russell & others, in relation to the  
stream of water which rises on the Westery side of the River  
on land formerly of Thomas Lang and now of Thomas C.  
Hoppin, and runs in a North Easterly direction through  
certain lands of individuals, and through certain pub-  
lic streets, until it empties into the Cove, - praying that  
the City may cause the obstructions thereof to be remo-  
ved, - is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that  
the same be received and referred to Messrs Moullet,  
34. Kounton & Angell, with such as the Board of Aldermen  
may add, to examine & report thereon.  
(Concurred: & Alderman Lotter added.)

African  
School,  
West Side.

Certified copies of certain Resolutions of the School Committee  
relative to the school for colored children on the West side of  
the River, are presented and read, in which said Committee  
recommended that said school be, for the present, discontinued.

Do. Resolved that the School Committee be, and they are hereby  
authorized to discontinue the school for colored children,

in the Westery part of the City, if they shall deem it expedient,  
for such time as said Committee may decide.  
(Concurred.)

cross walk  
Westm: St. S  
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The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 28<sup>th</sup>  
of October last, was referred the petition of Samuel W. Wheeler  
& others, for a cross-walk across Westminster Street, make  
report, which is read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same  
be received.

20 Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is  
24. hereby directed to cause a cross-walk to be laid across  
Westminster Street, from Green Street, near Hoppin's  
Corner.

Resolved, that the Resolution passed on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of  
September last, respecting certain signs of Benjamin Edge  
which were taken up at large on the 19<sup>th</sup> of August last,  
2. be and the same is hereby repealed.  
(Non concurred, Dec 9<sup>th</sup> 1839.)

Mr. S. Barker  
Brook Street.

An Account of Simon Barker, for building a part of the  
culvert in Brook Street, is presented and read. Whereupon  
it is resolved, that the same be received, and referred to  
45. the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and  
report thereon.

Claim of  
S. Martin.

Book 2, 322.

The Resolution for the payment of the sum of \$25, to Ephraim  
Martin, for money paid by him for carriages for the Revo-  
lutionary Soldiers, on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July, A.D. 1838, - which was, on  
the 26<sup>th</sup> day of August last, read and laid upon the Table, is  
now again read, and it is moved that the same pass, - which  
motion is lost. - Whereupon it is resolved that said Martin

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have leave to withdraw his petition.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention, George W. Bligh, having been duly pronounced is admitted a freeman of the City; and sundry other persons are pronounced for admission as freemen.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the 23<sup>rd</sup> Day of December next, at 6 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

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|----------------|------------|
| Mr. Resident,  | Hudson,    |
| Messrs Angell, | Honable,   |
| Anthony,       | Honarton,  |
| Brown,         | Mallett,   |
| Cranston,      | Mason,     |
| Gardiner,      | Ladelford, |
| Goodhue,       | Thomson,   |
| Garvey,        | Thurber,   |
| Hopkin,        | Young,     |

Albert Greene, Clerk.

Common Council December 23<sup>rd</sup> 1839.

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

The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolutions of the Common Council, of October 20<sup>th</sup> 1839, is presented and

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read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, - which Committee thereupon report the following Resolution, - which is read and passed. viz

Appropriations

Resolved, That the several items hereinafter mentioned, be and the same are hereby appropriated for the following purposes, respectively, - to wit,

For support of the Poor,	\$1000.
.. Fire Department,	1000.
.. Highways,	500.
.. Building Bayburn Wall,	800.
.. Contingencies,	1000.

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

Temporary Loan

Resolved That the City Treasurer, acting under the advice and direction of Messrs Young and Cranston, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and he is hereby authorized to hire, by temporary loan or loans, for the use of the City, a sum of money not exceeding Five Thousand Dollars.

(Concurred. & Alderman Hopkin added.)

Burying Lots

Petitions of Cornelius W. B. Bennett, and of George M. Carty for leave to give in and enclose burying lots sufficient for their respective families, in the North Burial Ground, are presented and read: received and referred to the Standing Committee on the North Burial Ground, to examine and report thereon: which Committee report in favor of granting the prayer of said Petition of Cornelius W. B. Bennett; - and also in favor of granting the prayer of the petitions of Job Luther, opened Sept 16. 1839. - Joseph Eddy and Ezra N. Sampson, opened Oct 21. 1839. - Kingsley P. Studley, opened Oct 28. 1839. - and Sally B. Comstock, Almon J. Hodges & William H. Townsend, opened, Nov 25<sup>th</sup> 1839. - which Report is read: whereupon it is

resolved, that the same be received.

Do. 1 Upon the several petitions of Job Luther  
 9 Joseph Eddy,  
 9 Ezra N. Sampson,  
 16 Kingsley P. Studley,  
 20 Sally M. Comstock,  
 " Almon J. Hodges,  
 " William H. Townsend,  
 23 and Cornelius W. B. Bennett, requesting  
 leave to fence in and enclose burying lots sufficient for their  
 respective families in the North Burial Ground, - <sup>severally</sup> it is resolved,  
 that the same be received, and the prayers thereof granted; -  
 and that said petitioners be and they are hereby severally  
 authorized to fence in and enclose such lots, for such  
 purposes; - provided the same be done under the direction  
 of the Overseer of the North Burial Ground, with the sanction  
 of the Mayor; and provided also, that the several privi-  
 leges hereby granted, shall be subject to all future  
 regulations of the City Council, in relation thereto; - and  
 shall continue during the pleasure of the City Council, and  
 no longer.

(Concurred.)

Cross walk  
Westminster  
Street.  
 21. The Resolution for laying a cross walk across Westminster  
 Street, which passed the Common Council, on the 23<sup>rd</sup> Day of  
 December last, - and was then sent up for concurrence,  
 is now returned from the Board of Aldermen, who concur  
 therein, with the following Amendment, viz: that the words,  
 "from Green Street, near Hoppin's Corner," be stricken out; -  
 and the words, "at the foot of Barnell Street," inserted in  
 their place; - which amendment being read, it is resolved,  
 that the Common Council do concur therein.

Int of the  
Read.  
 A Bill entitled "An Ordinance in Amendment of an Ordinance,  
 entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the Interment of the

11. "Dead," having passed the Board of Aldermen, this day, is  
 16. sent down for concurrence; and is read: Whereupon, it is  
 resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein.

City Charter The joint Committee who were on the 13<sup>th</sup> of May last ap-  
 pointed to take into consideration, the propriety and expediency  
 of applying to the Hon. General Assembly, in the name of  
 the City Council, for such alterations of the City Charter,  
 as will authorize the freemen of the City to elect the Mayor,  
 Aldermen and Common Councilmen on the second Wed-  
 nesday of May, annually, instead of the third Wednesday of  
 April, - and to elect the Common Councilmen by bal-  
 lot, - make Report, - accompanied by the form of an Act  
 for that purpose. - which Report is read: Whereupon, it  
 is resolved, that the same be received.

Do. Resolved, that Messrs Hughes & Cranston, with such as the  
 Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby ap-  
 28. pointed a Committee to present to the Hon. General Assembly,  
 at their next January Session, the form of an Act, this  
 day reported to the City Council, for an Amendment of  
 the City Charter; and to petition the General Assembly,  
 in behalf of the City Council, for the passage thereof  
 / Concurred, Dec 30<sup>th</sup> & Alderman Holden added.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention,

Several persons, who have heretofore been duly propounded, are  
 admitted freemen of the City; and Gundry et al are propounded  
 for admission, as freemen.

Charles F. Tillinghast & William C. Barker are elected members  
 of the Committee to prevent encroachments on Streets.

26.

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Sunday persons are elected Undertakers, for the remainder of the present Municipal year, pursuant to the provisions of the Ordinance in relation to the Interment of the Dead.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the 28<sup>th</sup> day of January next, at half past 6 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr President,  
Anthony,  
Brown,  
Cranston,  
Gardner,  
Goodhue,  
Hoppin,  
Headson.

Hughes,  
Howles,  
Hamilton,  
Mallett,  
Parlford,  
Young.

15.

Albert Greene  
Clerk.

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Common Council, January 14<sup>th</sup> 1840.

Special Meeting.

Copy. The State of Rhode Island & Providence Plantations,  
City of Providence, Jc. 3

I. S.

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

On the request in writing, of more than twenty one free-  
men of said City, I have deemed it expedient to call a  
Meeting of said Common Council, on an earlier Day than  
that to which said Board now stands adjourned: - You  
and each of you are therefore hereby requested & required  
to meet in Common Council, at the City Council  
Chamber, on Tuesday the fourteenth Day of the present  
month of January, at six o'clock in the evening, - at  
which time, the Board of Aldermen will also be in  
Session.

Given under my hand and seal, in said City of  
Providence, this tenth day of January, A.D. 1840,  
Samuel W. Proportion,  
Mayor.

Providence Jc. 3 Providence, January 12<sup>th</sup> 1840.  
Notified the Board of Common Council, as commanded,  
by their reading the above Warrant,  
Edward Harwood, City Sergeant.

Pursuant to the requisition of the aforesaid Warrant, the Com-  
mon Council are now assembled, at six o'clock P.M., a  
Quorum present.

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

City Charter.

25.

The joint committee who were on the 23<sup>d</sup> of December last, appointed to present to the General Assembly, the form of an Act, then reported, for an amendment of the City Charter, and to petition for the passage thereof, make Report, accompanied by an attested copy of said Act which has been passed by the General Assembly at their present January Session, - entitled "An Act in Amendment of an Act, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the City of Providence';" which Report is read, whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and recorded, together with the copy of the Act accompanying the same. (Concurred.)

Democratic Association, for use of the Town House.

A Petition of the Providence Democratic Association, for the use of the Town House, on such evenings in the months of January, February and March as said Association or its officers shall from time to time designate, - is presented and read.

Do

Upon the Petition of the Democratic Association, - it is Resolved, that the same be received, and referred to Messrs Mallett, Hoppin and Anthony, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, - to examine and report thereon.

Resolved, that the use of the Town House, be, and the same is hereby granted to said Association, for the purpose of holding a public meeting therein, on Friday evening next.

(Concurred; & Alderman Phillips, assented.)

W. Carpenter et al, for use of Town House.

A Petition of Thomas F. Carpenter & others, for the use of the Town House on the evening of the 14<sup>th</sup> of April next, for the purpose of holding therein, a meeting of the friends of the National Administration, - is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and referred

to Messrs Mallett, Hoppin & Anthony, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, - to examine and report thereon. (Concurred, January 20<sup>th</sup> 1840. & Alderman Phillips assented.)

H. G. Hudson  
Nov. 2. 302.  
W. G. Larned.

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby directed, to pay to Robert G. Hudson by the sum of fifteen Dollars, - being the amount by him paid to William G. Larned, for publishing in the Morning Courier, the arrangements for the Fourth of July Celebration in 1838. (Concurred January 20<sup>th</sup> 1840.)

Washington Bridge.

A Petition of Richmond Bullock & others, requesting that counsel may be employed by the City, to prevent the rechartering of Washington Bridge, with the present rates of toll, - is presented and read.

Do

Upon the Petition of Richmond Bullock & others, it is Resolved, that the same be received and referred to Messrs Cranston, Gardner and Goodhue, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, - who are hereby authorized to appear before the Honorable General Assembly, and represent the City of Providence, in relation to any proceedings before that body, at the present session thereof, respecting the charter of the Washington Bridge, (so called) and the rate of tolls which may hereafter be established for passing over said Bridge; and that said Committee be and they are hereby authorized, if they think proper, to employ counsel at the expense of the City.

(Concurred; & Alderman Holden assented.)

Treasurer's Monthly Statement.

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

January 14<sup>th</sup> 1840.

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

- For Highways, \$5000..
- .. Fire Department, \$1000.
- .. Support of the Poor, \$1000.
- .. Contingencies, \$1000..

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

(Concurred Jan'y 20<sup>th</sup> 1840.)

Cranston  
Furnace  
Co. } A communication from the Cranston Furnace Company, accompanied by a specimen of their casting in iron, as a present to the City, is presented and read. Whereupon it is Resolved, 33. that the present accompanying the same, be received; and that His Honor the Mayor be requested to cause the same to be placed in some suitable situation near the entrance to the City offices; - and to present, in the name of the City Council, a suitable acknowledgement therefor, to the donors.  
(Concurred January 20<sup>th</sup> 1840.)

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Conventions.

Sundry persons are proposed for admission, as freemen of the City; - and sundry others are admitted free, as eldest sons of freemen.

Sundry persons are elected Undertakers, for the remainder of the present Municipal Year, pursuant to the provisions of the "Ordinance in relation to the Interment of the Dead".

William S. Young is elected one of the City Criers, for the remainder of the present Municipal Year.

The two Boards separate.

January 14<sup>th</sup> 1840.

The Common Council adjourn to meet pursuant to the vote of adjournment passed at their last meeting, - viz on Monday, the 20<sup>th</sup> Day of January instant, at half past six o'clock P.M.

Members present.

- |                |              |
|----------------|--------------|
| Mr. President, | .. Hudson,   |
| Messrs Angell, | .. Hughes,   |
| Anthony,       | .. Knowles,  |
| Brown,         | .. Knowlton, |
| Bucklin,       | .. Mallett,  |
| Cranston,      | .. Mason,    |
| Fletcher,      | .. Thurston, |
| Gardiner,      | .. Thurber,  |
| Goddard,       | .. Willard,  |
| Garnsey,       | .. Young,    |
| Hopkin,        |              |

21.

Albert Greene, Clerk

Common Council, January 20<sup>th</sup> 1840.

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

Resolved, that the City Treasurer, acting under the advice and direction of Messrs Young and Cranston, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and he is hereby authorized to hire, by temporary loan or loans, for the use of the City, a sum of money not exceeding Twelve Thousand Dollars.

(Concurred: & Alderman Hopkin added.)

Resolved, that Messrs Gardiner and Willard, with such as

Temporary Loan.

January 20<sup>th</sup> 1840.

34. *Res. of.* the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to audit and settle the Account of the City Treasurer with the City, up to the 31<sup>st</sup> Day of December, A.D. 1839.  
(Concurred: & Alderman Phillips assent.)

*Pet. for use of the Town House.* Petitions of Martin Stoddard & others, and of Thomas J. Stead & others, for the use of the Town House, on the evenings of the 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> Days of April next, for the purpose of holding Whig political meetings therein, are presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, and referred to Messrs Mallett, Hoppin and Anthony, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon.  
(Concurred: & Alderman Phillips assent.)

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

Daniel Robinson is pronounced for admission as a freeman of the City.

*Res. of Firewards.* It is resolved, that three Presidents of Firewards be elected in addition to the present number for the remainder of the present municipal year; and that the election of the same be postponed until the next meeting of the City Council.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the 24<sup>th</sup> Day of February next, at 7 o'clock P.M.

January 20<sup>th</sup> February 24<sup>th</sup> 1840.

Members present.  
The President  
Messrs Angell, Knowles,  
Anthony, Hamilton,  
Brown, Mallett,  
Bucklin, Mason,  
Cranston, Palford,  
Gardner, Houston,  
Goddard, Thurber,  
Garney, Willard,  
Young. 18.

Albert Greene, Clerk

Common Council, February 24<sup>th</sup> 1840.

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

*Granton Furnace Co.* His Honor, the Mayor, who was on the 14<sup>th</sup> of January last, requested to acknowledge the receipt by the City Council of a present of a cartiron sign for the entrance to the City Office, from the Granton Furnace Company, makes Report that he has complied with said request, which Report is read.

*M. Rogers.* A Petition of Mary Rogers, for relief, is presented and read.

*Do.* Upon the Petition of Mary Rogers who is now in confinement in the State's Jail in the County of Providence, under a sentence of the Police Court, praying for liberation, and for other relief. - It is resolved, that the same be received, and the prayer thereof be far granted, that the Keeper of said Jail be and he is hereby authorized and directed forthwith to liberate said Mary from her said confinement.

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and that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and directed to pay to the proper officers authorized to receive the same, the costs of the prosecution and conviction of said Moory.

(Concurred.)

Pro sp.

The joint Committee who were on the 20<sup>th</sup> of January last, appointed to audit and settle the Account of the City Treasurer with the City, up to the 31<sup>st</sup> of December last, make Report that they have discharged that duty; Whereupon it is resolved, that said Report be received, and together with the Account of the Treasurer accompanying the same, be read.

(Concurred.)

D. Barton's A Petition of David Barton is presented and read.

Do. Upon the petition of David Barton, respecting the stream of water which rises on the Westerly side of the River, and runs in a North-Easterly Direction, to the Cove, - It is resolved that the same be received and referred to Messrs Mallett, Knawton and Angell, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, - to examine and report whether it is incumbent upon the City to take any action in the premises; - and if so, what action, in the opinion of said Committee, ought to be had thereon; and that said Committee have power to consult counsel, if they deem it necessary.

(Concurred, & Alderman Gay added.)

Peter Peary in Market Street.

A Petition of William R. Watson & others, occupants of buildings on Market Street, respecting the standing of teams in said street, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received, and that said Petitioners have leave to withdraw the same.

Washington Street.

A Petition of Benjamin Hoppin & others, for the paving of

February 24<sup>th</sup> 1840.

Washington Street, is presented and read.

Do.

Upon the Petition of Benjamin Hoppin & others, praying that Washington Street, may be paved, from Aborn to Union Street, it is resolved, that the same be received, and referred to Messrs Mallett, Knawton and Angell, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon. (Concurred, & Alderman Potter added.)

44.

Warren Batchelder.

A Communication from the City Treasurer, respecting an unsettled Account between the City and Warren Batchelder, is presented and read. Whereupon it is Resolved, that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to submit the Account therein mentioned, to the arbitration of referees.

(Concurred.)

The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council of October 20<sup>th</sup> 1834, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance; - which Committee thereupon report the following Resolution, - which is read and passed: viz.

Appropriations.

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

- For the Fire Department, \$ 3000 .
- For Highways, \$ 1000 .
- For the City Watch, \$ 2000 .
- For building Argum Wall, \$ 350 .
- For suit vs Mrs. Howell, \$ 700 .

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

(Concurred.)

A Petition of the Corporation of St. Stephen's Church, requesting

February 24<sup>th</sup> 1840.

St. Stephen's Church } the City to convey to them, a portion of the School House Lot  
38 } on Transit Street, in exchange for an equal number of  
39 } feet of land which they propose to convey to the City for the  
purpose of widening Transit Street, - is presented and read.  
Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, and re-  
ferred to Messrs Hughes, Gurney and Bucklin, with such as the  
Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon,  
and said Committee are directed to make Report at the  
next meeting of the City Council.

(Concurred, & Alderman Wheaton added.)

House of } Whereas the Legislature of this State have refused the City  
Correction } the use of the State's Jail in the County of Providence, as a  
House of Correction, any longer than the first day of Janu-  
-ary, A.D. 1841. - It is therefore Resolved, that Messrs Hughes,  
102. } Goodhue and Knowles, with such as the Board of Alder-  
men may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Com-  
-mittee to take into consideration the subject of building  
a House of Correction, and to report at the next meet-  
-ing of the City Council.

(Concurred, & Alderman Holden added.)

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

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

Prudents of } Nathaniel Smith,  
Fair Wards. } Messrs B. Jones,  
& William Tallman, } are elected Prudents of Fairwards, for the  
32. } remainder of the present Municipal Year, in addition to the  
number heretofore elected.

Sundry persons are elected as Peace Viewers, and sundry others as

February 24<sup>th</sup> March 2<sup>d</sup> 1840.

Lanymon and Cadens of Ward, for the remainder of the present  
Municipal Year.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday the  
2<sup>d</sup> day of March next, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr. President.

Messrs Angell,

Brown,

Bucklin,

Cranston,

Gardiner,

Goodhue,

Gould,

Gurney,

Hopkin,

Hudson,

Hughes,

Knowles,

Knowlton,

Mallett,

Mason,

Radcliff,

Thurston,

Willard,

Young.

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Robert Greene,  
Clerk

Common Council, March 2<sup>d</sup> 1840.

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

W. J. Harris, } A Petition of William J. Harris, is presented and read.  
Town House Lot.

245. } Upon the Petition of William J. Harris, requesting a lease of  
a part of the Town House Lot, for the erection of a temporary  
building thereon, - it is resolved, that the same be received, and  
referred to Messrs Anthony & Hopkin, with such as the Board  
of Aldermen may add, - who are hereby empowered to let a  
part of said lot to said petitioner, for such purpose, if they

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see fit: Each lease to be determinable at the pleasure of the City Council.

(Concurred: & Alderman Holden added.)

Petn of Gideon Davenport et al. for use of Town House.

A Petition of Gideon Davenport for a Committee of meeting of the friends of liberal Christianity, for the use of the Town House, as a place of worship, for one year, is presented and read.

Do. Upon the Petition of Gideon Davenport, for himself & others, for the use of the Town House, it is resolved, that the same be received, and referred to Messrs Cranston & Tomales, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, - to examine and report thereon; and that, in the mean time, said petitioner and his Associates be, and they are hereby authorized to use said house, on Sundays, for the purpose of holding religious meetings therein.

(Concurred, & Alderman Phillips added.)

Petn of H. Sabin et al. Mathewson St.

A Petition of Hezekiah Sabin and others, for the paving of Mathewson Street, is presented & read.

Do. Upon the Petition of Hezekiah Sabin & others, praying that Mathewson Street may be paved, from Westminster Street to Sabin Street, - it is resolved, that the same be received, and referred to Messrs Knutson, Mallett & Angell, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon.

(Concurred, & Alderman Potter added.)

D. Barton

A Petition of David Barton, in relation to the subject of his Petition which was presented and referred on the 24<sup>th</sup> of February last, - is presented and read: Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received and laid upon the Table.

The joint Committee, to whom on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of February last was referred the petition of the Corporation of St. Stephen's

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St. Stephen's Church.

Church make Report in favour of granting the prayer thereof; which Report is read.

Do.

Upon the Report of the joint Committee to whom was referred the Petition of the Corporation of St. Stephen's Church, it is resolved, that the same be received; and that the City Treasurer, acting under the advice and directions of Messrs Hughes, Garney & Bucklin, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and he is hereby authorized and directed, to convey, by Deed, as the Special Agent of the City, all the right, title and interest of the City in and to a strip or piece of the School House Lot on the North side of Transit Street, being the Eastern part of said Lot, measuring about twelve feet on said Transit Street, and extending back Northward, the whole depth of said Lot, holding the width of about twelve feet; so as to leave the Southern and Eastern lines of the remainder of said Lot at a right angle; - whenever said Corporation shall have conveyed to the City, by sufficient Deed, for public streets, to be added to Benefit and Transit Streets, so many square feet of land, from their lot at the corner of Transit and Benefit Streets, as said Committee may consider an equivalent for the land so to be conveyed to said Corporation.

(Non-concurred.)

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

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

Sundry persons who have been heretofore duly pronounced

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are admitted freemen of the City; and sundry others are proposed for admission as freemen.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the 9<sup>th</sup> Day of March instant, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr. President,	Hughes,	
Messrs. Angell,	Henriables,	
Anthony,	Hannulton,	
Backlin,	Mallett,	
Branston,	Mason,	
Gardiner,	Thorn-ton,	
Goddard,	Willard,	
Gurney,	Young,	18
Hopkin,		
Hudson,		

Common Council, March 9<sup>th</sup> 1840.

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

J.S. Cooke. A Petition of Joseph S. Cooke, for leave to enclose a burying lot in the North Burial Ground, is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the North Burial Ground, to examine and report thereon.

Chamut Jr. A Petition of William Gardiner & others, for a cross walk across Chesnut Street, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Fountain Jr. Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is

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March 9<sup>th</sup> 1840.

hereby directed to cause Fountain Street, from Aborn Street to Northampton Street, to be graded and gravelled, and the gutters paved therein, whenever the owners of the adjoining lands shall erect curb-stones and fill up the side walks in front of their respective lots.

(Concurred.)

D. Dr. Davis. Resignation. A communication from David Andrews tendering his resignation as one of the Committee relative to the Public Schools & Estates, - is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, and laid upon the table.

D. Barton. A Petition of David Barton, for leave to withdraw his petitions relative to a stream of water which rises on the West side of the River, and runs in a North-easterly direction to the Cove, - is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received, and the prayer thereof granted. (Concurred.)

Do. A Petition of David Barton, requesting leave to make examination in Snow & Northampton Streets, in Sugar Lane, & in Westminster Street, for the purpose of ascertaining where the stream of water which passes through his Estate, is obstructed, - is presented and read. Whereupon it is Resolved, that the same be received, and that the prayer thereof be granted, provided the examination therein named, be made under the Direction of the Surveyor of Highways. (Concurred.)

Do. The joint Committee to whom on the 24<sup>th</sup> of February last, was referred the Petition of David Barton, respecting the stream of water, on the West side of the River, make Report, that after an examination of the subject, and after obtaining the written opinion of Counsel thereon, - they are unanimously of opinion that the City Council are not required to take any further action in the premises, - which Report is

read: Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received.  
(Concurred.)

Do.  
Bill of Peter  
Rath Esq.

Resolved, that the sum of ten dollars be and the same is allowed to Peter Rath Esq. in full for his bill this day presented against the City, for professional services rendered the joint committee on the petition of David Barton & others.  
(Concurred.)

St. Stephens  
Church.  
Transit St.  
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A Petition of Zachariah Allen & others in relation to the widening of Transit Street, is presented and read: whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received

Do

A Communication from Nicholas Brown, in relation to the widening of Transit Street, is presented and read: Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received.

Do.

A Petition from a Committee of the Corporation of St. Stephens Church, requesting that the Petition of said Corporation on which a Resolution was passed by the Common Council on the 2<sup>d</sup> Day of March instants, in which the Board of Aldermen did not concur, - may be taken up for reconsideration, - is presented and read.

Do

Upon the petition of Joseph Adams and Wheeler M. Blanding, a Committee of the Corporation of St. Stephens Church, - It is Resolved, that the same be received; and that the City Treasurer, acting under the advice and directions of Messrs. Toughest, Furney and Bucklin with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and he is hereby authorized and directed, as the special Agent of the City, to convey by Deed to said Corporation, all the right title and interest of the City in and to a strip of piece of the School House Lot on the Northernly side of Transit Street, being the Eastern part of said Lot, measuring about twelve feet on said Transit Street, and extending back Northernly, the whole depth of said Lot, holding

the width of about twelve feet, so as to leave the Southernly and Easternly lines of the remainder of said Lot at a right angle; - whereupon said Corporation shall have conveyed to the City, by sufficient Deed, for public Streets, to be added to Benefit and Transit Streets, so many square feet of land from their Lot at the corner of Benefit and Transit Streets, as said Committee may consider an equivalent for the land to be conveyed to said Corporation, - and provided said Corporation shall previously covenant with the City, in writing, not to permit any building to be erected in their said Lot to be placed within three feet from the Easternly line of the remainder of said School House Lot.

(Concurred. & Alderman Wheaton added.)

City Debt.

A Communication from the City Treasurer respecting that portion of the City Debt which falls due on the first day of April next, is presented and read: whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance; - which Committee thereupon report the following Resolution; which is read & passed: to wit.

Do

Resolved, that the City Treasurer acting under the advice and direction of Messrs Young and Cranston, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and he is hereby authorized to renew so much of the City Debt as falls due in April next, - at the same rates of interest as now paid.

Resolved, that the sum of Fifteen Hundred Dollars, be and the same is hereby appropriated for the payment of interest on that portion of the City Debt which falls due in April next; and that said sum, so appropriated, be paid out of any moneys in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated.

(Concurred. & Alderman Heppin added.)

Edwards  
Shelton  
Town House.

The joint committee to whom on the 2<sup>d</sup> of March last was referred the petition of Gideon Bavenport, for himself & others, for the use of the Town House, make Report in favour of granting

38. the prayer thereof: which Report is read.

Do. Upon the Report of the joint Committee to whom on the second day of March instant, was referred the Petition of Gideon Davenport, for himself and others, for the use of the Town House, - it is Resolved, that the same be received; and that said petitioner and his associates be and they are hereby authorized to use said House, for the purpose of holding public religious meetings therein, during the pleasure of the City Council; subject to the occupation of said house for any other purposes by any other persons who already have or may hereafter have, leave to use the same, by the City Council or any Committee thereof. (Concurred.)

Washington & Mathewson Streets.

The joint Committee to whom on the 24<sup>th</sup> of February last, was referred the petition of Benjamin Hoppin & others, for the paving of Washington Street, and to whom on the 2<sup>d</sup> day of March instant, was referred the petition of Hezekiah Sabin & others, for the paving of Mathewson Street, - make Report, - which is read.

35 38.

Do. Upon the Report of the joint Committee to whom were referred the petitions of Benjamin Hoppin & others for the paving of Washington Street, and of Hezekiah Sabin & others, for the paving of Mathewson Street, - it is Resolved, that the same be received; and that said petitions be and the same are hereby indefinitely postponed. (Concurred.)

The joint Committee to whom on the 14<sup>th</sup> of January last, was referred the petition of Thomas F. Carpenter and others, for the use of the Town House, on the evening of the 14<sup>th</sup> of April next; - and to whom on the 28<sup>th</sup> day of said January was referred the petitions of Martin Stoddard & others and of Thomas J. Stead & others for the use of said house, on the evenings of the 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> of said April; - make Report, referring said petitions back to the City Council;

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

Do. Upon the petitions of Martin Stoddard & others, and of Thomas J. Stead & others, for the use of the Town House, on the evenings of Monday and Tuesday, April 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> A.D. 1840, for the purpose of holding political meetings therein, for the promotion of Whig principles, - it is Resolved, that the prayer thereof be granted. (Concurred.)

Do. Resolved that the petition of Thomas F. Carpenter & others, for the use of the Town House on the evening of the 14<sup>th</sup> of April next, be laid upon the Table.

Mrs. of Union Parker.

The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 25<sup>th</sup> of November last, was referred the Account of Simon Barker, for building a part of the culvert in Brook street, make a verbal report; Whereupon, it is moved that said Account be allowed; upon which motion, the question is taken; - and said motion is lost.

21 49.

Mayor's Salary.

Resolved, that the Salary of the Mayor, for the year ending the first Monday in June, A.D. 1840, shall be One Thousand Dollars, - payable quarterly. (Concurred.)

Arnold & Brook Streets & Summer Pond Streets.

Resolved, that Messrs. Hughes, Davenport, Anthony & Tompkins, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be a committee, to take into consideration, what alterations and improvements are necessary to be made on Arnold and Brook streets, and on Summer and Pond streets; - in order that the lands for the accommodation of the Public School Houses built of brick, in the Third and Sixth Wards, may be finished in conformity to said streets when properly graded. (Concurred, & Aldermen Holden & Cady added.)

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March 9<sup>th</sup> March 30<sup>th</sup> 1840.

Resolved that Messrs Knowles & Padelford with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to enquire what order the City Council ought to take in reference to the lands belonging to the City.

(Concurred, March 16<sup>th</sup> 1840. & Alderman Phillips added)

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday the 30<sup>th</sup> day of March instant, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr President

Messrs Angell,

Anthony,

Bachlin,

Cranton,

Gardiner,

Goodhue,

Gurney,

Hughes,

Knowles,

Hamilton,

Mallett,

Mason,

Padelford,

Thomson,

Willard,

Young.

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Albert Spence, Clerk

Common Council, March 30<sup>th</sup> 1840.

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

Petitions of Charles W. Rhodes,

William Sabin,

Amey Sabin,

Alpheus Barges,

William Bradley,

and Augustus Stevens, - for leave to fence in and

enclose buying lots in the North Burial Ground, and severally

Burying Lots. 3

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presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the North Burial Ground, to examine and report thereon: which Committee thereupon make Report, in favor of granting the prayers thereof, and also the prayers of the Petitions of George M. Carty, opened December 23, 1839, & of Joseph S. Cooke, referred on the 9<sup>th</sup> of March instant, which Report is read and received.

Upon the several petitions of George M. Carty, Joseph S. Cooke, Charles W. Rhodes, William Sabin, Amey Sabin, Alpheus Barges, William Bradley, and Augustus Stevens, - regard-

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

Resolved, that the City Treasurer, acting under the advice of Messrs Jackson, Young, and Cranton, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and he is hereby authorized to renew so much of the City Debt as falls due in April next, for a term not exceeding one year, and at a rate of interest not exceeding six per cent. (Concurred. & Alderman Hoppen added)

School Fund Loan.

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Resolved, that the Joint Committee of the City Council, appointed in relation to the Public School Houses & Estates, be and they are hereby authorized to hire, by temporary loan a loan, for the use of the City, Ten Thousand Dollars of the sum which they are already authorized to hire as a part of the School Fund Loan, - at a rate of interest not exceeding six per cent per annum, instead of a rate not exceeding five per cent as heretofore resolved.

(Concurred.)

D. Andrews, Resign.

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The tender of resignation, of David Andrews as one of the joint committee relative to the Public School Houses and Estates, which was on the 9<sup>th</sup> of March instant laid upon the Table, is now again read, and it is resolved, that the said resignation be accepted.

(Concurred.)

J. Padelford apt.

Resolved, that Mr. Padelford be and he is hereby appointed one of the joint committee in relation to the Public School Houses and Estates, in the place of Mr. David Andrews who has resigned his appointment as a member of that committee,

(Concurred.)

Market House.

Resolved that Messrs Newton and Goodhue, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a committee, to cause such repairs on the Market House immediately as may be necessary; and that said committee be authorized to draw on the City Treasury for the same.

(Concurred. & Alderman Wheaton added.)

Fire Depart.

Resolved, that the sum of Five Hundred Dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated for the Fire Department; and that said sum so appropriated, be paid out of any moneys in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated.

(Concurred.)

W. Simons Jr. of C.

93.

An Account of William Simons Jr. for publishing in the Republican Herald the order of procession &c. for the Municipal celebration of the Fourth of July, A.D. 1838, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved that the same be received and laid upon the Table.

Common Streets.

45.

Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways, under the direction of the Committee in relation to the Public School Houses and Estates, be directed to cause such improvements to be made on Arnold and Brook Streets and on Summer and Pond Streets, as may be necessary, in order that the lands for the accommodation of the Public School Houses built of brick, in the Third and Sixth Wards, may be finished in conformity to said Streets when properly graded.

(Concurred.)

S. Barker

45.

Dr.

A Petition of Simon Barker, in relation to a claim made by him against the City, is presented and read, together with an Account for said claim, amounting to \$75.

Upon the Petition of Simon Barker, in relation to a claim made by him against the City, for building a part of the Culvert in Brook Street, - it is resolved, that the same together with his Account accompanying the same, be received and referred to the Surveyor of Highways; and that said Surveyor be, and he is hereby authorized to allow such sum of money, in full of said Account as he may deem to be just, and that said Surveyor be, and he is hereby authorized to draw upon the City Treasury, for such sum as he may determine to allow therein, - to be paid out of any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

(Concurred.)

Town House.

Petition of George Rivers and others, a Committee of Arrangements for the Young Men's Whig Convention, to be holden on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Day of April next, requesting the use

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March 30<sup>th</sup> 1840.

School Fund Loan.

45

Resolved, that the Joint Committee of the City Council, appointed in relation to the Public School Houses & Estates, be and they are hereby authorized to hire, by temporary loan a loan, for the use of the City, Ten Thousand Dollars of the sum which they are already authorized to hire as a part of the School Fund Loan, - at a rate of interest not exceeding six per cent per annum, instead of a rate not exceeding five per cent as heretofore resolved.

(Concurred.)

D. Andrews, Resign.

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(Concurred.)

J. Padelford appt.

Resolved, that Mr. Padelford be and he is hereby appointed one of the Joint Committee in relation to the Public School Houses and Estates, in the place of Mr. David Andrews who has resigned his appointment as a member of that Committee.

(Concurred.)

Market House.

Resolved that Messrs Knowlton and Goodhue, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to cause such repairs on the Market House, immediately as may be necessary; and that said Committee be authorized to draw on the City Treasury for the same.

(Concurred. & Alderman Wheaton added.)

Fire Department.

Resolved, that the sum of Five Hundred Dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated for the Fire Department; and that said sum so appropriated, be paid out of any moneys in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated.

(Concurred.)

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March 30<sup>th</sup> 1840.

W. Simons Jr. of

93.

An Account of William Simons Jr. for publishing in the Republican Herald the order of procession &c. for the Municipal celebration of the Fourth of July, A.D. 1838, is presented and read: Whereupon, it is resolved that the same be received and laid upon the Table.

Cent. Streets.

45.

Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways, under the direction of the Committee in relation to the Public School Houses and Estates, be directed to cause such improvements to be made on Arnold and Brook Streets and on Summer and Pond Streets, as may be necessary, in order that the lands for the accommodation of the Public School Houses built of brick, in the Third and Sixth Wards, may be finished in conformity to said Streets when properly graded.

(Concurred.)

S. Barker

45.

Dr.

A Petition of Simon Barker, in relation to a claim made by him against the City, is presented and read, together with an Account for said claim, amounting to \$75.

Upon the Petition of Simon Barker, in relation to a claim made by him against the City, for building a part of the Culvert in Brook Street, it is resolved, that the same, together with his Account accompanying the same, be received and referred to the Surveyor of Highways; and that said Surveyor be, and he is hereby authorized to allow such sum of money, in full of said Account as he may deem to be just, and that said Surveyor be, and he is hereby authorized to draw upon the City Treasury, for such sum as he may determine to allow therein, - to be paid out of any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

(Concurred.)

Town House.

A Petition of George Rivers and others, a Committee of Arrangements for the Young Men's Whig Convention, to be holden on the 2<sup>d</sup> Day of April next, requesting the use

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of the Town House, for that occasion, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, and that the prayer thereof be granted.  
(Concurred.)

*Chestnut Street.* The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of March instant, was referred the petition of William Gardner & others, for a cross-walk across Chestnut Street, make report against granting the prayer thereof, which is read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, and together with said petition be laid upon the Table.

*Dam across the North Bridge.* Resolved, that Messrs Hoppin & Jackson, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to confer with the Board of Firewards or any Committee appointed by that Board, upon the expediency of constructing a Dam across the North Bridge, or Cove Street, or at any other place, or in any other manner, for the more effectual security of the City against fire.

*4<sup>th</sup> of July.* Resolved, that Messrs Hoppin, Goodhue and Mallett, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee of Arrangements for a Municipal Celebration of the approaching anniversary of American Independence. Resolved, that the sum of Five Hundred Dollars, be and the same is, hereby appropriated, for defraying the expenses of said Celebration, to be paid out of the City Treasury, to the order of the Chairman of said Committee, out of any moneys in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention. Sundry persons who have testified

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

Oliver Dyer tenders his resignation as one of the Firewards of Firewards, and the same is accepted.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Wednesday the 15<sup>th</sup> day of April next, at 9 o'clock A.M.

Members present.

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| Mr. President, | .. Hughes, |
| Messrs Fogel,  | Jackson,   |
| Anthony,       | Knowles,   |
| Brown,         | Kennett,   |
| Bucklin,       | Mallett,   |
| Crandon,       | Mason,     |
| Goodhue,       | Radford,   |
| Hoppin,        | Willard,   |
| Houder,        | Young      |

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Albert G. Greene, Clerk.

Common Council, April 15<sup>th</sup>, 1840.

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

*Buying Lots*

Petitions of Mulrah S. Tripp and John Wright, for leave to fence in and enclose burial lots sufficient for their respective families, in the North Burial Ground, are presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the North Burial Ground, to examine

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and report thereon.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

Sundry persons are admitted freemen of the City; and sundry others are proposed for admission as freemen.

The two Boards separate.

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

Members present.

Mr. President,  
Messrs. Anthony,  
Cranston,  
Goddard,  
Gurney,  
Koppin,  
Hudson.

Jackson,  
Knox,  
Knoxton,  
Mollett,  
Padesford,  
Thurber,  
Young

14.

5 o'clock P.M.

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

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

Sundry persons are admitted freemen of the City; and sundry others are proposed for admission as freemen.

The two Boards separate.

April 15<sup>th</sup> - May 18<sup>th</sup>. 1840.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday the 18<sup>th</sup> Day of May next, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr. President,  
Messrs. Anthony,  
Brown,  
Cranston,  
Gardner,  
Goddard,  
Koppin,

Hudson,  
Hughes,  
Mason,  
Padesford,  
Willard,  
Young.

13.

Albert Greene, Clerk

Common Council, May 18<sup>th</sup>. 1840.

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

Petitions of William C. Millard,  
John R. Dennis  
Edward S. Underwood,

and Panny Vaughan, for liberty to enclose buying lots in the North Burial Ground, are presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the North Burial Ground, to examine and report thereon: which Committee thereupon make Report in favour of granting the same, and also in favour of granting the petitions of Volbad S. Tripp and John Wright, referred on the 15<sup>th</sup> Day of April last.

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Upon the General petitions of Volbad S. Tripp,  
John Wright,  
Panny Vaughan,

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Edward S. Underwood,

John R. Dennis,

and William C. Miller,

requesting leave

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

(Concurred)

B. Lockwood  
J. B. Cushing

A Communication from Benoni Lockwood and S. B. Cushing, proposing to sell to the City their engraved plate of a map of the City, is presented and read; whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received, and laid upon the Table.

T. Burgess  
H. Platt

A Petition of Thomas Burgess, for himself and Peter Pratt, for a redaction of the ground out of their building on the Town House Lot, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to Messrs Palford and Cranston, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon.

(Concurred: Alderman Wheaton added)

The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 26<sup>th</sup> 1834, is presented and read; received and referred to the

May 18<sup>th</sup> 1840.

Standing Committee on Finance, which Committee thereupon report the following Resolution, - which is read and passed: viz.

Appropriations.

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

- For Support of Public Schools, Fifteen Hundred Dollars;
- For Fire Department, Five Hundred Dollars;
- For Highways, Eight Hundred Dollars;
- For Salaries, Four Hundred Dollars;
- For Interest, Six Hundred Dollars; -

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

(Concurred.)

David Bart  
Wm. House  
J. S.

The Committee appointed to adjust the claim of the City upon David Bart, and for other purposes, which Committee presented a Report on the 21<sup>st</sup> of October last, which was on that day re-committed with instructions, - make Report, which is read; whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received.

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(Concurred, May 25<sup>th</sup> 1840.)

School  
Houses  
&  
Estates.

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A Resolution authorizing the joint Committee appointed in relation to the Public School Houses and Estates, to raise by loan or loans, a further sum of money, for the purpose of carrying into effect the objects of their appointment, to be added to the "School Fund Loan" and to be a part thereof, - is presented and read, and on motion, is laid upon the Table.

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Tr's ofc.

Resolved, that Messrs Jackson and Anthony, with such as

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The Board of Aldermen may add be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to audit and settle the accounts of the City Treasurer with the City, up to the first Monday in June next.  
Concurred, and Alderman Phillips added.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

Several persons who have heretofore been duly propounded, as admitted freemen of the City, and sundry others are propounded for admission as freemen.

The two Boards separate.

In Common Council.

Resolved, that the thanks of the Common Council be presented to Thomas A. Fenner Esq. their President, for the impartial and dignified manner in which he has discharged the Duties of that Office, for the past year.

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

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

Members present.

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| Mr. President,    | .. Brown,    |
| .. Messrs Angell, | .. Bucklin,  |
| .. Anthony        | .. Cranston, |

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- .. Goodhue,
- .. Gamey
- .. Hopkin
- .. Hadson
- .. Hughes

- .. Jackson,
- .. Knowles,
- .. Knowlton,
- .. Laddford
- .. Manton
- .. Timber
- .. Young.

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Abel Green, Clerk

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Organization of the City Government of the  
City of Providence, for the Municipal Year  
Commencing on the first Monday in June,  
A.D. 1840.

Monday, June 1<sup>st</sup>. 1840.

This being the Day Designated by the City Charter  
for the Organization of the City Government for the  
ensuing municipal Year, - the Mayor, & Aldermen  
elect, and members elect of the Common Council  
assembled in the Council Chamber, at 10  
o'clock A.M.

The certificate of the election of Samuel W. Bridg-  
ham as Mayor, is presented and read; and the oath  
prescribed by Law is administered to him by Hon<sup>ble</sup>  
William R. Staples one of the Justices of the Su-  
preme Judicial Court.

The Certificate of the election of Thomas B. Holden,  
Joseph Cady,  
James Wheaton,  
Thomas C. Whipple,  
Pinchas Potter,  
and John F. Phillips, as  
Aldermen for said year, is presented and read, and  
they are severally engaged by the Mayor, according  
to Law.

The Certificates of the election of the members elect of  
the Common Council, <sup>for said year,</sup> are presented and read, and  
all of said members, excepting Isaac Thumber and John  
D. Brown are present, and engaged by the Mayor,  
according to Law.

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Richard M. Field is, by ballot, elected City Clerk, for said year, and is engaged by the Mayor, according to law.

An Address is delivered by the Mayor, relative to the municipal affairs of the City, during the past year. After which, the two Boards separate.

Members of the Common Council  
of the  
City of Providence,  
for the Municipal Year, commencing  
on the first Monday in June  
A.D. 1840.

## First Ward.

Isaac Thurber,  
Edward P. Knowles,  
Dexter Angell,  
Thomas Fletcher.

## Second Ward.

Thomas B. Fenner,  
George W. Jackson,  
Henry Anthony,  
John D. Brown.

## Third Ward.

Samuel Ames,  
Austin Gurney,  
Eben. Wade,  
Willard W. Fairbanks.

## Fourth Ward.

John I. Hodges,  
William W. Hopkin,  
Daniel I. Goodhue,  
Barzillai Cranston.

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## Fifth Ward.

Seth Padelord,  
James C. Bucklin,  
James Brown,  
William Foster.

## Sixth Ward.

Horatio G. Hadson,  
William I. Thornton,  
James E. Butts,  
Israel G. Manchester.

The members elect of the Common Council having been duly engaged by the Mayor, in presence of the Board of Aldermen, (excepting Messrs John D. Brown and Isaac Thurber,) are called to order by Mr Fenner?

Thomas B. Fenner is elected President of the Common Council, for the present municipal year.

Albert G. Green is re-elected Clerk of the Common Council, for the present municipal year, and is duly engaged by the Mayor, in presence of the Board of Aldermen, to the faithful discharge of the duties of his office.

The Standing Rules of the last Council are read; Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Standing Rules of the last Common Council be received and adopted as the Standing Rules of this Council; with the following addition to the 12<sup>th</sup> Rule: viz;

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

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The following Standing Committees are appointed: viz

Committee to Engrave Ordinances.

Messrs Anthony,  
Hepburn,  
Piedelford.

Committee on Highways.

Messrs Goodhue,  
Madson,  
Fairbanks.

Committee on Finance.

Messrs Jackson,  
Cranston,  
Wade.

Committee on the North Burial Ground.

Messrs Knowles,  
Thurber,  
Angell.

Committee on the Fire Department.

Messrs Bucklin,  
Fletcher,  
Ames.

Resolved, That Messrs Jackson & Knowles, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to wait upon His Honor the Mayor, and request him to furnish for publication, a copy of the Address this Day Delivered by him to the City Council, and to cause the same to be published in such manner as they may deem expedient. (Concurred. & Alderman Phillips added.)

Resolved, That from the Justices assigned to keep the Peace

Messrs  
add'g.

Police  
Court.

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within this City, Henry L. Bowen,  
Walter S. Barnes,  
and Edward H. Hazard, be and they are hereby selected, to compose the Police Court of this City during the present municipal year. (Concurred.)

Resolved, That each Assessor of Taxes in and for the City, shall be allowed and paid one hundred Dollars, as a full compensation for appraising the City Tax for the present Municipal Year. (Concurred.)

Resolved, That copies of the Book of City Ordinances, published A.D. 1835, be distributed as follows: to wit: To each member of the City Council who has not already been furnished with a copy - one copy. To each of the Justices of the Peace, and to each of the City Constables, who have not already been furnished with a copy, one copy. (Concurred.)

Resolved that the sum of fifty cents be paid by the City Treasurer, to the Treasurer of the "London Association of Firemen for Mutual Assistance," for each of the Firemen of the City, - in order to entitle them severally to the benefit of the funds of that Association; and that the same be paid on the Certificate of the City Clerk, respecting the appointment of said Firemen, out of the Appropriation for the Fire Department. (Concurred.)

Resolved, That Messrs Cranston & Anthony with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to take a Bond of the City Treasurer, with sufficient surety or securities for the faithful Discharge of the Duties of his office

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for the present municipal year: and that said bond be for the sum of Thirty thousand Dollars.  
(Concurred: & Alderman Whipple added.)

City Printing } Resolved. That Messrs Knowles & Palford, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to contract for the City Printing, for the present municipal year.  
(Concurred: and Alderman Wharton added.)

Acct of Receipts & Expenditures } Resolved. That Messrs Goodhue and Hughes, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to prepare a particular Account of the Receipts and Expenditures for the past year, and a Schedule of the property of the City, and to cause the same to be published in the newspapers employed by the City Council, - agreeably to the requisition contained in the fourth Section of the City Charter.  
(Concurred, & Alderman Phillips added.)

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

June 1<sup>st</sup> 1839. 3 o'clock P.M.

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

Complimentary Ordinance. } An Ordinance, entitled "An Ordinance fixing the Compensation of certain Officers, for the year ending on the first Monday in June, A.D. one thousand, eight hundred and forty-one," is read and passed.  
(Concurred.)

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Report of School Committee } The Report of the School Committee is presented and read: whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and recorded.  
(Concurred.)

Resolutions of the School Committee } Copies of certain Resolutions of the School Committee, in relation to the erection of new school houses, &c, passed by that Committee on the 25<sup>th</sup> of May last, are presented and read: whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received.  
(Concurred.)

Treasurer's Report. } The Report of the City Treasurer, accompanied by the following named Documents, is presented and read: viz:  
1. A Schedule of Real Estate, belonging to the City;  
2. A Statement of the City Debt;  
3. Amount of the School Fund Loan;  
4. The Treasurer's Account Current with the City, ending May 31. 1840.  
Whereupon it is resolved, that the same together with the accompanying Documents, be received and recorded.  
(Concurred.)

City Tax & Appropriation Bill. } A Bill entitled "An Ordinance providing for the Appointment and Collection of a Tax of <sup>Thousand</sup> Dollars," and a Resolution Appropriating \$ for the purposes therein mentioned, - are severally read: whereupon it is resolved, that the same be referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

Burying Lots. } Petitions of Edward Hall and Stanton Thurber, for leave to fence in and enclose burying lots in the North Burial Ground, are presented and read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on the North Burial Ground, to examine and report thereon.

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Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

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

The City Council proceed to the election of City Officers for the present municipal year: and after completing the same, (with the exception of the members of some of the Fire Companies,) the two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the eighth day of June instant, at half past 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr. President.

Alfred Ames,

Angell,

Anthony,

James Brown,

Barklin,

Butts,

Creighton,

Hairbanks,

Fletcher,

Foster,

Goodhue,

Ganey,

Hopkin,

Hudson,

Hughes,

Jackson,

Knickerbocker,

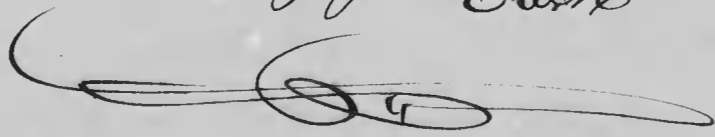
Manchester,

Padelford,

Thomson,

Wade.

Alfred Greene  
Clerk



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Common Council, June 8<sup>th</sup>, 1840.

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

Treasurer's Bond.

The joint committee appointed on the 1<sup>st</sup> of June instant, to take a bond of the City Treasurer, make report that they have discharged that duty, which report is read; whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, and that said bond be deposited for safe keeping, in the office of the City Clerk. (Concurred)

T. Burgess & P. Pratt.

The Committee to whom on the 18<sup>th</sup> of May last, was referred the petition of Thomas Burgess, for himself and Peter Pratt, make report, recommending a reduction of the rent mentioned in said petition, which report is read; whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received. (Concurred)

Buying Lots.

Petitions of Mary Earl, William Earl, Daniel L. Perry & John B. Earl, requesting leave to fence in and enclose buying lots in the North Burial Ground, are presented and read: received and referred to the Standing Committee on the North Burial Ground, to examine and report thereon.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

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In Convention.

Sundry persons, who have heretofore been  
only suspended, are admitted freemen of the City,  
and sundry others are suspended for admission as  
freemen.

The two Boards separate.

In Common Council.

The Standing Committee on Finance to whom, on  
the 1<sup>st</sup> of June instant was referred the bill, en-  
-titled "An Ordinance providing for the Assessment  
& Collection of a Tax of <sup>thousand Dollars,</sup> and  
the said appropriations <sup>to the purposes therein</sup>  
mentioned, - make Report by bills, - which Re-  
port is received.

appropriations, 65  
73. The Resolution reported by said Committee, appro-  
-priating \$42,265 for the purposes therein mentioned, is read  
& passed.

City Tax The bill reported by said Committee, entitled "An Ordinance  
providing for the Assessment and Collection of a Tax of  
Seventy Thousand Dollars," is read and passed.

65 concurred, with three amendments, viz. that the  
word "seventy" in the Title, and in the first line of  
the first section, be stricken out; and the word  
"Sixty-five" inserted in its place.

71 The Common Council non-concur in the  
amendments.

The Board of Aldermen insist upon their  
amendments.

The Common Council insist upon their non-  
concourse in the amendments; and request

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a Conference with the Board of Aldermen, relative  
to the Difference between the two Boards; - and  
Messrs Jackson, Cranston & Wadsworth are appointed  
Conferees on the part of the Common Council.  
The Board of Aldermen still insist upon their  
Amendments, and unite with the Common  
Council, in regard to a Conference, and appoint  
Messrs Phillips & Holden, Conferees on their  
part.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday  
the 15<sup>th</sup> Day of June instant, at half past 7 o'clock  
P.M.

Members present.

- |               |            |
|---------------|------------|
| Mr President, |            |
| Messrs Ames,  | Garney     |
| Angell,       | Wheeler    |
| Anthony,      | Watson,    |
| James Brown,  | Hughes,    |
| Backlin,      | Jackson,   |
| Batts,        | Knower,    |
| Cranston,     | Manchester |
| Fairbanks,    | Redford,   |
| Fletcher,     | Thornlon,  |
| Forster,      | Wadsworth  |
| Goodhue       | 22.        |

Albert G. Green, Clerk

June 15<sup>th</sup> 1840.

Common Council, June 15<sup>th</sup> 1840.

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

J. D. Brown. John D. Brown, a member elect of the Common Council from the Second Ward, for the present municipal year, appears, - is duly engaged before the Mayor, and takes his seat.

James Lee } A Petition of James Lee, for relief, is presented and read  
Convict. }

Do. Upon the petition of James Lee, a convict now confined in the State's Jail in the County of Providence, praying for relief, - it is Resolved, that the same be received, and the prayer thereof granted; and that the Keeper of said Jail be and he is hereby authorized and directed to liberate said James from his said confinement; - on condition that said James with his family depart from and out of this City, within forty-eight hours next after such liberation, and not return thereto without leave of the City Council.

Resolved, that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and directed to pay the costs of the prosecution and conviction of said James and his legal prison fees, to the proper officers authorized to receive the same.

(Concurred.)

Thankful B. Lopez } A Petition of Thankful B. Lopez, for relief, is presented and read.

Do. Upon the Petition of Thankful B. Lopez, a convict now confined in the State's Jail in the County of Providence, praying for relief, - it is Resolved, that the same be received, and the prayer thereof be so far granted,

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that the Keeper of said Jail be and he is hereby authorized and directed to release said Thankful from her said confinement; - provided said Thankful shall, within six days next after such liberation, depart from and out of this City, and not return thereto, without leave of the City Council.

Resolved, that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and directed to pay the costs of the prosecution and conviction of said Thankful and her legal prison fees, to the proper officers authorized to receive the same.

(Concurred.)

City Tax.

18. The Conferees appointed by the Common Council on the 8<sup>th</sup> of June instant, to confer with such conferees as might be appointed by the Board of Aldermen, respecting the disagreement of the two Boards relative to the Bill entitled "An Ordinance providing for the assessment and collection of a Tax of Seventy Thousand Dollars," make a verbal Report; where upon it is Resolved that the Common Council do recede from their Resolution passed on said 8<sup>th</sup> day of June, in which they resolved to non-concur in the Amendments of said Bill, made by the Board of Aldermen; and it is further resolved, that the Common Council do concur in said Amendments.

Upon the passage of which Resolution, the question is taken by ayes and nays, which are ordered to be entered upon the Journal; - as follows.

Ayes.

Messrs. Anthony,  
Jar Brown,  
J. D. Brown,  
Bucklin  
Butts,

Nays.

Messrs. Fletcher,  
Foster,  
Hoppin,  
Hudson,  
Jackson,

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Cranston,  
Fairbanks,  
Goodhue,  
Thomson 9.

Knowles,  
Manchester,  
Wade, 8.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

The City Council proceed to complete the election of City Officers for the present municipal year; and complete the same, with the exception of the members of one of the Fire Companies.

Allen O. Peck declines accepting his appointment as a Fireward.

William J. Harris is elected a Fireward.

Charles Holden declines accepting his appointment, as one of the Presidents of Firewards.

Silvanus G. Martin is elected one of the Presidents of Firewards.

The resignation of Stephen Tillinghast, of the office of City Treasurer, is presented in writing, and it is resolved that said resignation be accepted.

77 Robert Knight is elected City Treasurer, for the remainder of the present municipal year.

James Mumford is appointed collector of the tax this day ordered to be opened.

John T. Jackson declines accepting his appointment as Sealer of Weights and Measures.

Edward Luther is appointed Sealer of Weights & Measures.

The two Boards separate.

In Common Council.

Resolved, that Messrs Jackson, Cranston & Wade, with

his Bond.

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Such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to take a bond of Robert Knight who has, this day, been appointed City Treasurer, with sufficient surety or sureties, for the faithful performance of the duties of his office for the present municipal year; and that said bond be for the sum of thirty thousand Dollars.  
(Concurred, & Alderman Hoppin assent.)

Books & in Office.

Resolved, that Messrs Jackson, Cranston & Wade, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to transfer the books and papers belonging to the office of the City Treasurer, from the late to the present City Treasurer.

(Concurred, & Alderman Cady assent.)

Com. to transfer Weights & Measures.

79 Resolved, that Messrs Knowles and Hudson, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to transfer the standard weights and measures belonging to the City, from the late Sealer of Weights and Measures, to the Sealer of Weights and Measures this day appointed.

(Concurred, & Alderman Wheaton assent.)

Appropriation Res.

88. The Resolution appropriating \$42,265 for the purposes therein mentioned, which passed the Common Council on the 8<sup>th</sup> of June instant, and was then sent up for concurrence, is now returned by the Board of Aldermen, who concur therein, with the following Amendment: viz, That the word "two" in the 33<sup>d</sup> line be stricken out, and the word "five" inserted in its place.

The Common Council concur in the Amendment.

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Loan.

Resolved, that the City Treasurer, acting under the advice and direction of Messrs Jackson, Cranston and Wade, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and he is hereby authorized to raise, by temporary loan or loans for the use of the City, a sum or sums of money, not exceeding, in the whole, the sum of three thousand dollars, and at a rate of interest not exceeding six per cent.

(Concurred, & Alderman Hoppin added.)

Burying Lots.

Petitions of Mary Earl,

William Earl,

Daniel L. Perry,

and John B. Earl, for leave to enclose burying

lots in the North Burial Ground, as presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the North Burial Ground, to examine and report thereon. - which

Committee make Report in favour of granting the prayer thereof; and also in favour of granting the prayer

of the Petitions of Edward Hall, and Stanton Tharber, which was referred on the 1<sup>st</sup> Day of June instant; - which Report is read and received.

Do

Upon the several petitions of Edward Hall,

Stanton Tharber,

Mary Earl,

William Earl,

Daniel L. Perry,

and John B. Earl, - requesting

leave to fence in and enclose burying lots sufficient for their respective families, in the North Burial Ground, - it is resolved, that the same be received, and the prayers thereof granted; and that said petitioners be and they are hereby severally authorized to fence in and enclose such lots for such purpose; - provided the same be done under the direction of the Overseers of the North Burial Ground, with

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the sanction of the Mayor; and provided, the several privileges hereby granted, shall be subject to all future regulations of the City Council, in relation thereto, and shall continue during the pleasure of the City Council, and no longer.

(Concurred.)

Telescope Level.

Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby authorized to purchase, for the use of the City, a Telescope Level; provided the cost does not exceed the sum of thirty-five dollars.

(Concurred.)

Ordinance Books.

Resolved, that His Honor the Mayor be and he is hereby authorized to distribute, among such of the City Officers as may apply for the same, so many of the copies of the Books of City Ordinances, published, A.D. 1835, as he may deem expedient; provided that no person shall receive more than one copy thereof.

(Concurred.)

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the 27<sup>th</sup> Day of July next, at half past 7 o'clock A.M.

Members present.

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|----------------|---------------|-------------|
| Mr President   | .. Fairbanks. | .. Jackson. |
| Messrs Anthony | Pletcher,     | Knowles,    |
| James Brown    | Poster,       | Manchester, |
| John D. Brown. | Goodhue,      | Radcliff,   |
| Bucklin,       | Garnsey,      | Thomson,    |
| Butts,         | Hoppin,       | Wade.       |
| Cranston       | Hudson,       | 19.         |

Albert G. Greene,  
Clerk.

July 27<sup>th</sup> 1840.

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

The Monthly Statement

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

Appropriations

Resolved, that the several sums hereinafter mentioned, be appropriated and paid out of any moneys in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated, - for the following purposes, to wit.

- For Highways, Fifteen Hundred Dollars.
  - Public Buildings, One Hundred & fifty Dollars.
  - Police Department, One Hundred & fifty Dollars, -
- (Concurred)

Deposit of City funds

Resolved, that Messrs Cranston & Wade, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be authorized to make an arrangement with any one of the Banks in this City, for the deposit of the City funds, for the present municipal year, upon such terms as they may think most for the interest of the City.  
(Concurred: & Alderman Cappin added.)

G. G. Gladding

A Petition of George G. Gladding, for relief, is presented and read.

Do.

Upon the petition of George G. Gladding, a convict now confined in Jail in the County of Providence, praying for relief, - it is Resolved, that the said Petition be received, and the prayer thereof granted; and that the Keeper of said Jail be and he is hereby authorized and directed to liberate the said George from his said confinement, upon his paying all the costs.  
(Concurred.)

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Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

Persons who have heretofore been duly propounded, are admitted freemen of the City; and standing others are propounded for admission as freemen.

72.

Robert Knight, in writing tenders his resignation of the Office of City Treasurer: and his Communication being read, it is resolved that the same be received, and that said resignation be accepted.

Benjamin Clifford is elected City Treasurer, for the remainder of the present municipal year.

John P. Jones & Edward S. Sheldon are elected Measures of Grain, Salt and sea-coal, for the remainder of the present municipal year.

The two Boards separate.

In Common Council.

Com. to take bond of City Treas. & to transfer books papers &c.

Resolved, that Messrs Cranston & Wade, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be a Committee to settle the Accounts of Robert Knight Esq, late City Treasurer, and to transfer the books, papers, funds and effects of the late, to the present City Treasurer, and also to receive a bond from the City Treasurer, in the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars, with further satisfactory to said Committee.  
(Concurred: & Alderman Phillips added.)

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83.

Temporary Loan.

Resolved, that the City Treasurer, under the advice and direction of Messrs Cranston & Wade, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be authorized to raise such sums of money as may be needed for the use of the City, pre-

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simis to the first Monday of October next, at a rate of interest not exceeding six per cent, and not exceeding in the whole the sum of Four Thousand Dollars. (Concurred, & Alderman Coz added.)

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Thursday, the 30<sup>th</sup> Day of July instant, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr President,  
Alpha Ames,

Angell,  
Anthony,  
Jas Brown,  
J. D. Brown,  
Bucklin,  
Butts,  
Cranston,  
Fairbanks,  
Foster,

Goodhue,  
Garney,  
Hoppin,  
Hudson,  
Hughes,  
Knowles,  
Manchester,  
Ladeford,  
Thurston,  
Wade

21.

Albert Greene,  
Clerk.

Common Council July 30<sup>th</sup> 1840.

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

T. Harkley,  
Surveyor Genl.

89 A Petition of Thomas Harkley, for leave to fence in and enclose a burying lot in the North Burial Ground, is presented & read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on the North Burial Ground, to examine & report thereon.

July 30<sup>th</sup> 1840.

A Petition of James Leonard, for relief, is presented and read.

9. Upon the petition of James Leonard, a convict now confined in the State Jail in the County of Providence, praying for relief, - it is resolved, that the same be received, and the prayer thereof granted; and that the Warden of said Jail be and he is hereby authorized and directed to liberate said James from his said confinement, upon his paying all the costs. (Non-concurred, August 10, 1840.)

Rep of  
Al. Peck  
& c.

A Petition of Allen O. Peck & others in relation to the Street next South of the Market House, is presented and read.

Do Upon the petition of Allen O. Peck and others, respecting the Street South of the Market House, - it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to Messrs Goodhue, Hudson and Fairbanks, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, - to examine and report thereon.

Water Clerk's

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Resolved, that said Committee be and they are hereby directed also to report what measures, if any, ought to be taken in relation to the public water-closet, on the South side of the Market House.

Resolved, that said Committee be, and they are hereby directed to report at the next meeting of the City Council.

(Concurred, & Alderman Holden added.)

Standard  
Weights &  
Measures.

73 The joint Committee who were on the 15<sup>th</sup> of June last, appointed to transfer the Standard weights and measures belonging to the City, from the late to the present Sealer of Weights & measures, make Report that they have dis-  
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charged that duty, which Report is read, whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received. (Concurred)

Standard weights &c.

Resolved, that Messrs Hudson & Honorable, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee, with power to purchase for the City, such standard weights and measures not in the possession of the City, Sealer of weights and measures, as may be necessary for the use of said Sealer in the discharge of his duty, - and to draw upon the City Treasury, for the expense thereof, provided said expense shall not exceed twenty one <sup>25</sup>/<sub>100</sub> Dollars.

(Concurred, & Alderman Wheaton added)

Petition of R.R. Stafford & others. Market Place.

83. A Petition of R. R. Stafford & others, praying for amendments in the "Ordinance for the Regulation of the City-Markets and Market Place;" (in order that brought animals and carriages may be permitted to stand on the public bridges in the centre of the City,) is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to Messrs Anthony, Hooplin and Padelford, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon

(Concurred, & Alderman Potter added)

Com to enquire respecting loan of \$100,000.

Resolved, that Messrs Jackson, Cranston & Wade, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be a Committee, to enquire on what terms a loan or loans, to the amount of one hundred thousand Dollars, may be obtained for the use of the City, on five, ten, fifteen and twenty years time, - the interest payable semi-annually.

(Concurred, & Alderman Phillips added)

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City Records.

121.

Resolved, that Messrs Fairbanks, Bucklin and Goodhue, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to enquire into the expediency of making suitable arrangements, in the Market-House building, for the safe keeping of the public records and files of papers; and that said Committee be requested to report at a future meeting.

(Concurred, and Alderman Holden added)

State's Jail.

83.

A Resolution for the appointment of a Committee to make arrangements with the State, for the occupancy of the Jail in the County of Providence, as a place of confinement for the City convicts, is presented and read, received, and laid upon the Table.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

Sundry persons are prepared for admission as freemen of the City. Daniel Robinson is elected an Undertaker, for the remainder of the present municipal year.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Saturday the 1<sup>st</sup> Day of August next, at 8 o'clock P.M.

Members present,

Mr. President,

Messrs Anthony

James Brown,

Ju. D. Brown

Bucklin,

Butts,

Cranston

Fairbanks

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.. Goodhue, .. Manchester,  
Gurney, .. Phillips,  
.. Hopkins, .. Thornton,  
.. Hudson, .. Wade,  
.. Knowles.

17.  
Albert Green, Clerk.

Common Council, August 1<sup>st</sup> 1840.

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

77. The joint Committee appointed on the 27<sup>th</sup> of July last  
to settle the Accounts of Robert Knight, late City Treas-  
urer, with the City, &c. make Report that they have  
performed that duty. Which Report is read. Whereupon,  
it is resolved, that the same be received, and recoded,  
together with the accompanying Account.  
(Concurred.)

89. Petition of Charles Grimwood, for leave to fence in  
& enclose a buying lot in the North Burial Ground  
is presented and read, received and referred to the Stand-  
ing Committee on the North Burial Ground, to examine  
and report thereon.

91. Petition of Philip W. Martin & others, respecting the gra-  
ding of Stephens' Street, is presented and read. Whereupon,  
it is resolved, that the same be received, and referred to  
Messrs Goodhue, Hudson and Fairbanks, with such as  
the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report  
thereon.  
(Concurred, & Alderman Cady added.)

83. August 1<sup>st</sup> 1840.

81. The Resolution for the appointment of a Committee to  
make arrangements with the State, for the confinement  
of the City Convicts, which was laid on the Table on  
the 30<sup>th</sup> of July last, is now again read, and is passed,  
as follows. viz.

Resolved, that Messrs <sup>Hughes</sup> Goodhue and Knowles, with  
such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and  
they hereby are appointed a Committee, to make  
an arrangement with the State, for the occupancy  
of the Jail in the County of Providence, as a place  
of confinement for the City Convicts.  
(Concurred & Alderman Phillips added.)

102. The joint Committee who were on the 27<sup>th</sup> of July last,  
appointed to transfer the books, papers, &c. in the Office  
of the City Treasurer, from the late to the present  
Treasurer, and to take a bond from the present  
City Treasurer, make Report, that they have  
discharged said duties: which Report is read. Where-  
upon it is Resolved, that the same be received, and  
that said bond be lodged for safe keeping, in the Office  
of the City Clerk.  
(Concurred.)

80. The Committee to whom on the 30<sup>th</sup> of July last, was refer-  
red the petition of R. R. Staffus & others, praying for amend-  
ment of the "Ordinance for the Regulation of the City  
Markets & Market-Place," report the following  
Resolution, - which is read and passed: viz.

Resolved, that the Resolution of the City  
Council, passed on the 28<sup>th</sup> Day of October last  
directing the Clerk of the Market to cause the second  
and third Sections of the "Ordinance for the Regulation  
of the City Markets and Market-Place" to be rig-  
idly enforced, - be and the same is hereby repealed.  
(August 3<sup>rd</sup> 1840. Non-concurred.)

August 1<sup>st</sup>. 1840.

Report on  
Pet. S.O.  
Pet. S.O.  
Street South  
of Market  
Water  
Closet.

The joint Committee to whom on the 30<sup>th</sup> of July last, was  
referred the petition of Allen O. Peck & others, respecting  
the street south of the Market House, and who were  
also directed to report in relation to the public water-  
closet on the South side of the Market House, make  
report, which is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that  
the same be received.

(Concurred, )

Resolved, that the Clerk of the Market be and he  
is hereby directed to cause the public water closet  
on the South side of the Market House building to be  
purchased removed, - and the aperture in the wall of said  
building to be filled up.

Resolved, that the Clerk of the Market be and he  
is hereby directed to unite with the owners of the upper  
story of said building, in painting said building, and  
in causing the water-conductors to be repaired.

(August 10. 1840. 1<sup>st</sup> Resolution, non-concurred, }  
2<sup>nd</sup> Resolution, concurred. )

A bill entitled "An Ordinance in addition to an Ordinance  
and entitled "An Ordinance for the Regulation of the City  
Markets & Market-Place"; - is presented and read, received,  
and laid upon the Table.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention,

Sundry persons are proposed for ad-  
mission as freemen of the City.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday

August 1<sup>st</sup>. August 24<sup>th</sup>. 1840.

the 24<sup>th</sup> day of August instant, at 7 o'clock P.M.,

Members present.

Mr. President.

Messrs. Angell.

Anthony,

J. D. Brown.

Batts,

Crawton,

Fairbanks,

Forster,

Goodhue,

Garvey,

Hopkin,

Hudson,

Hughes,

Knowles,

Manchester,

Wade.

16.

Albert G. Greene,  
Clerk

Common Council, August 24<sup>th</sup>. 1840.

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

The President being absent, Mr. Anthony is chosen  
President pro tempore.

Burying  
Lots.

Petitions of Diana Progg,

Philander White

Nicholas C. Hill,

and Edward S. Sheldon, for leave to fence in

and enclose burying-lots in the North Burial Ground,  
are presented and, read, received, and referred to the  
standing Committee on the North Burial Ground, to ex-  
amine and report thereon.

August 24<sup>th</sup>. 1840.

Per Monthly Statement

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

Highways \$3000.

Resolved that the sum of Three Thousand Dollars be appropriated for the repair of Highways, and that the same be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.  
(Concurred.)

R. W. Kimball et al. Market House & Halls.

92.

Petition of Rufus W. Kimball & J. Crany Ho. owners of stalls in the Market House, for an alteration of the eighth section of the Ordinance for the Regulation of the City Markets & Market-Place; is presented and read, received and referred to Messrs Cranston, Goodhue & Wade, with Instructions as the Board of Aldermen may add, - to examine and report thereon.  
(Concurred. Alderman Cady added.)

Remission of Taxes.

A Resolution, for the remission of certain taxes assessed upon certain persons in the Year 1839, represented by the Collector of Taxes, as not collectable, by reason of errors in the assessments thereof, &c., - amounting in the whole, to Eighty-three, 64/100 Dollars, - is read and passed.  
(Concurred.)

Deposit of City Funds.

76

The joint Committee appointed on the 27<sup>th</sup> of July last, to make an arrangement with any one of the Banks in the City, for the Deposit of the City Funds, - make Report, that they have made such arrangement with the City Bank, which Report is read, whereupon it is resolved that the same be received.  
(Concurred.)

August 24<sup>th</sup> 1840.

Money for Schools, &c.

53.

102.

Resolved, that the Committee of the City Council, appointed on the third Day of September A.D. 1838, in relation to the Public School Houses and Estates, who were by a Resolution of the City Council, passed on the 27<sup>th</sup> of April, A.D. 1839, authorized to hire from the State, Forty Thousand Dollars of the public monies of the United States Deposited with this State, and who were, by a Resolution of the City Council, passed on the 27<sup>th</sup> of May, A.D. 1839, authorized to hire of said monies, the additional sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars, - be and they are hereby authorized to hire and receive of said public monies, for the purposes named in said first-named Resolution, the further sum of Thirteen Thousand and eighty-nine Dollars, and seventeen cents, - in addition to the sums named in said former Resolutions, - in such amounts as they may need from time to time, in the Discharge of the Duties of their Appointment; and that the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby authorized and Directed to give bonds therefor, as provided in said first-named Resolution.

On the ~~motion~~ for the passage of the foregoing Resolution, the question is taken by yeas and nays, - which are ordered to be entered on the Journal, as follows, - to wit.

<p><u>Yeas.</u> Messrs Ames, James Brown J. D. Brown Haskell, Cranston, Foster, Hughes, Knawles, Palford 9.</p>	<p><u>Nays.</u> Messrs Fairbanks, Goodhue, Gurney, Manchester, Thornton, Wade. 6.</p>
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Said Resolution is accordingly passed.  
(Concurred.)

August 24<sup>th</sup> September 28<sup>th</sup>. 1840.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

Sundry persons who have been heretofore duly proposed, are admitted freemen of the City; and sundry others are proposed for admission as freemen.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the 28<sup>th</sup> day of September next, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

- |               |             |
|---------------|-------------|
| Meigs, Ames,  | Gordhue,    |
| Anthony,      | Garney,     |
| James Brown,  | Herndon,    |
| Jr. D. Brown, | Hughes,     |
| Bucklin,      | Knives,     |
| Cranston,     | Manchester, |
| Fairbanks,    | Peddeford,  |
| Poster,       | Thomson     |
|               | Made 16     |

W. H. Greene, Clerk.

Common Council, September 28<sup>th</sup>, 1840.

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

Isaac Tharber, a member elect of the Common Council, from the First Ward, for the present Municipal Year, appears, is duly engaged before the Mayor, and takes his seat.

I. Tharber, M.C.C.

Sept 28<sup>th</sup>. 1840.

Priv. School, 4<sup>th</sup> Ward. Copies of certain Resolutions of the School Committee, passed August 28<sup>th</sup>. A.D. 1840, recommending the establishing of another Primary School in the 4<sup>th</sup> School District, - are presented and read.

Do. Resolved that an additional Primary School be and the same is, hereby established, to be located in the Fourth Ward, (the same being the Fourth School District,) and that the School Committee be and they are hereby requested to locate said School in said Ward.

Resolved, that the City Clerk be, and he is hereby directed to transmit a copy of these Resolutions to the School Committee. (Concurred.)

Burying Lots. A Petition of David Crowley, for leave to fence in a burying lot in the North Burial Ground, is presented and read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on the North Burial Ground, - to examine and report thereon; - which Committee make Report in favour of granting the prayer thereof, and also in favour of granting the prayers of the petitions of Thomas Harkley, (referred July 30<sup>th</sup> 1840) Charles Grimwood, (referred August 1<sup>st</sup> 1840,) Diana Bragg, Philander White, Nicholas C. Hill, & Edward S. Sheldon, (referred August 24<sup>th</sup>, 1840.) which Report is read and received.

Do. Upon the several Petitions of Thomas Harkley, Charles Grimwood, Diana Bragg, Philander White, Nicholas C. Hill, Edward S. Sheldon, and David Crowley, requesting

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

Monthly Statement.

The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20<sup>th</sup> 1834, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance; which Committee thereupon report the following Resolution, - which is read and passed.  
viz.

Appl for Highways.

Resolved, that the sum of Two Thousand Dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated, for Highways, and that said sum be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.  
(Concurred.)

Loan.

Resolved, that the City Treasurer, under the Direction of Messrs Jackson, Ordunston & Wade, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be authorized to borrow for the use of the City, the sum of Three Thousand Dollars, at a rate of interest not exceeding 6 per cent.  
(Concurred. & Alderman Hoppin added.)

Note of C. Butler.

A communication from the City Treasurer, in relation to a note due from the City to Cyrus Butler, for \$7,500,

which will fall due on the 1<sup>st</sup> of October next, - is presented and read, whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, which Committee thereupon report the following Resolution, which is read and passed. viz.

Appr. City Debt.

Resolved, that the sum of Five Thousand Dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated for the extinguishment of so much of the City Debt, - in addition to the sum of five thousand Dollars, which was appropriated for that purpose on the 15<sup>th</sup> Day of June last.  
(Concurred.)

President Street

A Petition of Richard Waterman and others, praying that the pavement in President Street may be removed, and the street gravelled, - is presented and read.

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Upon the Petition of Richard Waterman & others it is resolved, that the same be received; and that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to cause the pavement in President Street to be removed, and said street to be graded and gravelled.  
(Concurred.)

B. Hackett.

A Petition of Bridget Hackett, a convict now confined in the State Jail in the County of Providence, praying for liberation, - is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to Messrs Hoppin & Hudson, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, - to examine and report thereon.  
(Concurred. & Alderman Holden added.)

The joint Committee to whom on the 24<sup>th</sup> of August

R.M. Kimball  
or al.  
Market  
Market Place

last, was referred the petition of Rufus W. Kimball & S. Gray  
He. make Report by a Bill entitled "An Ordinance in  
amendment of an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance for  
the regulation of the City Markets & Market Place;" which  
Report is received; and said bill is reported, is read and  
passed. (Concurred.)

Appt of Stephen  
Tillinghast  
late City Tr.

Resolved, that the joint Committee who were appointed on  
the 18<sup>th</sup> Day of May last, to audit and settle the Account  
of Stephen Tillinghast, who was then City Treasurer, with  
the City, - up to the first Monday in June last, - be, and  
they are hereby authorized to audit and settle the Account  
of said Tillinghast as City Treasurer, with the City,  
up to the 1<sup>st</sup> Day of said June, the same being the  
Day on which said Tillinghast resigned his Office.  
(Concurred.)

Do. The joint Committee appointed on the 18<sup>th</sup> of May last,  
to audit and settle the Accounts of Stephen Tillinghast  
late City Treasurer with the City, - make Report, that  
they have discharged that Duty; which Report is read;  
Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received,  
and that the same, together with the accompanying Ac-  
counts, be recorded.  
(Concurred.)

Cholera  
Hospital.

Book 2, p. 318.

The joint Committee who were, on the 29<sup>th</sup> Day of July, A.D. 1839  
appointed a Committee to advise with & direct the City Treas-  
urer, respecting a sale of the "Cholera Hospital" (so called);  
make Report, that they have discharged their Duty, by sell-  
ing a sale thereof to Carl Carpenter, for \$350.; which  
Report is read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same  
be received. (Concurred.)

Ward Rooms.

Resolved, that Messrs Cranston & Goodhue, with such as the Board

of Aldermen may add, be a Committee, to furnish the Ward  
Rooms in the several Wards, with lamps, oil, stoves, and  
fuel; and that said Committee be authorized to draw on  
the Treasury, for the expenses thereof.  
(Concurred; & Alderman Whetton added.)

Bill of  
W. Simons Jr.

The Account of William Simons Jr, which was on the 30<sup>th</sup>  
of March last, received and laid upon the Table, is now  
again called up, and read.

Do. Resolved, that the City Treasurer be authorized to pay  
William Simons Jr, fourteen <sup>25</sup>100 Dollars, being the  
amount of his bill dated July 4<sup>th</sup> 1838, out of any  
money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.  
(Concurred.)

Resignation  
of  
G.W. Jackson

George W. Jackson, in writing, resigns his seat as a mem-  
ber of the Common Council, from the Second Ward.  
which is read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same  
be received, and that said resignation be accepted.

Election  
2<sup>d</sup> Ward.

Resolved, That a Meeting of the Freemen of the Second  
Ward be and the same is hereby authorized and directed  
to be held at the Town House, on Monday, the second  
Day of November next, at ten o'clock A.M. for the  
purpose of electing a member of this Board, for said  
Ward, in the place of George W. Jackson, who has resigned  
his seat in this Board.

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

September 28<sup>th</sup> 1840.

the Warden of said Ward.

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

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

Sanitary persons, who have heretofore been duly prosumed, and admitted freemen of the City, and sundry others are prosumed for admission as freemen.

Joseph F. Gillmore is elected a fireward, for the remainder of the present municipal year.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday the 26<sup>th</sup> Day of October next, at half past 6 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr President,

Messrs Amos,

Anthony,

Jas Brown,

J. D. Brown,

Butts,

Cranston,

Fairbanks,

Foster,

Goodhue,

Gurney,

Hopkin,

Hudson,

Jackson,

Knowles,

Manchester,

Thurber

Wade.

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Albert Greene, Clerk

October 26<sup>th</sup> 1840.

Common Council, October 26<sup>th</sup> 1840.

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

Buying Lots 3

Petitions of George W. Weedon,

Ebenezer Cary,

& Lewis F. Hubbard, for leave to enclose buying

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ing lots in the North Burial Ground, are presented and read, - received and referred to the Standing Committee on the North Burial Ground, to examine and report thereon.

R.R. Suffrage Association.

J.A. Brown & al.

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A Petition of J. A. Brown & others, for the use of the Town House, for the Rhode Island Suffrage Association, at such times as shall not interfere with prior arrangements, - is presented and read: Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to Messrs Cranston & Knawles, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon (Concurred, & Alderman Phillips added.)

Monthly Statement.

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

Appropriations.

Resolved, that the several sums hereinafter mentioned, be and the same are hereby appropriated for the following purposes respectively: to wit:  
For Highways, Three Thousand Dollars;  
For the Fire Department, One Thousand Dollars;  
For the support of the City Watch, One Thousand Dollars;

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For the payment of Interest on the City Debt One Thousand Dollars;  
For the Police Department, Two Hundred Dollars; -  
and that said sums, so appropriated, be paid out of any  
moneys in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated.  
(Continued.)

W.P. Blodget  
et al. for  
use of the  
Town House,  
for the  
Tippecanoe  
Club.

A Petition of William P. Blodget & others, for the use of  
the Town House, is presented and read.

Upon the Petition of William P. Blodget & others, it is re-  
solved, that the same be received; and that said pe-  
titioners and their associates be and they are hereby  
authorized to use the Town House, for the purpose of  
holding the meetings of the Providence Tippecanoe Club  
therein, on the evenings of Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday,  
Friday and Saturday of the present week.  
(Continued.)

City Printing.

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The joint Committee who were on the 1<sup>st</sup> of June last,  
appointed to contract for the City Printing, for the present  
municipal year, make Report that they have contracted  
with Messrs Kunkles & Ware, therefor: - which Report is read,  
whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received.

Peter R. Smith  
et al.  
Hay Market.

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A Petition of Richard Smith & others, requesting that  
some lot or spot of ground may be appropriated for a  
Hay Market, - is presented and read. Whereupon, it is  
resolved, that the same be received and referred to Messrs  
Goodhue, Hudson & Fairbanks, with such as the Board  
of Aldermen may add, - to examine and report thereon.  
(Continued: & Alderman Holden added.)

Signed in Convention of the City Council.

October 26<sup>th</sup> November 2<sup>d</sup>. 1840.

In Convention.

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

Benjamin F. Bassett is elected a City Crier, for the re-  
-mainder of the present municipal year, in the place of  
Barton Burdick, deceased.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday  
the 2<sup>d</sup> Day of November next, at 3 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr. President,  
Messrs. Ames,  
Jos. Brown,  
Jno. D. Brown,  
Hucklin,  
Batts,  
Cranston,  
Fletcher,  
Fater,

Goodhue,  
Gurney,  
Hudson  
Kunkles,  
Padelford  
Thurber,  
Wade. 16.

Albert G. Greene, Clerk

Common Council, November 2<sup>d</sup>. 1840.

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

98. November 2<sup>d</sup> 1840.

N. S. Suffrage  
Association.  
J. A. Brown and

The Committee to whom on the 26<sup>th</sup> day of October last was referred the petition of J. A. Brown & others, for the use of the Town House, make Report, which is read: whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received.

20. Upon the petition of J. A. Brown & others, for the use of the Town House, it is Resolved, that they prayer of the same be so far granted that the said petitioners and their associates be, and they are hereby authorized to use said Town House, for the purpose of holding therein, the meetings of the Rhode Island Suffrage Association, on the Friday evening of each week, during the pleasure of the City Council.  
95. {  
Continued, November 23<sup>d</sup>, 1840.

Aspwalk, George St. } Petition of William G. Goddard & others, for a cross-walk across George Street, is presented and read, received and 101. referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

Sundry persons are admitted freemen of the City, - having been duly propounded: and sundry others are propounded for admission as freemen.  
Sundry persons are <sup>especially</sup> admitted free, to vote for electors of President and Vice President of the United States, this Day.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday, the 14<sup>th</sup> Day of December next, at half past 6 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr President,  
Messrs Ames,

.. Anthony,  
J. D. Brown.

99. November 2<sup>d</sup> December 14. 1840.

.. Cranston,  
Fairbanks,  
Fletcher,  
Foster,  
Goddard,  
Gurney,

.. Hooplin,  
Hudson,  
Manchester,  
Paceford,  
Thurber,  
Wade,

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Albert Greene, Clerk

Common Council, December 14<sup>th</sup>, 1840.

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

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

Appropriations.

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

For the support of the City Watch, Fifteen Hundred Dollars;  
For Contingencies, One thousand Dollars;  
For repairs of the Baylum Walls & Buildings, Five Hundred Dollars;  
For the Support of the Poor, One thousand Dollars.  
And that said sums, so appropriated, be paid out of any moneys in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated.  
(Continued.)

Ward Rooms,  
Sch. Committee

A Request of the School Committee, for permission to use the Ward Rooms in the new School Houses, for

school purposes, - is presented and read.

Do. Upon the Request of the School Committee, this Day, communicated to the City Council, - it is Resolved, that the same be received; and that the School Committee be, and they are hereby authorized, at their Discretion, to cause any or all of the Ward Rooms in the new School Houses, in the several Wards, to be used and occupied for School purposes.  
(Concurred.)

Hay Market. The joint Committee, to whom, on the 26<sup>th</sup> of October last, was referred the petition of Richard Smith & others, relative to the establishment of a Hay Market, make Report, recommending that the Jail Lot (so called) be appropriated for that purpose, which Report is read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, and re-committed to the same Committee, who are hereby Directed to report by bill.  
(Concurred.)

Burying Lots. The Standing Committee on the North Burial Ground, to whom, on the 26 days of October last, were referred the petitions of George W. Weedon, Ebenezer Cary, and Lewis F. Hubbard, for leave to enclose burying-lots in the North Burial Ground, make Report in favour of granting the prayers thereof, which is read and received.

Do. Upon the several petitions of George W. Weedon, Ebenezer Cary, and Lewis F. Hubbard, severally requesting leave to fence in and enclose burying lots sufficient for their respective families, in the North Burial Ground, - it is Resolved, that the same be received, and the prayers thereof severally granted; and that said petitioners be and they are hereby authorized to fence in and enclose such lots, for such purpose; provided the same

be done under the Direction of the Overseer of the North Burial Ground, with the sanction of the Mayor; and provided that the general privileges hereby granted, shall be subject to all future regulations of the City Council, in relation thereto; - and shall continue during the pleasure of the City Council, and no longer.  
(Concurred.)

Of Mr. Knowles' Acc. An Account of Messrs Knowles & Coe against the City, for paper and book-printing, from June 29<sup>th</sup> 1839 to May 11<sup>th</sup> 1840, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received and referred to Messrs Knowles & Padelford, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon.  
(Concurred; and Alderman Wheaton added.)

John Casley. A Petition of John Casley, a convict confined in the State's Jail in the County of Providence, praying for liberation is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received, and that the petitioner have leave to withdraw the same.

Cross-walks, Ge. Street. The Standing Committee on Highway, to whom, on the 2<sup>d</sup> of November last, was referred the petition of William G. Goddard & others, for a cross-walk across George Street, make Report which is read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received.

Do. Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby Directed to cause a cross-walk to be laid across George Street, from the point where Brown Street intersects said George Street, to the North side of said George Street; - as soon as the same can conveniently be done after the completion of the work which he has already been Directed by the City Council to cause to be done.  
(Concurred.)

School Fund  
Loan.  
\$12,000.

Resolved, that the joint committee of the City Council, appointed in relation to the public School-Houses and sites, be and they are hereby authorized to raise, by temporary loan or loans, for the use of the City, the sum of Twelve Thousand Dollars, at a rate of interest not exceeding six per cent per annum; to be added to the "School Fund Loan," and to be a part thereof.  
(Concurred.)

House of  
Correction.

The joint committee who were on the 24<sup>th</sup> of February last, appointed to take into consideration the subject of building a House of Correction, report the following Resolution, which is read and passed: viz.

Resolved, that Messrs Thurber, Wade and Cranston, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be a committee to select a suitable site for a House of Correction; that said committee have power to visit other cities or towns, for the purpose of obtaining information, if they may deem it necessary; that said committee be directed to cause drawings and specifications to be made, of a building, with an estimate of the cost; and make report to the City Council.  
(Concurred; Alderman Phillips added.)

State Jail  
City Council.

The joint committee who were on the 1<sup>st</sup> of August last, appointed to make an arrangement with the State, for the occupancy of the Jail in the County of Providence, as a place of confinement for the City convicts, make Report that no such arrangement can probably be made: which Report is read, whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received.  
(Concurred.)

Resolved, that Messrs Hughes & Hoppin, with such

as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a committee to enquire and report what measures ought to be taken by the City Council, relative to the providing or procuring a suitable place of confinement for the City convicts; and that said committee make Report at the next meeting of the City Council.

(Concurred, and Alderman Wheaton added.)

Com. of Site  
walks.

A Resolution that the Representatives of this City, in the General Assembly, be requested to use their exertions to procure the passage of an Act abolishing the office of "Commissioners of Side Walks", as established in and by the Act entitled "An Act concerning Side Walks in the Town of Providence", and providing that the powers and duties of said office conferred & required by said Act, be exercised and done by the Surveyor of Highways of the City, for the time being; - is presented and read: and is ordered to be laid upon the Table.

Adjourned, to meet on Monday evening, December 21<sup>st</sup>, at 6 o'clock.

Members present.

- Mr. President.
- Messrs Anthony,
- Bucklin,
- Butts,
- Cranston
- Foster,
- Goodhue,
- Gurney,
- Hoppin,

- " Hudson,
- Hughes,
- Knowles,
- Manchester,
- Radford,
- Thurber,
- Wade

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Albert H. Greene, Clerk

Common Council, December 21<sup>st</sup> 1840.

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

J. Narney } A Petition of Sarah Barney, for leave to enclose a bury-  
Bury Lot. } ing lot in the North Burial Ground, is presented and read, re-  
ceived and referred to the Standing Committee on the North  
118. Burial Ground, to examine and report thereon.

B. Hackett. A Petition of Bridget Hackett, for relief, is presented and read.

Do. Upon the Petition of Bridget Hackett, a convict now con-  
fined in the State's Jail in the County of Providence, praying  
for liberation, - It is Resolved, that the same be received,  
and the prayer thereof so far granted, that the Keeper of  
said Jail be and he is hereby authorized and Directed  
forthwith to liberate said Bridget from her said con-  
finement, - on condition that said Bridget shall within  
twenty four hours after such liberation, leave this City, and  
not return thereto without the permission of the City Council  
first had and obtained; and that in case said Bridget  
shall, without such permission, return to this City previous  
to the first Day of March next, it shall be lawful for  
the City Marshal or either of the City Constables to re-commit  
said Bridget to said Jail; and the Keeper of said Jail, on  
such re-commitment, is hereby authorized and Directed to  
receive and retain her therein, until said third Day of  
March.

Concurred, with this Amendment, that all the words  
after the word "City" in the 13<sup>th</sup> line, be stricken out; &  
the following words inserted in their place, viz - "then the  
said Bridget shall be re-committed to Jail, agreeably  
to the 15<sup>th</sup> Section of the Act to authorize the City of  
Providence to establish a House of Correction, &c." -  
The Common Council concur with the Amendment.

State's Jail  
& of Correction.

Resolved that the joint Committee who were on the 14<sup>th</sup> of  
December instant, appointed to select a suitable site for a  
House of Correction, be and they are hereby Directed, in  
the name of the City Council, to request of the Hon<sup>ble</sup>.  
General Assembly, at their next session, that the privilege  
heretofore allowed this City, of confining in the State's Jail  
in the County of Providence, all persons sentenced to im-  
prisonment under the authority of the Act entitled "An  
Act to authorize the City of Providence to establish a  
House of Correction, and for other purposes," may be  
continued for the term of one year from and after the  
rising of the General Assembly at said session.  
Concurred.

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Hay Market.

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The joint Committee to whom on the 14<sup>th</sup> of December in-  
stant was re-committed the Report then made by them re-  
lative to the establishment of a Hay Market, make fur-  
ther Report, which is read. Whereupon, it is resolved that  
the same be received.  
Concurred.

Do.

Jail Lot.

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Resolved, that for the public convenience, and for the better  
accommodation of those persons who bring Hay to this market,  
that the Jail Lot (so called) be Designated as the  
Hay Market Place; and all such persons are requested  
to take a stand on said Lot, after the first Day of March,  
A.D. 1841.

It is also Resolved That the Surveyor of Highways  
be Directed to cause said Lot to be put in a suitable  
condition for such occupancy, as soon as practicable;  
and that Messrs Goodhue, Watson, and Fairbanks, with  
such as the Board of Aldermen may add together  
with the City Treasurer, be authorized and Directed to  
purchase for the City, and caused to be placed on said  
Lot, a first-rate platform scale, for the purpose of

December 21<sup>st</sup> 1840.

Common Council, December 21<sup>st</sup> 1840.

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

J. Waring  
Bar. St.

A Petition of Isaac Barney, for leave to enclose a burying lot in the North Burial Ground, is presented and read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on the North Burial Ground, to examine and report thereon.

B. Hackett.

A Petition of Bridget Hackett, for relief, is presented and read.

Do.

Upon the Petition of Bridget Hackett, a convict now confined in the State's Jail in the County of Providence, praying for liberation, - it is Resolved, that the same be received, and the prayer thereof so far granted, that the Keeper of said Jail be and he is hereby authorized and Directed forthwith to liberate said Bridget from her said confinement, - on condition that said Bridget shall within twenty four hours after such liberation, leave this City, and not return thereto without the permission of the City Council first had and obtained; and that in case said Bridget shall, without such permission, return to this City previous to the first Day of March next, it shall be lawful for the City Marshal or either of the City Constables to re-commit said Bridget to said Jail; and the Keeper of said Jail, on such re-commitment, is hereby authorized and Directed to receive and retain her therein, until said third Day of March.

Concurred, with this Amendment: that all the words after the word 'City' in the 13<sup>th</sup> line, be stricken out; & the following words inserted in their place, viz - "then the said Bridget shall be re-committed to Jail, agreeably to the 15<sup>th</sup> Section of the Act to authorize the City of Providence to establish a House of Correction, &c." -

The Common Council concurred in the Amendment.

December 21<sup>st</sup> 1840.

State's Jail  
No. of convicts.

Resolved that the joint Committee who were on the 14<sup>th</sup> of December instant, appointed to select a suitable site for a House of Correction, be and they are hereby Directed, in the name of the City Council, to request of the Hon<sup>ble</sup>. General Assembly, at their next session, that the privilege heretofore allowed this City, of confining in the State's Jail in the County of Providence, all persons sentenced to imprisonment under the authority of the Act entitled "An Act to authorize the City of Providence to establish a House of Correction, and for other purposes," may be continued for the term of one year from and after the rising of the General Assembly at said session.

Concurred.

Hay Market.

The joint Committee to whom on the 14<sup>th</sup> of December instant was re-committed the Report then made by them relative to the establishment of a Hay Market, make further Report: which is read: Whereupon, it is resolved that the same be received.

Concurred.

Do.

Jail St.

Resolved, that for the public convenience, and for the better accommodation of those persons who bring Hay to this market, that the Jail Lot (so called) be Designated as the Hay Market Place; and all such persons are requested to take a Stand on said Lot, after the first Day of March, A.D. 1841.

It is also Resolved That the Surveyor of Highways be Directed to cause said Lot to be put in a suitable condition for such occupancy, as soon as practicable; and that Messrs Goodhue, Watson, and Fairbanks, with Jack as the Board of Aldermen may add together with the City Treasurer, be authorized and Directed to purchase for the City, and caused to be placed on said Lot, a first-rate platform-scale, for the purpose of

weighing hay and other bulky or heavy commodities, and that they be authorized to draw upon the City Treasury for the expense of the same.

(Concurred, and Alderman Holden added.)

N.Y. Riv. & B. Rail Road Co.

Resolved, as the sense of the City Council, that the Petition of the New-York, Providence and Boston Rail Road Company, now pending before the Hon<sup>d</sup>. General Assembly, for permission to erect a Draw-bridge across Providence River, ought not to be granted.

Resolved, that Messrs Knowles, Anthony, Gurney, Goodhue, Padelford and Batts, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to attend before the General Assembly, and oppose the granting of the prayer of said petition; and that they be authorized to employ counsel, if they may deem it necessary; and to draw upon the City Treasury, for the payment of any expenses attending the same.

(Concurred, & Aldermen Phillips & Holden added.)

School Fund Loan \$12,000.

Whereas, the joint Committee of the City Council, appointed in relation to the Public School Houses and Sites, were, on the 14<sup>th</sup> of December instant, authorized to hire, by temporary loan or loans, for the use of the City, the sum of Twelve Thousand Dollars, to be added to, and become a part of, the "School Fund Loan"; - it is Resolved, that whenever said Committee shall hire said sum, or any portions thereof, the City Treasurer, under the Direction of said Committee, shall give a note or notes, for the same, payable at such time or times as may be agreed upon by said Committee and the person or persons making such loan or loans.

(Concurred.)

The Resolution in relation to the office of Commissioners of Side Walks which was laid upon the Table at the last meeting, is again called up, and is read and passed, as follows: viz,

Resolved, that the Representatives elected to represent this City in the Hon<sup>d</sup>. General Assembly, be and they are hereby requested to use their exertions to procure the passage of an Act abolishing the Office of Commissioners of Side Walks, as established in the Act entitled "An Act concerning Side Walks in the Town of Providence"; - and providing that all the duties and powers of such office required and conferred by said Act, be done and exercised by the City Council.

Resolved, that the City Clerk be and he is hereby directed to furnish said Representatives with a copy of these Resolutions.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday the 18<sup>th</sup> day of January next, at half past 6 o'clock P.M.

Members present

- Mr. President,
- Messrs Anthony,
- Jr. D. Brown,
- Bucklin,
- Batts,
- Cranston,
- Pletcher,
- Fate,
- Goodhue,

- Gurney,
- Hopkin,
- Hughes,
- Knowles,
- Padelford,
- Thomson,
- Thurber,
- Ward.

Albert Greene, Clerk

January 4<sup>th</sup>. 1841.

1841.

Common Council, January 4<sup>th</sup>. 1841.Special Meeting.

Copy

The State of Rhode Island & Providence Plantations,  
City of Providence, J. S.

I. S.

To the Members of the Com-  
mon Council of the City of Providence,  
Greetings.

Intelligence having been communicated to me, that the Hon<sup>ble</sup> Samuel W. Bridgman, Mayor of this City, has deceased, I therefore have deemed it expedient to call a Meeting of said Common Council, on an earlier day than that to which said Board now stands adjourned, you and each of you are therefore hereby requested and required to meet in Common Council, at the City Council Chamber, on Monday, the fourth day of the present month of January, at six o'clock in the evening; - at which time the Board of Aldermen will also be in Session.

Given under my hand and Seal, in said City of Providence, this first day of January, A.D. 1841.

Thomas R. Holden,  
President of the Board of Aldermen.

Providence, J. S. Providence, January 4<sup>th</sup>. 1841.  
Notified the members of the Common Council, as commanded, by their reading the above Warrant, - except James Brown, who is out of the State.  
Edward Harwood, City Sergeant.

January 4<sup>th</sup>. 1841.

Pursuant to the requisition of the aforesaid Warrant, the Common Council are now assembled, at 6 o'clock P.M. A Quorum present.

The Warrant of the President of the Board of Aldermen, calling the present Meeting, is read.

The following Resolutions are read, and unanimously passed, viz

It having been, this Day, announced to the City Council, that since the last meeting thereof, it has pleased Almighty God to remove from this life, the Hon<sup>ble</sup> Samuel Willard Bridgman, the Mayor of this City, - it is therefore,

Resolved, that in expressing our sorrow at this melancholy event, we desire also to testify our high respect for the moral worth, the pure integrity, the love of justice, and the unwavering attachment to Duty, by which the Deceased was eminently distinguished; and for the ability, faithfulness and industry with which he discharged the Duties of the various responsible public Stations which he was called to fill.

Resolved, that we are deeply sensible of the loss which this City has sustained by his Death; that we hold in high estimation the wisdom, the skill, and the Devotion to the public good, which he has exhibited as its Chief Magistrate, since the establishment of its present form of Municipal government; and that the singular union of prudence and firmness which marked his official character, - securing respect for the Law, without any undue exercise of its power; - with his active interest in the cause of order, of good morals, of public education, and of all which add to the worth and welfare of society, - Deserve to be ever held in grateful remembrance by the people of this City.

Death of  
the Mayor.

January 4<sup>th</sup>. 1841.

Resolved, That while we thus bear testimony to the official character and services of the Deceased, we also participate in the sorrow which pervades this community for the loss of one so respected and beloved, and that we truly unite in the general expression of respect for the kindness of heart, the gentleness of manners, and the many social virtues which distinguished his private character.

Resolved, That while, with our fellow citizens, we lament the loss of a faithful guardian of the public welfare, a true friend, and a good man, - we are painfully sensible of the far greater bereavement which has been sustained by those who were united to him by the ties of kindred and domestic affection, and that we respectfully tender to his widow and family, an assurance of our heartfelt sympathy.

Resolved, That these Resolutions be published in the newspapers of this City; and that a copy thereof be signed by the President of the Board of Aldermen, and by the City Clerk, and communicated to the family of the Deceased.

(Concluded.)

The Common Council adjourn, to meet pursuant to the vote of adjournment, passed at their last meeting, viz, on Monday the 18<sup>th</sup> Day of January instant, at half past 6 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr President.

Mrs Ames,

Anthony,

Jno. D. Brown,

Bucklin,

Butts,

Crawton,

Fairbanks,

Fletcher,

Goddard,

Gurney,

Hudson,

Hughes,

Hewes,

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January 18<sup>th</sup> - 1841.

"Pardoned"  
Thomson,

Thurber,  
Wade.

18.

Albert Greene, Clerk

Common Council, January 18<sup>th</sup>. 1841.

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

State's Jail.

City Convicts.

The joint Committee appointed on the 14<sup>th</sup> of December last, to select a suitable site for a House of Correction, &c, and who were on the 21<sup>st</sup> Day of said December directed to request of the General Assembly, a continuance of the privilege heretofore granted to the City, of confining the City convicts in the State's Jail in the County of Providence, make Report, that they have

105.

109.

(Concluded.)

City Debt.

Resolved, that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby requested to furnish the City Council with a statement of the City Debt, - to whom and when due, and the rates of interest thereon.

116.

Resolved, that the City Clerk be, and he is hereby directed to furnish the City Treasurer with a copy of these Resolutions.

(Concluded.)

Benefit St.

across walk.

A Petition of John Barstow & others, for a cross walk across Benefit Street, is presented and read, and is

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

Buying Lots.

Petitions of John Atkinson, Jonah Steere, and Charles W. Handy, for leave to enclose buying lots in the North Burial Ground, are presented and read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on the North Burial Ground, - to examine and report thereon.

Monthly Statement.

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

Appropriation.

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

For the Fire Department, Two Thousand Dollars.

For Repairs of Public Buildings, Two Hundred Dollars.

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

(Concurred.)

N.Y. Prov. & Boston R.R. Co.

The joint Committee who were on the 21<sup>st</sup> of December last, appointed to oppose the granting of the prayer of the Petition of the New York, Providence and Boston Rail Road Company, then pending before the General Assembly, for leave to erect a Beam-bridge across Providence River, - make Report that they have discharged that duty; and that leave has been given by the General Assembly, to said Petitioners, to withdraw their petition: - which Report is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received.

(Concurred.)

J. Cobbett.

A Petition of Isaac Cobbett, for the payment of an account presented by him for board of Henry W. Lee, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that said petition and account be received and referred to Messrs Hoppin & Hudson, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, - to examine and report thereon. (Concurred, & Alderman Gady added.)

Spontaneous Combustion.

Resolved, that Messrs Anthony, Hoppin and Padesford, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to report an Ordinance relative to the storing or keeping in this City, of articles which are liable to spontaneous combustion. (Concurred, and Alderman Wheeler added.)

Petition of W. Patcheller.

A Petition in writing is presented and read, in the words following: viz. The undersigned requests permission to raise and widen the road leading to Horton Grove, at the North end of the City, at the hollow near Philip Allen's Print Works, - to be done without any expense to the City, under the Direction of the Committee on Highways.

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Providence Jan'y 18<sup>th</sup> 1841. Warren Patcheller.

Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, and referred to Messrs Goodhue, Hudson, and Fairbanks, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, who are hereby authorized to grant the permission requested by the petitioner, if they see fit.

(Concurred, & Alderman Potter added.)

Election. 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>d</sup> Wards.

Resolved, that a Meeting of the Freeman of the First Ward be and the same is hereby authorized and directed to be

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held at the Ward Room in said Ward, on Tuesday the second day of February next, at two o'clock P.M., for the purpose of electing a member of this Board for said Ward, in the place of Dexter Angell, who has deceased: and that a Meeting of the Freemen of the second Ward be and the same is hereby authorized and directed to be held at the Town House, on said second day of February next, at two o'clock P.M., for the purpose of electing a member of this Board for said second Ward, in the place of Matthew Watson, who having been duly elected, declines serving.

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

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

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

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

Naaman Miller is appointed an Undertaker, for the remainder of the present municipal year.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the

January 18<sup>th</sup> - February 22<sup>d</sup>, 1841.

22<sup>d</sup> day of February next, at 7 o'clock P.M.,

Members present.

Mr. President,

Wesley Ames,

Anthony,

Jr. D. Brown,

Bucklin,

Butts,

Cranston,

Fletcher,

Forster,

Ganey,

Hopkin,

Hudson,

Kennerly,

Manchester,

Redford,

Thomson,

Thurber,

Wade,

18.

Albert Greene, Clerk.

Common Council, February 22<sup>d</sup>, 1841.

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

J. G. Metcalf & J. M. Earle.

Certificates of the election of Joseph G. Metcalf and James M. Earle, as members of the Common Council for the remainder of the present municipal year, are presented and read: said Metcalf having been elected by the freemen of the First Ward, on the second day of February instant, in the place of Dexter Angell, deceased; and said Earle having been on the same day elected by the freemen of the Second Ward, in the place of Matthew Watson, who declined serving after having been elected in the place of George W. Jackson; - and said members elect are present, and having been duly engaged by the Mayor in presence of the Board of Aldermen, - take their seats.

The Monthly Statement.

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

Appropriations.

Resolved that the sums hereinafter named be and the same be hereby appropriated for the following purposes respectively; to wit,  
For the Support of the Poor, Two Thousand Dollars;  
For Highways, One Thousand, Five Hundred Dollars;  
For the Police Department, One Hundred and Fifty Dollars;  
and that said sums, so appropriated, be paid out of any monies in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated.  
(Concurred.)

City Debt.

The City Treasurer who was by a Resolution passed on the 18<sup>th</sup> of January last, requested to furnish the City Council, with a Statement of the City Debt, to whom and when due, and the rates of interest thereon, presents such Statement, - by which it appears that the amount of notes and bonds due from the City, (including the School Fund Loan,) is \$199,990. 05<sup>cts</sup> and said Statement being read, it is resolved that the same be received.  
(Concurred.)

Cotton Waste.

Petition of Stephen Tripp and others requesting that measures may be taken to prevent the danger from fire occasioned by the storing of Cotton Waste, is presented and read, and is received and referred to Messrs Anthony, Hopkins and Phelps, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon.  
(Concurred; & Alderman Cady added.)

Spontaneous Combustion.

The Committee who were on the 18<sup>th</sup> of January last, appointed to report a bill relative to the storing or keeping in this City, of articles liable to spontaneous combustion, and to whom, this

day, was referred the petition of Stephen Tripp, father relative to Cotton Waste, make Report, that a majority of said Committee doubt the power of the City Council to act effectually upon the subject; and that they have not been able to agree upon any form of an Ordinance respecting it; which Report is read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received.  
(Concurred.)

J. Cobblet.

The joint Committee to whom on the 18<sup>th</sup> of January last, was referred the petition of Isaac Cobblet, make Report, which is read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received.

Do.

Resolved, that the sum of Fifteen Dollars be and the same is hereby allowed to Isaac Cobblet, in full for his Account for branding Henry W. Lee; and that the same be paid by the City Treasurer, from the appropriation for Contingencies.  
(Concurred.)

Water Closet.

The following Resolution having passed the Board of Aldermen is sent down for concurrence, viz.  
"Resolved, That the Clerk of the Market be hereby directed to cause to be built, at the South-easterly corner of Weybasset Bridge, a suitable water closet; and that when completed, he cause that now standing at the corner of the Market-House, to be removed; - and the same being read, it is resolved that the Common Council do concur therein.

Ward Room.  
1<sup>st</sup> Ward.

A Petition of William M. Burr and others, for the use of the Ward Room in the First District School House, for the purpose of holding religious meetings therein, is presented and read; whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received, and that said petitioners have leave to withdraw the same.

J. H. Lonsdale  
as ad.  
use of the  
Town House.

A Petition of John H. Lonsdale and others, for the use of the Town House, is presented and read.

Do

Upon the petition of John H. Lonsdale and others, members of the Sawtuck Street Christian Society, for the use of the Town House, it is Resolved, that the same be received, and that said petitioners and their associates be and they are hereby authorized to use said House, for the purposes named in said petition, under the direction of the Overseer of said House. (Concurred.)

W. Batcheller.

113.

The joint Committee to whom on the 18<sup>th</sup> of January last, was referred the petition of Warren Batcheller, make Report, which is read. Whereupon, it is resolved that the same be received. (Concurred.)

E. Dyer et al.  
Westminster  
Street.

117.

A Petition of Elisha Dyer and others, for repairs on Westminster Street is presented and read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Barney et al.

104  
112.

The Standing Committee on the North Burial Ground, to whom on the 21<sup>st</sup> of December last was referred the petition of Isaiah Barney, and to whom on the 18<sup>th</sup> of January last, were referred the petitions of Jonah Steere, John Atkinson, and Charles H. Handy, - for leave to enclose burying lots in the North Burial Ground, - make Report in favour of granting the prayers thereof, which report is read and received.

Do.

Upon the several petitions of Isaiah Barney,  
Jonah Steere,  
John Atkinson,  
and Charles H. Handy, requesting leave to fence in and enclose burying lots, sufficient for their respective families, in the North Burial Ground, - it is resolved, that the

same be received, and the prayers thereof granted; and that said petitioners be, and they are hereby severally authorized to fence in and enclose such lots for such purposes, - provided the same shall be done under the direction of the Overseer of the North Burial Ground, with the sanction of the Mayor; and provided, the several privileges hereby granted shall be subject to all future regulations of the City Council, in relation thereto, and shall continue during the pleasure of the City Council, and no longer. (Concurred.)

House of Cor-  
rection Act.

Resolved, that Messrs Ames and Garney, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be a Committee to ascertain the number of persons committed under the Act entitled "An Act to authorize the City of Providence to establish a House of Correction, &c." stating the number of persons who have been so committed during the municipal years ending 1836, 1837, & 1838, specifying the number each year committed, and report such other information as they may seem pertinent to the subject. (Concurred. & Alderman Wheaton added.)

John L. Hughes.  
Cross walk,  
Washington  
St.

143.

A Petition of John L. Hughes, for a cross-walk across Washington Street, at its junction with Greene Street, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, together with Mr. Hughes, to examine and report thereon.

House of  
Correction Act.

Resolved, that Messrs Knowles & Goodhue, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to examine and report upon the expediency of making provision that in all cases of arrest under the Act authorizing the City to establish

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a House of Correction, the person or persons so arrested shall be taken before the Mayor or the Board of Aldermen, - to be disposed of by him or them, as the circumstances of the case or the interest of the City may seem to require.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

Thomas M. Burgess, who was on the second Day of February instant, elected Mayor of the City, for the remainder of the present municipal year, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the decease of Samuel W. Bridgman, - having hitherto been engaged before the Board of Aldermen, is present and addresses the Convention, on taking the Chair.

Sundry persons who have hitherto been duly pronounced, are admitted freemen of the City, and sundry others are pronounced for admission as freemen.

The two Boards separate

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

Members present

Mr. Pembert,  
Messrs Anthony,  
J. A. Brown,  
Bucklin  
Batts,  
Cranston,  
Foster,  
Goodhue,  
Gurney,  
Koppin,

Wadson,  
Hughes,  
Knowles,  
Pabelford,  
Thomson,  
Thurber,  
Wade,  
Metcalf,  
Earle.

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Albert Greene, Clerk.

March 1<sup>st</sup>. 1841.

Common Council, March 1<sup>st</sup>. 1841.

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

Buying Lots.

Petitions of David W. Barney and Benjamin Priest, for leave to fence in & enclose buying lots in the North Burial Ground, are presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the North Burial Ground, to examine and report thereon.

142.

City Records.

81.

The Committee who were on the 30<sup>th</sup> of July last, appointed to enquire into the expediency of making suitable arrangements in the Market House building, for the safe keeping of the public records and files of papers, - make Report, that after a careful investigation, they have come to the conclusion, that it is inexpedient to make any such arrangements at the present time: which Report is read: whereupon, it is resolved that the same be received.

(Concurred.)

Vote of Firewards.

17.

A Copy of a Vote of the Board of Firewards, passed on the 23<sup>d</sup> of February last, recommending the purchase of a part of the lot of land at the junction of Fortis Lane with Friendship Street, for the purpose of placing a Facing Stationary Engine thereon, - is presented and read: whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to Messrs Bucklin, Fletcher & Ames, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon.

(Concurred. & Alderman Peter added.)

Sale of Real Estate.

Resolved, that Messrs Wadson & Knowles, with such as the

Board of Aldermen may add, be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to examine and report on the expediency of selling all the Real Estate belonging to the City, which they have a right to sell, or which may not be wanted for the special use of the City, and applying the proceeds of said Sales to the extinguishment of the City Debt.

(Concurred, and Alderman Wheaton added.)

Petition of E. Pearce et al. Reversant St. 134. Petition of Edward Pearce and others, for an alteration of the Grain across President Street at its termination in Benefit Street, is presented and read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Compensation to Alderman Holden. 126. A Communication from His Honor the Mayor, respecting an allowance of compensation to Alderman Holden, for his services as Acting Mayor previous to the election of the present Mayor, - is presented and read: Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

Report of No. of Commitments, and No. of Convicts Act. 119. The joint Committee who were on the 22<sup>d</sup> of February last, appointed to ascertain the number of persons committed under the Act entitled "An Act to authorize the City of Providence to establish a House of Correction, &c." During the Municipal years ending 1836-1837, and 1838, - make Report, that the number of commitments so made, were as follows: viz

	Males.	Females.	Aggregatd.
From June 1835 to June 1836.	28.	25.	53.
" " 1836 " " 1837.	35	29	64
" " 1837 " " 1838.	28	30	58
" " 1838 " " 1839.	24.	24	48.
" " 1839 " " 1840.	39	25	64
	<u>154.</u>	<u>133.</u>	<u>287</u>

Which Report is read: Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received. (Concurred.)

Deep walks across Benefit St. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 18<sup>th</sup> of January last, was referred the petition of John Barston and others, for a cross walk across Benefit Street, make Report, in favour thereof, which Report is read and received.

Do. Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to cause a cross walk to be laid across Benefit Street, South of Waterman Street. (Concurred.)

Pletcher and Metcalf. Petition for a lease. A Petition of Pletcher and Metcalf, for a lease of a portion of the City's land between Charles and Back Streets, is presented and read.

Do. Upon the Petition of Pletcher & Metcalf, for a lease of land between Charles and Back Streets, it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to the City Treasurer, who is hereby authorized to lease said land, on such terms as he may deem expedient. (Concurred.)

House of Correction. = 102, 119. The joint Committee who were on the 14<sup>th</sup> of December last, appointed to select a suitable site for a House of Correction, and to cause Drawings and Specifications to be made for a suitable building, with an estimate of the cost, - make Report, - accompanied by such Drawings and Specifications, which is read.

Do. Resolved, That the Report this Day, made by the Committee in relation to a House of Correction, be, and the same is hereby received, and recommitted to said Committee, with instructions to ascertain the probable average number of convicts, - in what manner they may best be employed, and the probable amount of the products of their labour; and to make further enquiry in reference to a location for said House, if they

seem it necessary; and that they also report, as near as practicable the probable annual charge or expense of supporting such an Institution.

Resolved, that the Report this day made, be published in the newspapers employed to do the City printing.  
(Concurred.)

*Crosswalk*  
*Benefit St.*  
*near*  
*Cherrowum,*  
*134.* A Petition of the Board of Directors of the Providence Alms-house, for a cross walk across Benefit Street, is presented and read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

*Mayor's*  
*Salary.* Resolved, That the Salary of the Mayor, for the year ending the first Monday in June A.D. 1841, shall be one thousand Dollars, payable quarterly.  
(Concurred.)

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday the 15<sup>th</sup> day of March instant, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

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|----------------|-------------|
| Mr. President. | Goodhue     |
| Mr. Ames       | Hudson,     |
| Anthony        | Hughes,     |
| J.D. Brown,    | Knowles,    |
| Bucklin,       | Manchester, |
| Betts,         | Thomson,    |
| Granitor,      | Thurber,    |
| Fairbanks,     | Wade,       |
| Fletcher,      | Metcalf,    |
| Foster,        | Earle,      |

Albert Greene, Clerk

Common Council, March 15<sup>th</sup> 1841.

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

*Point of*  
*Order*  
*134.* A Petition of James Lewis, for the filling up and grading of that part of Point Street which has not yet been filled up and graded, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

*134.* The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council of October 20<sup>th</sup> 1840, is presented and read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, which Committee thereupon report the following Resolution, which is read and passed: viz

Resolved, That the sum of Six thousand Dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the payment of Interest on the City Debt; and that said sum so appropriated, be paid out of any monies in the City Treasury, not otherwise appropriated.  
(Concurred.)

*101.* The Committee to whom on the 14<sup>th</sup> of December last, was referred the Account of Messrs Knowles & Vase, against the City, make Report in favour of the allowance of \$50 in full thereof, which Report is read, whereupon it is resolved that the same be received.

Do. Resolved, That the sum of Fifty Dollars be and the same is hereby allowed to Messrs Knowles & Vase, in full

payment and satisfaction of their Account against the City, which was presented to the City Council on the 14<sup>th</sup> of December last: and that said sum be so paid by the City Treasurer, from the appropriation for contingencies. (Concurred.)

Mayor's Commr. Repair of Streets.

A Communication from His Honor the Mayor, to the City Council, on the subject of repairs and improvements of the public streets during the coming season, and the appropriations therefor, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Petn of W. Tallman et al. Croplands in 623<sup>d</sup> St.

A Petition of William Tallman & others, for cross walks in Eddy Street, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Compensation to 223<sup>d</sup> Holden

The Committee to whom on the 1<sup>st</sup> of March instant, was referred the Communication from His Honor the Mayor, respecting an allowance of compensation to Alderman Holden, for his services as acting Mayor, make Report in favour of such allowance, which Report is read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received.

(Concurred.)

Do. Resolved, That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and directed to pay to Thomas R. Holden Esq. the sum of One Hundred and sixty-three Dollars, for his services as Acting Mayor.

(Concurred.)

House of Correction.

The Committee to whom on the 1<sup>st</sup> of March instant was committed the Report then made on the subject of a House of Correction, with Directions to make further Report, - now make further Report, accompanied by certain Resolutions, which Report is read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same

be received and laid upon the Table.

Do. County Jail. 126. 299.

Resolved, That Messrs Thurber, Wade and Cranston, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to apply to the Hon<sup>ble</sup> General Assembly, and ascertain the best terms on which the City may lease a part of the State's Jail in the County of Providence, as a House of Correction. (Concurred; & Alderman Phillips add<sup>d</sup>.)

Purchase of 3<sup>d</sup> Lot for Engine.

The Committee to whom on the 1<sup>st</sup> of March instant, was referred the recommendation of the Board of Firewards that a part of the Lot at the junction of Foster's Lane and Friendship Street, be purchased, for the purpose of placing a forcing stationary Engine thereon, make Report in favour thereof, which is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received.

Do.

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby authorized to purchase for the City, from Job L. Pratt, a lot of land measuring thirty-two feet front, on Foster's Lane, and extending back thirty-five feet, (the same being near the junction of said Lane with Friendship Street;) and on receiving a good and valid Deed thereof to the City, in fee simple, to pay therefor the sum of Two hundred and Fifty Dollars, from any monies in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated. (Concurred.)

Stocks of Dexter & Co. nation Fund.

A Resolution that the Commissioners of the Dexter Donation be requested to consider the expediency of a sale of the Bank and Insurance Stocks composing a part of the Fund under their care, and of an investment of the proceeds in other property, - is presented and read, and is laid upon the Table.

Cross Walks Mill St.

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be and he is

March 15<sup>th</sup> 1841.

Respectfully directed to cause a cross walk to be laid across North Main Street, at or near the foot of the street leading to the First District Primary School House.

(Concurred.)

Portraits of S. W. Bridgman & E. K. Dexter.

Resolved, That Messrs Ames and Goddard, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to procure for the City portraits of the late Mayor Samuel W. Bridgman and of the late Col. Ebenezer K. Dexter.

(Concurred. & Alderman Whipple assent.)

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

S. Cornell Fireward

Stephen Cornell is elected a Fireward, for the remainder of the present municipal year.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the 19<sup>th</sup> Day of April next, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr. President.

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|--------------|-----------|-------------|
| Messrs Ames, | Fletcher, | Nonnotes,   |
| Anthony,     | Foster,   | Manchester, |
| J. D. Brown, | Goddard,  | Radcliff,   |
| Bucklin,     | Gurney,   | Thomson,    |
| Bates,       | Whipple,  | Thurber,    |
| Cranston,    | Hudson,   | Wade,       |
| Fairbanks,   | Hughes,   | Metcalf.    |

22.

Albert Greene, Clerk.

April 6<sup>th</sup> 1841.

Common Council, April 6<sup>th</sup> 1841.

Special Meeting.

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

I.S.

To the Members of the Board of Aldermen and of the Common Council of the City of Providence, Greeting.

Intelligence having been this Day received, that it has pleased Almighty God to take from this Nation its Chief Magistrate William Henry Harrison, President of the United States, I have deemed it expedient that the City Council be assembled at an earlier Day than that to which they have adjourned, to take such order as the melancholy event may demand. You and each of you are therefore hereby requested and required to assemble in your respective Chambers, this evening, at half past seven o'clock, to consider this solemn providence, and to direct such proceedings as shall to you seem to be proper and in unison with the mournful feelings of our fellow citizens.

Thos M. Burgess, Mayor.

City of Providence April 6<sup>th</sup> 1841.

"Providence &c Providence, April 6<sup>th</sup> 1841. Notified the Board of Aldermen and the Board of Common Council, as commanded, by their reading the within. - Edward Harwood, City Sergeant."

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

April 6<sup>th</sup> 1841.

P.M. - A Quorum present.

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

A Communication from His Honor the Mayor, to the City Council relative to the occasion of the present Meeting, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received and referred to Messrs Ames and Goodhue, to report thereon. which Committee thereupon report the following Resolutions, - which are read, and are unanimously passed. viz

Whereas, it has pleased Almighty God suddenly to take from us, by death, our venerable and patriotic Chief Magistrate William Henry Harrison, President of the United States; and thus, in His mysterious Providence, to defeat the hopes and wishes of the American people:

Resolved, by the City Council, That whilst we humbly submit to, we deeply deplore this common loss of our Country and mankind; and especially that in the present critical state of our national affairs at home and abroad, we have been thus unexpectedly deprived of the counsels and energies of so tried a patriot, so wise a Statesman, so pure a man.

Resolved That whilst we join in the general lamentation for so great a loss, we sincerely sympathize with the immediate family of him whose death is almost felt by us as that of a common father and friend

Therefore, Resolved, That being the performance of the funeral solemnities at Washington, the bells of the several Houses of Public Worship in this City be tolled and minute guns fired; that our citizens be requested to close their places of business; and that the Commanders of the several military companies of this City be requested to display the flags at their

Death of President Harrison.

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Annals at half past, (Concurred.)

Resolved, That the Resolutions passed by the City Council, this evening, occasioned by the decease of President Harrison, be published; that the City Marshal be charged with the execution of the arrangements therein prescribed; and that if the funeral rites at Washington shall already have been performed, - the solemnities directed, shall take place here, on Thursday, between the hours of 5 and 7 P.M. (Concurred.)

The Common Council adjourn to meet, pursuant to the vote of adjournment passed at their last Meeting: viz - to meet on Monday the 19<sup>th</sup> day of April instant, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr. President.

Messrs Ames.

Anthony,  
J. D. Brown,

Pucklin.

Butts,

Cranston,

Fairbanks

Pletcher.

Porter,

Goodhue,

Gurney,

Hopkin,

Hughes,

Knowles.

Thurber,

Wade,

Metcalfe.

Earle

19.

Albert Greene, Clerk

April 19<sup>th</sup>. 1841.

Common Council, April 19<sup>th</sup>. 1841.

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

Church  
Street  
I. Allen  
et al.

143.

Petition of Zachariah Allen & others, for repairs on Church  
Street, is presented and read, received, and referred to  
the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine &  
report thereon.

Mayor  
Com.  
use of Ward  
Rooms, &c.

A communication from His Honor the Mayor, respecting the  
use by the Citizens of the several Ward Rooms and the  
Council Chamber, for other purposes than those here  
before authorized by the City Council, is presented and  
read. Whereupon, it is Resolved, that the same be  
received and referred to Messrs Hughes & Knowles with  
such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine  
and report thereon.

(Concurred. & Alderman Holden added.)

Peter &  
E. S. Underwood  
et al.  
use of Ward  
Rooms.

A Petition of Edward S. Underwood and others, for the  
use of the several Ward Rooms, at such times as not other-  
wise occupied, for the purpose of discussing the propriety  
of taking measures for forming a Constitution for this State  
is presented and read. Whereupon it is Resolved that  
the same be received and laid upon the Table.

H. Hazard  
Reg. Secy.

142

A Petition of Hamet Hazard, for leave to enclose a bury-  
ing lot in the North Bandal Ground, is presented and read.  
and is received and referred to the Standing Committee on  
the North Bandal Ground, to examine and report thereon.

The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Reso-

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lution of the Common Council, of October 20<sup>th</sup>. 1834, is pre-  
sented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same  
be received and referred to the Standing Committee on  
Finance, to examine and report thereon, which Com-  
mittee thereupon report the following Resolution, which  
is read and passed, viz.

Appropriation  
City Watch.

Resolved, that the sum of One Thousand Dollars be  
and the same is hereby appropriated for the support of  
the City Watch; and that said sum, so appropriated, be  
paid out of any monies in the Treasury not otherwise  
appropriated. (Concurred.)

Patrick  
Heavey.

A Petition of Patrick Heavey, for relief, is presented and  
read.

Do.

Upon the Petition of Patrick Heavey, a convict now  
confined in the States' Jail in the County of Providence,  
praying for relief, - it is Resolved, that the same be  
received, and the prayer thereof granted; and that the keep-  
er of said Jail be and he is hereby authorized  
and Directed, forthwith to liberate said Patrick from  
his said confinement; and that the City Treasurer  
be and he is hereby authorized and Directed to pay  
the costs of the Prosecution and conviction of said Pat-  
rick and his legal prison fees, to the proper officers  
authorized to receive the same.

(Concurred.)

Peter of B.  
Aborn et al.  
use of the  
Town House.

A Petition of Benjamin Aborn and others, for the use  
of the Town House, for the purpose of holding meetings  
therein, for the promotion of Temperance, is presented  
and read. Whereupon it is Resolved, that the same  
be received, and that the prayer of the petitioners  
be granted; and that they have leave to occupy said  
house every Wednesday evening, or on Wednesday and

Sunday evenings, occasionally, provided such occupancy will not interfere with the arrangements of the religious Society who hold meetings in said house for religious worship; and provided that this grant shall continue during the pleasure of the City Council, and no longer (Concurred.)

Report on Culp Walk in Benefit St. Athenaeum

The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 15<sup>th</sup> of March last, was referred the Petition of the Board of Directors of the Providence Athenaeum, for a cross-walk across Benefit Street, make Report, which is read: Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received.

Point Street

The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 15<sup>th</sup> of March last, was referred the petition of James Lewis & others, for the filling up and grading of that part of Point Street which has not yet been filled up and graded, make Report: Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received, and re-committed to the same Committee, for further examination and report.

Report on Petition of Edward Pearce and others

The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 11<sup>th</sup> of March last was referred the petition of Edward Pearce & others, for an alteration in the Drain across Benefit Street at its termination in Benefit Street, - make Report, that it is inexpedient to make such alteration at present: Which Report is read: Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received.

Report on Mayor's Com on Appropriation for repairs of Streets, &c.

The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 15<sup>th</sup> of March last was referred the communication of His Honor the Mayor on the subject of repairs and improve-

ments of the public streets, during the coming season, and the appropriations therefor, - make Report recommending that an appropriation be now made, of \$4000, for repairs and improvements of the public highways in this City, for one year from the first day of April instant, - which Report is read: Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received and laid upon the table.

Petition of West B. Church Secy. for use of school house.

A Petition of Joseph Robinson in behalf of the West Baptist Church and Society, for the use of the vacant school house on Spring Street, for the purpose of holding religious meetings therein, - is presented and read: Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received, and referred to Messrs Hudson & Howles, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon. (Concurred, & Alderman Phillips added.)

Petition of Joanna Simmons, for relief of her son Leonard Simmons.

A Petition of Joanna Simmons, praying for relief of her son Leonard Simmons, is presented and read.

Upon the Petition of Joanna Simmons, praying for the liberation of her son Leonard Simmons, confined in Jail under the provisions of the Act, entitled "An Act regulating proceedings in cases of Bastardy," - it is resolved that the same be received, and the prayer thereof granted, and that the Keeper of the County Jail of the County of Providence be and he is hereby authorized and directed forthwith to liberate said Leonard from his said confinement; and that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and directed to pay the costs of the prosecution and conviction of said Leonard and his legal prison fees, to the proper officers authorized to receive the same. (Concurred.)

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Committee, respecting grading & repairing streets.

Resolved, that Messrs. Bucklin & Hughes, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to report what alterations, (if any) are necessary, relative to the practice of grading and repairing the public streets; and that said Committee make Report by bill.

(Concurred; & Alderman Wheaton added.)

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention,

Sundry persons who have heretofore been duly proposed, are admitted freemen of the City; and sundry others are proposed for admission as freemen.

Sundry persons are specially admitted free, to vote for General Officers, Representatives to the General Assembly, and Representatives to Congress, - under the Act of January, 1841.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Wednesday the 21<sup>st</sup> Day of April instant, at 9 o'clock a.m.

Members present

- |                  |             |             |
|------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Mr. President,   | .. Gurney,  | .. Metcalf. |
| Messrs. Anthony, | Goodhue,    |             |
| J. D. Brown,     | Hopkin,     |             |
| Bucklin,         | Hughes,     |             |
| Cranston,        | Kenrick,    |             |
| Fairbanks,       | Manchester, |             |
| Fletcher,        | Radcliff,   |             |
| Foster,          | Wade,       |             |

17.

Albert Greene, Clerk.

April 21<sup>st</sup> - April 27<sup>th</sup> 1841.

Common Council, April 21 1841.

The Common Council met pursuant to adjournment.

Adjourned to meet on Monday the 18<sup>th</sup> Day of May next, at half past 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

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|----------------|-------------|
| Mr. President, | .. Goodhue, |
| Messrs. Ames,  | Gurney,     |
| Anthony,       | Kenrick,    |
| John D. Brown, | Wade        |
| Cranston,      | Metcalf.    |
| Fletcher,      |             |
| Foster         |             |

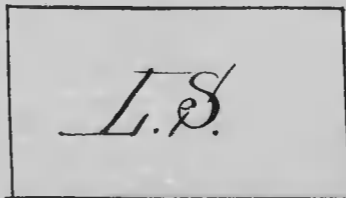
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Albert Greene, Clerk.

Common Council, April 27<sup>th</sup> 1841.

Special Meeting.

Copy State of Rhode Island & Providence Plantations, City of Providence, Jc. To the Members of the Board



of Aldermen and of the Common Council, Greeting.

Deeming it expedient that the City Council do assemble on an earlier day than that to which they have adjourned, - that they may consider a Re-

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-quest signed by a large number of freemen asking that the City Council make arrangements to have an Address in memory of our lamented Chief Magistrate, William Henry Harrison, delivered upon the Day recommended as a Day of National Fasting and Prayer, - I hereby request and require that you meet in your respective Chambers, on Tuesday the twenty seventh day of April instant, at half past seven o' clock P.M. to consider the said Request and such other matters as may lawfully come before you.

Given under my hand and the seal of said City, this twenty sixth Day of April, A.D. 1841.  
Thos. M. Burgess, Mayor.

Witness my hand April 27<sup>th</sup> 1841.

Notified the Board of Aldermen and the Common Council, as commanded, - by their reading the within Edward Hanford, City Sergeant.

Pursuant to the requisition of the foregoing Warrant, the Common Council are now assembled, at half past 7 o' clock, A. Durand present.

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

Copy of W. Budget et al.

A Petition of William Budget and others, requesting the City Council to take measures for the delivery of a public Address on the character of the late President of the United States, &c. is presented and read. Whereupon it is Resolved, that the same be received.

Public Address &c.

Whereas the President of the United States has recommended that Friday the 14<sup>th</sup> Day of May next be observed as a day of Public Fasting and Prayer, in view of the bereavement the Nation has sustained in the Death of our lamented Chief Magistrate William Henry Harrison, -

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Resolved, That upon that Day, the City Offices be closed; that the Surveyor of Highways cause labour in his Department to be suspended; and that the Clerk of the Market cause the Market to be closed at 9 am.

Resolved, That Messrs Metcalf, Earle, Wade, Hoppin, Bucklin and Manchester, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be a Committee to invite some one of our citizens to deliver a Public Address united to the solemn occasion, in one of the Churches, on the afternoon of that Day, - and to make such other arrangements as they may deem expedient.

Resolved, That said Committee be authorized to draw on the City Treasury, for such expenses as may be required to carry the Resolutions into effect.

(Concurred: & Aldermen Nelson & Hoppin added.)

Ward Rooms, W. Parrott & Co. for Constitution of Party.

A Petition of Walter Paine & others, requesting that the Constitutional party in this City, may be allowed to use the Ward Rooms in the City, is presented and read. Whereupon it is Resolved, that the same be received, and referred to Messrs Hughes and Knowles, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add to examine and report thereon.

(Concurred: & Alderman Wheaton added.)

Primary School.

A copy of certain Resolutions passed by the School Committee on the 15<sup>th</sup> instant, relative to the removal of the location of the Primary School now kept at the corner of Mathewson & Middle Streets, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved that the same be received.

Dr.

Resolved, that the School Committee be and they are hereby authorized to remove the Primary School now kept at the corner of Mathewson & Middle Streets, to the School House in Richmond Street, and to use said

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School House, for the purposes of said School.

(Concurred, with this Amendment; that all the words after the word "Resolved" be stricken out, and the following words inserted in their place.

viz "that the School Committee be and they are hereby authorized to use the School House on Richmond Street, for school purposes, having the pleasure of the City Council.

The Common Council concur in the Amendment.

Resolutions of 5<sup>th</sup> Ward, respecting a new valuation of property.

A Copy of certain Resolutions passed by the freemen of the Fifth Ward, on the 21<sup>st</sup> of April instant, is presented and read.

148. Upon the Copy of certain Resolutions of the Freemen of the Fifth Ward, holden on the 21<sup>st</sup> Day of April, A.D. 1841, requesting that measures may be taken for a new estimate and appraisal of the rateable property in the City, - it is Resolved, that the same be received, and referred to Messrs Cranton & Wade, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, - to examine and report thereon.

(Concurred; & Alderman Wheaton added.)

crop walk, Sutton Street

Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby authorized and directed to cause a crop walk to be laid across Sutton Street, at its junction with North Main Street.

(Concurred, May 10<sup>th</sup> 1841.)

Peter & Carl Carpenter, Waterlog.

A Petition of Carl Carpenter, requesting leave to lay water-logs in Mathewson Street, is presented and read.

149. Upon the Petition of Carl Carpenter, it is Resolved, that the same be received, and that said Carpenter

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be and he is hereby authorized to lay water logs, from Washington Street, through Mathewson Street, to Westminster Street; provided the same be done under the direction of the Overseer of Highways.

(Concurred, April 30<sup>th</sup> 1841.)

Present, J. F. Galt, Surveyor.

142. A Petition of J. F. Galt, for leave to enclose a burying lot in the North Burial Ground, is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the North Burial Ground, to examine and report thereon.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet pursuant to the vote of adjournment passed at their last meeting, viz - to meet on Monday the 10<sup>th</sup> Day of May next, at half past 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

- Mr. President,
- Messrs J. D. Brown,
- Bucklin,
- Butts,
- Cranton
- Fairbanks
- Foster,
- Goodhue,
- Gurney,
- Hopkin,

- .. Knowles,
- Padelford,
- Thurber,
- Wade,
- Metcalf.

15.

Albert Greene, Clerk

May 10th 1841.

Common Council, May 10th 1841.

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

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

Resolved That the several sums herein after named be and the same are hereby appropriated for the following purposes respectively, - to wit.

For the Support of the Public Schools, Four Thousand Dollars.

For Lighting the Streets, Twelve Hundred Dollars.

For Salaries, Eleven Hundred Dollars.

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

Petitions of George A. Lammus and John A. Madenorth, for leave to enclose burying lots in the North Burial Ground, are presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the North Burial Ground, to examine and report thereon, which Committee thereupon report in favour of granting the prayers thereof, and also in favour of granting the prayers of the petitions of David W. Barney and Benjamin Priest, referred on the 1st of March last; of Harriet Hazard, referred on the 19th of April last; and of John F. Jolls, referred on the 27th of April last, which Report is read and received.

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143.

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Upon the several petitions of David W. Barney, Benjamin Priest, Harriet Hazard, John F. Jolls, George A. Lammus, and John A. Madenorth, request-

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

Market Place.

An Ordinance, entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance Describing and Establishing the City Market Place,'" is read and passed. (Concurred.)

Washington St. Greene St. Eddy St. Church St.

The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 22d day of February last was referred the Petition of John L. Hagher, for a cross walk across Washington Street, at its junction with Greene Street, and to whom on the 15th of March last, was referred the petition of William Tallman & others, for cross-walks across Eddy Street; and to whom on the 19th day of April last, was referred the petition of Zachariah Allen & others, for repairs on Church Street, - make Report in favour of granting the prayers of said petitions, which Report is read. Whereupon, it is Resolved that the same be received.

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Washington St.  
Paddy  
Byer  
Ship  
Greene  
Church

Resolved That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby Directed to cause cross-walks to be laid, as follows: viz.

- One across Eddy Street,
- One across Byer Street,
- One across Ship Street,
- One across Washington Street, opposite the residence of Royal Chapin.

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One across Greene Street.

And that said Surveyor be and he is hereby Directed to cause Church Street to be graded and gravelled, and to cause side walks to be laid in said Street, when ever the owners of lands on said Street shall erect curb stones and fill up the side-walks in front of their respective lots.

(Concurred.)

Peter of W.  
Batcheller  
N. Banial  
Ground.

A Petition of Warren Batcheller, requesting the City Council to cause the piece of land adjoining the North Banial Ground, to be fenced, gravel walks laid, and trees planted therein, is presented and read, received and referred to the

Standing Committee on the North Banial Ground, to examine and report thereon.

Sale of City  
Real Estate.

The joint Committee to whom, on the 1<sup>st</sup> of March last, was referred the subject of the expediency of selling real estate belonging to the City, make Report, which is read; Whereupon, it is Resolved, that the same be received, and laid upon the Table.

North Banial  
Ground.

The Surveyor of Highways, who was on the 13<sup>th</sup> of May, 1839, directed to cause that part of the North Banial Ground, lying south of the South fence, to be graded or levelled, makes Report, which is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received. (Concurred.)

B.2. 289.

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Dexter  
Donation.

Resolved. That Messrs Bucklin & Hoppin, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to confer with the Commissioners of the Dexter Donation, in reference to the platting and sale of the land, and also in reference to the sale of the personal property.

127.

(Concurred. & Alderman Cadz added.)

Grading  
of Streets.  
W. R. Walker,  
&c.

136.

184.

The joint Committee, who were on the 19<sup>th</sup> of April last, appointed to report what alterations, if any are necessary, relative to the practice of grading and re-paving the Public Streets, with Directions to report by bill, now report a bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the Grading of Streets, and laying and alteration of Side Walks," which is read. Whereupon, it is resolved that the same be received, and laid upon the Table; and that said bill be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing.

Hay  
Market.

105.

Resolved, That Messrs Goodhue and Fairbanks, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to procure a plan and an estimate of the cost of, a building on the Hay Market Lot, suitable for a grain and grocery store; and to report as soon as is practicable.

(Concurred; and Alderman Holden added.)

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

Sundry persons are admitted freemen of the City as eldest sons of freeholders; and sundry others are propounded for admission as freemen.

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May 10<sup>th</sup>, May 24<sup>th</sup>. 1841.

The Two Boards separate.

In Common Council.

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

The Common Council adjourns, "without Day's"

Members present.

W. President.  
Messrs Anthony.  
Jr. D. Brown.  
Bucklin.  
Cranston.  
Fairbanks.  
Goodhue.  
Gurney.  
Hopkin.

Hudson  
Hughes.  
Knowles.  
Manchester.  
Padelford.  
Harber.  
Wade.  
Metcalf.  
Earle. 18.

Albert Greene, Clerk

Common Council, May 24<sup>th</sup>. 1841.

Special Meeting.

Copy.

State of Rhode Island & Providence Plantations,  
City of Providence, &c. &c.

I. S.

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

147.

May 24<sup>th</sup>. 1841.

It being in my opinion for the interest of the City, that the City Council do forthwith consider the expediency of passing a Resolution in addition to that authorizing the borrowing of certain money from the State of Rhode Island, passed August 24<sup>th</sup>. 1840. I do hereby request and require you to assemble at your Chamber, in Common Council, on Monday the 24<sup>th</sup> Day of May, at 8 P.M., to consider the above subject and any other matters that may lawfully come before you.  
Given under my hand and the seal of said City, this twenty-second Day of May, A.D. 1841.  
M<sup>o</sup>. M. Briggs, Mayor.

Prudence, &c. Providence, May 24<sup>th</sup>. 1841.  
Notified the members of the Common Council, as commanded, by their reading the within.  
Edward Harwood, City Sergeant.

Pursuant to the requisition of the foregoing Warrant, the Common Council are now assembled at 8 o'clock P.M.; A Quorum present.

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

Public Schools  
11.

A Resolution having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence; the same being in the words following viz

Resolved, That the Committee of the City Council, appointed on the third Day of September A.D. 1838, in relation to the Public School Houses and Estates, & who were authorized by certain Resolutions of the City Council passed on the seventeenth Day of April A.D. 1839, on the twenty-seventh Day of May, A.D. 1839, and on the twenty-fourth Day of August, A.D. 1840, to borrow certain portions of the Public Money deposited by the United States with the State of Rhode Island, be and they are hereby authorized to borrow of said Public Money, the

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May 10<sup>th</sup>, May 24<sup>th</sup>. 1841.

The Two Boards separate.

In Common Council.

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

The Common Council adjourns, "without Day's"

Members present.

W. President.

Messrs Anthony.

Jno D. Brown.

Bucklin.

Cranston.

Fairbanks.

Goodhue.

Gurney.

Hopkin.

Hudson

Hughes.

Knowles.

Manchester.

Padelford.

Thurber.

Wade.

Metcalf.

Earle. 18.

Albert G. Greene, Clerk

Common Council, May 24<sup>th</sup>. 1841.

Special Meeting.

Copy.

State of Rhode Island & Providence Plantations,  
City of Providence, Jc. &

I. S.

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

147.

May 24<sup>th</sup>. 1841.

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M<sup>o</sup> M. Burgess, Mayor.

Providence, Jc. & Providence, May 24<sup>th</sup>. 1841.  
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additional sum of Four thousand, three hundred ten Dollars, eighty three cents, - so as to make the whole amount of said Public Money borrowed by this City from said State, Seventy seven thousand, Four hundred Dollars, and that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and directed to give bonds therefor, as provided in said first named Resolution."

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

Burying Lots. Petitions of Abba B. Dike

and John M. Phail, for leave to fence in and enclose burying lots in the North Burial Ground, are presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the North Burial Ground, to examine and report thereon.

162. Pet. of J. Ingalls, et al. Stewart St. A Petition of J. Ingalls and others, that the City Council may pass an order for the Surveyor of Highways to set the curb stones and pave the gutters in Stewart Street, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

140. Memorial 5<sup>th</sup> Ward. new valuation of rateable property. The joint Committee, to whom on the 27<sup>th</sup> of April last, was referred the memorial of certain freemen of the Fifth Ward, requesting that measures be taken for a new estimate and appraisal of the rateable property in the City, make Report, which is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received and laid upon the table.

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

Members present.

- |               |           |
|---------------|-----------|
| Mr President. | Bucklin.  |
| Wm Ames       | Butts     |
| J. D. Brown.  | Cranston. |

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Fairbanks  
Furthue  
Gurney  
Koppin  
Hudson

Hughes  
Knowles  
Radford  
Thorton  
Ward  
Attest.

17.

Albert G. Greene, Clerk.

June 7<sup>th</sup> 1841.

Organization of the City Government, of  
the City of Providence, for the Municipal  
Year commencing on the first Monday in  
June, A. D. 1841.

Monday, June 7<sup>th</sup> 1841.

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

The certificate of the election of Thomas M. Burgess  
as Mayor, is presented and read; and the oath prescri-  
bed by law is administered to him by Hon. Thomas  
Burgess Chief Justice of the Court of Common Pleas  
for the County of Providence.

The certificate of the election of Edward J. Knowles,  
Joseph C. D. G.,  
James Wheaton,  
Thomas C. Hooplin,  
Rhinehas Potter,  
and John F. Phillips, as  
Aldermen, for said Year, is presented and read, and  
they are severally engaged by the Mayor, according  
to law.

The certificates of the election of the members elect  
of the Common Council, for said year, are presented  
and read; and all of said members, excepting Joseph  
Vozie, are present and are engaged by the Mayor,  
according to law.

Richard M. Field is by ballot, elected City Clerk

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for said year; and is engaged by the Mayor, according to law.

An A.P. Sup is delivered by the Mayor, relative to the municipal affairs of the City.

The two Boards separate.

Members of the Common Council  
of the  
City of Providence,  
for the Municipal Year, commencing on  
the first Monday in June,  
A.D. 1841.

First Ward. Isaac Thurber,  
Joseph G. Metcalf,  
Stephen T. Olney,  
Joseph Vezzie.

Second Ward. Thomas B. Fenner,  
John D. Brown,  
James M. Earle,  
William P. Bullock.

Third Ward. Samuel Ames,  
Eben Wade,  
Willard W. Fairbanks,  
John D. Jones.

Fourth Ward. John I. Hughes,  
Oliver Johnson,  
William W. Hoppin,  
Barzillai Cranston.

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Fifth Ward. Earl Carpenter,  
Bradford Hodges,  
Ebenezer Carpenter,  
Hezekiah Willard.

Sixth Ward. James E. Batts,  
William L. Thornton,  
Joseph F. Gilmore,  
Mason Allen.

The members elect of the Common Council having been engaged by the Mayor, in presence of the Board of Aldermen, (excepting Joseph Vezzie) are called to order.

Thomas B. Fenner is re-elected President of the Common Council, for the present municipal year.

Albert Greene is re-elected Clerk of the Common Council, for the present municipal year, and is duly sworn by the Mayor in the presence of the Board of Aldermen, to the faithful discharge of the duties of his said office.

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

The following Standing Committees are appointed.

viz.  
Committee to enquire of Ordinances.  
Messrs Hoppin,  
Olney,  
Earle.

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Committee on Highways.

Messrs Fairbanks,  
Carl Carpenter,  
Thurber.

Committee on Finance

Messrs Cranston,  
Wade,  
Bulloch.

Committee on the North Burial Ground.

Messrs Stetson,  
Veazie,  
Olney.

Committee on the Fire Department.

Messrs Ames,  
Hodges,  
Willard.

Mayor  
Address.

164.

Resolved, that Messrs Hughes and Fairbanks, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to wait upon His Honor the Mayor, and request him to furnish for publication, a copy of the Address this Day delivered by him to the City Council; and to cause the same to be published in such manner as they may deem expedient.

Concurred, with this Amendment, that the words "His Honor" be stricken out.

Alderman Pettee added.

The Common Council concur in the Amendment.

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Standing  
Rules  
&  
Committee  
of  
City  
Council.

162.

Resolved, that Messrs Ames and Olney, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to report what Standing Rules, (if any) are necessary for the City Council, and also, what Standing Committees, (if any) ought to be appointed by the City Council.

Concurred; & Alderman Phillips added.

Printing

163.

Resolved that Messrs Cranston & Wade, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to contract for the City printing, for the present municipal year.

(Concurred; & Alderman Coe added.)

Receipts  
&  
Expenditures.

Resolved, that Messrs Bulloch and Hooplin, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to prepare a particular Account of the Receipts and Expenditures for the past municipal year; and to cause the same to be published in the newspapers employed by the City Council, - agreeably to the requisition contained in the fourth section of the City Charter.

Concurred; and Alderman Howles added.

50 cts. for  
each fireman.

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

(Concurred.)

Fire Board.

163.

Resolved, that Messrs Cranston, Wade and Bulloch, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be

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and they are hereby appointed a Committee to take a bond of the City Treasurer, with sufficient surety or securities, for the faithful discharge of the duties of his office for the present municipal year; and that said bond be for the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars.

(Concurred; & Alderman Hoppin added.)

Com. to Audit Treas. Ofcs.

115.

Resolved, That Messrs Bramton, Wade and Mallock, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to audit and settle the Accounts of the City Treasurer, with the City, up to the first day of June instant; (Concurred; and Alderman Phillips added.)

Police Court.

Resolved, That from the Justices assigned to keep the Peace within this City, Henry L. Bower, Walter S. Barges, and Edward K. Hazard be, and they are hereby selected to compose the Police Court, during the present municipal year. (Concurred.)

Tax.

A bill entitled "An Ordinance for the assessment and collection of a Tax of seventy thousand Dollars," is read and passed.

115.

{ Concurred, with this amendment, that the 2<sup>d</sup>, 3<sup>d</sup>, & 4<sup>th</sup> Sections be stricken out. The Common Council non concurred in the Amendments, The Board of Aldermen insist upon their Amendments, and request a Conference, and appoint Alderman Phillips & Knowles as conferees on their part. The Common Council agree to a Conference, and appoint Messrs. Hughes and Wade as conferees on their part.

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Resolved, that each Collector of Taxes in and for the City, shall be allowed and paid one hundred Dollars, as a full compensation for apportioning the City Tax for the present municipal year. (Concurred, June 14, 1841.)

Rept. of School Committee.

The Report of the School Committee is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received and recorded, and that the same be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing. (Concurred.)

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

June 7<sup>th</sup> 1839 3 o'clock P.M.

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

Compensation Ordinance.

A bill, entitled "An Ordinance fixing the compensation of certain Officers for the year ending on the first Monday in June, A.D. one thousand eight hundred and forty two", is read and passed. Concurred, - with two amendments. The Common Council concur in the Amendments.

Appropriation.

A Resolution, appropriating Sixty eight thousand, seven hundred and sixty five Dollars for the purposes therein mentioned, is read and passed.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

June 7<sup>th</sup> 1841.

Various persons who have heretofore been duly imprisoned, are admitted freemen of the City.

161.

The City Council proceed to the election of City Officers, for the present municipal year; and after completing the same, (with the exception of the election of a Committee to prevent encroachments on streets, and of <sup>members of</sup> some of the Fire Companies,) the two Boards separate.

In Common Council,

161. 3

A Petition of George W. Farham and John N. Jestrain, for leave to enclose a burying lot in the North Burial Ground, is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the North Burial Ground, to examine and report thereon.

162. 162.

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

162. 162.

A Petition of J. D. Clark and others, for repairs on Arnold Street, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

162. 162.

A Petition of Christopher N. Pearce and others, requesting the City Council to cause measures to be taken for filling up, <sup>with earth</sup> the pond of water at the junction of John and Brook Streets, formerly used by the Bowen Bleaching

June 7<sup>th</sup> 1841.

Calendering Company, the same being represented by said petitioners to be dangerous to life and to the health of the neighbourhood, - is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received, and referred to Messrs. Ames and Thomson, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon.

(Concerned June 14 1841. & Alderman Wheaton added.)

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the 14<sup>th</sup> Day of June instant, at half past 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present,

Mr. President,

Allen,

Ames,

Brown,

Ballou,

Butts,

Earl Carpenter,

Esch. Carpenter,

Cranton,

Carle,

Fairbanks,

Gilmore,

Hodges,

Hopkin,

Hughes,

Johnson,

Jones,

Metcalf,

Olney,

Thomson,

Thurber,

Wase,

Willard,

Albert Greene, Clerk

Common Council, June 14<sup>th</sup> 1841.

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

Standing  
Rules  
+  
Committee

153  
155

The joint Committee who were, on the 7<sup>th</sup> of June instant, appointed to report what Standing Rules, (if any,) are necessary for the City Council, - and also what Standing Committees, (if any,) ought to be appointed by the City Council, - make Report, recommending the adoption of certain Rules as Standing Rules of the City Council; which Report is read: whereupon it is resolved that the same be received: and that said Rules be adopted as the Standing Rules of the City Council.

Concurred.

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The several Standing Committees of the Common Council who were appointed pursuant to the Standing Rules of the Common Council on the 7<sup>th</sup> of June instant, now tender their resignation of said Appointment. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be accepted.

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Resolved, That all standing Rules of the Common Council, excepting the eleven first of those adopted on the 7<sup>th</sup> of June instant, be and the same are repealed: and that said eleven rules first established and adopted, be entitled "Standing Rules of Order of the Common Council of the City of Providence."

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Pursuant to the requisitions of the Standing Rules of the City Council, this Day adopted, the following joint Standing Committees are now appointed according to the rules of the respective Boards. viz.

161.

On Finance.

Messrs Brewster,  
Wade } Alderman Heppin.  
Bullock

On Highways.

Messrs Fairbanks,  
Earl Carpenter, } Alderman Wheaton.  
Harber

To engross Ordinances.

Messrs Heppin,  
Earl, } Alderman Knowles.  
Thornton,

On the Public Schools.

Messrs Hughes,  
Olney, } Alderman Phillips.  
Eben. Carpenter.

On the Fire Department.

Messrs Ames,  
Hooper, } Alderman Cady.  
Willard.

On City Property.

Messrs Butts,  
Metcalf, } Alderman Fetter.  
Gilmore.

On Police.

Messrs Brown,  
Allin, } Alderman Phillips.  
Johnson.

Standing  
Committee

160

Resolved, That all unfinished business in the hands of the Standing Committees of the Common Council who have this Day resigned, be and the same is hereby referred to the several joint Standing Committees this Day appointed, to whose several Departments such business respectively belongs.

Stewart & Arnold Streets.

The Committee to whom on the 24<sup>th</sup> of May last, was referred the Petition of J. Sugall's others, in relation to Stewart Street, & to whom on the 7<sup>th</sup> of June instant, was referred the Petition of G. D. Clark & others for repairs on Arnold Street, - make report which is read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received.

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause Stewart Street, - and also Arnold Street, from Brook Street to Hope Street, to be graded and gravelled, and the gutters therein paved, whenever the owners of the adjoining lands shall have furnished curb-stones and filled up the side walks in front of their respective lots.

(Concurred, June 21. 1841.)

Power Street

158.

The Committee to whom on the 7<sup>th</sup> of June last, was referred the petition of Joseph S. Cooke & others, for repairs on Power Street, make report which is read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, and laid upon the Table.

Water in Williams St. & N. W. Peter et. al.

159.

A Petition of Roger Williams Potter and others, respecting a stream of water which flows from Benefit Street, South Williams, to South Main Street, is presented and read: whereupon it is resolved that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Drain in Westminster Street.

A Petition of David Barton & others, for the construction of a public sewer in Westminster Street is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received, and referred to the standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

City Ordinances

A Communication from the Mayor, recommending that some uniform mode may be adopted for the publication of the City Ordinances which may be hereafter passed, is pre-

sented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee to enquire of Ordinances - to report thereon.

Old Hospital

245.

A Communication from the Mayor, respecting an offer of William C. Richmond to purchase the Old Hospital (so called) is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine & report thereon.

R. R. Richmond

A Petition of Richard R. Richmond, now confined in jail for a violation of the license law, praying for relief, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Police, to examine and report thereon.

Gold Bond

155.

The Joint Committee appointed on the 7<sup>th</sup> of June instant, to take bond of the City Treasurer, make report, that they have discharged that duty: which is read. Whereupon, it is resolved that the same be received; and that said Bond, accompanying the same, be deposited, for safe keeping, in the Office of the City Clerk. (Concurred.)

City Printing

155.

The Committee appointed on the 7<sup>th</sup> of June instant, to contract for the City printing, for the present municipal year, make report that they have contracted therefor, with Messrs Knowles & Case; which report is read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received. (Concurred.)

Appropriations

157.

The Resolution of the Appropriation of \$68,765, for the purposes therein mentioned, - which passed the Common Council on the 7<sup>th</sup> of June instant, and was then sent up for concurrence, is now returned by the Board of Aldermen, who concur therein, with an amendment that the word

"seven" in the Appropriation for the extinguishment of a portion of the City Debt, be stricken out, and the word "ninteen" inserted in its place. - which amendment is read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein.

Grading of Streets & Sidewalks &c.

145.  
207.

The bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the Grading of Streets, and laying an alteration of Side Walks," which was on the 10<sup>th</sup> of May last, reported and then laid upon the Table, with an order that the same should be printed, - having been printed pursuant to said order, is now called up. Whereupon the Committee by whom said bill was reported as leave to withdraw the same, which leave is granted. Whereupon said Committee report a new bill entitled "An Ordinance prescribing the duties of the Street Commissioners and City Engineer, and for other purposes." which is read and passed.

Concurred, with the Amendment, that the word "five" in the 2<sup>d</sup> line of the 7<sup>th</sup> section, be stricken out, and the word "four" inserted in its place. (Said Amendment relating to the per diem compensation of the City Engineer.)

The Common Council concur in the Amendment.

Stewart Street.

91.  
249.

A Resolution having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, being in the words following viz. "Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways, be directed to defer the taking up of the pavement in Stewart Street ordered by Resolution passed Sept. 28<sup>th</sup> 1840, until the further action of the City Council," which is read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein.

Primary School.

Resolved That an Additional Primary School be established in the Third, or the Southern part of the Second Ward, and that the Committee on Public School

Comrs and Estates, be instructed at their discretion, to cause to be erected, a School House for said School, and also one for the Primary School on Federal Hill, the lots on which said school houses are to be built, to be located by the School Committee.

(Concurred.)

Patrols

128

Resolved That the Joint Committee who were on the 15<sup>th</sup> of March last, appointed to procure for the City, Patrols of the late Mayor Samuel W. Bridgman and of the late Col. Ebenezer H. Dexter, be and they are hereby authorized to draw from the City Treasury from time to time, such sum or sums of money as may be necessary to carry into effect the objects of their appointment, - not exceeding, in the whole, the sum of One hundred and seventy-five Dollars.

(Concurred.)

Fin Op.

156

The Committee appointed on the 7<sup>th</sup> of June instant, to audit and settle the Accounts of the City Treasurer with the City up to the first day of June instant, make report, that they have discharged that duty, and that they find said Account correct, which Report is read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, and together with said Account, be recorded.

(Concurred.)

Remission of Taxes

A Resolution for the remission of certain Taxes assessed in the year 1838, represented by Robert Knight then Collector of Taxes, as not collectable, by reason of error in the assessments thereof, &c. amounting in the whole, to \$33: <sup>47</sup>/<sub>100</sub>, is read and passed.

(Concurred.)

City Tot.

156

The Committee of Conference appointed on the 7<sup>th</sup> of June instant, on the disagreement of the two Boards respecting the bill entitled "An Ordinance for the Appointment and Col.

Section of a Tax of Seventy Thousand Dollars, <sup>amended</sup> and passed a new bill with the same title, which is read, <sup>and passed.</sup>  
(Concurred.)

Mayor's Resol.

154

Incumbent of the Dead.

25.

A Resolution referring the several parts of the Mayor's Resol. delivered on the 7<sup>th</sup> of June instant, to the several standing Committees, and referring that part thereof which relates to the "Ordinance in relation to the Interment of the Dead," to Messrs Ames & Olney with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, - is read and passed.

(Concurred. & Alderman Knowles added, June 15, 1841.)

Collector Taxes.

Resolved, That the Representatives elected to represent this City in the General Assembly, be and they are hereby instructed to use their exertions to procure at the June Session of the General Assembly, enacting the passage of an Act amending the Act entitled "An Act establishing the Election of Town Officers in each Town in this State," so far as to allow the City Council of the City of Providence to take from the Collector or Collectors of Town Taxes for said City, bond or bonds in such amount as they shall deem fit.

(Concurred, June 15<sup>th</sup>. 1841.)

14<sup>th</sup> of July.

Resolved, That inasmuch as a portion of our citizens contemplate to form a public procession in the streets of our City, on the ensuing 5<sup>th</sup> of July, the usual municipal procession and oration be dispensed with.

Resolved, that to celebrate the anniversary of that glorious Day, bells shall be rung, guns fired, bonfires lit, and fireworks exhibited, on Monday the 5<sup>th</sup> of July.

Resolved, that a Committee be appointed to carry the second Resolution into effect, and also to employ a band of music; and that four hundred Dollars be appropriated, to defray the expenses thereof.

Resolved, that Messrs Hoppin and Jones, with such

as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed said Committee.

(Concurred, with the following Amendments, viz, That the words "bonfires lit and fireworks exhibited" in the second Resolution, be stricken out; - and the word "four" in the third Resolution, be stricken out, and the word "three" inserted in its place. - Alderman Knowles added.

Amendments read. Whereupon it is resolved that the Common Council do not concur in said Amendments.

The Board of Aldermen insist upon their Amendments.

The Common Council adjourn to meet, to morrow, (Tuesday) evening, at half past 7 o'clock.

Members present.

- |                   |           |
|-------------------|-----------|
| Mr President,     | Hoppin,   |
| Mr Allen,         | Hughes,   |
| Mr Ames,          | Johnson   |
| Ballou,           | Jones.    |
| Bates,            | Metcalf,  |
| Carl Carpenter,   | Olney,    |
| Oliver Carpenter, | Thornton, |
| Cranston,         | Thurber,  |
| Carle,            | Wade      |
| Fairbanks,        | Willard.  |
| Gilmore,          |           |
| Hodges,           |           |

Abath Greene,  
Clerk

June 15<sup>th</sup>. 1841.Common Council June 15<sup>th</sup>. 1841.

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

The Resolutions relative to a celebration of the approaching Anniversary of American Independence, which were under consideration at the time of the adjournment of the Common Council on the 14<sup>th</sup> Day of June instant, are now again read. Whereupon it is Resolved, That the Common Council do recede from their Resolution of non concurrence in the Amendments of the Board of Aldermen in the original Resolutions, - and do concur in said Amendments with the following Amendments thereto, to wit: That all the words in the bill after the first word "Resolved," be stricken out, and the following words inserted in their place, viz, "that the whole subject of a Municipal Celebration of the approaching Anniversary of American Independence be and the same is hereby referred to the Board of Aldermen, and that said Board be and they are hereby authorized to draw upon the City Treasury, for any sum of money which may be necessary to pay the expenses thereof."

The Board of Aldermen concur in the  
 { Amendments of the Common Council. }

A Petition of Thomas C. Hartshorn, for the use of the Town House, is presented and read.

Upon the Petition of Thomas C. Hartshorn, it is Resolved that the same be received, and that permission be and the same is thereupon given to Rev. Mr. Sheldon of Ohio, to use the Town House on such afternoons and evenings of the present week as the same is not otherwise occu-

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ped, for the purpose of delivering lectures therein, on the subject of Popular Education  
 (Concurred.)

Com from  
 Mayor,  
 Forfeiture  
 of certain  
 Articles, &c.

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A Communication from the Mayor, suggesting the expediency of an application to the General Assembly, for an enlargement of the Powers of the City Council to provide by ordinances,  
 1<sup>st</sup> For the forfeiture of articles not exceeding \$10 in value;  
 2<sup>d</sup> For the right to charge storage for articles of greater value;  
 3<sup>d</sup> For making the parent, guardian or master liable, for offences committed by minors: -  
 is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to Messrs Ames and Olney, with Jack as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon.

(Concurred. & Alderman Eady added.)

A bill entitled "An Ordinance concerning the City Debt," is read and passed.

(Concurred.)

Resolved that the Ordinance this Day made and passed by the City Council, entitled "An Ordinance concerning the City Debt," be published, twice a week, for three successive weeks, in all the newspapers employed to do the City printing.

(Concurred.)

A bill entitled "An Ordinance, to repeal an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance prescribing the duties of Street Commissioners and City Engineer, and for other purposes," - is read and passed.

Non concurred.

Resolved that the Ordinance made and passed by the City Council on the fourteenth Day of June instant, entitled "An Ordinance prescribing the duties of the Street Commissioners

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and City Engineer, and for other purposes." be published, twice a week, for three <sup>weeks</sup> successively, in all the newspapers employed to do the City printing.  
(Concurred.)

A memorial from Joseph Oakley, in relation to a complaint made against him, for an alleged encroachment upon a public gangway, having been presented to the Board of Aldermen and by them referred to Aldermen Potter, with such as the Common Council may add, is sent down, and is read. Whereupon, it is resolved that the Common Council do concur in said reference, with the addition of Messrs Hoppin & Gilman to the Committee.

Petitions of Barker T. Yeminton

& James Mumford, for leave to enclose burying lots in the North Bernal Ground, are presented and read, received, and referred to the standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon: which Committee make report in favour of granting the prayers thereof, and also in favour of granting the prayers of the petitions of Abba B. Dike & John M. Phail, opened on the 14<sup>th</sup> of May last: which report is received.

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Upon the several petitions of Barker T. Yeminton, John M. Phail, Abba B. Dike, and James Mumford, requesting leave to fence in and enclose burying lots, sufficient for their respective families, in the North Bernal Ground, it is resolved that the prayers of said petitions be severally granted; and that said petitioners be, and they are hereby severally authorized to fence in and enclose such lots, for such purposes, provided the same be done under the direction of the Overseer of the North Bernal Ground, with the sanction of the Mayor: and provided, that the several privileges hereby

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granted, shall be subject to all future regulations of the City Council, in relation thereto, and shall continue during the pleasure of the City Council, and no longer.  
(Concurred.)

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

Messrs B. Lockwood is elected City Engineer and Cyrus Fisher, James C. Bucklin, and William Andrews } Street Commissioners, - for the remainder of the present municipal year. Standing other City Officers are elected, for the remainder of the present municipal year.

The Assessors of Taxes appointed on the 7<sup>th</sup> of June instant, are appointed to assess the Tax of \$70,000, advised on the 14<sup>th</sup> of June instant.

The Two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the second Day of August next, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

- |                 |          |
|-----------------|----------|
| Mr President    | Hoppin,  |
| Messrs Allen,   | Johnson, |
| Bates,          | Jones,   |
| Eal Carpenter   | Metcalf  |
| Eben Carpenter, | Olney,   |
| Cranston,       | Thomson, |
| Fairbanks,      | Thurber, |
| Gilman          | Wade,    |
| Hodges,         | Willard  |

Albert Greene, Clerk 18.

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Copy.

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

I.S.

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

It being important that Street Commis-  
sioners be elected, two of those heretofore appointed hav-  
ing refused to serve, I deem it expedient that the  
City Council do meet at an earlier day than that  
to which the Common Council have adjourned, and  
I accordingly notify you to assemble in your Chambers,  
this day, at eight P.M., at which hour the Board  
of Aldermen will be in session.

Given under my hand and the Seal of said  
City, this twenty-first day of June, A.D. 1841.  
Thos. M. Burgess, Mayor.

"Providence, June 21<sup>st</sup> 1841.

Notified the members of the Common Council, as commanded,  
Edward Harwood, City Sergeant.

Pursuant to the requisition of the foregoing Warrant, the  
Common Council are now assembled, at 8 o'clock P.M.,  
a Quorum present.

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

A Communication from the Mayor informing the City Council  
that the persons elected as Street Commissioners on the 13<sup>th</sup>  
of June instant, decline serving, and also in relation to  
the rate of compensation of the Street Commissioners, &c.

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The City Engineer, is presented read, and sent up to the Board  
of Aldermen.

A Bill entitled "An Ordinance in addition to an Ordinance  
entitled "An Ordinance prescribing the Duties of the Street  
Commissioners and City Engineer," is read and passed.  
(Concurred.)

Resolved That the annual Town Meeting for the purpose  
of transacting business in relation to the property and es-  
tate devised to the Town of Providence by the Last  
Will and Testament of Ebenezer Knight Dexter, denom-  
inated the "Dexter Donation", and the Asylum and  
other town or city property connected therewith, and  
which, according to the provisions of "An Ordinance  
appointing Town Meetings in relation to the Dexter Do-  
nation", should be holden on the last Saturday of June,  
the year holden on the last Wednesday of June  
instant, at three o'clock P.M., - any thing in the pro-  
visions of said Ordinance to the contrary notwithstanding.

A Resolution in the words aforesaid, having this day  
been passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for  
concurrence, and is read. Whereupon it is resolved  
that the Common Council do concur therein.

Resolved That the joint Committee who were, on the  
13<sup>th</sup> of March last, appointed "to apply to the Hon.  
General Assembly, and ascertain the best terms on  
which the City may use a part of the State's Jail in  
the County of Providence, for a House of Correction,"  
be and they are hereby discharged.  
(Concurred.)

A Petition of Martin Parley & Asa Howard, for leave to en-  
-close a burying lot in the North Burial Ground, is  
presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing

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Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon.

Resolved, That the sum of Three Hundred Dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated for the Police Department, and that said sum so appropriated, be paid out of any monies in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.  
(Concurred.)

Com<sup>on</sup> a. Section of the City Debt.

Whereas Messrs Cranston, Wade and Bullock have, this day been appointed by the Common Council as the Committee on their part, for the reduction of the City Debt, for the present municipal year, pursuant to the requisition contained in the First Section of the Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance concerning the City Debt," - It is thereupon resolved, that the names of said Committee be communicated to the Board of Aldermen, - in order that said Board may add an Alderman to said Committee, pursuant to the requisition contained in said Section.

Alderman Hoppin added.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention,

The persons appointed on the 15<sup>th</sup> of June instant as Street Commissioners, having declined serving, -

Asa Basunth  
Leonard Blodget,  
and William J. Harris } are elected Street

Commissioners, for the remainder of the present municipal year.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet pursuant to the order of adjournment proper at their last meeting; viz, to meet

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on Monday the second day of August next, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present,

- |                 |              |
|-----------------|--------------|
| Mr. President,  | Hodges,      |
| Messrs Allin,   | Hoppin,      |
| Brown,          | Johnson,     |
| Butts,          | Jones,       |
| Earl Carpenter, | Metcalf,     |
| Earl Carpenter, | Olney,       |
| Cranston,       | Wade,        |
| Fairbanks,      | Willard. 16. |

Albert G. Greene,  
Clerk

Common Council, July 21<sup>st</sup> 1841.

Special Meeting.

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

To the Members of the Common Council of the City of Providence,  
(Meeting).

I. S.

Deeming it for the public welfare that certain petitions relative the present state of the Cove, should receive the immediate consideration of the City Council, I hereby request and require you to assemble in your Chamber, at eight o'clock P.M. on Wednesday the twenty-first day of July instant, to consider said petitions and to transact such business as may lawfully come before you: - at which time, the Board

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of Aldermen will be in session.

Given under my hand and the seal of said City, this twentieth Day of July, A.D. one thousand, eight hundred and forty one.

Thos. M. Burgess Mayor.

"Providence, July 21. 1841. Notified the members of the Common Council, as commanded, by their reading the within; except Samuel Ames, John D. Jones and Barzillai Cranston, who are out of the City.

Edward Harwood, City Sergeant."

Pursuant to the requisition of the foregoing Warrant the Common Council are now assembled at 8 o'clock P.M. A Quorum present.

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

Joseph Hoagie, a member elect of the Common Council from the First Ward, for the present municipal year, appears, is duly engaged by the Mayor, in presence of the Board of Aldermen, and takes his seat.

A Communication from the Mayor, relative to an aged nuisance in the Cove above Weybosset Bridge, and a Petition of Benjamin Hoppin & others, relative to the same subject, are severally presented and read.

The following Resolution, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence: viz

"Resolved, That the Mayor, and Aldermen Phillips & Hoppin, with such as the Common Council may add, be a Committee, to enquire into and report a Plan for the general improvement of the Cove;

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and that said Committee have power to take medical advice upon the subject, - and, if deemed expedient, to cause a temporary Dam to be erected at the Bridge, of sufficient height to cover the flats with water; and that the expense incurred by carrying this Resolution into effect, be paid out of any money in the City Treasury not otherwise appropriated;" -

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

Resolved, That the Communication of the Mayor, this Day made to the City Council, relative to the present condition of the Cove above Weybosset Bridge, and the Petition of Benjamin Hoppin and others, relative to the same subject, be received and referred to Messrs Thaxter, Earle, Fairbanks, Hughes, Carl Carpenter, and Allin, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add - to examine and report thereon, and that said Committee be and they are hereby directed to report what measures ought to be taken by the City Council, relative to the subject. Such Report to be made at the next meeting of the City Council.

(Concurred: & Aldermen Hoppin & Phillips added.)

The following Resolution, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence: viz  
"Upon the Petition of Lot Finley, for remission of fine, for breach of the License Law, - Resolved that, that part of the said fine belonging to the City, be and the same is hereby remitted."

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

A Resolution for the remission of certain Taxes, offered upon certain persons in the year 1840, represented by James Mumford, Collector of Taxes, as not collectable,

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by reason of errors in the assignments thereof, &c., amounting in the whole, to \$296.<sup>34</sup>/<sub>100</sub>, is read and passed.  
(Concurred.)

The joint Standing Committee on Police, to whom, on the 14<sup>th</sup> of June last, was referred the petition of Richard P. Richardson, for relief, he being now confined in Jail, for a violation of the License Law, make report that it is not advisable for the City Council to interfere in the matter; which Report is read: whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, and that said petition be dismissed.  
(Concurred.)

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

Asa Peirce is elected one of the Committee on Nuisances, for the present municipal year.

Sundry persons who have heretofore been duly prosounded, are admitted freemen of the City.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet, tomorrow evening, (July 22<sup>d</sup>) at 8 o' clock.

Members present.

Mr. President

Mrs. Allin,

Brown,

Butts,

Earl Carpenter,

Chew Carpenter,

Garle

Fairbanks,

Gelmore,

Hodges,

Hoppin,

Hughes,

Johnson,

Metcalf,

Olney,

Thomson,

Thurber,

Veazie,

Wade,

Willard.

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Abut Greene, Clerk

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Common Council, July 22<sup>d</sup>. 1841.

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

The joint Committee to whom on the 21<sup>st</sup> of July instant, were referred the communication of the Mayor, relative to the present condition of the Cove above Weybosset Bridge, and the petition of Benjamin Hoppin & others, relative to the same subject, make Report, which is read.

Do.

Upon the Report of the joint Committee, to whom on the 21<sup>st</sup> of July instant was referred the Petition of Benjamin Hoppin and others, respecting a nuisance in the Cove above Weybosset Bridge, - it is Resolved, that the same be received; and that Messrs. Hughes, Hodges and Metcalf, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to cause a temporary wooden Dam to be erected in the Cove, sufficient to flow with water that portion of the flats which is covered by the offensive substance complained of by the petitioners; - or to take such other measures for remedying the evil, as they may deem expedient.

Resolved, that the sum of Two Thousand Dollars be, and the same is, hereby appropriated for the payment of the expense of carrying these Resolutions into effect; and that said sum, so appropriated, be paid, out of any monies in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated.

Resolved, that said Report be published in the newspapers employed to do the City printing.

The question of the passage of the aforesaid Resolutions, is taken by yeas and nays,

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which are ordered to be entered upon the Journal, as follows, viz

<u>Ayes.</u>	<u>Nays.</u>
Meigs Allin	W. Wade,
Brown,	
Butts,	
Earl Carpenter,	
Eben. Carpenter,	
Earle,	
Fairbanks,	
Hodges,	
Hoppin,	
Hughes,	
Johnson,	
Metcalfe,	
Olney,	
Thomson,	
Thurber,	
Veazie,	
Willard,	

(Concurred. & Aldermen Hoppin & Phillips added.)

Joined in Convention of the City Council

In Convention.

Landry persons are elected to various city offices, to fill vacancies occasioned by the refusal to accept such offices, - of the persons heretofore elected.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the 13<sup>th</sup> Day of September next, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mt. President,	Brown,
Meigs Allin,	Butts,

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" Earl Carpenter,	" Metcalfe,
Eben Carpenter,	Olney,
Earle,	Thomson,
Fairbanks,	Thurber,
Hodges,	Veazie,
Hoppin,	Wade,
Hughes,	Willard,
Johnson,	

Albert J. Greene, Clerk

Common Council, July 26<sup>th</sup> 1841.

Special Meeting.

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

L. S.

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

Having been informed by the Special Committee appointed to improve the State of the Cove, that "they cannot feel justified to proceed in the duties assigned to them, without first receiving further instructions from the City Council," - I hereby request and require you to assemble at your Chambers, in Common Council, on Monday the twenty-sixth Day of July instant, at eight o'clock P.M. to transact such business as may legally come before you. The Board of Aldermen will be requested to adjourn to that hour.

Given under my hand and the seal of said City, this twenty-fourth Day of

July 22, 1841.

which are ordered to be entered upon the Journal, as follows. viz

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|------------------|--------------|
| <u>Ayes.</u>     | <u>Nays.</u> |
| Mepes Allin,     | Mr. Wade,    |
| Brown,           |              |
| Batts,           |              |
| Earl Carpenter,  |              |
| Eben. Carpenter, |              |
| Earle,           |              |
| Fairbanks,       |              |
| Hodges,          |              |
| Hoppin,          |              |
| Hughes,          |              |
| Johnson,         |              |
| Metcalf,         |              |
| Olney,           |              |
| Thomson,         |              |
| Thurber,         |              |
| Veazie,          |              |
| Willard,         |              |

(Concurred: & Aldermen Hoppin & Phillips assented.)

Joined in Convention of the City Council

In Convention.

Sundry persons are elected to sundry city offices, to fill vacancies occasioned by the refusal to accept such offices, - of the persons heretofore elected.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the 13<sup>th</sup> Day of September next, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

- |                |        |
|----------------|--------|
| Mr. President, | Brown, |
| Mepes Allin,   | Batts, |

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- |                 |          |
|-----------------|----------|
| Earl Carpenter, | Metcalf, |
| Eben Carpenter, | Olney,   |
| Earle,          | Thomson, |
| Fairbanks,      | Thurber, |
| Hodges,         | Veazie,  |
| Hoppin,         | Wade,    |
| Hughes,         | Willard, |
| Johnson,        |          |

Abt. Greene, Clerk

Common Council, July 26<sup>th</sup> 1841.

Special Meeting.

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

L.S.

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

Having been informed by the Special Committee appointed to improve the State of the Cove, that "they cannot feel justified to proceed in the duties assigned to them, without first receiving further instructions from the City Council," - I hereby request and require you to assemble at your Chambers, in Common Council, on Monday the twenty-sixth Day of July instant, at eight o'clock P.M. to transact such business as may legally come before you. The Board of Aldermen will be requested to adjourn to that hour.

Given under my hand and the seal of said City, the twenty-fourth Day of

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July. A. D. one thousand, eight hundred, forty-one.

Thos M. Burgess, Mayor.

"Providence, July 26<sup>th</sup>. 1841. Notified the members of the Common Council, as commanded, by their reading the within Warrant  
Edward Hamwood, City Sergeant"

Pursuant to the requisition of the foregoing Warrant, the Common Council are now assembled, at 8 o'clock P.M. - A Quorum present.

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

A communication from the Mayor to the Common Council is presented and read; in which, information is given to the Common Council, that the Board of Aldermen at their meeting held this day, have, on a complaint of the Committee on Nuisances, passed an order that the nuisance in the Cove, caused by Israel Saunders's Print Works be removed or abated by him the said Saunders within fifteen days.

The Joint Committee who were on the 22<sup>d</sup> of July instant appointed to cause a temporary wooden dam to be erected in the Cove, or to take such other measures for remedying the evil there complained of, as they might deem expedient, make Report, <sup>that</sup> the action of the Committee on Nuisances in relation to the subject, has, in the opinion of the Committee, rendered it inadvisable for them to proceed without further instructions from the City Council; and that they have therefore requested the Mayor to call the present meeting of the Council, in order that they might make Report; - which Report is read. Whereupon, it is Resolved, that said Re-

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port be received, and also that the same be published in the newspapers employed to do the City printing; and that said Committee be discharged.  
(Concurred.)

Resolved, That the Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 14<sup>th</sup> of June last, was referred so much of the Mayor's Address delivered to the City Council on the first Monday of said June, as relates to the finishing of the contemplated street and bridges around the Cove, be, and they are hereby directed to make Report thereon, at the next meeting of the City Council.  
(Concurred.)

The Common Council adjourn to meet pursuant to the vote of adjournment passed at their last meeting, viz. - to meet on Monday the 13<sup>th</sup> day of September next, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

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|------------------|-----------|
| Mr. President,   | Hodges,   |
| Messrs. Ullin,   | Hopkin,   |
| Olver,           | Hughes,   |
| Brown            | Jones,    |
| Bullocks,        | Metcalf,  |
| Bates,           | Olney,    |
| Earl Carpenter,  | Thornton, |
| Eben. Carpenter, | Thurber,  |
| Cranston         | Wade,     |
| Earle            | Willard   |
| Fairbanks,       |           |
| Gilmore,         |           |

Albert Green Clerk

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July. A. D. one thousand, eight hundred, forty-one.

Thos M. Burgess, Mayor.

"Providence, July 26<sup>th</sup>. 1841. Notified the members of the Common Council, as commanded, by their reading the within  
Edward Hammond, City Sergeant"

Pursuant to the requisition of the foregoing Warrant, the Common Council are now assembled, at 8 o'clock P.M., - A Quorum present.

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

A communication from the Mayor to the Common Council is presented and read; in which, information is given to the Common Council, that the Board of Aldermen at their meeting held this day, have, on a Complaint of the Committee on Nuisances, passed an order that the nuisance in the Cove, caused by Israel Saunders's Print Works be removed or abated by him the said Saunders within fifteen days.

The Joint Committee who were on the 22<sup>d</sup> of July instant appointed to cause a temporary wooden dam to be erected in the Cove, or to take such other measures for remedying the evil there complained of, as they might deem expedient, make Report, <sup>that</sup> the action of the Committee on Nuisances in relation to the subject, has, in the opinion of the Committee, rendered it inadvisable for them to proceed without further instructions from the City Council; and that they have therefore requested the Mayor to call the present meeting of the Council, in order that they might make Report: - which Report is read: Whereupon, it is Resolved, that said Re-

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port be received, and also that the same be published in the newspapers employed to do the City printing; and that said Committee be discharged.  
(Concurred.)

Resolved, That the Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 14<sup>th</sup> of June last, was referred so much of the Mayor's Address delivered to the City Council on the first Monday of said June, as relates to the finishing of the contemplated street and bridges around the Cove, be, and they are hereby directed to make Report thereon, at the next meeting of the City Council.  
(Concurred.)

The Common Council adjourn to meet pursuant to the vote of adjournment passed at their last meeting, viz, - to meet on Monday the 13<sup>th</sup> day of September next, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr. President,

Mr. Ullin,

Arnes,

Brown

Bullocks,

Bates,

Earl Carpenter,

Elew. Carpenter,

Cranston

Earle

Fairbanks,

Gilmore,

Hodges,

Hopkin,

Hughes,

Jones,

Metcalf,

Olney,

Thurston,

Thurber,

Wade,

Willard

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Albert Green  
Clerk

1844.

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

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

Engine  
Houses, &  
Apparatus.

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A copy of a Vote of the Board of Firewards, passed on the 17<sup>th</sup> of June last, recommending that the engine houses and fire apparatus of the City be placed under the immediate control of that Board, is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon.

F. Phelps  
Convict.

A Petition of Frances Phelps, praying for relief is presented and read.

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Upon the petition of Frances Phelps, a convict now confined in the State's Jail in the County of Providence, - praying for relief, - it is Resolved, that the same be received, and the prayer thereof so far granted that the Keeper of said Jail be and he is hereby authorized and directed to release said Frances from her said confinement, - provided the said Frances shall first pay or cause to be paid, - all legal costs of her prosecution and conviction and her legal prison fees; and provided she shall, within twenty-four hours next after such liberation, depart from and out of this City, and not return thereto, without leave of the City Council.

(Continued.)

A Communication from Sally Thompson and Richard Waterman, requesting that a lease may be made to said Richard Waterman, of the lot of Land at the corner of Waterman and Benefit Streets, (next North of his Dwelling house lot), - the fee of which has become vested in the City, subject to certain restrictions and reservations, - is presented and read. Whereupon it is Resolved, that the same be received,

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and that the City Treasurer be and he is <sup>fully</sup> authorized to make and execute such lease, under the advice and direction of the Standing Committee on City Property.

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Ordinance  
Bonds of Col.  
Collectors of Taxes

A Bill, entitled "An Ordinance respecting the Bonds of Collectors of Taxes for the City of Providence," is read and passed.

Do.

A Bill, entitled "An Ordinance concerning the Bonds of Collectors of Taxes," having this day passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, - and is read. Whereupon it is Resolved, - that the Common Council do recede from their vote upon the Bill entitled "An Ordinance respecting the Bonds of Collectors of Taxes for the City of Providence," this day passed, - and do concur in the passage of said Bill as sent down from the Board of Aldermen.

Council  
Chamber.

Resolved, that the City Council Chamber shall be used only for meetings of the City Council, the Common Council, and their Committees, the Municipal Court, the School Committee, the Board of Firewards, and the Assessors of Taxes, and for no other purpose, unless by special permission of the Board of Aldermen or of the Common Council,

Concurred, with this amendment, viz. that the words "or the Mayor," be added.

The Common Council concur in the Amendment.

Water near  
Junction of N. Main  
& Randall Sts.

A Petition of Shadrach Manton & others, respecting a stream of water near the junction of North Main and Randall Streets, is presented and read, - received and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Emerson Clark  
202. A Petition of Emerson Clark, for a remission of a portion of the tax upon a billiard table, is presented and read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on Police, to examine and report thereon.

Forfeiture of  
certain articles  
to p.  
169.  
194.  
The Committee to whom on the 15<sup>th</sup> of June last, was referred the communication from the Mayor suggesting the expediency of an application to the General Assembly for an enlargement of the powers of the City Council to provide by ordinances for the forfeiture of articles under ten dollars in value, - for the right to charge storage for articles of greater value, - and for making the parent, guardian or master liable for offences committed by minors. - make report by Bill in the form of a Resolution that the Representatives from this City in the General Assembly be requested to procure the passage of an Act for that purpose, in addition to the City Charter: - which Resolution is read and passed.  
(Concurred.)

Public Schools,  
Ordinance,  
amending  
Ordinance.  
A Bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance, entitled 'An Ordinance in relation to the Public Schools,'" having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and is read. Whereupon it is resolved that the Common Council do concur therein.

School House  
in Summer St.  
A Petition of William F. Hammond & others, for the use of a part of the School House in Summer Street, - is presented and read.

Do.  
Upon the Petition of William F. Hammond & others, requesting leave to use the upper story of the unoccupied School House in Summer Street, for the purpose of holding religious meetings therein, - it is Resolved, that the same be

received, and that said petitioners and their associates be authorized to use the same, for such purpose, During the pleasure of the City Council, and no longer.  
(Concurred.)

Edgar & Co.  
Westminster  
Street.  
118.  
The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 22<sup>d</sup> of February last was referred the petition of Elisha Dyer & others respecting the accumulation of ice, snow, and water in Westminster Street, make Report that in their opinion, the same ought not to be granted. Which Report is read, whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, and that said petitioners have leave to withdraw their petition.

Land south  
of North  
Burial  
Ground.  
144.  
The Committee to whom, on the tenth day of May last, was referred the petition of Warren Patcheller respecting the piece of land adjoining the North Burial Ground, - make Report, - which is read.

Do.  
Upon the Report of the Committee to whom was referred the petition of Warren Patcheller, respecting the triangular piece of the City's land lying South of the North Burial Ground, - it is Resolved, that the same be received, and that the Standing Committee on Highways be and they are hereby authorized and directed to cause said land to be graded, enclosed with a suitable fence, and walks to be laid and trees planted therein; whenever the sum of six hundred Dollars shall have been raised, by subscription, and paid into the hands of said Committee, towards defraying the expense thereof, and that the sum of six hundred Dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the payment of the residue of such expense, - to be paid by the City Treasurer, to the Chairman of said Committee, out of any money in the City Treasury, not otherwise appropriated, when

ever the said first-named sum shall have been paid over to said Committee,

(Concurred.)

Resolved, That the Standing Committee on Highways, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to confer with the Street Commissioners, relative to the widening of the side walk on the North side of Market Square; and that said Committee, under the Direction of the aforesaid Commissioners, be authorized to cause said side-walks to be widened and re-built in such manner as they may deem best.

Concurred, with this amendment, viz That the words "without expense to the City" be added.

The Common Council non concur in the amendment, The Board of Aldermen insist upon their amendment, and request a conference; & appoint Aldermen Phelps, confere on their part.

The Common Council insist upon their non concurrence in the amendment; and agree to a conference, and appoint Mr. Cranston confere on their part.

Water in Williams St. Pet. W. Patten et al.

The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 14<sup>th</sup> of June last, was referred the petition of Roger Williams Peter Patten respecting a stream of water which flows from Benefit Street, down Williams Street to South Main Street, make Report, recommending that a Drain be laid from South Main Street, which Report is read; whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, and laid upon the Table.

Crop walk as per Middle St.

The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 28<sup>th</sup> of July last, was referred the petition of Benjamin Aborn and others, for a crop walk in Matherson Street, across Middle Street, make Report, which is read; whereupon, it is resolved that the

same be received.

20. Upon the Petition of Benjamin Aborn and others, - It is Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to cause a crop walk to be laid in Matherson Street, across Middle Street, as soon as his other engagements will permit.

(Concurred.)

Richard B. Richmond, } A Communication from the Mayor, enclosing a petition of Richard B. Richmond, for relief, is presented, and together with said Petition, is read.

20. Upon the petition of Richard Richmond, praying for relief, it is Resolved, that the same be received, and the prayer thereof, granted; and that the portion of the penalty due from him to the City of Providence, by virtue of a sentence of the Court of Common Pleas for the County of Providence, be, and the same is hereby remitted.

(Concurred.)

Com. from Mayor, Sewers & Drains.

197. A Communication from the Mayor, recommending that application be made to the General Assembly, for authority to be granted to the City, to build Sewers and Drains, and to tax the estates benefitted, for the expense, is presented and read, together with a Bill accompanying the same, entitled "An Act concerning the building of Drains and sewers in the City of Providence." Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and laid upon the Table, and together with said Bill, be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing.

Com. from Mayor, Street around the Cove.

A Communication from the Mayor, recommending to the City Council, that immediate measures be taken

for completing the contemplated street around the Cove, is presented and read, - together with a Bill entitled "Resolutions concerning Cove Street"; Whereupon, it is resolved that the same be received and laid upon the Table, and together with said Bill, be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing.

Resolved, that the sum of one hundred and seventy-five Dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated, in full payment for the services of Stephen Tillinghast, Robert Angell and Lemuel H. Arnold, as a Committee of the Town and City of Providence, appointed in the Year 1830, for the prosecution of the claim of the Town for the old grist mill on Moshasuck River; and that said sum, so appropriated, be paid out of the City Treasury, to said Committee or their legal representatives. (Concurred.)

A Petition of Willard N. Fairbanks, for repairs on the South end of Hope Street, is presented and read, - received and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Petitions of Mary Arnold, George M. Richmond, John Gladding, Elizabeth G. Chandler, & Anne Ann Arnold, for leave to fence in and enclose burying lots in the North Burial Ground, are presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on City property, to examine and report thereon.

A Petition of Daniel Field & others, for crop walks, in Cliff

for Street, - across Chesnut to Ship Street, - in Ship Street, across the foot of Richmond Street, - and from Richmond Street to Field Street, - and across Friendship Street, on the West side of Chesnut Street, - is presented and read, - received and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

A Petition of Alexander Hodge & others for crop walks, in Eddy Street, near the New-England Screw Factory, - is presented and read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

A bill of Moses B. Lockwood, for the use of his office by the Street Commissioners, for 3 months, is presented and read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

The Committee who were on the 22<sup>d</sup> of February last, appointed "to examine and report upon the expediency of making provision that in all cases of arrest under the Act authorizing the City of Providence to establish a House of Correction, the person or persons so arrested, be taken before the Mayor or the Board of Aldermen, to be disposed of by him or them, as the circumstances of the case or the interest of the City may seem to require," make Report, in favour of making such provision; which Report is read; whereupon it is Resolved that the same be received, and placed on file.

Resolved, that in all cases of arrest under the Act entitled "An Act to authorize the City of Providence to establish a House of Correction, and for other purposes," the person or persons arrested, shall be

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taken before the Mayor or the Board of Aldermen, to be disposed of by him or them, as the circumstances of the case or the interest of the City may seem to require.  
(Non concurred. October 11 1841.)

To Monthly Statement

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

To Report City Debt

The first quarterly Report of the City Treasurer of the Issues and Payments of the City Debt, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention

Sundry persons who have been hitherto duly pronounced, as admitted freemen of the City; and sundry others are pronounced for admission as freemen.

Sundry elections are made of City officers, for the remainder of the present municipal year.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the 11<sup>th</sup> day of October next, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present,

W. President,  
Mason, Allen,  
Ames,  
Brown  
Butts,  
Eben Carpenter,

.. Cranston,  
Earle,  
Fairbanks,  
Gilmore,  
Hodges  
Hughes,

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.. Johnson,  
Jones,  
Metcalf,  
Olney

.. Sharber,  
Veazie,  
Wade,  
Willard.

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Albert Green,  
Clerk

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

To Monthly Statement

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

M. B. Lockwood's bill. 191

The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom on the 13<sup>th</sup> of September last, was referred the Account of Moses B. Lockwood, make Report in favour of the allowance of the same, which is read and received.

Resolved, that the sum of ten Dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the payment of the Account of Moses B. Lockwood, for the use of his Office by the Street Commissioners, for 3 months, to August 31 1841; to be paid by the City Treasurer, from the appropriation for contingencies.  
Concurred.

Deposit City Bank

A Communication is presented by the Standing Committee on Finance, stating that said Committee have renewed the Contract with the City Bank, for the Deposit of the

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City Funds, to take effect from the commencement of the present municipal year, and to extend to the first Day of January, 1843. Said Banks to allow interest at the rate of five per cent, on the Deposites; provided the City Council approve the contract. - which Communication is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received, and that the Agreement made by said Committee with the City Banks, be and the same is hereby sanctioned and confirmed; and that the Agreement be Deposited in the Office of the City Treasurer. (Concurred.)

Profructure of Certain Articles

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The Standing Committee on Police report a Resolution, providing that the Representatives from this City to the General Assembly be requested to cause an additional Section to be passed in the Bill proposed as "An Act in Amendment of the Act to incorporate the City of Providence" - the purpose of which Bill said Representatives were requested to procure, by a Resolution of the City Council passed on the 13<sup>th</sup> of September last. - which Resolution was reported, is read and passed. (Concurred.)

Decker Training Ground

The following Resolutions having this Day, passed the Board of Aldermen, are sent down for concurrence: viz  
"Resolved, That the Decker Training Ground be fenced, belled, and planted with ornamental trees.  
Resolved, that the City Engineer acting under the direction of the Board of Aldermen, be, and he hereby is, directed to survey said Ground, for the bounds thereof, and establish a suitable plan for laying out and ornamenting it.  
Resolved, that the sum of five hundred Dollars be and the same hereby is, appropriated, from any money in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated, to be expended during the present municipal year, in carrying the preceding Resolutions into effect; the expenditure to be made under the direction of the Board of Aldermen."  
Which Resolutions are read. Whereupon, it is Resolved, that

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the Common Council Do concur therein.

Burying Lots

Petition of Nathan B. Hall, for leave to enclose a burying lot in the North Burial Ground, is presented and read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property to examine and report thereon. Which Committee make Report in favour of granting the prayer thereof, and also in favour of granting the prayers of the petitions of Geo B. Jastrom & John A. Jastrom, referred June 11<sup>th</sup> 1841; - of Martin Bailey and Asa Howard, referred June 21<sup>st</sup> 1841; of Mary Arnold, of George M. Richmond, - & of John Glatting, of Elizabeth G. Chandler, & of Amy Ann Arnold, - referred September 13<sup>th</sup> 1841; - which Report is received.

Do.

Upon the General petitions of George B. Jastrom & John A. Jastrom, and of Martin Bailey & Asa Howard, and of Mary Arnold, George M. Richmond, John Glatting, Elizabeth G. Chandler, Amy Ann Arnold, and Nathan B. Hall, requesting leave to fence in and enclose burying lots sufficient for their respective families, in the North Burial ground, - it is Resolved, that the prayers thereof be severally granted, and that said petitioners be and they are hereby severally authorized to fence in and enclose such lots, for such purposes, provided the same be done under the direction of the Overseer of the North Burial Ground, with the sanction of the Mayor; and provided, that the several privileges hereby granted, shall be subject to all future regulations of the City Council, in relation thereto, and shall continue during the pleasure of the City Council, and no longer. (Concurred.)

Cove Street.

The bill entitled "Resolutions concerning Cove Street," which was on the 13<sup>th</sup> of September last, laid upon the Table and ordered to be printed, - having been printed pursuant to said order, is again taken up, read and passed as follows, viz

Resolutions concerning Cove Street.

Resolved, that the work of completing Cove Street, from Washington Street, round the Westerly end of the Cove, to Canal Street, be commenced in the ensuing Spring, and that the Board of Aldermen be authorized to complete the portion that equitably devolves upon the City, at the expense of the City.

Resolved, that for the completion of said portion of said street, said Board be authorized to expend and draw upon the City Treasurer for, any sums of money they may deem expedient, not exceeding in the whole, Ten Thousand Dollars; and that they be authorized to employ in the superintendance of said work, such officers or agents as they may deem expedient, and to hire or purchase such mud-machines, screws and other apparatus, as in their opinion are required for the proper performance of the work.

Resolved, that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to borrow such sums of money as shall be required to pay the Drafts of the Board of Aldermen authorized by the foregoing Resolution, and to issue for such money so borrowed, the bonds, notes or other obligations of the City, bearing an interest not exceeding six per cent per annum, and payable not more than twenty years after the Date thereof.

Resolved, That Messrs Ames and Cranston, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be, together with the Mayor, a Committee to ask from the General Assembly, and to recommend to the City Council, such legislation concerning the Cove, as in their opinion may be expedient.

Concurred, with this Amendment, that the words "including the necessary causeways and bridges," be inserted.

inserted in the first Resolution, after the words "Canal Street." The Common Council concur in the Amendment. Alderman Phillips added to the Committee.

Engine-Horses & Apparatus. 1841.

The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to whom, on the 18<sup>th</sup> of September last, was referred a Vote of the Board of Firewards, make Report by bill, which Report is received, and said bill is thereupon read and passed.

Concurred, with an Amendment, that the words "An Ordinance concerning Engine Horses and Fire Apparatus" be added as a Title.

The Common Council concur in the Amendment.

Drains & Sewers. 1841.

The Communication of the Mayor & the Bill accompanying the same, relative to the building of Drains and Sewers in this City, - which were on the 13<sup>th</sup> of September last, laid upon the Table, and ordered to be printed, having been printed pursuant to said order, are again taken up. Whereupon the following Resolution is read and passed:

Resolved, That Messrs Ames and Cranston, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to apply to the Hon. General Assembly, for the passage of the Bill which was communicated to the City Council by the Mayor, on the 13<sup>th</sup> of September last, entitled "An Act concerning the building of Drains and Sewers in the City of Providence."

(Concurred, & Alderman Phillips added.)

Pond at the junction of John and Brook Streets. 1841.

The joint Committee to whom on the 7<sup>th</sup> of June last, was referred the Petition of Christopher R. Pearce & others, praying that the pond of water at the junction of John and Brook Streets may be filled up, - make Report in favour thereof, provided the same be done with the consent of the owner of the land. - which Report is read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received.

A motion for carrying into effect the measure recommended.

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in and by said Report, is made, and lost.

joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention,

Hiram Gardner, having heretofore been duly propounded, is admitted a freeman of the City. & sundry other persons are propounded for admission as freemen.

Robert Wilson is elected a Surveyor & Corder of Wood, for the remainder of the present municipal year.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday, the 29<sup>th</sup> Day of November next, at half past 6 o'clock P.M.

Members present,

- |                  |          |     |
|------------------|----------|-----|
| Mr. President,   | Gilmore, |     |
| Depts. Allen,    | Hodges,  |     |
| Ames             | Johanson |     |
| Brown,           | Jones,   |     |
| Bullock,         | Metcalf, |     |
| Earl Carpenter,  | Olney,   |     |
| Ever. Carpenter, | Thurber, |     |
| Granston,        | Wase,    |     |
| Fairbanks,       | Willard. | 18. |

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

A communication from the Mayor, recommending that a further appropriation of \$3000 be made for Highways and Bridges, - for the present Municipal year, is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance; which Committee report the following Resolution, which is read and passed.

Resolved, that the sum of One Thousand Dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated for repairs of Highways; and that said sum so appropriated, be paid out of any monies in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated. (Concurred.)

The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20<sup>th</sup> 1841, is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

A communication from the Mayor, recommending that an application be made to the General Assembly, for a revision and amendment of the law in relation to the erection of wooden buildings in this City, - is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department. (Concurred.)

The Committee, who were on the 11<sup>th</sup> of October last, appointed to ask from the General Assembly, and to

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recommended to the City Council, such legislation concerning the Cove above Waterfall Bridge, as in their opinion might be expedient. - make Report. that the General Assembly at their October Session last past, on the application of said Committee, passed an Act entitled "An Act, in addition to an Act entitled "An Act relative to the Harbour and Public Waters of the Town of Providence." - which Report is read. Whereupon, it is resolved that the same be received.

(Concurred.)

Drainage & Sewers. } 199.

The joint Committee, who were on the 11<sup>th</sup> of October last, appointed to apply to the General Assembly, for the passage of the Bill which was communicated to the City Council, by the Mayor, on the 13<sup>th</sup> of September last, entitled "An Act concerning the building of Drains and Sewers in the City of Providence," make Report, that said bill was by the General Assembly at their last October Session, received and referred to the next January Session, with an order of notice thereon by publication of the same in one of the newspapers in this City, and that such publication has been made; - which Report is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received.

(Concurred.)

Petition of Roman Cath. Clerg. for Burying Ground.

A Petition of Henry J. Duff and others, praying the City Council to grant to the Roman Catholics in this City, a Donation of a lot of land in the Northern part of the City, for a burying ground for said Catholics, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon.

L. W. Dennis, By Lot.

A Petition of Celindia W. Dennis, for leave to fence

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in and enclose a burying lot, in the North Burial Ground, is presented and read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon.

Cross Walks, Eddy St., Pawtucket St.

The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 13<sup>th</sup> of September last, was referred the Petition of Alexander Hodges and others, for a cross walk in Eddy Street, and the same Committee to whom was referred the Petition of J. F. Phillips & others, for a cross walk across Pawtucket Street, - make Reports in favour of granting the prayers thereof; which Reports are read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received.

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Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby authorized and directed to cause cross-walks to be laid as follows, to wit: -

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- One across Eddy Street, on the South side of Friendship Street.
- One across Pawtucket Street, in front of the new Church.

(Concurred, with this Amendment, - that all the words after the word "Street" in the 6<sup>th</sup> line, be stricken out; and that the words "opposite the East side-walk of Fenner Street;" be added.

The Common Council concur in the Amendment.)

Stephens Bridge.

The following Resolution, on recommendation of the Standing Committee on Highways, is read and passed: -  
Resolved, that the Overseer of the Public Bridges be, and he is hereby authorized and directed, under the advice and direction of the Mayor, to construct a side walk across the Northern end of Stephens Bridge; and that his bill for the expense thereof, when audited, be paid by the

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City Treasurer, from the appropriation for Highways & Bridges  
(concluded.)

City Dodge,  
Street signs.

A Resolution having passed the Board of Aldermen, receiving  
a Report from the Standing Committee on Police, to whom  
on the 8<sup>th</sup> of November instant, was referred a Petition of City  
Dodge and others, for an alteration of the provision relative  
to street signs in the Ordinance relative to Streets & Highways,  
(which Report is adverse to the granting of the prayer of said Peti-  
tion). said Resolution is sent down for concurrence, and  
is read. Whereupon, it is resolved that the Common Council  
do concur therein.

Use of the  
Town House.

The following Resolution having this day passed the Board of  
Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence: viz.

"Resolved, That whenever any person or Society may  
desire to use the Town House, and there be no meeting of  
the City Council, in season for them to ask the permission of  
said Council; such person or Society may make application  
to the Mayor, who is hereby authorized to give permission  
to use said House at any time for which its use has  
not been previously granted by the City Council."

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

City Bill,  
Ordinance.

A Bill entitled "An Ordinance in Amendment of 'An Ordinance  
designating the Duties of the City Auditor'" having, this day, passed  
the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and  
is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council  
do concur therein.

Emerson  
Clark.

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The Standing Committee on Police, to whom on the 13<sup>th</sup> of  
September last, was referred the Petition of Emerson Clark, for  
the remission of a tax upon a billiard-table, make a

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verbal Report that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of  
said petition. Whereupon, it is resolved, that said petitioner  
have leave to withdraw his said petition.

Hydraulic  
House, No 2.  
Jail Lot.

The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to whom on  
the 27<sup>th</sup> of November instant, was referred, <sup>by the Board of Aldermen,</sup> a petition from a  
Committee of the Board of Fireward, requesting leave to re-  
move the Hydraulic House, No 2, to some part of the  
Jail Lot, - report the following Resolution, which is read &  
passed: viz.

Resolved, That the Board of Fireward be, and they  
hereby are authorized to remove Hydraulic House, No 2,  
to such part of the Jail Lot as they may deem best, or  
to such other lot as they may be able to hire for  
the purpose aforesaid.

(Concluded.)

Loop Walks.

A Bill is read in the following words: viz

"Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways, (with the ap-  
probation of the Mayor, be and he is hereby directed to  
cause walks to be laid across any of the streets of  
the City, whenever one half of the cost of the Stone  
shall be paid by persons desiring such walks to be  
laid."

It is moved that the same pass. - which motion is lost.

Loop Walks,  
Benevolent St.  
Benefit St.  
Fountain St.

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be and he  
is hereby authorized and directed under the advice and  
direction of the Standing Committee on Highways, to cause  
across walks to be laid, as follows: viz.

One across Benevolent Street, near its junction with  
Benefit Street.  
One in Benefit Street at the foot of Charles Field Street.  
One across Fountain Street, to the West side of Geome Street.  
(Concluded.)

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Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

Petition is presented, for the appointment of an additional number of Measurers of Grain, Salt, and Sea-Coal; and sundry persons are appointed to said office, for the remainder of the present municipal year.

Sundry persons are propounded for admission as freemen of the City.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday the 10<sup>th</sup> Day of January next, at half past 6 o'clock p.m.

Members present.

Mr. President,  
Allen,  
Wesley,  
Brown,  
Bullock,  
Eal Carpenter,  
Cranston,  
Eagle,  
Koppin,

.. Hoagbes,  
Johnson,  
Jones,  
Metcalf,  
Olney,  
Wade,  
Willard. 16.

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

Charcoal, 208. A Bill entitled "An Ordinance relating to the sale of Charcoal," having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence; and is read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be laid upon the Table.

Mayor in Com, New Market House. A Communication from the Mayor, recommending that measures be taken for the erection of a new Market House in the space between Keybollet and Cove Street Bridges, - is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved that the same be received, and laid upon the Table.

Burying Ground for Catholics, 209. The Standing Committee on City Property, to whom on the 29<sup>th</sup> of November last, was referred the Petition of Henry J. Duff Tettes, requesting the City Council to grant to the Roman Catholics, a donation of land for a burying ground for said Catholics, make Report against the granting of the prayer of said petition; which is read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received; and that said petitioners have leave to withdraw their petition (Concurred.)

Old Hospital Lot, 163. The Standing Committee on City Property, to whom on the 14<sup>th</sup> of June last, was referred the Communication then made by the Mayor respecting an offer made by William C. Richmond to purchase the Old Hospital Estate (so called) - make Report that the offer made by Mr. Richmond is altogether below the value of said Estate, and that it is inexpedient

to accept it. - which Report is read, whereupon, it is resolved that the same be received.  
(Concurred.)

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

Monthly Statement. } The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20<sup>th</sup> 1841, is presented and read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance. - which Committee thereupon report the following Resolution, - which is read and passed: viz.

Appropriation. } Resolved, That the several sums hereinafter mentioned, be and the same are hereby appropriated for the following purposes respectively, to wit.

- For repair of Highways, Two Thousand Dollars.
  - For repairs of the City Pumps & Wells, Two Hundred Dollars.
- and that said sums, so appropriated, be paid out of any monies in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated.  
(Concurred.)

Wooden Buildings } The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to whom, on the 2<sup>d</sup> of November last, was referred the communication from the Mayor, then made to the City Council, recommending that an application be made to the General Assembly, for a revision and amendment of the law in relation to the erection of wooden buildings in this City, make Report, accompanied by a Bill, entitled "An Act concerning the erection of Buildings in the City of Providence," and recommend that said Bill be presented to the General Assembly, for their action thereon. - Which Report is read. - Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received; and together with said Bill, be printed in all the newspapers employed to do the City Printing, until Tuesday the 18<sup>th</sup> instant, and in each of such papers issued until that time.

Com. to examine Ordinance relative to Street Commissioners, &c.

164.

Resolved, That Messrs Wade, Hughes and Obey be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to examine the Ordinance passed on the 14<sup>th</sup> of June A.D. 1841, entitled "An Ordinance prescribing the Duties of the Street Commissioners and of the City Engineer, and for other purposes." - and to report what alterations or amendments, (if any) ought to be made therein.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

Sundry persons who have heretofore been duly proposed, are admitted Freemen of the City, and sundry others are proposed for admission as follows.

Sundry elections are made of City Officers, for the remainder of the present municipal year.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Tuesday the 18<sup>th</sup> Day of January instant, at half past 6 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

- |                  |            |
|------------------|------------|
| Mr. President.   | Wadsey.    |
| " Allin.         | Hughes.    |
| Ames.            | Jones.     |
| Bullcock.        | Northcote. |
| Butts.           | Obey.      |
| Earl Carpenter.  | Shurber.   |
| Eber. Carpenter. | Wade.      |
| Cranton.         | Willard.   |
| Fairbanks.       |            |

17.

Albert Greene, Clerk

January 18<sup>th</sup> 1842.

Common Council, January 18<sup>th</sup> 1842.

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

Peter of L  
Allen, et  
al,  
Steam Fire  
Engine  
Lumber Yard

A Petition of Zachariah Allen & others requesting the City Council to enquire respecting the expediency of procuring a Steam Fire Engine, and also requesting that application may be made to the General Assembly for the enactment of such laws as may place the regulation of lumber yards more effectually under the supervision of the Fire Wardens or of the City Council, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon.

Charcoal

The bill entitled "An Ordinance relating to the sale of Charcoal," which was on the 10<sup>th</sup> of January instant, sent down for concurrence and then read and laid upon the Table, is now again read. Whereupon it is resolved that the Common Council do not concur therein.

Ben of S  
et. al.

Burying  
Grounds.

A Petition of Henry Baker & others, praying the City Council to prohibit the establishment of any new Burial Grounds in the City, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine & report thereon.

Wooden  
Buildings

The bill entitled "An Act concerning the erection of Buildings

January 18<sup>th</sup> 1842.

in the City of Providence, which was on the 10<sup>th</sup> Day of January instant reported by the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, with a recommendation that the same should be presented to the General Assembly, for their action thereon, - which was then with the Report of said Committee read and ordered to be printed, having been printed pursuant to said order, - is now again read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be referred to Messrs Hughes, Ames & Ballou, to examine and report thereon.

Com. Council  
Meetings  
to be  
notified

Resolved, that it shall be the duty of the City Sergeant to notify the members of the Common Council, of each meeting of that Board which takes place by adjournment, by giving them personal notice, or by leaving a written or printed notice for each member, at his residence or place of business.  
(Non concurred.)

Do.

Resolved, that notices be issued to the members of the Common Council, by the Clerk, - of the meetings of the Board which may be hereafter holden by adjournment.

Markets  
& Market  
Place,  
Sale of  
Firewood.

214

A bill entitled "An Ordinance in addition to An Ordinance for the regulation of the City Markets and Market Place," - making provisions relative to the sale of firewood within the limits of the City Market Place, - having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and is read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be referred to the Standing Committee to Engrave Ordinances, to examine and report thereon.

January 18<sup>th</sup> 1842.

Thermometer.  
C.C.

Resolved, That the Clerk of the Common Council be and he is hereby authorized to purchase a Thermometer, for the use of the Common Council, and that he be authorized to draw upon the City Treasury, for the expense thereof.  
(Concurred.)

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

Sundry persons, who have been heretofore duly proposed, are admitted freemen of the City.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the 28<sup>th</sup> Day of March next, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

- |                |            |
|----------------|------------|
| Mr. President  | .. Woodges |
| .. Allin       | Hughes     |
| Ames           | Johnson    |
| Brown          | Jones      |
| Ballochs.      | Metcalf.   |
| Butts          | Olney      |
| Earl Carpenter | Thomson    |
| Cranston       | Veazie     |
| Earle          | Wade       |
| Fairbanks.     | Willard.   |
| Gilmore.       |            |

21.

Albert G. Greene, Clerk.

March 28<sup>th</sup> 1842.

Common Council, March 28<sup>th</sup> 1842.

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

Clerk present.

The Clerk being absent by reason of sickness, Thomas A. Jenkes is appointed Clerk, pro tempore.

Resolutions.

Petitions of Elias Stages & William Mitchell, for leave to enclose burying lots in the North Burial Ground, are presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon.

Tr Report City Debt.

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

Tr Monthly Statement.

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

Appropriations.

Resolved That the following sums be and the same are appropriated; and that they be paid out of any monies in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated, - for the following purposes; to wit:  
For Highways and Bridges, Fifteen Hundred Dollars.  
For the Fire Department, Two Thousand Dollars.  
For Salaries, Eighteen Hundred Dollars.  
For Public Buildings, Three Hundred Dollars.  
For the Police Department, Two Hundred Dollars.  
(Concurred.)

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West Water St. } The following Resolution, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and is read, viz

217. Resolved, That Aldermen Cady and Phillips, with such as the Common Council shall add, be a Committee, to enquire into the expediency of making an offer of a sum of money, to be paid upon the completion of West Water Street, from Keylock Bridge to Dyer Street.

Whereupon it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein; and that Messrs Wade and Brandon be added to the Committee.

North Main Street. }

The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 20<sup>th</sup> of December last, was referred by the Board of Aldermen a bill relating to the paving of North Main Street, from Randall Street to Sexton Street, make Report, that they do not recommend the taking of any further measures at present, relating to the same. Which Report is read; Whereupon, it is resolved that the same be received & placed on file.

(Concurred.)

Angell & Prospect Sts. }

273. A Communication from the Mayor respecting the grading of Angell and Prospect Streets, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine & report thereon.

Charles & Mill Streets. }

A Petition of N. W. Bush & others, for the re-paving of Charles and Mill Streets, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine & report thereon.

A. Pinkwin Markhouse Lot. }

The Standing Committee on City Property, to whom was heretofore referred by the Board of Aldermen an application from A. Pinkwin, for a renewal of his lease of a portion of the old Workhouse Lot, or for the purchase of said Lot, having made Report to the Board of Aldermen, and the following Resolution having passed the Board of Aldermen, and been sent down

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for concurrence, - said Resolution is read, - as follows. viz Resolved, (if the Common Council concur,) that the City Treasurer be authorized to renew the lease to A. Pinkwin of the portion of the Workhouse Lot now leased to him, for such length of time and on such conditions as the Board of Aldermen may recommend.

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

213. A Bill, entitled "An Ordinance in addition to an Ordinance in relation to the Interment of the Dead," requiring that certificates be given by attending physicians, &c, having been by the Board of Aldermen referred to the Standing Committee on Police, with an order that the same be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City Printing, - is sent down for a concurrence in said reference and order. 222. Whereupon it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein.

The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom was heretofore referred by the Board of Aldermen, a Petition of John Bathben & others, for a gravel foot path, from Prospect to Hope Street, either through Angell or Waterman Street, make Report, which is read. Whereupon, it is resolved that the same be received and laid upon the Table.

Peter & S. Baker Merrill Green's

208. The Standing Committee on City Property, to whom, on the 18<sup>th</sup> of January last, was referred the Petition of Henry Baker & others praying the City Council to prohibit the establishment of any new Bonial Grounds in this City, - make Report by Bill, entitled "An Ordinance in addition to an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the Interment of the Dead." 213. Which Report is read. 220. Whereupon, it is resolved that the same be received and laid upon the

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Table, and that the same together with said Bill, be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City Printing.

Market Place  
or  
Sale of Fire-wood.

The Standing Committee to Enact Ordinances to whom, on the 18<sup>th</sup> of January last, was referred the Bill then sent down from the Board of Aldermen, entitled "An Ordinance in addition to an Ordinance for the regulation of the City Markets and Market Place," make Report by a new bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the Sale of Firewood," and recommend the passage of the same. - Which Report & bill are read, Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and re-committed to said Committee for further examination and report.

North  
Burial  
Ground.  
Lots for Religious Society.

A Resolution is presented and read, in the following words: -  
"Resolved, That the Overseer of the North Burial Ground, acting under the Direction of the Mayor, be and he is hereby authorized to set apart and designate for the burial of persons belonging to any religious Society, that may request it, a portion of the unoccupied land in the North Burying Ground, to be so used during the pleasure of the City Council, and no longer: - Provided, that not more than one acre shall be set off to any one society; and that all questions as to the right to bury in such portions so set off, shall be decided by the Mayor; and that there shall be no appeal from his decision."

A motion for the passage of said Resolution is made, and is lost.

Compensation  
Wardens.

A Communication from the Mayor, recommending the allowance of Compensation to the Wardens of the different wards, is presented and read: and a Resolution providing for

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the payment of <sup>the</sup> Wardens, is presented, read, and laid upon the Table.

Mayor's  
Salary.

Resolved, That the salary of the Mayor, for the year ensuing the first Monday in June next, A.D. 1842, shall be one thousand Dollars, payable quarterly.  
(Concurred.)

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

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

Sundry persons are elected members of Engine Company No 4, for the remainder of the present municipal year.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Tuesday the 19<sup>th</sup> day of April instant, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

- |                  |              |           |
|------------------|--------------|-----------|
| Mr President,    | .. Cranston, | .. Olney, |
| " Allen,         | Carle,       | Thornton, |
| " Ames,          | Hodges,      | Shurber,  |
| Brown,           | Hopkin,      | Wade,     |
| Bollock,         | Johnson,     | Willard,  |
| Butts,           | Jones,       | Veazie.   |
| Carl Carpenter,  | Netcalf,     |           |
| Eben. Carpenter, |              |           |

Albert J. Greene, Clerk.

March 28<sup>th</sup> 1842.

Table, and that the same together with said Bill, be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City Printing.

Market Place  
or  
Sale of Fire-  
wood.

The Standing Committee to Engrave Ordinances to whom, on the 18<sup>th</sup> of January last, was referred the Bill then sent down from the Board of Aldermen, entitled "An Ordinance in addition to an Ordinance for the regulation of the City Markets and Market Place," make Report by a new bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the Sale of Firewood;" and recommend the passage of the same. - Which Report & bill are read, Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and re committed to said Committee for further examination and report.

North  
Burial  
Ground.  
Lots for Re-  
ligious Society

A Resolution is presented and read, in the following words: viz  
"Resolved, that the Overseer of the North Burial Ground, acting under the Direction of the Mayor, be and he is hereby authorized to set apart and designate for the burial of persons belonging to any religious Society, that may request it, a portion of the unoccupied land in the North Burying Ground, to be so used during the pleasure of the City Council, and no longer: - Provided, that not more than one acre shall be set off to any one society; and that all questions as to the right to bury in such portions so set off, shall be decided by the Mayor; and that there shall be no appeal from his decision."

A motion for the passage of said Resolution is made, and is lost.

Compensation  
Wardens.

A Communication from the Mayor, recommending the allowance of Compensation to the Wardens of the different wards, is presented and read: and a Resolution providing for

March 28<sup>th</sup> 1842.

the payment of the Wardens, is presented, read, and laid upon the Table.

Mayor's  
Salary.

Resolved, that the salary of the Mayor, for the year ensuing the first Monday in June next, A.D. 1842, shall be one thousand Dollars, payable quarterly.  
(Concurred.)

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

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

Sundry persons are elected members of Engine Company No 4, for the remainder of the present municipal year.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Friday the 19<sup>th</sup> day of April instant, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

- |                  |              |           |
|------------------|--------------|-----------|
| Mr President,    | .. Cranston, | .. Olney, |
| " Apple,         | Carle,       | Thornton, |
| " Ames,          | Hodges,      | Shurber,  |
| Brown,           | Hopkin,      | Wade,     |
| Bulloch,         | Johnson,     | Willard,  |
| Butts,           | Jones,       | Veazie,   |
| Carl Carpenter,  | Metcal,      |           |
| Chas. Carpenter, |              |           |

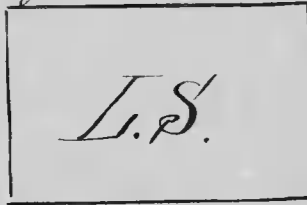
Albert J. Greene, Clerk.

April 6<sup>th</sup> 1842.

Common Council. April 6<sup>th</sup> 1842.  
Special Meeting.

Copy.

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



To the Members of the Board of  
Aldermen, and of the Common Council  
of the City of Providence. Greeting.

It being deemed for the public interest that  
the subject of opening West Water Street should receive  
consideration at an earlier day than that to which you  
have adjourned; - you and each of you are hereby re-  
quested and required to meet, in your respective cham-  
bers, to-morrow, (Wednesday) at half past seven P.M.

Given under my hand and the seal of said  
City, this fifth day of April, A.D. one thou-  
sand, eight hundred, forty-two.

Thos. M. Burgess, Mayor.

"Providence, April 6<sup>th</sup> 1842.

Notified the members of the Board of Aldermen, and  
the Common Council, as required; except James M. Earle &  
Eben Wade, who are out of the City.

Edward Harwood City Sergeant."

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

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

Petitions of Welcome Angell  
and Nicholas Easton, for leave to enclose burying lots in

April 6<sup>th</sup> 1842.

Burying  
Lots.

The North Burial Ground, are presented and read, received,  
and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to  
examine and report thereon; which Committee thereupon,  
make Report, in favour of granting the prayers thereof, and  
also in favour of granting the prayers of the Petitions  
of Celindia W. Dennis, offered November 29. 1841, and of Elias  
Stoyles, and William Mitchell, offered March 28<sup>th</sup> 1842.

201. Upon the several Petitions of Celindia W. Dennis,  
Elias Stoyles,  
William Mitchell,  
Welcome Angell,  
211. and Nicholas Easton, severally

requesting leave to fence in and enclose Burying Lots  
sufficient for their respective families, in the North Bu-  
rial Ground, - it is resolved, that the prayers thereof be,  
and the same are hereby granted; and that said pe-  
titioners be, and they are hereby severally authorized  
to fence in and enclose such lots, for such purpose,  
provided the same be done under the direction of the  
Overseer of the North Burial Ground, with the sanc-  
tion of the Mayor; and provided that the several priv-  
ileges hereby granted, shall be subject to all future  
regulations of the City Council, in relation thereto, and  
shall continue during the pleasure of the City Coun-  
cil, and no longer.

(Concurred.)

94 Humphry  
etc.

219.

An Account of George A. Humphry, for services rendered  
in the Third Ward as Assistant Clerk, on the 21<sup>st</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup>  
of March last is presented and read, received, and laid  
upon the Table.

West Water  
Street.

212.

The joint Committee who were on the 28<sup>th</sup> of March  
last, appointed to enquire into the expediency of making  
an offer of a sum of money, to be paid upon the com-  
pletion of West Water Street, from Weybosset Bridge to  
Dyer Street make Report, recommending that the City

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offer the sum of Five thousand Dollars, to be paid when ever the said Street shall have been completed, forty feet wide, provided the same shall be done within two years from this time: which Report is read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received.

A Resolution for carrying into effect, the recommendation made in said Report, is presented by said Committee, and is read, and it is moved that the same pass. Which motion is lost.

The Common Council adjourn to meet pursuant to the vote of adjournment passed at their last meeting; viz. to meet on Tuesday, the 19<sup>th</sup> Day of April instant, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

W. President,

" Allen

Brown,

Bullock,

Bull,

Carl Carpenter,

Cranston,

Hodges,

Hopkin,

Johnson,

Jones,

Metcalf

Olney

Tharber

Veazie.

15.

Abel Greene, Clerk

Common Council, April 19<sup>th</sup> 1842.

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

Burying Lots.

Petitions of John Dowley and Thomas W. Foley, for leave to enclose burying lots in the North Burial Ground, are

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presented and read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon. Which Committee make Report in favour of granting the prayers thereof.

Do.

Upon the several Petitions of John Dowley and Thomas W. Foley requesting leave to fence in and enclose burying lots, sufficient for their respective families in the North Burial Ground, it is Resolved, that the prayers thereof be severally granted, and that said petitioners be, and they are hereby severally authorized to fence in and enclose such lots, for such purpose; provided the same be done under the direction of the Overseer of the North Burial Ground, with the sanction of the Mayor; and provided that the several privileges hereby granted, shall be subject to all future regulations of the City Council, in relation thereto, and shall continue during the pleasure of the City Council, and no longer. (Concurred.)

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

The Account of George A. Humphrey, which was on the 6<sup>th</sup> Day of April instant, received and laid upon the Table, is called up, and is again read. Whereupon it is moved that the same be allowed and paid. Which motion is lost.

A Petition of Gardner T. Swarts, praying that the sum of Fifty Dollars, paid by him as a fine to and for the use of the City, for a violation of the law prohibiting the erection of wooden buildings in certain parts of the City, may be repaid

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

Town House. } The following Resolution having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, viz

"Resolved, that all Resolutions granting the use of the Town House, for any purposes whatever, excepting that granting it for Temperance Meetings, on Wednesday Evenings, be and the same are hereby repealed."

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

Holsey Wade } Petition of Holsey Wade, praying that the portion of a fine paid by him, for selling liquor on the Sabbath, which has accrued to the City, may be repaid to him, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

Serial } The Bill, entitled "An Ordinance in addition to an Ordinance  
Grants. } entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the Interments of the Dead," which was on the 28<sup>th</sup> day of March last, reported by the Standing Committee on City Property, and 213 then laid on the Table, with an order that the same should 222 be printed, - having been printed, together with the Report of said Committee, pursuant to said order, is now again read, and is passed. (Concurred, May 10<sup>th</sup> 1842.)

Wardens. } A Resolution in the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen is sent down for concurrence. viz.  
"Resolved, that the Wardens of this City be paid three Dollars for each day's service at the Ward Meetings."

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Which Resolution is read. Whereupon, it is resolved that the Common Council do not concur therein.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention. Sundry persons, who have heretofore been duly propounded, are admitted freemen of the City. Sundry persons are admitted free, as eldest sons of freemen. And sundry persons are propounded for admission as freemen.

Sundry persons are, <sup>legally</sup> admitted free, to vote for General Officers and Representatives to the General Assembly, under the Act of January, 1841.

George N. Briggs is elected an Undertaker, for the remainder of the present municipal year.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council again to meet on Tuesday the tenth day of May next, at 7 o'clock, P.M.

Members present.

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|----------------|----------|
| Mr. President. | Hopkin,  |
| Mr. Allen,     | Johnson, |
| Brown,         | Jones,   |
| Bullcock,      | Metcalf, |
| Betts,         | Olney,   |
| Crawton,       | Peoie,   |
| Carle,         | Wade,    |
| Gilmore,       |          |
| Hodges,        |          |

16.

Albert G. Greene,  
Clerk.

May 10<sup>th</sup> 1842.

Common Council, May 10<sup>th</sup> 1842.

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

Fin Monthly Statement.

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

E. J. Harris  
Suing City

A Petition of George J. Harris, for leave to enclose a burying lot in the North Burial Ground, is presented and read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine & report thereon.

Rev. J. Conry  
for the Catholics.  
Suing Grounds.

220.

A Memorial of Rev. John Conry, for himself and in behalf of the Catholics in this city, against the granting of the prayer of the Petition of Henry Baker & others in relation to the establishment of new Burial grounds in the City, - is presented and read, whereupon it is ordered that the same be received and laid upon the Table.

Tab of the Dead.

213.

The Standing Committee on Police, to whom on the 28<sup>th</sup> day of March last, was referred the Bill entitled "An Ordinance in Addition to an Ordinance in relation to the Interment of the Dead," with an order that the same should be printed in the newspapers employed to do the city printing, make report, that the same has been printed pursuant to said order, and recommend the passage of the same, which Report is read, whereupon it is resolved that the same be received, and said Bill is thereupon read and passed

(Continued.)

May 10<sup>th</sup> 1842.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention, sundry persons, being eldest sons of freemen, are admitted freemen of the City, and sundry persons are propounded for admission as freemen.

The tax Boards separate.

In Common Council.

Vote of Thanks.

Resolved, That the thanks of the Common Council be presented to their President, Thomas B. Fenner Esq, for the very able and impartial manner in which he has discharged the duties of that office since the time of his election thereto.

Unfinished Business.

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

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

Members present.

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|--------------|--------------|------------|
| Mr President | " Fairbanks. | " Metcalf. |
| " Allin,     | Gilmore.     | Ovey,      |
| Brown        | Hodges.      | Veazie     |
| Ballock,     | Hughes.      | Wade       |
| Bates,       | Johnson,     |            |
| Cranston     | Jones.       | 16         |

Albert Greene, Clerk.

June 6<sup>th</sup> 1842.

Organization of the City Government of the  
City of Providence, for the Municipal Year  
commencing on the first Monday in June,  
A.D. 1842.

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Monday, June 7<sup>th</sup> 1842.

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

The Certificate of the election of Thomas M. Burgess  
as Mayor for said year, is presented and read, and  
the oath prescribed by law is administered to him  
by John Thomas Burgess, Chief Justice of the  
Court of Common Pleas for the County of Provi-  
dence.

The Certificate of the election of Edward J. Howles,  
Thomas B. Fenner,  
Richmond Ballou,  
Thomas C. Keppin,  
Phineas Piler,  
and Robert Knight, as

Aldermen for said year, is presented and read,  
and they are severally engaged by the Mayor,  
according to law.

The Certificates of the election of the members elect  
of the Common Council, for said year, are presented  
and read; and all of said members excepting William

June 6<sup>th</sup> 1842.

Andrus, Eben Wade, Willard W. Fairbanks and Bradford Hodges, are present, and are engaged by the Mayor according to law.

Richard M. Field is, by ballot, elected City Clerk for said year, and is engaged by the Mayor, according to law.

An Address is delivered by the Mayor, relative to the municipal affairs of the City.

The two Boards separate.

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Members of the Common Council  
of the  
City of Providence,  
for the Municipal Year, commencing on  
the first Monday in June  
A.D. 1842,

First Ward. Isaac Thurber,  
Joseph G. Metcalf,  
Stephen T. Olney,  
Jabez Gorham.

Second Ward. James M. Earle,  
William P. Bullock,  
William S. Patten,

Third Ward Eben Wade,  
Willard W. Fairbanks,  
John D. Jones,  
William Viall.

June 6<sup>th</sup> 1842.

Fourth Ward. Daniel T. Goodhue,  
Shubel Hutchins,  
Edward S. Williams,  
Amos D. Smith.

Fifth Ward. Bradford Hodges,  
James C. Bucklin,  
Henry S. Hazard,  
Samuel James.

Sixth Ward. James E. Butts,  
Marson Allen,  
Duty Greene,  
Israel G. Manchester.

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The members elect of the Common Council, (excepting William Andrus, Eben Wade, Willard W. Fairbanks, & Bradford Hodges,) having been engaged by the Mayor, in presence of the Board of Aldermen, - are called to order.

Daniel T. Goodhue is chosen Chairman, to preside during the election of a President.

Stephen T. Olney is by ballot elected President of the Common Council, for the present municipal year.

Albert G. Greene is re-elected Clerk of the Common Council, for the present municipal year, and is duly sworn by the Mayor, in the presence of the Board of Aldermen, to the faithful discharge of the duties of his said office.

The Standing Rules of Order of the last Common

Standing Rules

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

do

Resolved, that the same Rules which were on the fourteenth day of June A.D. 1841, adopted as the Standing Rules of the City Council, for the municipal year last past, be and the same are hereby adopted as the Standing Rules of the City Council, for the present municipal year.

(Concurred.)

Standing Committees

Pursuant to the requisitions of the Standing Rules this day adopted by the City Council, the following Joint Standing Committees are now appointed according to the Rules of the respective Boards: - viz.

On Finance

Messrs Wade, Bullocke, Hutchins } Alderman Hooplin.

On Highways.

Messrs Thurber, Bucklin, Goddard } Alderman Bullocke.

To engross Ordinances.

Messrs Patten, Batts, Jones } Alderman Knowles.

On the Public Schools.

Messrs Smith, Violl, Allins } Alderman Knight.

On the Fire Department.

Messrs Metcalf, Manchester, Hodges } Alderman Fenner.

On City Property

Messrs Earle, Gorham, Greene } Alderman Peter.

On Police.

Messrs Williams, Fairbanks, James } Alderman Knight.

Messengers

James Sheldon is elected Messenger of the Common Council.

Mayor's address

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

(Concurred, & Alderman Fenner added.)

Receipts & Expenditures

Resolved, that Messrs Bullocke & Hutchins, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to prepare a particular Account of Receipts and Expenditures for the past municipal year, - and a Schedule of the Property of the City, and to cause the same to be published in the newspapers employed by the City Council, - agreeably to the requisition contained in the fourth section of

June 6<sup>th</sup> 1842.

the City Charter.

(Concurred; & Alderman Fenner added.)

237. Resolved that Messrs Wade & Bullock, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to audit and settle the accounts of the City Treasurer with the City, up to the first day of June instant.

(Concurred; & Alderman Knowles added.)

238. Resolved that Messrs Smith & Bullock, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to take a Bond of the City Treasurer, with sufficient surety or sureties, for the faithful discharge of his office, for the present municipal year, and that said Bond be for the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars.

(Concurred; & Alderman Hoppin added.)

238. Resolved that Messrs Smith & Bullock, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to contract for the City Printing, for the present municipal year.

(Concurred; & Alderman Knight added.)

6am. in re Section of the City Debt. Whereas, Messrs Bullock, Wade and Hutchins, have, this day, been appointed by the Common Council, as the Committee on their part, for the reduction of the City Debt, for the present municipal year, pursuant to the requisition contained in the first section of the Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance concerning the City Debt," - it is therefore Resolved, that the names of said Committee be enumerated to the Board of Aldermen, in order that said Board may add an Alderman to said Committee, pursuant to the

June 6<sup>th</sup> 1842.

requisition contained in said Section.

(Alderman Bullock added.)

50 cts for each fireman

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

(Concurred.)

Compensation Ordinance.

A bill entitled "An Ordinance fixing the Compensation of certain officers, for the year ending on the first Monday in June A.D. 1843." is read and passed.

(Concurred.)

Comp of Officers.

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

(Concurred.)

Dexter Training Ground.

Resolved, that the sum of Five Hundred Dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated, to be paid out of any monies in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated, to be expended, during the present municipal year, under the direction of the Board of Aldermen, in carrying into effect the Resolution of the City Council, passed on the eleventh day of October, A.D. 1841, for fencing, leveling, and laying out the Dexter Training Ground, and planting the same with ornamental trees.

(Concurred.)

Police Court.

Resolved, that from the Justices assigned to keep the Peace within this City, Henry L. Bowen, Edward H. Hazard, and Walter Paine, Jr. be and they are hereby selected, to compose the Police Court of the City, during the present municipal year. (Concurred.)

Report of School Committee.

The Annual Report of the School Committee is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received and recorded, and also, that the same be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City Printing. (Concurred.)

City Watch.

A Bill entitled "An Ordinance in addition to the Ordinance providing for the establishment of a Public Watch," having passed the Board of Aldermen and been set down for concurrence, is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein.

Support of the Poor.

A Resolution in the following words, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and is read: viz "Resolved, that Alderman Fenner, with such as the Common Council may add, be a Committee to make application to the General Assembly, for such changes in the laws concerning the Support of the Poor, as may give to the Mayor the same authority as to the removal and binding out of paupers, as the Board of Aldermen now have." Whereupon it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein, and that Mr. Patten be added to the Committee.

Convention.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

standing persons are prepared for admission as freemen.

The two Boards separate.

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

June 6<sup>th</sup> 1842. 3 o'clock P.M.

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

New Primary School.

A Resolution in the following words, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and is read: viz "Resolved, that the School Committee be, and they are hereby authorized to establish one Primary School, in addition to those heretofore authorized." Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein.

Barving Ltr.

241.

Petitions of James E. Badling and Elizabeth Bridgman, requesting leave to enclose buying lot in the North Naval Ground, are presented and read, received and referred to the standing Committee on City Property, to examine & report thereon.

4<sup>th</sup> of July.

238.

Resolved, that Messrs Goddard, Carle and Williams, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee of Arrangements, for a Municipal celebration of the ensuing anniversary of

June 6<sup>th</sup> 1842.

American Independence.

Resolved, that the sum of Five Hundred Dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated, for Defraying the expenses of said Celebration; and that said sum, so appropriated, be paid out of the City Treasury, from any monies not otherwise appropriated; - to the order of the Chairman of said Committee.

Concurred: with this Amendment, that the words "to the order of the Chairman of said Committee," be stricken out. (Alderman Knowles added.)

The Common Council concur in the Amendment.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

Elections

The City Council proceed to the election of City Officers for the present municipal year; and after completing the same, (with the exception of Engine Company No 6,) - the two Boards separate.

In Common Council.

Cave.

Resolved, That Messrs Goodhue, Hutchins, Williams & Smith, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to enquire and report what action of the City Council, (if any) is necessary in relation to the condition of the flats in the bays above Mylepost Bridge.

(Concurred: & Alderman Wallis & Hester added.)

Tax.

A Bill - entitled "An Ordinance providing for the assessment and collection of a Tax of Seventy-five Thousand Dollars, is read and passed."

June 6<sup>th</sup> 1842.

Concurred: with this Amendment, that the words "Seventy-five" in the Title and in the first line of the first Section, be stricken out; and the word "Seventy" be inserted in their place.

The Common Council concur in the Amendment.

Appropriations

238.

A bill making certain appropriations for the present municipal year, is read, and referred to the standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the 27<sup>th</sup> Day of June instant, at half past 7 o'clock, P.M.

Members present.

- Mr President
- Allin
- Bucklin,
- Bulloch,
- Butts,
- Carle,
- Goodhue,
- Graham,
- Greene,
- Hazard,

- Hutchins,
- James,
- Jones,
- Manchester,
- Metcalf,
- Patten,
- Smith,
- Thurber,
- Viall,
- Williams.

20.

Albert Greene, Clerk

June 6<sup>th</sup> 1842.

American Independence.

Resolved, that the sum of Five Hundred Dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated, for Defraying the expenses of said Celebration, and that said sum, so appropriated, be paid out of the City Treasury, from any monies not otherwise appropriated, - to the order of the Chairman of said Committee.

Concurred, with this Amendment, that the words "to the order of the Chairman of said Committee," be stricken out. (Alderman Venables added.)

The Common Council concur in the Amendment.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

Election.

The City Council proceed to the election of City Officers for the present municipal year, and after completing the same, (with the exception of Engine Company No 6,) - the two Boards separate.

In Common Council.

Case.

Resolved, That Messrs Goodhue, Hutchins, Williams & Smith, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to enquire and report what action of the City Council, (if any) is necessary in relation to the condition of the flats in the bays above Mylopst Bridge.

(Concurred, & Alderman Mallock & Hester added.)

Tax.

A Bill, entitled "An Ordinance providing for the assessment and collection of a Tax of Seventy-five thousand Dollars, is read and passed."

June 6<sup>th</sup> 1842.

Concurred, with this Amendment, that the words "Seventy-five" in the Title and in the first line of the first Section, be stricken out; and the word "Seventy" be inserted in their place.

The Common Council concur in the Amendment.

Appropriation.

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Members present.

Mr President

Allin

Bucklin,

Balloch,

Butts,

Carle,

Goodhue,

Graham,

Greene,

Hazard,

Hutchins,

Jones,

Jones,

Manchester,

Metcalf,

Patten,

Smith,

Thurber,

Viall,

Williams.

20.

Albert Greene, Clerk

June 27<sup>th</sup>. July 18<sup>th</sup>. 1842.

Common Council, June 27<sup>th</sup>. 1842.

The citizens of Providence, including a large portion of the members of the Common Council, being this day under arms, to suppress the Insurrection in this State headed by Thomas W. Dorr, whose forces are encamped at Chepachet, - a quorum for the transaction of business are not present: one member only answering at the calling of the roll.

Members present.

Mr Hayward. 1.

Albert G. Greene, Clerk

Common Council, July 18<sup>th</sup>. 1842.

Copy

Act of Rhode Island & Providence Plantations, City of Providence, &c.

L.S.

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

You are hereby requested and required to assemble at your Chamber, on Monday next, the eighteenth day of July instant, at 8 P.M., (to which hour the Board of Aldermen have adjourned,) for the transaction of such business as may lawfully come before you.

Given under my hand and the seal of said City, this fifteenth day of July, A.D.

July 18<sup>th</sup>. 1842.

one thousand eight hundred and forty-two. Tho<sup>s</sup>. M. Burgess, Mayor.

Providence, July 16<sup>th</sup>. 1842. Notified the members of the Common Council, as required, except Joseph G. Metcalf, James M. Earle, Eben Wade, Bradford Hodges, and Samuel James, who are out of the City. Edward Harwood, City Sergeant.

Pursuant to the requisition of the aforesaid Warrant, the Common Council, are now assembled at 8 o'clock P.M. A Quorum present.

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

Members sworn.

Messrs Eben Wade and William W. Fairbanks, members elect of the Common Council from the Third Ward, and Bradford Hodges, member elect from the Fifth Ward, for the present municipal year, appear, are duly engaged before the Mayor, - and take their seats.

For Quarterly Report City Debt.

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

Concurred.

In ops.

230.

The joint Committee who were, on the 6<sup>th</sup> of June last, appointed to audit & settle the Accounts of the City Treasurer with the City, up to the first day of said June, make Report that they have discharged that duty, and find the Account correct and properly vouched. Which Report is read. Whereupon, it is resolved that the same be received & together with said Account, be recorded. (Concurred.)

July 18<sup>th</sup> 1842.

233. Voted and Resolved, That an additional appropriation of \$150. be made for the purpose of paying the expenses of celebrating the 4<sup>th</sup> of July last: and that the City Treasurer be authorized to pay the same, out of any monies in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated. (Concurred.)

235. The Standing Committee on Finance to whom, on the 6<sup>th</sup> of June last, was referred the Bill making certain Appropriations for the present municipal year, make Report, by Bill, which Report is read and received: and said Bill, so reported, is read & passed. (Concurred.)

236. An Application in behalf of the "Providence Association for the Benefit of Colored Orphans," for liberty to occupy a portion of the North Burial Ground, as a burial place for such children as die under their care, is presented & read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon.

230. The Joint Committee who were on the 6<sup>th</sup> of June last, appointed to take a Bond of the City Treasurer, for the present municipal year, make Report that they have discharged that Duty. Which Report is read, whereupon it is resolved that the same be received: and that said Bond be deposited, for safe keeping, in the office of the City Clerk. (Concurred.)

238. The Joint Committee who were, on the 6<sup>th</sup> of June last,

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appointed to contract for the City Printing for the present municipal year, - make Report that they have made such contract with Knowles, Wood & Anthony, & with Knowles & Co.: which Report is read, whereupon, it is resolved that the same be received. (Concurred.)

245. Resolved, That the subject of the election of Presidents of Firewards be and the same is hereby referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department; and that said Committee make Report on the expediency of the appointment of the same persons to that office, who are or may be appointed by the Board of Firewards as Engineers of the Fire Department, or such other person or persons as may be at the head of the Board of Firewards. (Concurred.)

246. A Bill entitled "An Ordinance in Addition to an Ordinance to prohibit Bathing in certain places," having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence; and is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein.

247. A Bill entitled "An Ordinance concerning the Burial of the Dead Bodies of Animals," having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence; and is read. Whereupon it is resolved that the Common Council do concur therein.

248. Resolved, That the City Treasurer, with the advice of the Committee on City Property, be and he is hereby authorized to lease, for such term of years,

July 18<sup>th</sup> 1842.

and on such conditions as may by them be deemed expedient, any portion of the State or Charles Street, belonging to the City, that may be unsc. copied."

A Resolution in the words aforesaid, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and is read. Whereupon, it is resolved that the Common Council do concur therein.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

Sundry persons, who have heretofore been duly provided, are admitted freemen of the City.

Benjamin Dyer Jr. is elected a fireward, for the remainder of the present municipal year.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the 29<sup>th</sup> Day of August next, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present,

- |              |             |           |
|--------------|-------------|-----------|
| Mr President | Graham,     | Metcalf,  |
| Allin,       | Greene,     | Smith,    |
| Bucklin,     | Hazard,     | Thurber,  |
| Bollock,     | Hodges,     | Viall,    |
| Betts,       | Ketchum,    | Wade,     |
| Cole,        | James,      | Williams, |
| Fairbanks,   | Jones,      |           |
| Goodhue,     | Manchester, |           |

22.

A. H. Greene, Clerk.

August 29<sup>th</sup> 1842.

Common Council, August 29<sup>th</sup> 1842.

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

Burying Lots.

222. The Standing Committee on City Property, to whom on the 10<sup>th</sup> of May last was referred the Petition of George J. Harris, for liberty to enclose a Burying Lot in the North Burial Ground; and to whom on the 6<sup>th</sup> of June last were referred the Petitions of James E. Budlong and of Elizabeth Brigham, for the same purpose. - make Report in favor of granting the prayers thereof; which Report is read.

233.

Upon the several petitions of George J. Harris, James E. Budlong, and Elizabeth Brigham, requesting leave to fence in and enclose Burying Lots sufficient for their respective families, in the North Burial Ground, it is resolved, that the prayers thereof be granted; and that said petitioners be, and they are hereby severally authorized to fence in and enclose such lots, for such purpose; provided the same be done under the direction of the Overseer of the North Burial Ground, with the sanction of the Mayor; and provided that the several privileges heretofore granted, shall be subject to all future regulations of the City Council in relation thereto, and shall continue being the pleasure of the City Council and no longer. (Continued.)

Do. Do.

- Petitions of William Cameron,  
 William O. Read,  
 John H. Lonsdale,  
 William H. Erins,  
 William Wirling,

242.

August 29<sup>th</sup> 1842.

Horace Cole,  
William W. Chase,  
Samuel T. Manchester,  
William Angell,  
Peter Church,  
Alexander Eddy,

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and Augustus Arnold, for leave to enclose  
Burying Lots in the North Burial Ground, are presented  
and read, received, and referred to the Standing Com-  
mittee on City Property, to examine and report thereon.

The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Reso-  
lution of the Common Council of October 20<sup>th</sup> 1841,  
is presented and read, whereupon it is resolved that the  
same be received.

Com. from Mayor. Use of Ward Rooms for schools.  
A Communication from the Mayor respecting a Resolution  
of the School Committee requesting the City Council "to  
authorize that Committee to fit up and use for schools,  
such of the Ward Rooms as they may deem necessary", is  
presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that  
the same be received, and referred to the Standing Com-  
mittee on the Public Schools, to examine and report  
thereon.

Remission of Taxes. A Resolution for the remission of certain taxes assessed  
upon certain persons in the year 1841, represented by the  
Collector of Taxes, as not collectable by reason of  
errors in the assessments thereof, &c, amounting in the  
whole to three hundred and thirty five <sup>5</sup>/<sub>100</sub> Dollars,  
is read and passed.

(Concurred.)

Given in Convention of the City Council.

243.

August 29<sup>th</sup> Sept 26. 1842.

In Convention,

Sundry persons who have heretofore been duly pro-  
pounded, are admitted freemen of the City; and sum-  
-by others are propounded for admission as freemen.

234.

Sundry persons are elected members of Engine Company  
No 6.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on  
Monday, the 26<sup>th</sup> day of September next, at 7 o'clock  
P.M.

Members present

Mr. Resident.

Mr. Allin,

.. Batts

Fairbanks,

Goodhue,

Graham

Greene,

Hodges,

Hutchins,

.. Jones,

Patten,

Smith,

Viall,

Wade.

14.

Albert Greene,  
Clerk

Common Council, September 26<sup>th</sup> 1842.

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

Burying Lots. Petitions of James M. Tupper  
& Bowen Spencer, for leave to enclose burying

lots in the North Burial Ground, are presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon; which Committee make Report in favour of granting the prayer thereof; and also in favour of granting the prayers of the Petitions for the same purpose, of William Cameron, William O. Read, John H. Lonsdale, William H. Crins, William Wirling, Horace Cole, William W. Chace, Samuel T. Manchester, William Angell, Peter Church, Alexander Eddy, and Augustus Arnold; which were referred on the 29<sup>th</sup> of August last.

247.

Do. The Petitions of William O. Read,  
John H. Lonsdale,  
William H. Crins  
William Wirling,  
Horace Cole,  
William W. Chace,  
Samuel T. Manchester,  
William Angell,  
Peter Church  
Alexander Eddy,  
Augustus Arnold,  
William Cameron,  
Baven Spencer

and James M. Turner, for leave to fence in and enclose twenty Lots sufficient for their respective families in the North Burial Ground, are again read, and a Resolution granting the prayers thereof, with the usual limitations and conditions, is read and passed  
(Concurred.)

Ordinance,  
Laws,  
Fences, &c.

A Bill, entitled "An Ordinance to prevent injury to Farms, Pats, Fences and Buildings," having passed the Board of Aldermen, on the 29<sup>th</sup> of August last, is sent down for concurrence, and is read. Whereupon, it is resolved that the Common Council do concur therein.

Log Cabin

37.

The Committee on City Property to whom on the 29<sup>th</sup> of August last, was referred, <sup>by the Board of Aldermen,</sup> a proposition of William J. Harris, to sell to the city, the Log Cabin standing on the Town House Lot, make Report, which is read and received.

Do.

Resolved, that the City Treasurer, he and he is hereby authorized and Directed to discharge all claims of the city for ground rent of the Log Cabin on the Town House Lot, on receiving from the owner or owners of said building, a full and clear conveyance of said building to the city.  
(Concurred.)

Presidents  
of  
Firewards.

239.

The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to whom on the 18<sup>th</sup> of July last, was referred the subject of the election of Presidents of Firewards, make Report, that it is inexpedient at this time for the City Council to take any further action upon the subject; which Report is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received, and that the Committee be discharged from further consideration of the subject.  
(Concurred.)

Quarterly  
Reports.

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

Monthly  
Statement.

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

A Communication from the Mayor, is presented & read.

Com from the Mayor, 209  
Haymarket,  
Wooden Buildings.

Whereupon it is resolved, that so much thereof as relates to the Haymarket, be referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon.

G. T. Swarts, 219  
B. H. - 7.

& that so much thereof as relates to the Law relative to wooden buildings, and to the subject of the Application of Gardner T. Swarts, for remission of a fine for a violation of said Law, be referred to Messrs Butler, Patten & Hutchins, to examine and report thereon.

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Com from Mayor.

A Communication from the Mayor relative to the balance due on contracts of the Committee of the City Council relative to <sup>the Public</sup> School Houses and Estates, for the erection of new school-houses, &c, is presented and read.

Bal due for School Houses, &c.

Do.

Resolved, That the sum of Eight Thousand Dollars be \$8000 app<sup>d</sup> and the same is hereby appropriated, for completing the contracts made by the Committee appointed by the City Council, in relation to the Public School Houses & Estates, and that said sum, so appropriated, be paid out of any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated. And that the City Treasurer, acting under the advice and direction of the Committee for the reduction of the City Debt, be and he is hereby authorized to give for said purpose, the sum of Eight Thousand Dollars; and to issue the note or notes of the City therefor, payable in not less than one year nor more than twenty years, and bearing interest at a rate not exceeding five per cent, payable annually. (Concurred.)

Children's Friends Society.

251

A Petition of the Children's Friends' Society, for relief, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to Messrs Hutchins, Smith and Bullock, to examine and report thereon.

Use of Ward Room, for Schools.

242

The Standing Committee on Public Schools, to whom on the 29<sup>th</sup> of August last, was referred the Commari-

cation from the Mayor relative to the fitting up of the Ward Rooms in the Public School Houses, for school purposes, make report, which is read; whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received.

Do.

Resolved That the School Committee be authorized to establish additional primary schools, not exceeding one in each Ward, and to fit up and use the Ward Rooms for such schools; if they deem it expedient so to do. (Concurred.)

Highways.

A Resolution, that the Representatives of the City in the General Assembly, be requested to endeavour to procure the passage of a Bill, accompanying said Resolution, entitled "An Act concerning the establishment of Highways in the City of Providence," - having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and is read, together with said Bill. Whereupon, the Common Council concur in said Resolution, after having first amended the bill, in which Amendment the Board of Aldermen concur.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

Sundry persons, who have heretofore been duly proposed, are admitted freemen of the City.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday the 31<sup>st</sup> Day of October next, at half past 6 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr President

Allin,

Bucklin,

Bullock,

September 26<sup>th</sup> - October 31<sup>st</sup>, 1842.

" Butts,	" Jones,	
Earle,	Manchester,	
Painbank,	Metcalf,	
Goodhue,	Patten,	
Graham,	Smith,	
Greene,	Viell,	
Hutchins,	Wade	18.

Albert Greene,  
Clerk.

Common Council, October 31<sup>st</sup> 1842.

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

*See Monthly Statement.*  
The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20<sup>th</sup> 1842, is presented & read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

*Warding Ltr.*  
Petitions of Cyril Babcock, Albert Angell, Elias Smith, Perry O. Osborn, and Edmund Parker, for liberty to enclose burying lots sufficient for their respective families, in the North Burial Ground, are presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on <sup>City Property</sup> ~~the North Burial Ground~~, to examine and report thereon; which Committee make Report in favour of granting the prayers thereof. Whereupon, a Resolution granting the prayers thereof, with the usual conditions and limitations, is read and passed.  
(Concurred.)

October 31<sup>st</sup>, 1842.

*Capt. Walks S. L. S. St.*  
*Seamens Friends Society*  
*Oct. 22.*  
A Petition of the Seamen's Friends' Society, for a cross walk across South Main Street, in front of their Meeting House, is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

*Com from Mayor.*  
*John H. Green Street.*  
*North and South Street.*  
A Communication from the Mayor, respecting the grading of John and Tower Streets, and of Sawtucket and Park Streets, and also respecting the appropriation for Highways, is presented, and read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received and laid upon the Table.

*President Street.*  
*164.*  
A Resolution in the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence: viz "Resolved, that the Resolution passed June 14<sup>th</sup> 1841, suspending the Resolution ordering the pavements to be taken up in President Street, passed Sept 28<sup>th</sup> 1840, be and the same is hereby repealed; and that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby authorized to proceed, at his direction, to execute the work directed by said Resolution passed Sept 28<sup>th</sup> 1840;" - which Resolution is read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein.

*Haymarket.*  
*Old Jail Ltr.*  
*246.*  
The Standing Committee on City Property, to whom, on the 26<sup>th</sup> of September last was referred so much of the Mayor's Communication then made, as relates to the Haymarket (a old Jail Ltr so called,) make Report, which is read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received. (Concurred.)

*Do.*  
Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways, acting under the advice and direction of the Mayor, be and he is hereby directed to cause the Old Jail Ltr. (so called,) to be graded and gravelled; and to cause gutters to be paved

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around the same, and trees to be planted at proper intervals thereon. (Concurred.)

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

Edmund A. Nichols having heretofore been duly summoned, is admitted a freeman of the City.

Petitions of Seth Howard

& Samuel B. Joslin to be elected Constables, are presented and read, received and laid upon the Table.

The two Boards separate.

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

Members present.

- |               |             |     |
|---------------|-------------|-----|
| Mr. Poindext, | .. Hodges,  |     |
| Mr. Bucklin,  | Hatchins,   |     |
| Bullcock,     | James,      |     |
| Earle         | Jones,      |     |
| Fairbanks,    | Manchester, |     |
| Goodhue,      | Metcalf,    |     |
| Graham,       | Viall,      |     |
| Greene,       | Wade,       |     |
| Hazard,       | Williams.   | 18. |

Albathgreave, Clerk.

December 5<sup>th</sup> 1842.

Common Council, December 5<sup>th</sup> 1842.

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

Children's Friends Society.

The Committee to whom on the 26<sup>th</sup> of September last, was referred the Petition of the Children's Friends Society, for relief, make Report, which is read. Whereupon, it is resolved that the same be received.

Do. Upon the Petition of the Children's Friends Society, it is resolved, that the sum of three hundred Dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated to and for the use of said Society, to be paid by the City Treasurer to the Treasurer of said Society, out of any monies in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated; - two hundred Dollars thereof to be paid on the first day of January next; and the remainder thereof to be paid whenever Pawtucket Street shall be graded and the sidewalk finished as now proposed by the Street Commissioners. (Concurred.)

Mayor, Comm. North Burial Ground.

A Communication from the Mayor, recommending a survey of the North Burial Ground, with a view to a division of a portion thereof into family burial lots, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon. (Concurred.)

Burying Lots.

Petitions of Abby V. Fuller  
William H. Wickes  
and George J. Daniels, for leave to fence in and enclose burial lots sufficient for their respective families in the

North Burial Ground, are presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon.

*Order of the Town House* A Petition of Abel Steere and others, for the use of the Town House, for the purposes therein mentioned, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, and laid upon the Table.

*Register of Firemen* A Petition of John W. Taylor and others, requesting the City Council to take measures for extending the privilege of voting to such of the firemen of the City as are not included in any of the classes of voters named in the new Constitution of the State, - is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon.

*J. Sheldon* Resolved, That the sum of fourteen dollars and sixteen cents be allowed to James Sheldon, in full payment of his account against the City, this day presented to the City Council; and that said sum be paid from the appropriation for Contingencies.  
(Concurred.)

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

*Monthly Statement* The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council of October 20<sup>th</sup> 1841, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

George W. Brown is elected a Watchman of Cool, for the remainder of the present Municipal Year.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the sixth Day of February next, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

- |               |             |
|---------------|-------------|
| Mr President, | Hatchins,   |
| Mrs. Allen,   | Jones,      |
| Br. Allen,    | Jones,      |
| Ballou,       | Manchester, |
| Butts,        | Metcalf,    |
| Carle,        | Patten,     |
| Forster,      | Smith,      |
| Graham,       | Thurber,    |
| Greene,       | Wade,       |
| Hodges,       | Williams,   |

Albert G. Greene,  
Clerk.

1843.

Common Council, February 6<sup>th</sup>. 1843.

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

Burying  
Lots.

Petitions of Francis Hall

& Ulrich Baker, for leave to fence in burying lots in the North Burial Ground, are presented and read, received, & referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to enquire and report thereon; which Committee make Report, in favour of granting the prayers thereof, and also in

251. favour of granting the prayers of the petitions of Abby W. Fuller, William H. Wickes and George P. Daniels, referred Dec 5<sup>th</sup>. 1842, which Report is received. Whereupon, a Resolution granting the prayers of said petitions, with the usual conditions and limitations, is read and passed.

(Concurred.)

Monthly  
Statement.

The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Com. Council, of October 20<sup>th</sup> 1842 is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received.

City Funds.

257. Resolved, That Messrs Wade, Bullock & Hutchins, and Al. Sherman Hopkin, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to make an arrangement with some one of the Banks in this City, for the deposit of the City Funds; (such arrangement to continue until the 31<sup>st</sup> Day of December next;) upon such terms as they may think most for the interest of the City.

(Concurred.)

George  
Gardner.

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

"Upon the Petition of George Gardner, now confined in Jail, for the payment of a fine of fifty Dollars, imposed by the Court of Common Pleas, at their December Term A.D. 1842, - Resolved, that the portion of said fine due to the City, be, and the same is hereby remitted."

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

Joint in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

John M. Shaw is appointed a Comptroller, for the remainder of the present municipal year.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday the 27<sup>th</sup> Day of March next, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr. President,

- Allin
- Bucklin,
- Bullock,
- Butts,
- Earle
- Goodhue,
- Graham,
- Greene,
- Hazard,

- Hodges,
- Hutchins
- Jones,
- Jones,
- Manchester,
- Metcalf,
- Patten,
- Violl,
- Wade

19.

Albert Greene, Clerk.

March 27<sup>th</sup> 1843.

Common Council, March 27<sup>th</sup> 1843.

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

*Mayor's Salary.* } Resolved that the Salary of the Mayor, for the year ending the first Monday in June next, shall be one Thousand Dollars, payable quarterly.  
(Concurred.)

*Burial Grounds.* } Petitions of James S. Pidge,  
Thomas Swan,  
George W. Pidge,  
Abner Gay Jr.,  
Edward Martin,  
& John Wilson, for liberty to fence in and enclose burial lots sufficient for their respective families in the North Burial Ground, are presented and read, received, & referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon; which Committee make report in favor of granting the prayers thereof; which report is received; and a Resolution, granting the prayers of said petitions, with the usual conditions & limitations, is read and passed.  
(Concurred.)

*Monthly Statement.* } The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20<sup>th</sup> 1842 is presented, read, and received.

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

March 27<sup>th</sup> 1843.

*City Funds.* } The Committee who were on the 6<sup>th</sup> Day of February last, appointed to make an arrangement with some one of the Banks in this City for the Deposit of the City funds, make Report that they have renewed the contract existing for that purpose with the City Bank, for the past year, - for the year ending on the first Day of January next, - upon the same terms: - which Report is read. - Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received.  
(Concurred.)

*W.R. Staples* } A Memorial of William R. Staples, requesting aid from the City Council, in the publication of the "Annals of the Town of Providence, from its first Settlement, to the Adoption of the City Charter." - is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to Messrs Thurber, Smith & Mallock, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, - to examine and report thereon.  
(Concurred. & Alderman Ferrer added.)

*Council Chamber.* } A Petition of Jabez Gorham & others, for the use of the Council Chamber on Thursday next, for a meeting of Delegates to nominate a Senator & Representatives from the City to the General Assembly, is presented, and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the prayer thereof be granted.

*Crosswalk.* } A Petition of Daniel Woodhouse & others, for a crosswalk across Myrtle Street, opposite the Arcade, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday the 8<sup>th</sup> Day of May next, at half past 7 o'clock P.M.

258. March 27<sup>th</sup>: May 8<sup>th</sup> 1843.

Members present.

Mr. President,	Hutchins
Mrs. Allen,	Jones,
Ballock,	Manchester,
Butts,	Metcalf,
Faribanks,	Patten,
Graham,	Smith,
Greene,	Thurber,
Hayard,	Viall,
Kodges,	Wade.

18.

Matthews, Clerk.

Common Council, May 8<sup>th</sup>. 1843.

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

The Clerk being absent, by reason of sickness, Samuel Currey is appointed Clerk pro tempore.

*See Monthly Statement*  
The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20<sup>th</sup> 1842, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received.

*Appropriations*  
A Communication from the Mayor, recommending additional appropriations for the support of the City Watch, and for repairs of Highways & Bridges, is presented & read, received & referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine & report thereon, which Committee, thereupon, report the following Resolution, which is read and passed: viz,  
"Resolved, That the following sums be and the same hereby

259. May 8<sup>th</sup>. 1843.

are appropriated for the following purposes, viz,  
For the support of the Public Watch, Two Hundred Dollars.  
For Repairs of Highways & support of the Public Bridges,  
Two Thousand Dollars.  
and that the same be paid out of any money in the City Treasury not otherwise appropriated.  
(Continued)

*Buying Lots.* }

Petitions of John Wilson,  
James Martin  
Joseph M. Hall,  
William Haswell  
William D. Avery,  
John M. Shombell,  
Anthony Dexter,  
Thomas Kent,  
George B. Earle  
Edwin H. Brown,  
Joseph W. Humphreys,  
Benjamin D. Earle,  
Albert G. Dexter,  
George W. Brown,  
Joseph W. Briggs,  
Richard Smith for himself & his son Pitts Smith,  
Thomas Greene,  
Charles Laell,  
and Jeriah F. Crocker. for liberty to fence in & enclose buying lots sufficient for their respective families, in the North Burial Ground, are presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon; which Committee make Report in favor of granting the prayers thereof; which Report is received; and a Resolution granting the prayers of said petitions, with the usual conditions and limitations, is read and passed.  
(Continued.)

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S. Mantin  
et al.  
Randall  
Street, &c.

277.

A Memorial of Madrach Mantin & others, is presented & read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine & report thereon.

Bowling  
Alleys,  
&c.

A Resolution defining the limits of the "compact part" of the City, pursuant to the requisition contained in the Act entitled "An Act to regulate Bowling Alleys," having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence; and is read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein.

Dogs.

A Petition of Henry C. Whitaker & others, praying for an amendment of the "Ordinance in relation to Dogs," is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received.

Do.

A Bill entitled "An Ordinance in addition to the Ordinance in relation to Dogs," passed by the City Council on the twelfth Day of April, A.D. 1834," is presented and read; and it is moved that the same pass. And on said motion the question is taken by ayes and noys, which it is added be entered upon the Journal; or follows, viz

<u>Ayes.</u>	<u>Noys.</u>
Mrs Allin,	Mrs Bullock,
Batt,	Fairbanks,
Goodhue,	Kayard,
Johan,	Hatchers,
Greene,	Jones,
Metcalf,	Wade,
Patten,	Williams,
Thurber,	
Violl,	

(Non concurred.)

9.

7.

May 8<sup>th</sup> 1843.

Assessment  
of Taxes, for  
1843.

A Bill, entitled "An Ordinance directing the mode of assessing City Taxes during the Year One thousand eight hundred and forty three," having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein with the following Amendment, viz, that the words "three hundred," in the last line of the First Section, be stricken out; and the words "one hundred and thirty-four" be inserted in their place. In which Amendment, the Board of Aldermen non concur. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do adhere to their Amendment.

Richmond St.  
School House.

An attested copy of a Resolution of the School Committee, relative to the repair of the School House on Richmond Street, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine & report thereon.

Universalist  
Society,  
use of  
Town House.

A Petition of Eli Brown and others, members of the Second Universalist Society, for the use of the Town House, for the purpose of holding their religious meetings therein, is read and received; and a Resolution is thereupon passed, granting the use of said House to said Society, for each Sabbath, during the pleasure of the City Council; and providing that if said Society shall, at any time, neglect to occupy the same for said purpose, for three successive sabbaths, the privilege granted by said Resolution shall cease.

(conceded.)

Justices  
of the  
Peace.

The following Resolution having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, viz  
"Resolved, if the Common Council concur, - that the General Assembly be respectfully requested to appoint, at their June Session, a suitable number of Justices of

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the Peace for this City; and that there be no such Officers chosen at the election on the second Wednesday of May instant."

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

City Clerk. The following Resolution having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence; viz,

Resolved, That there be paid to the City Clerk, in lieu of fees, for services rendered in making up the Registry, receiving the Registry Tax, and preparing the Voting Lists, the sum of Fifty Dollars, from the money appropriated for contingencies."

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

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

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

Members present,

Mr. President

Mrs. Allen.

Ballock

Butts

Fairbanks,

Gardner,

Graham,

Greene,

Hoyard,

Witchins,

Jones,

Metcalf,

Patten,

Thurber,

Viall,

Wade,

Williams.

7.

Albert Greene,  
Clerk

June 5<sup>th</sup> 1843.

Organization of the City Government of the  
City of Providence for the Municipal  
Year, commencing on the first  
Monday in June A.D. 1843.

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Monday June 5<sup>th</sup> 1843.

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

The certificate of the election of Thomas M. Bur-  
gess as Mayor for said year, is presented and read,  
and the oath prescribed by law is administered to  
him by Hon<sup>ble</sup> Thomas Burgess Chief Justice of the  
Court of Common Pleas for the County of Provi-  
dence.

The certificate of the election of Edward P. Knowles,  
Thomas B. Fenner,  
Nahant Everett,  
Thomas C. Whipple,  
Pinchas Potter,  
and Robert Knight, as  
Aldermen for said year, is presented and read, and  
they are severally engaged by the Mayor, according  
to law.

The certificates of the election of the members  
elect of the Common Council for said year, are pre-  
sented and read, and all of said members, except-  
ing Samuel Jones, Amos D. Smith and Edward J.

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Williams are present, and are engaged by the Mayor according to law.

City Clerk 318. Richard M. Field is, by ballot, elected City Clerk, for said year, and is engaged by the Mayor, according to law.

An Address is delivered by the Mayor relative to the municipal affairs of the city, during the past municipal year.

The two Boards separate.

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Members of the Common Council  
of the  
City of Providence,  
for the Municipal Year commencing  
on the first Monday in June  
A.D. 1843.

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First Ward. Isaac Thurber,  
Isbez Gorham,  
Stephen I. Olney,  
William B. Bradford.

Second Ward. William S. Patten,  
Joseph G. Metcalf  
Samuel Tingley Jr.  
John J. Stinson.

Third Ward. Willard W. Fairbanks,  
William Viell  
John D. Jones,  
Eben Wade.

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Fourth Ward. Daniel I. Goodhue,  
Shubel Hutchins,  
Amos D. Smith,  
Edward S. Williams.

Fifth Ward. Samuel James,  
Daniel E. Carpenter,  
James C. Hidden,  
Esek Aldrich.

Sixth Ward. James E. Butts,  
Mason Allen,  
Duty Greene,  
Israel G. Manchester.

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The members elect of the Common Council, (excepting Messrs James, Smith and Williams,) having been engaged by the Mayor, in presence of the Board of Aldermen, are called to order.

Stephen T. Olney is, by ballot, elected President of the Common Council for the present municipal year.

Albert Greene is re-elected Clerk of the Common Council, for the present municipal year, and is duly sworn by the Mayor, in the presence of the Board of Aldermen, according to law.

Standing  
Rules.

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

Standing  
Rules.

Resolved that the same Rules which were on the sixth  
Day of June, A.D. 1842, adopted as the Standing Rules  
of the City Council for the Municipal Year last past  
be, and the same are hereby adopted as the Standing Rules  
of the City Council, for the present municipal year.  
(Concurred.)

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

On Finance.

Messrs Wade,  
Hatchins,  
Hinson } Alderman Hoopin.

Book 4, 5

On Highways.

Messrs Thurber  
Fairbanks,  
Greene, } Alderman Everett.

To engross Ordinances.

Messrs Viell,  
Jones,  
Whidden, } Alderman Knowles.

On the Public Schools

Messrs Patten,  
Goodhue,  
Butts, } Alderman Fenner.

On the Fire Department

Messrs Metcalf,  
Manchester,  
Tingley } Alderman Fenner.

Book 4, 5.

On City Property.

Messrs Gorham,  
Carpenter,  
Allen } Alderman Potter.

On Police.

Messrs Williams,  
James,  
Atwick, } Alderman Knight.

May in  
Address.

Resolved that Messrs Viell, Jones and Whidden, with  
such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they  
are hereby appointed a Committee to wait upon the  
Mayor, and request him to furnish for publication  
a copy of the Address this Day delivered by him  
to the City Council, and to cause the same to be pub-  
lished in such manner as they may deem expedient.  
(Concurred, and Alderman Knowles added.)

City Printing

278.

Resolved, That Messrs Wade, Hatchins & Hinson, with  
such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they  
are hereby appointed a Committee to contract for the  
City Printing, for the present municipal year.  
(Concurred, & Alderman Everett added.)

Fin. Dept.

313.

Resolved, that Messrs Hatchins, Hinson & Goodhue, with  
such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they  
are hereby appointed a Committee to audit and  
settle the Accounts of the City Treasurer, with the  
City, on the first Day of June instant.  
(Concurred, & Alderman Fenner added.)

Fin. Bond.

279.

Resolved, that Messrs Hatchins, Hinson & Goodhue, with  
such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they  
are hereby appointed a Committee to take a Bond  
of the City Treasurer, for the faithful discharge of his

Office for the present municipal year, and that said Bond be for the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars.  
(Concurred.)

Com. Receipts & Expenditures.

Resolved, that Messrs Wade, Hutchins & Stinson, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to prepare a particular Account of the Receipts and Expenditures for the past municipal year, and a Schedule of the property of the City, and to cause the same to be published in the newspapers employed by the City Council, - agreeably to the requisition contained in the fourth section of the City Charter.

(Concurred, & Alderman Fenner added.)

Com on reduction of City Debt.

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

(Alderman Whipple added.)

50 cts for each fireman.

Resolved, That the sum of fifty cents be paid by the City Treasurer, to the Treasurer of the Providence Association of Firemen for mutual Assistance; for each of the firemen of the City, in order to entitle them severally to the benefit of the funds of that Association; - and that the same be paid on the Certificate of the City Clerk respecting the appointments of said firemen, - out of the Appropriation for the Fire Department.

(Concurred.)

The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20<sup>th</sup> 1842, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received.

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

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

Printing Lists.

Petitions of James Howarth, William Allen, Ephraim A. Burrows, William H. Harris, George Wail, John W. Greene, Horatio Rogers, William N. Landerkin, Matthew Watson, Mary Rivers, & Daniel B. Salisbury, for liberty to enclose burial lots, in the North Burial Ground, are presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon.

281.

Petitions for relief. (And Wright's measure, &c.)

Petitions of John B. Cross & others, Hutchins Ingalls & Dyer, & others, Palmer Lewis & Seth B. Lewis, and James G. Armington & others, praying for relief, are presented and read.

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30.

Upon the Petitions of John B. Ames & others,  
 Hatchins, Ingalls & Dyer, & others,  
 Palmer Lewis & Seth B. Lewis,  
 and James G. Armington & others, - praying  
 for relief from penalties incurred by them by violations  
 of the provisions contained in the first section of the  
 Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance in relation to Weights,  
 Measures, Scales and Balances." It is resolved, that  
 the same be received and referred to the Standing Com-  
 mittee on Police, to examine and report thereon.  
Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby  
 authorized and directed not to commence any suits  
 for violations of the provisions contained in said section  
 of said Ordinance, until the further order of the City  
 Council.

(Concurred.)

President,  
Tyler.

Resolutions, in the following words having passed the  
 Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence: viz  
 "Whereas the President of the United States is ex-  
 pected to visit New England, in order to participate  
 in the celebration at Bunker Hill on the 17<sup>th</sup>  
 Instant. Therefore,

Resolved, That the Mayor be re-  
 quested to ascertain whether he contemplates passing  
 through Rhode-Island; and if he does, to tender  
 to him the hospitalities of this City.

Resolved, that the Mayor, with  
 Alderman Knicker, and such as the Common Council  
 may add, be a Committee to make such arrangements  
 as are proper, to show to the President the respectful  
 attentions due to the Chief Magistrate of the Union;  
 and that the expenses of discharging the duty, cer-  
 tified by said Committee, be paid by the City  
 Treasurer."

Which Resolutions are read. Whereupon, it is  
resolved, That the Common Council do concur therein.

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and that Messrs. Sumner, Hall, and Hildren be added to the  
 Committee.

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

June 5<sup>th</sup> 1843. 3 o'clock P.M.

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

Mr. Williams } Mr. Williams, a member elect of the Common Council,  
 from the Fourth Ward, appears, is duly engaged by the  
 Mayor, and takes his seat.

Compensating } A bill entitled "An Ordinance fixing the Compensa-  
 Ordinance } tion of certain Officers for the year ending on the  
 320. } first Monday in June. A.D. one thousand, eight  
 hundred and forty-four," is read and passed.  
 (Concurred.)

2<sup>d</sup> Dist } A Petition of a Committee of the School Committee  
 School H. } relative to the second District School House Yard,  
 Yard, &c } and the streets adjacent, is presented and read.  
 212. } Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received  
 288. } and referred to the Standing Committee on High-  
 ways, to examine and report thereon.

Engine } A Resolution in the following words, having passed  
 Transit } the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence.  
 3 } viz  
 "Resolved, (if the Common Council concur,) that  
 the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to  
 purchase of Zachariah Allen, a lot of land on  
 Transit Street, recommended by the Fire Wards as

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a suitable location for an Engine House; and to pay the price agreed upon, not exceeding three Hundred Dollars, from any money in the City Treasury that now is, or hereafter may be, appropriated for the Fire Department:—

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

277. Pet W. W. Fairbanks, Asst. M. C. A Petition of Willard W. Fairbanks, in behalf of sundry citizens of the Third Ward, for sundry cross walks in Wickenden, North and Hope Streets, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways to examine and report thereon.

282. Richmond St. School House. A Resolution authorizing the School Committee to cause the Richmond Street School House to be raised and repaired, - having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, - and is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be referred to Messrs Patten, Goodhue and Butts, to examine and report thereon.

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

Resolved, That the sum of Five Hundred Dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for defraying the expenses of said Celebration; to be paid to the order of said Committee, out of any moneys in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated.

(Concurred; and Alderman Hoppin added.)

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Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

The City Council proceed to the election of City Officers, for the present municipal year. And after completing the same (with the exception of Assessors of Taxes, and members of Engine Company No. 4,) the two Boards separate.

In Common Council.

278. City Tax. A bill, providing for the assessment and collection of a Tax for the present municipal year is read; and is referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon; which Committee make report by bill, which Report is received, and the Bill so reported, is read, amended and passed, entitled "An Ordinance providing for the Assessment and Collection of a Tax of Seventy Five Thousand Dollars."

Concurred, - with this Amendment, - viz that the words "Seventy five Thousand" be stricken out, and the words "Seventy Thousand" be inserted in their place.

The Common Council non-concur in the Amendment.

The Board of Aldermen insist upon their Amendment, and request a Conference; and appoint Aldermen Fenner & Knight as conferees on their part.

The Common Council insist upon their non-concurrence; accede to a Conference; and appoint Messrs Thurber and Hinson as conferees on their part.

The conferees on the part of the Common Council verbally report, that the Committee of Conference

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are unable to agree, and request further time for consultation.

Appropriation 3  
28. A Resolution making sundry Appropriations for the present Municipal Year, is read: and is referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the 12<sup>th</sup> Day of June instant, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

- |              |               |
|--------------|---------------|
| Mr President | W Hutchins    |
| Albrich,     | Jones,        |
| Allin        | Manchester,   |
| Bradford     | Metcalf,      |
| Batts,       | Olney,        |
| Carpenter,   | Patten        |
| Fairbanks,   | Stinson       |
| Goodhue      | Thurber,      |
| Graham,      | Tingley,      |
| Greene       | Viall,        |
| Hidden,      | Wase.         |
|              | Williams. 22. |

Albert Greene, Clerk

Common Council, June 12<sup>th</sup> 1843.

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

Mr Smith, a member elect of the Common Council, from the Fourth Ward, appears, is duly engaged by the Mayor, and

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takes his seat.

Benial 3  
Lots. 3

Petitions of Hiram Smith, George Hawkins, Euseb T. Paul, Hiram Hill, George W. Hall, and Charles W. Henry, for liberty to enclose burial lots in the North Burial Ground, are presented, and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon.

281.

Crop walks  
Petition of W. W. Fairbanks.

274

The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 5<sup>th</sup> Day of June instant, was referred the Petition of Mr. W. Fairbanks, in behalf of sundry citizens of the Third Ward, make Report in favor of granting the prayer thereof: which Report is read and received.

Do.

Upon the Petition of Mr. W. Fairbanks, in behalf of sundry citizens of the Third Ward, it is Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to cause crop-walks to be laid as follows: viz.

- One across Wickenden, in Benefit Street;
- One across Wickenden, in Brook Street;
- One across Brook, in Wickenden Street;
- One across Wickenden, in Hope Street;
- + One across Hope, in Wickenden Street.

And also, one across Ann, in Wickenden Street, provided the owners of the adjoining lands first provide curb-stones, on each side of said Ann Street, to the satisfaction of said Surveyor.

[Concerned.]

Randall Street.  
Pet. of S. Manton & others

260.

The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 8<sup>th</sup> Day of May last, was referred the Memorial of S. Manton & others, relating to the flow of water in Randall Street make report recommending that a drain

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be laid for the purpose of carrying off such water, which Report is received. And a Resolution is thereupon passed, directing the Surveyor of Highways to cause a Drain to be laid from the head of Bondall Street to Turpin's Brook. (Non concurred, June 19 1843.)

Tax Ordinance. The Conferees appointed by the Common Council, on the 27<sup>th</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> Day of June instant, to confer with the conferees appointed by the Board of Aldermen, relative to the Discharge of the two Boards respecting the Bill providing for the assessment and collection of a Tax for the present municipal year, make Report, recommending that the Common Council recede from their vote of non concurrence in the Amendment to said Bill, proposed by the Board of Aldermen: - which Report is read and received. And it is thereupon resolved that the Common Council do adhere to their vote of non concurrence in said Amendment. (The Board of Aldermen adhere to their Amendment.)

Do. Resolved, That the Standing Committee on Finance be, and they are hereby directed to report at the next meeting of the City Council, a bill providing for the assessment and collection of a Tax for the present municipal year.

Pet. of W. Paine & Co. A Petition of Walter Paine Jr & others, for a cross-walk across Mathewson and Fountain Streets, is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

City Printing. The joint Committee who were on the 5<sup>th</sup> Day of June instant, appointed to contract for the City Printing for the present municipal year, make Report, that they have made such contract with Knowles, Vase & Anthony, and with Knowles & Vase. which Report is accompanied by a proposal of Messrs Church and Amshury, in writing, to

do such printing, exclusive of job printing, which proposal the Committee recommend the acceptance: - which Report is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received. And it is further resolved, that said proposition of Messrs. Church & Amshury be not accepted. (Concurred.)

Appropriation. 276.

The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom on the 5<sup>th</sup> Day of June instant, was referred the Draft of a Resolution making sundry appropriations for the present municipal year, make Report by bill, which is read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received.

Report. 269.

The joint Committee who were, on the 5<sup>th</sup> Day of June last, appointed to take a Bond of the City Treasurer, for the present municipal year, make Report that they have discharged that duty, which Report is read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received. (Concurred.)

North Burial Ground. 281.

Resolved, That so much of the Mayor's Address delivered to the City Council on the fifth Day of June instant, as relates to the North Burial Ground, be, and the same is hereby, referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, - to report thereon at the next meeting of the City Council. (Concurred.)

Big's Walks. 291.

A Petition of Charles H. Childs & others, for a cross-walk across Pine Street, is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday the nineteenth day of June instant, at 8

June 12<sup>th</sup>, June 19<sup>th</sup> 1843.

1 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

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|---------------|--------------|
| Mr President, | .. Jones,    |
| Mr Aldrich,   | Manchester,  |
| Allin,        | Metcalf,     |
| Bradford,     | Patten,      |
| Batt,         | Smith,       |
| Carpenter,    | Timson,      |
| Fairbanks,    | Thurber,     |
| Godshal,      | Tingley,     |
| Graham,       | Viall,       |
| Greene,       | Wade,        |
| Hidden,       | Williams 21. |

Alfred Greene, Clerk,

Common Council, June 19<sup>th</sup> 1843.

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

City Tax. The Standing Committee on Finance, who were, on the 12<sup>th</sup> of June instant, directed to report a bill providing for the assessment and collection of a Tax for the present municipal year, make Report by a bill entitled "An Ordinance providing for the assessment and collection of a Tax of Seventy five Thousand Dollars;" which Report is read and received; and said bill is thereupon read and passed.

Appropriations. The Resolutions making certain Appropriations for the present Municipal year, which were reported by the Standing Committee on Finance, on the 12<sup>th</sup> of June instant, are now

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again read, and are passed.

North Burial Ground. 3  
279. The Standing Committee on City Property, to whom, on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of June last, was referred so much of the Mayor's Address to the City Council, as relates to the North Burial Ground, make Report, which is read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and laid upon the Table.

Burial Lots. 3  
Petitions of Joseph Brown, John Bleworth, Nathan Bardcen, Seth Howard & Edward L. Lyon, for liberty to enclose burying lots in the North Burial Ground, are presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon; which Committee make Report in favour of granting the prayers thereof; - and also in favour of granting the prayers of the petitions of James Howarth, William Allen, Ephraim A. Barrows, William H. Hamis, George Vail, John H. Greene, Horatio Rogers, William A. Landerkin, Matthew Watson, Mary Rivers, and Daniel B. Salisbury, - referred on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of June instant, - and of Heron Smith, George Hawkins, Enock T. Paul, Hiram Hill, George W. Hall and Charles W. Henry, - referred on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of June instant: - which Report is received; and a Resolution granting the prayers of said Petitions, with the usual conditions and limitations, is read and passed. (Concluded.)

Stephen Thorsens. 3  
A Petition of Nancy Brown, for the relief of her husband Stephen Brown, now in confinement under sentence as a vagrant, - is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on Police, to examine and report thereon.

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Richmond  
St. School  
House.

The Committee to whom on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of June instant, was referred the Resolution of the Board of Aldermen for raising and repairing the Richmond Street School House, make Report, which is read and received. Whereupon it is resolved that the Common Council do not concur in said Resolution of the Board of Aldermen.

The following Resolution, reported by said Committee, is read and passed: viz.

Resolved, That the School Committee be, and they are hereby authorized and empowered, to cause the brick School House belonging to the City, in Richmond Street, to be altered and improved, to accommodate the wants of the District in which it is situated, - by altering and repairing the said building, or causing the same to be taken down, and erecting another on the same lot. (Concurred.)

Paving  
Stones, to  
North Main  
Street.

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

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be directed to purchase a sufficient quantity of suitable paving stones, for the paving of North Main Street, from Ban Ball Street to Warren Batchellers' estate.

Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be referred to Messrs Tharber, Fairbanks, & Greene, to examine & report thereon.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

Henry persons are elected Assessor of Taxes, for the present municipal year, and also to assess the tax of \$75,000 (this day) ordered.

June 19<sup>th</sup> June 21<sup>st</sup> 1843.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the 7<sup>th</sup> day of August next, at 8 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

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|----------------|-------------|
| Mr. President, | Manchester, |
| " Aldrick      | Metcalf,    |
| Allin,         | Patten,     |
| Bradford,      | Smith,      |
| Butts,         | Simson,     |
| Carpenter,     | Tharber,    |
| Godhue,        | Tingley,    |
| Gorham,        | Viall,      |
| Greene,        | Wate,       |
| Hutchins       | Williams,   |
| Jones,         |             |

21.

Albert Greene, Clerk.

Common Council June 21<sup>st</sup> 1843.

Special Meeting.

Copy.

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

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

L.S.

Whereas, it has become necessary that the City Council make an order concerning the holding of a

June 21<sup>st</sup> 1843.

Town Meeting of the freemen of this City, for the purpose of transacting business in relation to the property devised to the Town of Providence by the Last Will and Testament of Ebenezer Knight Dexter, denominated the "Dexter Donation," and the Asylum, and other town or City property, connected therewith: - You are hereby notified to assemble in your respective Chambers, on Wednesday the twenty first day of June instant, at 5 o'clock P.M., for the purpose of making such order concerning the matter aforesaid, as shall to you seem expedient.

Given under my hand and the seal of said City, this twentieth day of June, A.D. one thousand, eight hundred and forty three.  
Thos M. Burgess, Mayor.

"Providence, June 21<sup>st</sup> 1843. Notified the members of the City Council, by their reading the above, except Edward S. Williams, Isaac Barber & Thomas C. Hopkins, who are out of the City, - and Samuel James, who is sick.  
Edward Woodward, City Sergeant."

Pursuant to the requisition of the aforesaid Warrant, the Common Council are now assembled at 5 o'clock P.M.; a Quorum present.

Town Meeting, }  
Dexter Donation } Resolved, That the Annual Town Meeting for the purpose of transacting business in relation to the property and estate devised to the Town of Providence by the Last Will and Testament of Ebenezer Knight Dexter, denominated the "Dexter Donation," and the Asylum, and other town or City property connected therewith, - and which, according to the provisions of the Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance appointing Town Meetings in relation to the Dexter Donation," should be holden on the last Saturday of June, - be, this year,

June 21<sup>st</sup> June 28<sup>th</sup> 1843.

holden on the last Friday of June instant, at three o'clock P.M., - any thing in the provisions of said Ordinance to the contrary notwithstanding  
(Concurred.)

The Common Council adjourn to meet, pursuant to the vote of adjournment passed at their last meeting, viz, to meet on Monday the 7<sup>th</sup> day of August next, at 8 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

- |                |             |
|----------------|-------------|
| Mr. President, | Whitching,  |
| " Aldrich,     | Manchester, |
| " Allin,       | Patten,     |
| Bradford,      | Hinson,     |
| Goddard,       | Viall       |
| Graham,        |             |
| Greene,        |             |
| Hudson,        |             |

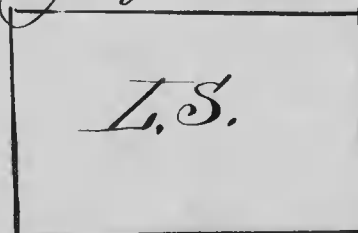
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Albert Greene, Clerk

Common Council, June 28<sup>th</sup> 1843.

Special Meeting.

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



To the Members of the City Council,  
Greeting.

Some further proceedings being needful

June 28<sup>th</sup> 1843.

Before the Tax is opened, you are hereby required to assemble, in your respective Chambers, on Wednesday the twenty eighth Day of June instant, at five o'clock P.M. for the purpose of transacting any business that may lawfully come before you.

Witness my hand and the seal of said City, this twenty seventh Day of June, A.D. one thousand, eight hundred and forty-three.

Thos M. Burgess, Mayor.

Stonewall, June 28<sup>th</sup> 1843. Notified the members of the City Council, as commanded, by their reading the above, except Alderman Hoppin and Amos D. Smith, who are out of the City.

Edward Barwood, City Sergeant.

Pursuant to the requisition of the aforesaid Warrants, the Common Council are now assembled at 5 o'clock P.M., a Quorum present.

Resolutions in relation to the compensation of the Assessors of Taxes for the present municipal year, and explanatory of the provision therefor contained in the Ordinance passed on the 19<sup>th</sup> Day of June inst., - are read and passed. (Concurred.)

280.  
293.

The Common Council adjourn to meet pursuant to the vote of adjournment passed at their Meeting on the 19<sup>th</sup> Day of June instant; viz, to meet on Monday the 7<sup>th</sup> Day of August next, at 8 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

- Mr President, Fairbanks,
- Aldrich, Goodhue,
- Bradford, Gorham,

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- .. Hadden,
- Hutchins,
- Jones,
- Metcalf,
- Patton,

- .. Stinson,
- Harber,
- Tingler,
- Wade,
- Williams,

15.

Albert Greene, Clerk.

Common Council, August 7<sup>th</sup> 1843.

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

Mr. James.

Mr. James a member elect of the Common Council from the Fifth Ward, appears, is duly engaged by the Mayor, and takes his seat.

Tri-Monthly Statement.

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

Young Cattle, 294.

A Petition of L. H. Elcott & others, respecting the running at large of young cattle, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received, and referred to Messrs Williams, Bradford & James, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, - to examine & report thereon.

(Concurred. & Alderman Everett added.)

Remission of Taxes.

A Resolution for the remission of certain Taxes opened upon certain persons in the year 1842, represented by

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the Collector of Taxes, as not collectable, by reason of errors in the assessments thereof, &c, amounting in the whole, to \$315 5/100 - and also for the remission of \$3. 28/100 being the tax assessed in August 1841, on the estate of Stephen Pearson of Upton, (Mass) & interest thereon. - is read and passed.  
(Concurred)

292. *Grading Lots* } Petition of Albert N. Ormsbee & Michael Smith, for liberty to enclose burying lots in the North Burial Ground, are presented and read received, and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon.

*Police Court* } Resolved that from the Justices assigned to keep the Peace within this City, Henry L. Bowen, Edward N. Hazard, and Walter Parie Jr, be and they are here by selected to compose the Police Court of the City, during the present municipal year.  
(Concurred)

*Angell Street* } A Petition of Alexis Caswell & others residing in the vicinity of the Grammar School House in Angell Street, <sup>that said street may</sup> be cut down to the grade reported by the Street Commissioners is presented, read and received. Whereupon it is moved, 293. that the Surveyor of Highways be directed to cut down said Street from Prospect Street to Brown Street, according to said grade; - which motion is lost, (the Council being equally divided.) Whereupon, it is resolved that 294. said Petition be referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon, which Committee are directed to make report at the next meeting of the City Council, with an estimate of the probable expense of grading said Street in conformity with the prayer of said petition.  
(Concurred.)

*Wheel Tires* } A Communication from the Mayor, recommending that the <sup>City</sup> Comm.

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cil course inquiry to be made relative to the expediency of regulating by ordinance the manner of conducting the business of setting wheel-tires, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon.

*Grading West of Pine Street* } A Communication from the Mayor respecting the grading of that part of the City which lies West of Pine Street, (accompanied by a Communication upon that subject made by the Street Commissioners, to the Mayor,) is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

*J. Winship* } A Petition of John Winship, for relief from a complaint made against him for an encroachment upon the side walk in Canton Street, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received, and that said petitioner have leave to withdraw the same.

*Wood Teams, &c.* } A Petition of William Blodget and others, respecting the standing of Teams in Market Street, for the sale of Firewood, is presented and read.  
*W. Blodget et al*

*Do.* } Upon the Petition of William Blodget & others, respecting Wood Teams, &c, - it is resolved, that the same be received, and referred to Messrs Williams, Goodhue and James, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon; and that said Committee be and they are hereby directed to report also 294. upon the subject of the standing of carts &c, in the Streets, for the sale of Charcoal.  
(Concurred; & Alderman Hooplin assents.)

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Paving  
Stones,  
North  
Main Sts.

The Committee to whom on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of June last, was referred the Resolution of the Board of Aldermen for the purchase of a sufficient quantity of paving stones for the paving of North Main Street from Randall Street to Warren Batcheller's Estate, make Report, recommending that the Common Council concur therein; which Report is read and received. And it is thereupon resolved that the Common Council do concur in said Resolution with the following amendment; viz. that all the words after the words "purchase of," be stricken out, and the words "one thousand tons of paving stones" be inserted in their place.

282.

The Board of Aldermen non-concur in the Amendments.  
The Common Council insist upon their Amendments.

Pumps  
& Wells.

A Bill in addition to the Ordinance relating to the City Pumps & Wells, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and is read. Whereupon, it is resolved that the Common Council do not concur therein.

Temporary  
Loans.

A Resolution in the following words, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence: viz.  
"Resolved that the City Treasurer, under the Direction of the Committee on Finance, be and he is hereby authorized to borrow, at a rate of interest not exceeding six per cent, such sums of money, not exceeding, in all, Fifteen Thousand Dollars, as may be required for the use of the City, before the tax for the present year shall be payable."

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

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Lot of Land  
on  
Benefit Sts.

Resolution, directing the Standing Committee on City Property, to report upon the expediency of selling the lot of land North of the Benefit Street Grammar School House, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and is read. Whereupon, it is resolved that the Common Council do concur therein.

294.

Land at  
junction of  
Friendship  
& Plane Sts.

A Petition of Jacob Manchester and others, that the triangular piece of land at the junction of Friendship and Plane Streets may be cleared, and enclosed with posts and a chain, is presented and read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon.

296.

The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of June last were referred the Petitions of Walter Taine Jr. and others, and of Charles W. Childs and others, for cross walks, make Reports, which are read and received.

278.  
279.

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

- One across Mathewson Street, at the foot of Fountain Street;
  - One across Pine Street, on the East side of Dorance Street.
- (Concurred.)

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday the 11<sup>th</sup> day of September next, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.  
Mr. President  
" Aldrich  
" Allen  
" Bradford,

August 9<sup>th</sup>, September 11<sup>th</sup> 1843.

Butts  
Carpenter  
Fairbanks  
Goodhue  
Graham  
Greene  
Hudson  
James

Jones  
Metcalf  
Palmer  
Stinson  
Thurber  
Tingley  
Wade  
Williams. 24.

Albert Greene,  
Clerk.

Common Council, September 11<sup>th</sup> 1843.

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

Divide  
Lots. }

Petitions of William Monroe,  
Sarah Straight,  
Algina Angell,  
& Henry G. Coggeshall for liberty to fence in and  
enclose buying lots sufficient for their respective fami-  
lies, in the North Burial Ground, are presented and  
read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee  
on City Property, to examine and report thereon;  
which Committee report in favour of granting the  
prayer thereof, and also in favour of granting the  
prayer of the petitions of Albert H. Ormsbee and  
Michael Smith, referred on the 7<sup>th</sup> of August last.  
which Report is received, and a Resolution granting  
the prayer of said Petitions, with the usual limita-  
tions and conditions, is read and passed.  
(Concurred.)

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Tax  
Ordinance }  
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A Communication from the Assessors of Taxes, request-  
ing an extension of the time provided for the assessment  
of the Tax of \$75,000 ordered on the 19<sup>th</sup> of June  
last, is presented and read. And a Bill entitled  
"An Ordinance in Amendment of an Ordinance passed  
on the nineteenth day of June A.D. 1843, entitled 'An  
Ordinance providing for the Assessment and Collection  
of a Tax of Seventy five Thousand Dollars,'" is pre-  
sented, read, and passed.  
(Concurred.)

Monthly  
Statement }

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

Quarterly  
Report }

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

Petition of  
J. Hartshorn  
& al.  
Carpwalkers.  
304.

A Petition of Isaac Hartshorn & Co., & others, for sandry  
crop-walks, in Richmond, Clifford, Eddy, Friendship, &  
Pine Streets, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is  
resolved, that the same be received, and referred  
to the Standing Committee on Highways, to exam-  
ine and report thereon.

Com. from  
Mayor  
on  
Expenditures  
for  
Highways.

A Communication from the Mayor, respecting the expen-  
ditures for Highways, during the present municipal  
year, is presented and read. And thereupon a Bill  
is presented and read, providing for the repeal of so  
much of the Ordinance prescribing the Duties of the Street  
Commissioners and City Engineer, and for other purposes,  
as gives to the Mayor authority to decide relative  
to expenditures for Streets. - Whereupon it is resolved, that  
said Communication and said Bill be referred to Messrs

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Wade, Stinson & Hidden, to examine the same, and to report thereon at the next meeting of the Common Council.

Wood and Cool Carts. } The joint Committee to whom on the 7<sup>th</sup> of August last, was referred the petition of William Woodget & others, respecting Wood Teams, &c. make Report, accompanied by a Bill entitled "An Ordinance concerning Wood and Cool Carts." which Report is read and received; and said Ordinance is read & passed. (Concurred.)

Let-offland on Benefit St. } The <sup>standing</sup> Committee on City Property, who were, on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of August last, directed to report upon the expediency of selling the Lot of Land North of the Benefit Street Grammar School House, make Report, that it is inexpedient to sell the same; which Report is read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received. (Concurred.)

Cattle at Large. } The joint Committee to whom on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of August last, was referred the Petition of L. H. Elliott & others, make Report by Bill entitled "An Ordinance to prevent cattle going at large." which Bill is read & passed. (Concurred.)

Wooden Buildings. } The Committee to whom on the 26<sup>th</sup> of September 1842, was referred so much as a Communication then made by the Mayor to the City Council, as relates to the Law respecting Wooden Buildings, make Report, accompanied by a Bill, entitled "An Act concerning the erection of Buildings in the City of Providence," which they propose as a substitute for the Law now in force relative to that subject; and recommend that said Bill be presented to the General Assembly, for their action thereon: which Report is read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same

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be received, and together with said Bill, be printed in all the newspapers employed to do the City Printing.

Angell Street. } The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 7<sup>th</sup> of August last, was referred the Petition of Abner Caswell & others, that Angell Street be cut down to the grade reported by the Street Commissioners, which Committee were directed to report the probable cost of cutting down the same, in conformity to said petition, make report that said expense will probably amount to \$2000.; and that it is inexpedient to commence said work during the present season, which Report is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received. (Concurred.)

Do. } A Resolution relative to the cutting down of Angell Street is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be referred to Messrs Wade, Stinson & Hidden, to examine and report thereon.

Two new Primary School Houses. } Resolutions in the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen, are sent down for concurrence: viz. "Resolved, (if the Common Council concur,) that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to purchase two suitable Lots, for Primary School Houses, one in the First Ward, and one conveniently situated in the neighborhood of Pawtucket & Fenses Streets: (the location of said Lots to be first approved by the School Committee,) and to cause School Houses to be erected thereon. Resolved, that the City Treasurer act under the advice of the Mayor and Aldermen, in carrying the preceding Resolution into effect: And that the sum of Three Thousand Five Hundred Dollars

be and the same hereby is appropriated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, from which to make payment for said real estate and school-houses."

which Resolutions are read. Whereupon it is resolved that the Common Council do concur therein.

Fire Limits,

294. Resolved, That the Mayor and the Firewards be and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to examine into, and report, at the next meeting of the Common Council, within what limits in this City, restrictions and prohibitions relative to the erection of Wooden Buildings should be adopted, defining and describing said Limits in their Report.

300. Concurred, with this amendment, viz: that all the words after the word "Mayor," be stricken out; and the following words be inserted in their place: viz: "be requested to confer with the Firewards, and inform the City Council within what limits they deem it expedient that restrictions and prohibitions concerning the erection of Wooden Buildings should be established."

The Common Council concur in the Amendment.

Land at junction of Friendship and Plane Streets.

291. The Committee to whom on the 7<sup>th</sup> of August last, was referred the petition of Jacob Manchester & others, respecting the triangular piece of land at the junction of Friendship and Plane Streets, make Report, which is read. Whereupon, it is resolved that the same be received.

Do. Resolved That the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby authorized and directed, under the direction of the Mayor, to cause the triangular piece of land at the junction of Friendship and Plane Streets, to

be cleared, graded and enclosed, and trees set thereon. (Concurred.)

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

A Communication from Moses B. Lockwood, resigning his office of City Engineer, is read and received.

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The two Boards separate.

In Common Council.

Surveying,

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A Resolution, authorizing the Street Commissioners & the Surveyor of Highways, under the advice of the Mayor, to cause such surveying to be done as may be necessary in their Departments, until a City Engineer be appointed or the City Council do otherwise direct, is presented and read; & it is moved that the same pass: - which motion is lost.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday the 2<sup>d</sup> day of October next, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

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|----------------|-----------|
| Mr. President, | Greene,   |
| " Aldrich,     | Widdon,   |
| Allin,         | Hutchins, |
| Bradford,      | Jones,    |
| Butts,         | Jones,    |
| Carpenter,     | Metcalf,  |
| Goodhue,       | Patten,   |
| Graham,        | Smith,    |

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Hinson,  
Marber  
Singly.

Wade,  
Williams

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Albert G. Greene, Clerk.

Common Council, October 2<sup>d</sup>. 1843.

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

*In Minutes* The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under Report, the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 21<sup>st</sup> 1843, is presented and read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

*Buying Lots* Petitions of Samuel Guild, Rowland Evans, George Wood, Thomas L. Trull, Joseph Brown, Walsey H. Maine, & Nathaniel Newhall, for liberty to enclose *Buying Lots* in the North Parish Ground, are presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine & report thereon.

*Crosswalk* A Petition of Joseph W. Davis & others, for a cross walk across Chestnut Street, at its junction with Clifford Street, is presented and read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine & report thereon.

A communication from the Mayor, requesting the City

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*Com. from Mayor* Council to consider whether it be expedient for the City to pay the Registry Tax for such Firemen of the City, as may desire it, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine & report thereon.

*Com. from Mayor* A communication from the Mayor, recommending that the City Council cause application to be made to the General Assembly, for a continuance of the liberty granted to the City to use the State's Jail in the County of Providence, as a place of confinement for the City convicts, - and also for an Amendment of the Act entitled "An Act to authorize the City of Providence to establish a House of Correction, and for other purposes," - is presented and read.

*Do.* Resolved, that Messrs Williams, Jones & Aldrich, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to request of the Hon. General Assembly, at their next session, in the name of the City Council, that the privilege now enjoyed by the City, of confining in the State's Jail in the County of Providence, all persons sentenced to imprisonment under the authority of the Act entitled "An Act to authorize the City of Providence to establish a House of Correction, and for other purposes," may be further continued. (Concurred, & the Mayor added)

*Do.* Resolved, That Messrs Williams, James and Aldrich, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to apply to the Hon. General Assembly, in the name of the City Council, for such Amendment or Amendments of the Act entitled "An Act to authorize

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the City of Providence to establish a House of Correction, and for other purposes," as will vest in the Mayor and Board of Aldermen, full power to discharge from confinement, any person who may be imprisoned by virtue of said Act.

(Concurred: & the Mayor added.)

Com from Mayor. A/c for enumeration of Militia.

A Communication from the Mayor, enclosing sundry Accounts, is presented and read: (said Accounts being for services & expenses in making the enumeration of the Militia in this City, as required by the Militia Law.)

Resolved, That the following sums be and the same are hereby allowed to the following named persons, for their services in enrolling the Militia in this City, as charged in their Accounts, this Day, exhibited to the City Council: viz.

To J. Briggs, twenty-eight Dollars and fifty cents;

To Charles W. Short, Twenty-four Dollars;

To Samuel Brown, ten Dollars.

And that said sums, so allowed, be paid by the City Treasurer to said persons respectively, out of any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

(Concurred.)

Fire Limits.

The Mayor who was on the 11<sup>th</sup> of September last, requested to confer with the Firewards, & inform the City Council, within what limits they deem it expedient that restrictions and prohibitions concerning the erection of Wooden Buildings should be established, - makes Report, accompanied by a Draft of an additional section to the Bill reported by the Committee of the Common Council on said 11<sup>th</sup> Day of September, entitled "An Act concerning the erection of Buildings in the City of Providence;" - which Report is read.

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whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received.

Expenditures for Highways, &c. Ord. relative to Street Commissioners, &c.

The Committee to whom, on the 11<sup>th</sup> Day of September last, was referred the Communication from the Mayor to the City Council, respecting the expenditures for Highways during the present municipal year; and to whom was then also referred a Bill providing for a repeal of a part of the Ordinance prescribing the Duties of the Street Commissioners and City Engineer, and for other purposes, make Report accompanied by a new Bill entitled "An Ordinance in Amendment of an Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance prescribing the Duties of the Street Commissioners and City Engineer, and for other purposes;'" - which Report is read and received; and said Bill so reported, is read and passed.

Angell Street &c.

The Committee to whom on the 11<sup>th</sup> Day of September last, was referred a Resolution for cutting down Angell Street make Report accompanied by a new Draft of a Resolution for the grading of Angell Street, and for the straightening of Prospect Street, as soon as the work already commenced by the Surveyor of Highways will permit; provided that not more than two thousand Dollars be expended therefor; - which Draft of a Resolution is read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be laid upon the Table.

Books 4 & 8.

Surveyor of Highways, to make monthly Reports.

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be instructed to make to the City Council, Monthly Reports, of the amount expended by him on Highways, and, as near as practicable, the amount expended on each Street or Section of a Street.

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W.G. Grant. A Petition of William G. Grant, confined in the State Jail in the County of St. Lawrence, as a vagrant, praying for relief, is presented and read, whereupon it is resolved that the same be received and dismissed.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention,

James W. Mumford is appointed a Wagoner of Anthracite Lumber Co.; and Amos Baker is appointed an Undertaker, - for the remainder of the present Municipal Year.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the 16<sup>th</sup> Day of October instant, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr. President,

Mr. Alrich,

Allin,

Bradford,

Butts,

Carpenter,

Fairbanks,

Goodhue,

Greene,

Hidden,

Hutchins,

James,

Jones,

Manchester,

Metcalf,

Patterson,

Smith,

Stinson,

Thumber,

Tingley,

Niell

21.

Albert G. Greene,  
Clerk.

October 16<sup>th</sup> 1843.

Common Council, October 16<sup>th</sup> 1843.

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

Com. from Treasurer. A communication from the City Treasurer, relative to the appropriation for "contingencies," for the present Municipal Year, is presented and read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

Washington St. A Petition of Bazillai Cranston & others, that a part of Washington Street may be paved, is presented and read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Carpenter St. A Petition of Joseph Bogman and others, for repairs on Carpenter Street, is presented and read, received & referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

W. Vazie & others. A Petition of Joseph Vazie & others, for a cross walk across North Main Street, at the foot of Constitution Hill, is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Benefit St. A Petition of Seth Adams Jr. and others, for cross walk across Benefit Street, at the head of Meeting Street and of Thomas Street, is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

A communication from the Mayor, recommending that

Com from the Mayor. Appropriation for Highways. The City Council take into consideration, the expediency of making an additional Appropriation for the repairs of Highways and Bridges, is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Woodsen Buildings. The Bill which was reported to the City Council on the 11<sup>th</sup> of September last, entitled "An Act concerning the erection of Buildings in the City of Providence," having been printed in the newspapers employed to do the City Printing, pursuant to the order then passed by the Common Council, is now again read, & is amended; and the following Resolution relative to the same, is read and passed: viz.

Resolved, That Messrs. Patten, Butts & Hutchins, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to request the Hon. General Assembly, in the name of the City Council, to pass into a Law the Bill prepared by the City Council, entitled "An Act concerning the erection of Buildings in the City of Providence."  
(Concurred, October 23<sup>d</sup> 1843. & the Mayor added.)

Report. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 11<sup>th</sup> of September last, was referred the Petition of Isaac Hart- horn & others for sundry cross walks in Richmond, 6<sup>th</sup> St., 293. Cliffland, Friendship & Pine Streets, - and to whom, on the 2<sup>d</sup> of October instant, was referred the Petition of Joseph W. Davis & others, for a cross walk across Chestnut Street, 298. make Report, which is read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received.

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

Across Eddy Street, on the North side of Cliffland Street;  
Across Eddy Street on the North side of Friendship Street;  
Across Cliffland Street, on the West side of Eddy Street;  
Across Richmond Street, on the North side of Cliffland Street;  
Across Chestnut Street, on the South side of Cliffland Street;  
Across Richmond Street, on the North side of Friendship Street;  
Across Chestnut Street, on the West side of Pine Street;  
Across High Street below the residence of Gov. Knight.  
(Concurred, October 23<sup>d</sup> 1843.)

Wheel Tires. The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to whom on the 7<sup>th</sup> Day of August last, was referred the Com- 288. munication of the Mayor respecting the setting of wheel tires, make report that it is inexpedient to take any further action upon the subject, at present. Which Report is read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received. (Concurred, Oct 23<sup>d</sup> 1843.)

Registry Tax of Providence. The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to whom on the 5<sup>th</sup> Day of December last, was referred a Petition of John H. Taylor & others that the Registry Tax may be paid by the City, for such of the Firemen of the City as may desire it; - and to whom, on the 2<sup>d</sup> Day of October instant, was referred a Com- 299. munication from the Mayor, upon the same subject, 307. make Report, accompanied by the Draft of a Reso- lution. which Report is read. Whereupon it is re- solved that the same be received.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday the 23<sup>d</sup> Day of October instant, at 4 o'clock P.M.

Members present,

Mr President,  
Aldrich,

" Allin,  
Bradford.

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Carpenter,  
Fairbanks,  
Godshue,  
Gorham,  
Greene,  
Hadden,  
Hatchins,  
Jones,  
Manchester,  
Metcalf.

Patten,  
Smith,  
Stimson,  
Tingley,  
Viall,  
Wase,  
Williams.

21.

Albert Greene,  
Clerk.

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Manial  
Lots.

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

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Petitions of James A. Gowdy,  
Samuel B. Bullock,  
A. C. Northrup,  
Ethan Whipple  
& Harris Reynolds, for liberty to fence in, and  
enclose buying lots in the North Manial Ground, are  
presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing  
Committee on City Property, to examine & report thereon.

Patrol of Manial  
lots by  
Town House.

A Petition of John W. Lonsdale, in behalf of the friends  
of the "Second Advent," for the use of the Town House,  
is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved,  
that the same be received, and referred to the Mayor,

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who is empowered to grant the same, if he deems it  
proper; and under such conditions as he may prescribe.  
(Concurred.)

Petition of  
J. A. Howarth  
for  
relief.

A Petition of James Howarth, for relief from a fine  
for selling liquor on Sunday, is presented and read. Where  
upon, it is resolved, that the same be received, and  
referred to the Standing Committee on Police, to exam-  
ine & report thereon.

Contingencies.

The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom on the  
16<sup>th</sup> day of October instant, was referred the Commu-  
nication of the City Treasurer, make Report, recom-  
mending an additional appropriation for "Contingencies,"  
of \$2000; which Report is read. Whereupon, it is  
resolved that the same be received.

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303.

Resolved, that the sum of Two Thousand Dollars,  
be and the same is hereby appropriated, for "Contin-  
gencies." (Concurred.)

Registry Tax  
of Firemen.

The Resolution reported on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of October instant,  
by the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, re-  
specting the payment by the City, of the Registry Tax  
for those firemen of the City, not otherwise qualified  
as voters under the State Constitution, - is again read.  
Whereupon it is resolved, that the consideration thereof  
be postponed until the next meeting of the Com-  
mon Council.

305.

Report on  
Petition of  
S. Adams Jr  
& al.  
for  
Curb walks  
Benefit St.

303.

The Standing Committee on Highway, to whom, on the  
16<sup>th</sup> day of October instant, was referred the petition of Seth  
Adams Jr, & others, for curb walks in Benefit Street,  
make Report in favor of granting the prayer thereof;  
which is read and received.

Do. Resolved that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to cause cross walks to be laid across Benefit Street, at the head of Thomas Street, and at the head of Meeting Street.

(Concurred.)

Appropriation for Highways. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom in the 16<sup>th</sup> day of October last, was referred the communication then made by the Mayor, respecting an additional Appropriation for the repairs of Highways & Bridges, make Report, which is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received.

Do. Resolved, that the sum of Eighteen Hundred Dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the following purposes, to wit:

For laying cross-walks already ordered to be laid by the City Council, Eight Hundred Dollars;

For completing the work already commenced on Randall Street, Five Hundred Dollars;

For paving the gutters and setting the curb-stones on High Street, Five Hundred Dollars.

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

City Engineer. Resolved, that Messrs Williams, Gorham & Stimson be and they are hereby appointed a committee to enquire into the expediency of so modifying the Ordinance prescribing the Duties of the Street Commissioners and City Engineer, for other purposes, - as to dispense with said Office of City Engineer.

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

confined under the House of Correction Act, be liberated from prison without payment of costs."

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

Resolved, That the Clerk be requested to have printed for the use of this Board, two hundred copies of the Standing Rules of Business, and of Order, adopted at the first meeting of the present Council.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday the 11<sup>th</sup> day of December next, at half past 6 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

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|----------------|-------------|
| Mr. President, | " Jones,    |
| Albick,        | Manchester, |
| Bradford,      | Metcalf,    |
| Bulls,         | Patten,     |
| Carpenter,     | Smith,      |
| Fairbanks,     | Stimson,    |
| Goodhue,       | Harber,     |
| Gorham,        | Tingley,    |
| Greene,        | Viall,      |
| Hidden,        | Wade,       |
| Hutchins,      | Williams,   |
| James,         |             |

Albert Greene,  
Clerk.

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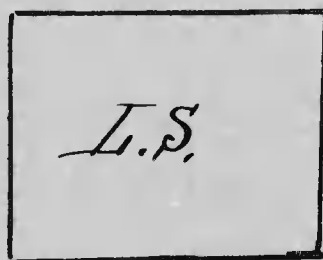
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Special Meeting.

Mayor  
Warrant.

Copy.

State of Rhode Island & Providence Plantations,  
City of Providence, Fe. 3



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

The office of City Treasurer having become vacant by resignation, it is expedient that there be a Meeting of the City Council at an earlier day than that to which either Board has adjourned, and you are therefore hereby notified to assemble in your respective Chambers, on Monday the twenty seventh of November instant at seven o'clock P.M., to transact such business as may legally come before you.

Witness my hand and the seal of said City, this twenty fifth day of November, A.D. one thousand eight hundred and forty three.

Thos. M. Bargee, Mayor.

"Providence, Nov 27<sup>th</sup> 1843. Notified the members of the City Council, as commanded, by their reading the within Warrant, excepting Eben Wade, who is absent from the State.

Edward Harwood, City Sergeant.

Pursuant to the requisition of the aforesaid Warrant,

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the Common Council are now assembled at 7 o'clock P.M.; a Quorum present.

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

E. Wade  
Resignation

A Communication from Eben Wade a member of this Board from the Third Ward, resigning his office as a member of this Board, is presented and read, whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, and that said resignation be accepted.

Death of  
Mason Allen Esq.

Whereas, this Board has been informed, that since its last meeting, Mason Allen Esq. one of its members, has been suddenly called from this mortal life: It is therefore,

Resolved: That we have heard with deep sorrow, the intelligence of this afflicting event, which has removed from us a highly respected Associate, and which has deprived his family of a kind husband and parent, and our community of a worthy and estimable citizen.

Resolved: That we deeply sympathize with the widow and family of the deceased, in their sudden and severe bereavement, and tender to them, the assurances of our sincere condolence.

Resolved: That these Resolutions be published in the newspapers of the City; and that a copy thereof be attested by the President and Clerk, and transmitted to the family of the deceased.

Elections,  
30 & 6<sup>th</sup>  
Wards.

Resolved: That a meeting of the qualified voters of the Third Ward be holden at the Ward Room in said Ward, on Monday the eleventh Day of

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December next at two o'clock P.M. for the purpose of electing a member of this Board from said Ward in the place of Eben Wade, who has resigned his seat in this Board: and that a Meeting of the qualified voters of the Sixth Ward be holden in the Old Pond Street School House, on the same day, and at the same hour, - for the purpose of electing a member of this Board from said Sixth Ward, in the place of Monason Allin, deceased.

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

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

J.M. Buttrick  
Burying lot  
B. 14. 2.  
A Petition of James M. Buttrick, for liberty to enclose a burying lot in the North Burial Ground, is presented and read, received, and referred to the standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon.

Michael M. Duade  
317.  
A Petition of Michael M. Duade, a convict now confined in the State's Jail in the County of Providence, under sentence for keeping a house of ill fame, praying for relief, - is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received and referred to the standing Committee on Police, to examine and report thereon.

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J. Mitchell  
B. 14. 3.  
A Petition of John Mitchell, now confined in the State's Jail in the County of Providence, under sentence for a violation of the License Law, praying for relief, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved that the same be received, and referred to the standing Committee on Police, to examine and report thereon.

Thos. Ryan.  
A Petition of Thomas Ryan, for relief, is presented and read.

Do  
Upon the Petition of Thomas Ryan now confined in the State's Jail in the County of Providence, under sentence for retailing strong liquors without license, - praying for relief, - it is Resolved, that the same be received, and the prayer thereof granted; and that the portion of the fine which said petitioner is bound by said sentence to pay to the City, be, and the same is hereby remitted.  
(Concurred.)

Adp walks  
and  
Love Lane.  
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A Petition of William Sheldon & others, for a cross-walk across Love Lane, at its junction with High Street, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to the standing Committee on Highways, to examine & report thereon.

Com. from Mayor.  
Resignation of City Treasurer.  
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A communication from the Mayor, informing the City Council, that on the 23<sup>d</sup> day of November instant, he received a communication from Benjamin Clifford, resigning his office of City Treasurer, is presented and read.

Report of Com to audit for A/c.  
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The joint Committee who were on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of June last, appointed to audit and settle the accounts of

November 27<sup>th</sup> 1843.

The City Treasurer, up to the first day of June last, make Report. That on said last-mentioned day, there was not in the City Bank, to the credit of the City, so large an amount of money as the Accounts showed the bal. and in the Treasurer's hands to be; and that there appears a deficiency in the Treasury at that time, amounting to \$5183. 21/100; — which Report is accompanied by the Treasurer's Account up to said first day of June. — and is read. Whereupon, it is resolved that said Report is received.

(Concurred.)

The Account accompanying said Report, is received & laid upon the Table.

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Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

S. Tripp  
City Treas.

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Benjamin Clifford having resigned his office of City Treasurer, — Stephen Tripp is elected City Treasurer, for the remainder of the present municipal year.

Brigman  
of S. Wade,  
City Auditor

Communication from Eben Wade, resigning his office as one of the City Audit, is read and received.

J. C. Hudson  
City Auditor

James C. Hudson is elected a City Auditor, for the remainder of the present municipal year.

Niagara  
Fire Co.

Communication from the Niagara Fire Company, relative to the election of a Fireward, is presented & read, received and laid upon the Table.

The two Boards separate.

In Common Council.

Resolved, That Messrs Stinson, Hutchins & Goodhue,

November 27<sup>th</sup> 1843.

Com to  
audit of  
of late  
Treasurer

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of to trans-  
fer books  
& papers.

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with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to audit and settle the Accounts of Benjamin Clifford, late City Treasurer, with the City; with power to employ an Assistant in the examination of said Accounts, and to draw upon the City Treasury for the expense incurred by the employment of such as Assistant.

Resolved, that said Committee be authorized and directed to transfer the books and papers in the City Treasurer's office, from the late Treasurer, to the Treasurer this day elected. (Concurred; & Alderman Fenner added.)

Com to  
take bond  
of S. Tripp  
City Treas

319.

Resolved, That Messrs Stinson, Hutchins, & Goodhue, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to take a bond from Stephen Tripp, City Treasurer, for the faithful discharge of the duties of his office for the present municipal year; and that said bond be for the sum of thirty thousand Dollars.

(Concurred; & Alderman Fenner added.)

Monthly  
Meeting  
of the  
Common  
Council,

Resolved, That when this Council adjourns, it will adjourn to meet on the second Monday in January next; and that, thereafter, during the remainder of the present municipal year, it will meet regularly on the second Monday of each month.

Respin  
from vote  
& adj't.

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Resolved, That the Common Council do receive from their vote of adjournment passed on the 23<sup>d</sup> of October last by which they resolved to meet on the eleventh day of December next.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday

316.

November 27<sup>th</sup> December 7<sup>th</sup> 1843

the eighth day of January next, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present,

Mr. President	" James,
" Aldrich	" Jones,
" Bradford	" Manchester,
" Bates,	" Metcalf,
" Carpenter,	" Patten,
" Fairbanks,	" Smith,
" Goodhue,	" Stinson,
" Gorham,	" Thurber,
" Greene,	" Viall,
" Hadden,	" Williams,
" Hutchins,	

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Albert G. Greene,  
Clerk.

Common Council, December 7<sup>th</sup> 1843

Special Meeting.

Copy.

"State of Rhode Island & Providence Plantations,  
City of Providence, ss."

L.S.

To the Members of the Common  
Council of said City,

Greeting.  
You are hereby required to open the  
in your chamber, at seven o'clock P.M., on Thurs-  
day the seventh day of December instant, (to  
which time the Board of Aldermen have adjourned)

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December 7<sup>th</sup> 1843.

for the transaction of such business as may lawfully  
come before you, and especially, that the City Council  
as may, if deemed expedient, elect a City Clerk,  
in place of Richard M. Field, deceased.

Witness my hand and the seal of said  
City, this fifth day of December, A.D.  
One thousand, eight hundred, forty three,

Thos. M. Burgess,  
Mayor.

"Providence, December 6<sup>th</sup>, 1843. Notified the mem-  
bers of the Common Council, as required,  
by their reading the same.

Edward Harwood,  
City Sergeant."

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

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

A communication from the Mayor, relative to the schools  
for colored children, is presented and read.

Resolved, That the Superintendent of Public Schools  
do, he and he is hereby authorized, under the advice  
and direction of the School Committee, to contract  
for the tuition, in private schools, of such of the  
colored children of the City as ought to attend  
Primary Schools, and who reside at an in-  
convenient distance from the Meeting Street School-  
House. (Concurred.)

The Standing Committee on Police, to whom on the  
27<sup>th</sup> of November last was referred the Petition of

312,  
318.

Michael M<sup>c</sup>Quade, a convict, confined in the State Jail in the County of Providence, under sentence for keeping a house of ill fame, make Report that the City Council have no jurisdiction in the case, which Report is read and received, - and it is thereupon, Resolved, that said petitioner have leave to withdraw his said petition.

Do. 317. A Petition of said Michael M<sup>c</sup>Quade now confined in said State Jail, under sentence for retailing strong liquors, without licence, praying for relief, - is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Police, to examine and report thereon.

Burying Lots. Petitions of Jesse Parks, Joseph Brummon and William B. Bowen, for liberty to enclose burying lots, in the North Burial Ground, are presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon.

Death of R. M. Field City Clerk. Resolutions in the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen, are sent down, for concurrence, and are read: viz.

266. Whereas, it has pleased Almighty God, since the last meeting of the City Council, to remove from this world, our respected City Clerk, Richard M. Field, Esq; - Therefore, Resolved, that in expressing our sorrow for this melancholy event, we desire to testify our high appreciation of the services rendered to this Community by our departed Associate, in the courteous and faithful discharge of the duties of the responsible office which

he has so long held; and that we respectfully tender to his afflicted family our sympathy in this their sad bereavement.

Resolved, that this Resolution be published in the Providence Journal; and that the Mayor be requested to communicate the same to the family of the deceased."

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

315. Report of B. Clifford late City Treasurer. The joint Committee appointed on the 27<sup>th</sup> of November last, to audit and settle the Accounts of Benjamin Clifford late City Treasurer, with the City, make Report, that they have examined the Account of said late Treasurer, from the 1<sup>st</sup> of June, AD 1843, to the 30<sup>th</sup> of November, 1843; and that the same appears to be correct; and that the payments from the Treasury are all verified by proper vouchers; - which Report is accompanied by said Account, - and is read. Whereupon, it is resolved that the same be received; - and also, that the same, together with said Account, be recorded.

(Concurred)

316. Do. The Account of Benjamin Clifford late City Treasurer, with the City, from June 1<sup>st</sup> 1842, to June 1<sup>st</sup> 1843, which was, on the 27<sup>th</sup> Day of November last, laid upon the Table, is now again read, together with amendments made thereto by the Committee of the City Council, appointed on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Day of June last, to audit and settle the same. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same, so amended, be recorded.

(Concurred.)

315. Do. The joint Committee appointed on the 27<sup>th</sup> Day of November last, to take a bond from Stephen Tripp, City Treasurer, make Report, that such bond has been executed

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and lodged in the City Clerk's Office: which Report is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received and recorded.

Books, papers in office. The joint Committee appointed on the 27<sup>th</sup> of November last, to transfer the books and papers in the City Treasurer's Office, from the late to the present Treasurer, - make Report, that such transfer was made on the 30<sup>th</sup> Day of said November: which Report is read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received and recorded.

(Concurred.)

Compensation of City Clerk. A Bill, entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance fixing the Compensation of certain Officers, for the year ending on the first Monday in June A.D. 1844"; - (said bill relating to the Compensation of the City Clerk,) - having passed the Board of Aldermen, - is sent down for concurrence, - and is read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein.

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High Street Surveyor's Report. The Surveyor of Highways makes Report, that he has caused the curb stones to be set, & the gutters paved, in High Street; and that for said work it has been necessary to expend the whole of the appropriation made on the 23<sup>rd</sup> Day of October last, (being \$500,) & also to use paving-stones belonging to the City, of the value of \$105.<sup>00</sup>/<sub>100</sub>. - which Report is read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received.

308.

(Concurred.)

Com on deposit of City funds. Resolved, that Messrs Hutchins, Timson & Goodhue, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to make an arrangement with one or more of the Banks in this City, for the deposit of the City funds, for the

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year commencing on the first Day of January next, - upon such terms as they may think most for the interest of the City.

(Concurred, & Alderman Hoppin added.)

Standing Rules. The Clerk makes Report, that pursuant to the order passed on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of October last, two Hundred copies of the Standing Rules of the City Council & Standing Rules of Order of the Common Council, have been printed for the use of this Board.

309.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

Alderman. Albert Tabone is, by ballot, elected City Clerk, for the remainder of the present municipal year, in the place of Richard M. Field, Deceased.

City Clerk.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet pursuant to the vote of adjournment passed on the 27<sup>th</sup> Day of November last: to sit, to meet on Monday, the eighth Day of January next, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr. President.

Albion,

Bradford,

Batts,

Carpenter,

Fairbanks,

Goodhue,

Graham,

Greene,

.. Widden

Hutchins,

James,

Jones,

Monahan,

Metcalf,

Patten,

Smith,

Timson,

322,

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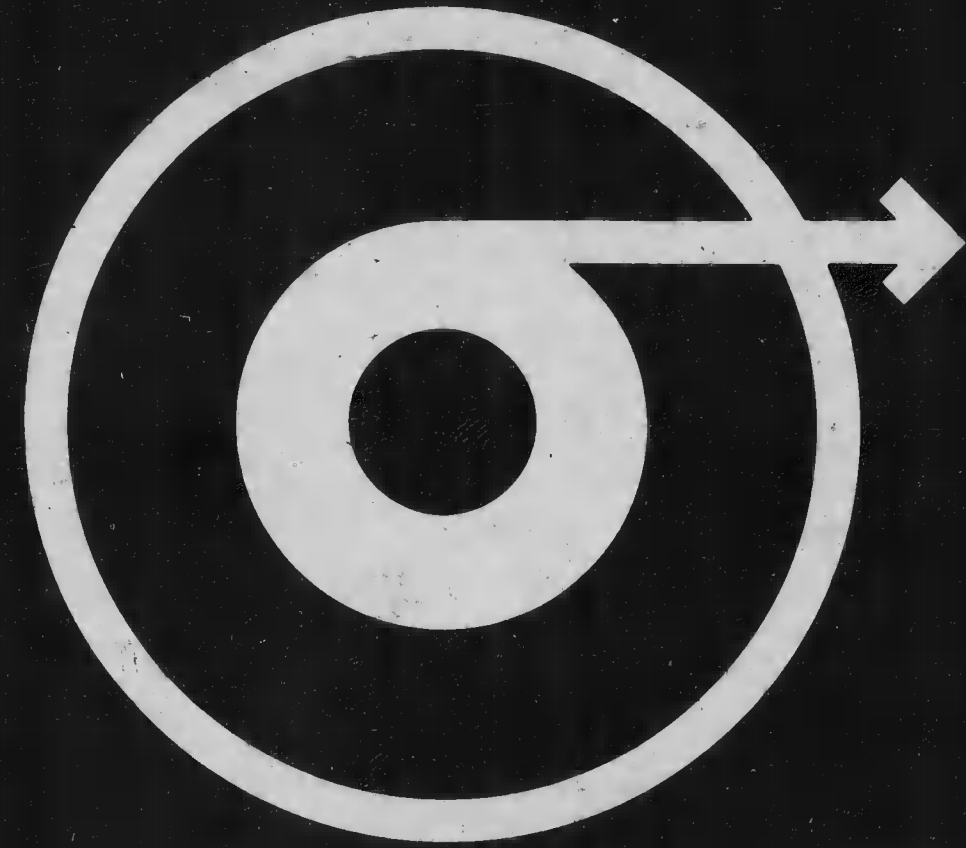
Singly,  
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Albert G. Greene,  
Clerk.



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