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No. 320.

Tax of St. Johns Lodge

Resolved

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to remit the sum of Sixty 75/100 dollars from the amount assessed against St Johns Lodge in the City Tax of 1870

Passed In Common Council January 9. 1871

In Board of Aldermen January 11. 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No. 321.

B of Aldermen to declare Union st

Resolved:—

That the Board of Aldermen be and they are hereby requested to receive Union street from Worcester street to Fountain street and declare the same a public highway, the same having been travelled for more than twenty years

Passed In Common Council January 9. 1871

In Board of Aldermen January 11. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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No. 322.

B of Aldermen to declare Worcester st.

Resolved:—

That the Board of Aldermen be and they are hereby requested to receive Worcester street from Union street to Cove street and declare the same a public highway, the same having been travelled for more than twenty years

Passed In Common Council January 9. 1871

In Board of Aldermen January 11. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A Doyle Mayor.

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No 323

Quarterly Report of Surveyor of Highways

The Surveyor of Highways makes his Quarterly Report for the quarter ending November 30. 1870 See City Documents No 35.

Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed In Board of Aldermen January 11. 1871

In Common Council February 13. 1871

No 324.
Report of Committee to settle with Whatcheer Corporation for cutting of Sidewalks

The Joint Special Committee appointed to settle all claims arising out of the widening of North Main street and to whom was referred the claim of the Whatcheer Corporation with authority to arrange and adjust the same, make report that they have entered into an agreement with said Corporation, that the City should continue the line of the sidewalk on the easterly side of North Main street across a portion of the sidewalk in front of the Whatcheer Building, taking off about eighty seven square feet of said sidewalks in payment to said corporation of the sum of fourteen hundred dollars.

Ready whereupon it is ordered that the same be accepted

Passed In Board of Aldermen January 11. 1871.
In Common Council February 13. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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No 325.

Sidewalks of Whatcheer Corporation

Resolved:—

That the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to cut off that portion of the sidewalk in front of the Whatcheer Building that is required to carry out the line of the sidewalk on the easterly side of North Main street until it runs into Market Square

Passed In Board of Aldermen January 11. 1871
In Common Council February 13. 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 326.

Park at Fields Point

Whereas the General Assembly did on the 24th day of March 1869 pass an act entitled "An act to authorize the City of Providence to establish a Public Park in said City", and

Whereas, a large number of the tax payers of said city, representing about thirty millions of dollars, (as per the Assessors' valuation of the taxable property of said City,) have petitioned the General Assembly to so amend the act that the report of the Commissioners provided under the act, shall be subject to the acceptance or rejection of the City Council, as they may deem expedient:- and

Whereas, said petition is now before a committee of the General Assembly pending action thereon;- therefore it is-



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Resolved:—

That the City Solicitor be directed to urge upon the General assembly such amendment of the act as shall make it conform to the conditions asked for in said petition.

Passed In Board of Aldermen January 11. 1871.
In Common Council February 13. 1871.

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No 327.

Federal St School

Resolved:—

That the School established in the new school house at the corner of Federal and Dean streets, be hereafter known and designated as the Federal Street School.

Passed In Board of Aldermen January 25. 1871.
In Common Council February 13. 1871.

(Dated by the Mayor February 27. 1871)

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No 328

Message from the Mayor

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Mayor's Office City of Providence February 6. 1871.

Gentlemen of the City Council

I transmit herewith the memorial of George W. Long & Co of Boston Mass. the holders of the coupons due in July 1857 upon the bonds of the city issued to the Hartford Providence and Fishkill Railroad Company, in which they request payment of the said coupons by the city.

Geo W Long & Co

Coupons of July 1857.

In regard to this memorial which is I presume preliminary to commencing a suit against the city, I deem it proper to inform you that J. I. Holmes Esq. the counsel for Messrs Long & Co, in an interview with me in the presence of the City Solicitor and other parties, pledged his honor to return the coupons which were in his possession at that time, to the authorities of the city whenever they should demand them. Subsequently at another interview he renewed that pledge thereby preventing me from taking legal measures to regain these coupons which are the lawful property of the City of Providence

Thomas A Doyle
Mayor.

328. In Board of Aldermen February 6. 1871. Read.
In Common Council February 13. 1871. Read.

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(Copy)

To the Honorable City Council of the City of Providence,

Respectfully represent George H. Long and John C. Watson that they are engaged in the business of bankers and brokers at Boston in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, under the name of George H. Long & Company; that in the course of their said business they have come into the possession of and are the holders of certain interest warrants or coupons of the City of Providence for thirty dollars each, payable on the first day of July 1857, to the Hartford Providence and Fishkill Railroad Company or bearer, numbered from one to five hundred inclusive being for the half yearly interest on certain certificates of said city: that your petitioners have presented said warrants or coupons at the office of the treasurer of said city and payment thereof has been refused and the same have not been paid: wherefore your petitioners allege that they have a claim against the said city for the amount of said coupons and interest thereon, and they respectfully petition your Honorable body that an order be passed directing the said treasurer to pay the amount of your petitioners said claim to them

Geo H. Long
John C. Watson

G. H. Long & Co

Coupons of July 1857.

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No 329.

Resolved:—

That the Message of His Honor the Mayor dated February 6. 1871 enclosing the memorial of George H. Long & Co relative to the coupons of July 1857 upon the bonds of the City of Providence issued to the Hartford Providence and Fishkill Railroad Company, wherein Messrs Long demand payment of said coupons, be referred to the Joint Committee on the reduction of the city debt, to examine and report thereon.

Passed In Board of Aldermen February 6. 1871.
In Common Council February 13. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 330 Message from the Mayor

Mayor's Office City of Providence February 6. 1871

Gentlemen of the City Council

At the request of George H. Wilson Esq I transmit herewith the opinions of Messrs Noble T. Greene, J. W. Cunningham and others upon the question of locating a bridge across the Seekonk river at or near the site of the old bridge, so called, and suggest their reference to some committee for examination

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

Central Bridge

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In Board of Aldermen February 6. 1871. Read.
In Common Council February 13. 1871 Read.

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No 331.

Resolved:—

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to pay the sum of eight hundred dollars, from the appropriation for opening streets, for a lot of land necessary for the purpose of extending Arnold street easterly to Governor street, when a deed of said lot satisfactory to the City Solicitor shall be presented to the City Treasurer.

Land to be purchased for Arnold st.

Passed In Board of Aldermen February 6. 1871.
In Common Council February 13. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 332

Resolved:—

That the sum of three hundred dollars, be hereby appropriated for the purpose of re-furnishing and improving the chamber of the Board of Aldermen; to be paid from the appropriation for public buildings

City Building Chamber of Bd of Aldermen

Passed In Board of Aldermen February 6. 1871.
In Common Council February 13. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 329.

Monthly Report of Chief Engineer

The Chief Engineer of the Fire Department makes his Monthly Report for the month ending January 31. 1871

Expended for Salaries $ 1833.28 Incidental $ 2947.80 Total $ 4781.08

Ready: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed In Common Council February 13. 1871.

In Board of Aldermen February 15. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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No

Monthly Report of Harbor Master

The Harbor Master makes his Monthly Report for the month ending Jan 31. 1871 Amount collected $ 48.00

Ready: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed In Common Council February 13. 1871.

In Board of Aldermen February 15. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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Monthly Report of City Treasurer

The City Treasurer makes his Monthly Report for the month ending Jan. 31. 1871. Cash on hand $ 338.145.70

Ready: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed In Common Council February 13. 1871.

In Board of Aldermen February 15. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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No

Registered Bonds

The City Treasurer makes his Report of the Issue of Registered Bonds for the two months ending January 1. 1871

Coupon Bonds Surrendered for exchange, none.

Ready whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed In Common Council February 13. 1871.

In Board of Aldermen February 15, 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 337.

Monthly Report of City Treasurer Registered Bonds

The City Treasurer makes his Monthly Report of the Issue of Registered Bonds for the month ending January 31. 1871.

Issued one bond payable Sept 1. 1885 for $ 5000. each $ 5000.

In exchange for five coupon bonds of $ 1000. each 5000.

Ready: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed In Common Council February 13. 1871.

In Board of Aldermen February 15. 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 338.

Annual Report of Supt of Buildings

The Superintendent of Public Buildings makes his Annual Report for the year ending December 31. 1871.

(See City Document No 27)

Ready: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed In Common Council February 13. 1871

In Board of Aldermen February 15. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle. Mayor

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No 339.

Annual Report of Chief of Police

The Chief of Police makes his Annual Report for the year ending December 31. 1870.

See City Document No 33.

Ready whereupon it is ordered that the same be received and printed in pamphlet form for the use of the City Council

Passed In Common Council February 13. 1871.

In Board of Aldermen February 15. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 340.

School House on Potters Avenue

Resolved:—

That the old School House on Potters Avenue, be sold by auction, under the direction of the committee on City Property; the proceeds to be paid into the city treasury, and applied towards the reduction of the city debt

Passed In Common Council February 13. 1871.

In Board of Aldermen February 15. 1871.

Approved the same day Thomas A Doyle Mayor

# Return of Lumber Surveyed in the City of Providence

For the Year Ending February 6. 1871

| By whom Surveyed | White Pine Boards Planks & Joists | | | | | | Js & Hard Pine Boards Planks & Timber | | Spruce Boards Plank Joist & Sawed Timber | | Hemlock Boards Plank Joist & Sawed Timber | | White Pine Timber | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | No 1. Feet | No 2 Feet | No 3 Feet | No 4 Feet | No 5 Feet | No 6 Feet | Merch Feet | Refuse Feet | Merch Feet | Refuse Feet | Merch Feet | Refuse Feet | Merch Feet | Refuse Feet |
| Robert Manchester Jr | 11192 | 217.311 | 302.474 | 203.714 | 1370.013 | 32.914 | 582.118 | 64.536 | 1836.508 | 137.154 | 478.532 | 50.056 | 111 | |
| Nath[l] B. Bushee | 16.548 | 89.807 | 161.548 | 130.790 | 796.683 | 25.975 | 505.558 | 240.858 | 2135.968 | 167.114 | 581.240 | 66.610 | | |
| Jacob Sillowray | 243 | 872 | 7844 | 107.616 | 494.235 | 11.429 | 170.854 | 67.504 | 2791.157 | 395.149 | 671.191 | 230.341 | | |
| Jas H. Robinson | 77.279 | 245.140 | 325.960 | 257.312 | 743.280 | 128.243 | 1290.467 | 239.058 | 1783.831 | 373.023 | 451.686 | 94.311 | | |
| Ebenezer B. Lee | 954 | 4.531 | 2834 | 5250 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Frank R. Chadwell | 13.674 | 45.733 | 81.453 | 31.712 | 624.530 | 95.512 | 489.558 | 119.839 | 2057.287 | 389.007 | 1306.882 | 216.363 | | |
| Smith Potter | 3425 | 10.583 | 6959 | 10.252 | 262.094 | 153.962 | 754.271 | 296.164 | 1466.566 | 167.297 | 536.932 | 88.574 | | |
| Chas A Manchester | | | | 1885 | 241.288 | 30.660 | 694.831 | 99.975 | 2189.845 | 104.983 | 601.670 | 116.675 | 12829 | 163 |
| Archie B Winship | 14.357 | 46.767 | 171434 | 103.504 | 535.340 | 81.992 | 231.233 | 56.844 | 2892.231 | 307.421 | 922.905 | 96.553 | | |
| Special Deputies | 932 | 10.881 | 34.253 | 15.654 | 149.245 | 135 | 79.171 | 49.837 | 211.844 | 19.780 | 114.798 | 13.320 | 21.312 | 472 |
| Esek A Jillson | 2417 | 64.617 | 117.947 | 113.670 | 328.157 | 11.333 | 118.996 | 3878 | 295.060 | 30.342 | 187.448 | 34.832 | | |
| Total | 140.021 | 736.2421 | 1149.250 | 931.289 | 5544.885 | 542.136 | 4917.062 | 1238.280 | 17650.297 | 2008.300 | 5772.344 | 1030.037 | 34.252 | 634. |

| Oak & Chestnut Boards Plank & Joists | | Ash Boards Planks & Joists | | Birch & Maple Boards Plank & Joist | | White Wood Boards Plank & Joist | | Cherry Boards Planks & Joist | | Black Walnut Boards Planks & Joist | | Mahogany & Cedar Boards Planks & Joists | | Surveyor-Generals Fees | Deputy Surveyors Fees |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Merch Feet | Refuse Feet | Merch Feet | Refuse Feet | Merch Feet | Refuse Feet | Merch Feet | Refuse Feet | Merch Feet | Refuse Feet | Merch Feet | Refuse Feet | Merch Feet | Refuse Feet | $ cts | $ cts |
| | | | | 5459 | 1756 | | | | | | | | | 159. 58 | 1169 57 |
| 16995 | 7238 | 64.675 | 7425 | 63.227 | 13.384 | 39.968 | 4459 | 4427 | 1315 | 103.695 | 21.918 | | | 169. 38 | 1221. 77 |
| 12031 | 4338 | 1021 | 329 | 6654 | 4133 | 4415 | 1313 | | | 1842 | 102 | | | 150. 45 | 1100. 47 |
| 38.646 | 31.084 | 12707 | 1313 | 284 | 61 | 34.743 | 4157 | | | 20.127 | 10.404 | | | 185. 33 | 1352. 68 |
| 64813 | 51.494 | 166.921 | 42.373 | 133891 | 115948 | 377.119 | 73.679 | 10925 | 44.195 | 372.544 | 156.871 | 1.666 | 4280 | 79. 71 | 527. 94 |
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| 5680 | 1249 | 1178 | 539 | | | 690 | 1919 | | | | | | | 113. 88 | 834 39 |
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Grand Total feet 43.979.370.

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To the Hon City Councils

The undersigned, Surveyor General of Lumber, in accordance with law herewith makes return to the City Councils of all the lumber surveyed in the City of Providence by himself or his deputies during the year ending February 6. 1871. Specifying the various kinds and qualities of lumber surveyed and the amount of all fees received by him or his deputies

Respectfully submitted

Esek A Jillson

Surveyor

Providence February 6. 1871.

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

Passed In Common Council February 13. 1871.

In Board of Aldermen February 15. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

## Report.

Bridgham School

The Joint Standing Committee on Education, to whom was referred the request of the School Committee for a change of single for double desks in the first and second rooms of the Bridgham Street school house, would report that they do not recommend the change, as it would cause the loss of fourteen seats, which if not needed for scholars in the fifth district, may be filled to advantage from the overcrowded sixth district.

For the committee

Alfred Metcalf Chairman

Providence February 13, 1871

Ready: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received
Passed In Common Council February 13, 1871
In Board of Aldermen February 15, 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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## Report.

Federal street School.

The Joint Committee on Education, to whom was referred the request of the School Committee for an appropriation of fifty dollars, to defray the expenses of dedicating the Federal Street school house, would report, that this expenditure has already been made by the School Committee, and the bills therefor should be presented to the proper department and paid, if correct; and your committee can only account for the irregular course pursued by the School Committee in this instance, by the supposition, that, to aid their appeal to the General Assembly, they wish thus to give the impression that they are not authorized to expend even the most trifling sums, when in reality, with some few exceptions, they "have the exclusive control of all moneys appropriated for the support of the schools."

For the committee

Alfred Metcalf Chairman

Providence February 13, 1871
Ready: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received
Passed In Common Council February 13, 1871
In Board of Aldermen February 15, 1871
(Not approved)



No 344.

## Report

School House on Greenwich st

The Joint Standing Committee on Education, to whom was referred the request of the School Committee, for an appropriation of fifteen hundred dollars, for the purpose of properly warming and ventilating the School house on Greenwich street, would report, that they find this building better ventilated than most which are heated by stoves; and, as the rejection of stoves for heating purposes in all our school houses, would be attended with considerable expense, they recommend that the subject of ventilation in all our school houses, be referred to the Committee on City Property to examine and report thereon

Ventilation of School houses

For the committee

Alfred Metcalf Chairman.

Providence February 13, 1871.

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Ready: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received
Passed In Common Council February 13, 1871.
In Board of Aldermen February 15, 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 345

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Resolved: —

That the subject of ventilation in all the school houses of the city be referred to the Joint Committee on City Property to examine and report thereon

Passed In Common Council February 13, 1871
In Board of Aldermen February 15, 1871
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 346.

Resolved: —

Writing

That the School Committee be and they are hereby authorized to expend the sum of two hundred dollars for an experiment in teaching writing; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for public schools

Passed In Common Council February 13, 1871 in Board of Ald. Feb 15, 1871.
Approved the same day Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

No 347.

Wm Earle, trustee

N. B. Ground Fund

Resolved:—

That the gift of William Earle, trustee of the estate of George Earle, deceased, of the sum of one hundred dollars to the Commissioners of the North Burying Ground, in trust, the income thereof to be applied under the provisions of chapter 367 of the public laws to the preservation and care of the buried lot of said George Earle in said ground, be and the same is hereby accepted by the City Council

Passed In Common Council February 13, 1871.
In Board of Aldermen February 15, 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Thurber Avenue

Resolved:—

That the Joint Committee on Highways, be hereby authorized to settle with parties on Thurber avenue, for damages sustained by grading said avenue; the amount to be paid out of the appropriation for Highways, provided, the amount shall not exceed the sum of five hundred dollars

Passed In Common Council February 13. 1871.
In Board of Aldermen February 15, 1871.
Approved the same day

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Police pay

Resolved:—

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to pay for police duty performed in January 1871 by men who have been appointed but not confirmed: the same to be charged to the appropriation for Police; as follows

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|---|---|
| Alfred D. Weaks | $2.50 |
| Isaac Weaver | $5.25 |
| William J. Booth | $8.25 |
| Robert Flynn | $5.25. |

Passed In Board of Aldermen February 15th 1871.
In Common Council February 13. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor



No 350.

Tax of C. M. Andrews

Resolved:—

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to remit the sum of ninety four 50/100 dollars, from the amount assessed against Caleb M. Andrews, in the city tax of 1870.

Passed In Common Council February 13, 1871
In Board of Aldermen February 15, 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 351

Tax of P. A. Blackinton

Resolved:—

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to remit the sum of nine and 35/100 dollars from the amount assessed against Phebe A. Blackinton in the city tax of 1870.

Passed In Common Council February 13. 1871.
In Board of Aldermen February 15, 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 352

Tax of Prov Mechanics Assn

Resolved —

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to remit the sum of sixty and 75/100 dollars from the amount assessed against the Providence Association of Mechanics and Manufacturers in the city tax of 1870.

Passed In Common Council February 13. 1871.
In Board of Aldermen February 15, 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 353.

Tax of Prov Royal Arch Chapter No 1.

Resolved:—

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to remit the sum of fifty four dollars from the amount assessed against the Providence Royal Arch Chapter No 1. in the city tax of 1870.

Passed In Common Council February 13. 1871.
In Board of Aldermen February 15, 1871
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Building raised

Resolved:—

That permission be granted to John I. Snipp to raise a certain building located at No 33 Winter street, pursuant to his petition

Passed In Common Council February 13. 1871.

In Board of Aldermen February 15, 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A Doyle Mayor.

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Buildings to be removed.

Resolved:—

By the City Council, that permission be granted to the following named persons to move certain wooden buildings pursuant to their several petitions and to the ordinance in relation to the removal of wooden buildings; provided, that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby be repaired at the expense of the several petitioners: viz:-

Matthew Allyn

Ira Johnson

Edwin Mowney

Alfred Stone

Passed In Common Council February 13. 1871.

In Board of Aldermen February 15, 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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City Solicitor to oppose changes in School Laws

Resolved:—

That the City Solicitor be hereby requested to appear before the committee of the General Assembly and oppose any change in the statutes of the state relative to the public schools of this city until the said change shall have received the approval of the City Council

Passed In Board of Aldermen February 15, 1871.

In Common Council February 27, 1871.

(not approved)

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Cross Pawtuxet & Central Falls R Rs

Resolved:—

That the Joint Committee on Railroads be and they are hereby instructed to inquire into and report whether any and if so what action is necessary to be taken by the City Council in relation to the rate of fares upon the Providence, Pawtuxet and Central Falls Railroads.

Passed In Board of Aldermen February 15, 1871.

In Common Council February 27. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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Land to be purchased for School houses

Resolved:—

That the Committee on City Property be and they are hereby authorized to purchase the lot in the rear of the School house lot on Thurber avenue, measuring forty by one hundred feet, and two lots, each of about the same dimensions, in the rear of the Public street school house, provided, the cost thereof shall not exceed the sum of fifteen hundred dollars, which amount is hereby appropriated for that purpose, to be charged to the appropriation for school houses and lots. and provided, that a title satisfactory to the City Solicitor be obtained

Passed In Board of Aldermen February 15, 1871.

In Common Council February 27, 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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Register of Transfers

Message from the Mayor

Mayors Office City of Providence February 27, 1871.

Gentlemen of the City Council

The Board of Assessors have been engaged since the completion of the work of assessing the tax of 1870, in making a re-valuation of the real estate of the city which has been long needed.

Some weeks since I was informed by them that the results of their work would be of no value during the present year unless the clerical force in the office of the Register of Transfers was immediately increased I accordingly directed the Register to procure such additional assistance as was necessary, which he did. I desire to call your attention to this important department, the labor and responsibility of which has been so largely increased within a few years, and I suggest that a committee be appointed to examine the matter and report what action should be taken thereon by you

Thomas A Doyle Mayor

Read February 27, 1871.

No

Register of Transfers

Resolved:

That the Message of His Honor the Mayor, relative to the office of Register of Transfers, and the need of more assistance therein be referred to Messrs Bradford, Van Slyck and J B Barnaby with Alderman Earle to examine and report thereon

Passed February 27. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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Message from the Mayor

Mayor's Office City of Providence February 27. 1871.

City Seal

Gentlemen of the City Council

The issue of the bonds for the water loan will require four thousand impressions of the City Seal. The present die is so nearly worn out as to be scarcely legible and I therefore suggest that authority be at once given for a new seal. In this connection I desire to call your attention to the necessity of establishing a Seal for the Mayor. It has been customary heretofore to affix the city seal to all documents verified before that officer. The increase of such business has been very great and it is questionable whether the city seal should be longer used for that purpose.

Mayors Seal

I have during the present municipal year had occasion to affix the seal to upwards of thirty deeds and instruments in a single transaction. In other cities it has been found necessary from the same cause to establish a "Mayors Seal", and I commend this matter to your attention.

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

Read February 27. 1871.

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No 365.

Mayors Seal

Resolved: —

That the Message of His Honor the Mayor relative to a seal for his office be and the same is hereby referred to the Joint Committee on Ordinances to report an ordinance establishing a Seal for the Mayor

Passed February 27. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor



No 366.

Ordinance

An Ordinance in amendment of an ordinance, entitled "an Ordinance establishing the City Seal and the seals for the Board of Aldermen and for the Municipal Court."

See Book of Ordinances No 3 page

Passed February 27. 1871.

Approved March 6. 1871.

Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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City Seal

Resolved: -

That the City Clerk, acting under the advice of the Mayor, be hereby authorized to procure a new city seal for the use of the city: to be paid for from the appropriation for printing.

Passed February 27. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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No.

Ordinance

An Ordinance in amendment of an ordinance entitled "an ordinance creating a Water Loan for the City of Providence"

See Book of Ordinances

Passed February 27. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No. 1

Ann Report of Surveyor of Highways

The Surveyor of Highways makes his Annual Report for the year ending November 30. 1870

(City Document No 31.)

Ready: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed February 27. 1871

(Not approved)

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No 370.

Ann. Report of City Auditor

The City Auditor makes his Annual Report for the year ending September 30. 1870.

(City Document No 29)

Ready: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed February 27. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle. Mayor

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Annual Report of City Treasurer

The City Treasurer makes his Annual Report for the fiscal year ending September 30. 1870
(See City auditors Report page 40) City Document No 29)
Ready: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received
Passed February 27. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Annual Report of Prov Reform School

The Trustees of the Providence Reform School make their Twentieth Annual Report, for the year ending November 30. 1870.
(City Document No 34.)
Ready: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received, and that eight hundred copies thereof be printed for the use of the City Council
Passed February 27. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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Prov Reform School

Resolved: —
That the request of the Trustees of the Providence Reform School, for an additional appropriation for the purposes of said institution, be and the same is hereby referred to the Joint Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.
Passed February 27. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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1869, 4.

Central Bridge

Resolved: —
That the City of Providence in connection with the Town of East Providence, will construct an iron bridge across the Seekonk River at the site of the Central Bridge, so called, in accordance with the conditions set forth in an Act of the General Assembly of the State of Rhode Island, passed at its May session A.D. 1869. entitled "An Act to authorize



374. the erection of a Bridge across Seekonk River" - the said City of Providence assuming to pay as its portion of the cost of the construction of said bridge, the amount required to build the same over and above the sum of thirty five thousand dollars, ($35,000) of which said sum of thirty five thousand dollars, the amount of twenty thousand dollars ($20,000) has been appropriated by the State towards the erection of said bridge by the aforesaid Act of the General Assembly, and the amount of fifteen thousand dollars, ($15,000) has been appropriated towards the erection of said bridge by the Town of East Providence), by a resolution passed in town meeting on the 9th day of December A.D. 1869. provided, that the amount to be paid by the City of Providence for the construction of said bridge, shall not exceed the sum of twenty thousand dollars ($20,000.) and the City of Providence hereby agrees to maintain and keep in repair all of said bridge included within the limits of said city

Appropriation

Resolved:
That the sum of twenty thousand dollars is hereby appropriated for the purpose set forth in the foregoing resolution, being the amount heretofore paid to the Central Bridge Commissioners and now in their hands.

Resolved: —
That the Central Bridge Commissioners are hereby appointed the agents of the City of Providence, for the purpose of constructing the bridge aforesaid, with full power to use and expend the said appropriated money in the construction of said bridge under the foregoing resolutions

Passed February 27. 1871
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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1875

Salary Ordinance

Resolved: —
That the Joint Committee on Finance be hereby instructed to report in print, an ordinance fixing the salaries of the officers of the City, for the year ensuing the first Monday in June, 1871.

Passed February 27. 1871
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

No 376.

Resolved:—

James Meiner

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to pay as a gratuity to James Meiner or his legal representatives, the sum of one dollar and twenty five cents per day for such a period, not exceeding six months from the first day of December 1870, as the Board of Aldermen may determine; said payments to be made monthly and paid from the appropriation for the police.

Passed February 27. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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Resolved:—

India street

That Alderman Earle and Messrs Shaw. Dabob and A. J. Barnaby of the Common Council be and they are hereby authorized to settle all claims for damages to estates on India street caused by the re-grading of the same

Passed In Board of Aldermen January 11. 1871.
In Common Council February 27. 1871
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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In Convention February 27. 1871.

Each a Citizen is elected Surveyor General of Lumber for the year ensuing
On Informal Ballot gave the following vote
Each a Citizen 26. Nathaniel C. Parker 8. Robert Manchester Jr 7

John A Creighton and Lucien J. Arnold are nominated as Constables, which nominations are referred to the Joint Committee on Police.

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No 378
Point street Bridge

Resolved:

That the committee on the building of Point Street Bridge, be and they are hereby instructed to report to the next meeting of the City Council, the amount of money paid for the construction of said bridge: also the amount of claims and bills unpaid:- also, to report the present condition of



378 said bridge, and the reasons why the contracts for its building have not been fulfilled: and also, at what probable time said Structure may be completed; and, if at an additional expense, what such expense would be, and all other facts in relation to the contracting and the construction of said Point street Bridge)

Passed In Common Council February 13. 1871.
In Board of Aldermen March 6. 1871
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 379
Music on Birthday of Washington

Resolved:—

That the sum of two hundred and seventy five dollars. be and the same is hereby appropriated to defray the expence incurred by the First Light Infantry, the United Train Artillery and the Kearney Cadets, for music in celebrating Washington's birth day on the 22d day of February, to be paid from the Revenue funds

Passed In Common Council February 27. 1871.
In Board of Aldermen March 6. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Resolved:—

Building to be raised.

That permission be granted to the following persons to raise certain buildings, located as follows, pursuant to their several petitions as follows

No 380. Mary Addeman No 15 Barclay street
381. John Gannon No 368 High street

Passed In Common Council February 27. 1871
In Board of Aldermen March 6. 1871
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 382.

Annexation of part of North Providence

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North Providence Annexation

The City of Providence
City Clerks office March 6. 1871

Gentlemen of the City Council

North Providence Annexation

I have the honor to herewith present a notice from George H. Corliss and others, tax payers and legal voters in the Town of North Providence of the presentation to the General Assembly at the May session 1871 of petitions for setting off a portion of said town to the City of Providence; and also copies of said petitions.

Respectfully your obedient servant

Samuel W. Brown City Clerk

Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed in Board of Aldermen March 6. 1871.

In Common Council March 13. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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To the City Clerk of the City of Providence and to said City of Providence

You will please take notice that sundry taxpayers and legal voters of the Town of North Providence, will present to the General Assembly at the next May session, petitions to have the part of said town indicated in the annexed plat, set off to the City of Providence, and that a copy of said petitions is hereto annexed in conformity to the requirements of Chapter 2 Sec 2. of the Revised Statutes of R.I.

North Providence March 3. 1871.

Geo H. Corliss
Philip B. Steines Jr.
Ed M. Raymsford.

Received on file March 3. 1871

Witness Samuel W. Brown) City Clerk

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To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island

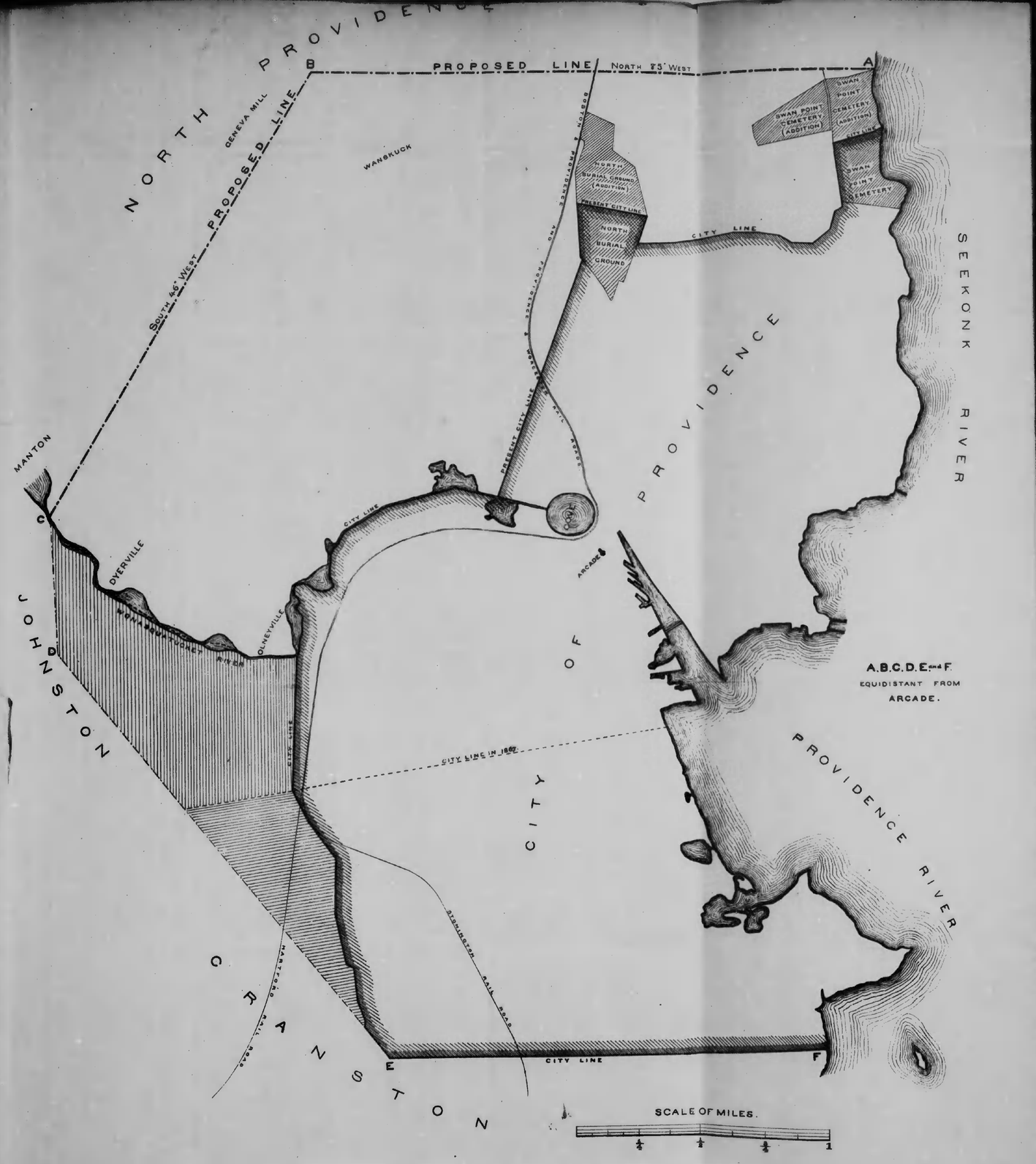
The undersigned tax payers and owners of property of that portion of the Town of North Providence, which is included within the territory proposed to be annexed to the City of Providence, the boundaries of which territory are indicated in the above diagram: respectfully ask that your Honorable body will pass such acts of legislation as will enable said city to extend its jurisdiction over said territory

Geo H. Corliss
Philip B. Steines Jr
Ed M. Raymsford.

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To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island

The undersigned legal voters of the Town of North Providence) and residents




## NOTE.

It will be observed that the old Landmark, THE ARCADE, is equi-distant from the present limits of the City on its Southeastern boundary on Providence River at F. and its Southwestern boundary at E. The grounds of the Swan Point Cemetery, bordering upon the Seekonk River, extend Northerly to a Point A. which happens to be the same distance from the ARCADE as F. and E. A. is therefore taken as a starting point for the new City line; from whence said line runs Westerly in a direction parallel to the present Southern boundary line of the City, stopping at a point B. which is the same distance from the ARCADE as A. E. and F. From B. it is proposed to run a direct line to a point on the Woonasquatucket River, (the boundary between Johnston and North Providence,) at C. which is also equi-distant from the ARCADE with A. B. E. and F.

Please Note: Document(s)
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North Providence Annexation

I have the honor to herewith present a notice from George H Corliss and others, tax payers and legal voters in the Town of North Providence of the presentation to the General Assembly at the May session 1871 of petitions for setting off a portion of said town to the City of Providence; and also copies of said petitions.

Respectfully your obedient servant

Samuel W. Brown City Clerk.

Ready: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed In Board of Aldermen March 6. 1871.

In Common Council March 13. 1871.

Approved the same day

Herman A Doyle Mayor

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To the City Clerk of the City of Providence and to said City of Providence

You will please take notice that sundry taxpayers and legal voters of the Town of North Providence, will present to the General Assembly at the next May session, petitions to have the part of said town indicated in the annexed plat set off to the City of Providence, and that a copy of said petitions is hereto annexed in conformity to the requirements of Chapter 2d Sec 2. of the Revised Statutes of R.I.

North Providence March 3. 1871.

Geo H. Corliss
Philip B. Stinness Jr.
Ed W. Baynesford.

Received on file March 3. 1871

Witness Samuel W. Brown) City Clerk

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To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island

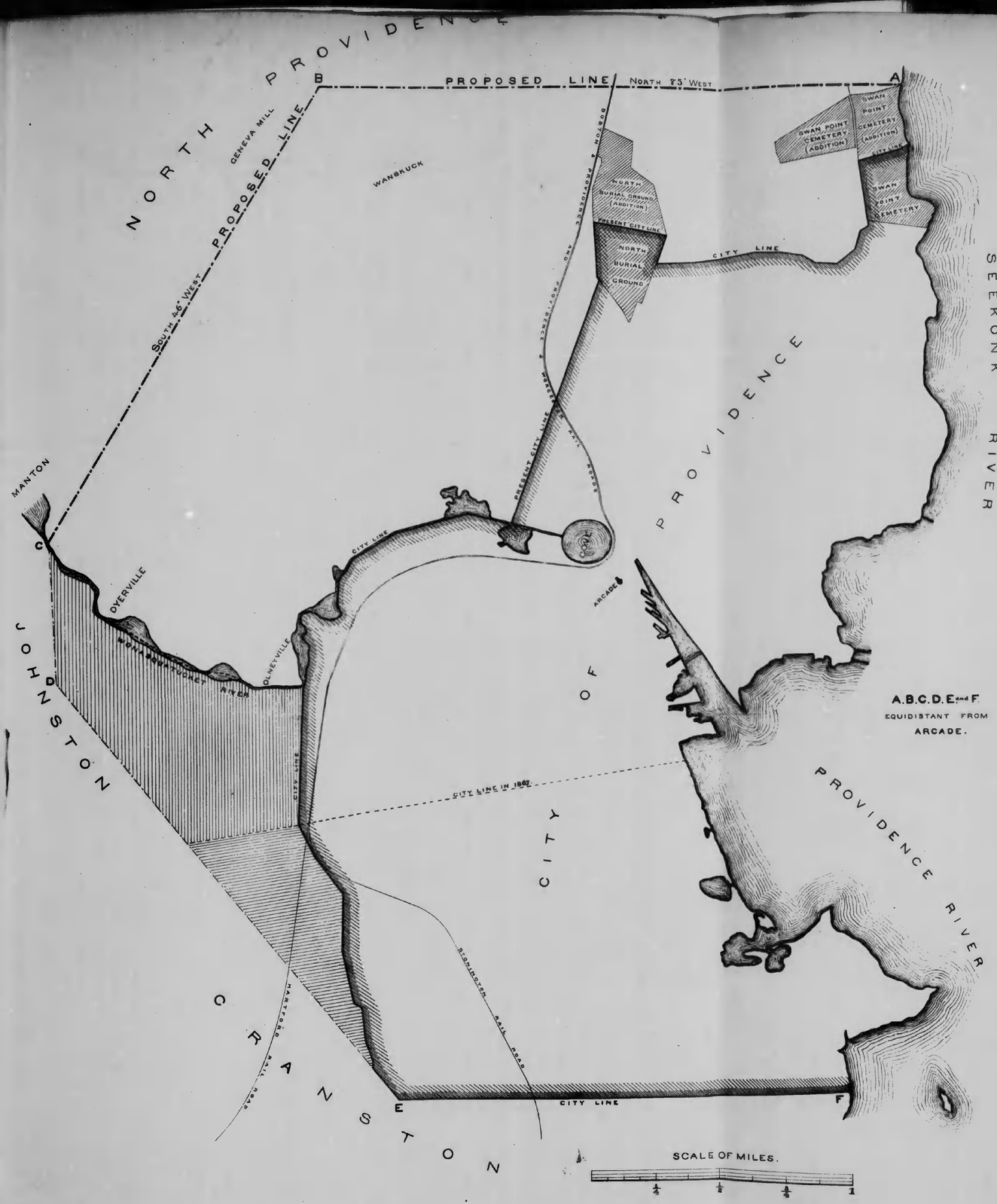
The undersigned tax payers and owners of property of that portion of the Town of North Providence, which is included within the territory proposed to be annexed to the City of Providence, the boundaries of which territory are indicated in the above diagram: respectfully ask that your Honorable body will pass such acts of legislation as will enable said city to extend its jurisdiction over said territory

Geo H. Corliss
Philip B. Stinness Jr
Ed W. Baynesford.

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To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island

The undersigned legal voters of the Town of North Providence) and residents




## NOTE.

*It will be observed that the old Landmark,* THE ARCADE, *is equi-distant from the present limits of the City on its Southeastern boundary on Providence River at* **F.** *and its Southwestern boundary at* **E.** *The grounds of the Swan Point Cemetery, bordering upon the Seekonk River, extend Northerly to a Point* **A.** *which happens to be the same distance from the* ARCADE *as* **F.** *and* **E.** **A.** *is therefore taken as a starting point for the new City line; from whence said line runs Westerly in a direction parallel to the present Southern boundary line of the City, stopping at a point* **B.** *which is the same distance from the* ARCADE *as* **A. E.** *and* **F.** *From* **B.** *it is proposed to run a direct line to a point on the Woonasquatucket River, (the boundary between Johnston and North Providence,) at* **C.** *which is also equi-distant from the* ARCADE *with* **A. B. E.** *and* **F.**

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North Providence
Annexation



382. of that portion of said town which is included within the territory proposed to be annexed to the City of Providence, the boundaries of which territory are indicated in the above diagram: respectfully ask that your Honorable body will pass such acts of legislation as will enable said city to extend its jurisdiction over said territory.

Geo H. Corliss
Philip R. Stiness Jr.
Ed M. Raymond.

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No 383.

North Providence Annexation

Resolved:—

That the City Clerk be hereby directed to give notice to the Town of North Providence, that an application will be made to the General Assembly, at the May session A.D. 1871, for the transfer from said town to the City of Providence, of all the territory belonging to and forming parts of the North Burying Ground and Swan Point Cemetery.

Passed In Board of Aldermen March 6. 1871.
In Common Council March 13. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 384.

Police pay

Resolved:—

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to pay from the appropriation for police, for police duty performed in February 1871 by men who have been appointed but not confirmed, as follows

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|---|---|
| William J. Booth | $ 77.00 |
| Isaac Weaver | 77.00 |
| Robert Flynn | 77.00 |

Passed In Board of Aldermen March 6. 1871.
In Common Council March 13. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor

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No 385.

Monthly Report Harbor Master

The Harbor Master makes his Monthly Report for the month ending Feb 28. 1871 amt collected $51.

Read whereupon it is ordered that the same be received
Passed In Common Council March 13. In Board of Aldermen March 15. 1871

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Monthly Report of City Treasurer

The City Treasurer makes his Monthly Statements for the month ending February 28. 1871.

Ready: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed In Common Council March 13. 1871.

In Board of Aldermen March 15. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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City Treasurers Report on City Debt

The City Treasurer makes his Report of Issues and payments of the City Debt since October 1. 1870.

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|---|---|
| Amount of Notes issued | $ 685.000 |
| Amount of Notes paide | $ 731.000 |

Ready: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed In Common Council March 13. 1871.

In Board of Aldermen March 15. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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## Insane Poor.

Office of the Overseer of the Poor

City of Providence March 13. 1871.

To the Hon City Council of the City of Providence

Gentlemen

Annual Report of Overseer of Poor

The undersigned respectfully submits his annual report in relation to the insane poor at the public charge

Insane

On the first day of January 1870 there were sixteen city patients at the Butler Hospital; admitted during the year, three: discharged nineteen: Of those discharged one was cured, two were provided for by their friends, one died, one was removed out of the State and fourteen were transfered to the State Farm.

On the first day of January 1870 there were seventeen City Patients at the Vermont Asylum, admitted during the year none, discharged seventeen of those discharged Sixteen were transfered to the State Farm

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|---|---|
| The whole expense at Butler Hospital | $ 3588.76 |
| Paid by the State | 1852.07 |
| " " Individuals | 130.00 |
| " " the City | 1606.69 |



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| The whole expense at the Vermont asylum | $ 2574.50 |
| Paid by the State | 1957.19 |
| " " " City | 587.31 |
| Whole expense at both Hospitals | 6193.26 |
| Paid by the State | 3809.26 |
| " " Individuals | 130.00 |
| " " the City | 2194.00 |

Respectfully Submitted

George W. Wightman

Overseer of the Poor.

Ready: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed In Common Council March 13. 1871

In Board of Aldermen March 15. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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## Point Street Bridge

To the Hon City Council of the City of Providence

In obedience to the resolution approved March 6. 1871. the Point Street Bridge Committee respectfully report, that the amount of money expended in building Point street Bridge to date is $ 88.732.32

Report on Point street Bridge

The amount of claims against the City for labor and stock furnished in the construction of the bridge is $ 7242.20. a portion of which have not been allowed by the committee.

The bridge is in an unfinished state, and the "reason why the contracts for its building have not been fulfilled", is owing to the fact that the contractors have failed in business.

The committee cannot state the probable time when the bridge will be finished, but will simply say that an agreement has been made with the N. E. Iron Co of Boston for finishing the structure. In their agreement they say that for the sum of $ 7000. they will complete the bridge by the first day of June. The above named sum of $ 7000. is not in excess of the original appropriation. The three spans of the bridge have been completed for a long time, and the extra delay has been caused by the contractors having attempted to use a turn-table under the draw span, which was not strong enough to bear the weight. An entirely new and stronger turn-table is to be put in by the N. E. Iron Co and is included in their agreement.

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Respectfully submitted
James H. Armington for the Committee

Providence March 10, 1871.

Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.
Passed In Common Council March 13, 1871.
In Board of Aldermen March 15, 1871.

not approved

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Point St. Bridge

3. Johnson & Co

Resolved —
That the sum of sixteen hundred and eighty dollars is hereby appropriated for the payment of the bill of Arnstrom Johnson & Co against the City for stock furnished for the Point street Bridge; the same to be paid from the appropriation for the Point street Bridge.
Passed In Common Council March 13, 1871.
In Board of Aldermen March 15, 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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Almy street

Resolved; —
That the Board of Aldermen be and they are hereby requested to receive Almy street, from Broadway to Penn street, and declare the same a public highway
Passed In Common Council March 13, 1871.
In Board of Aldermen March 15, 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Clemence street

Resolved; —
That the Board of Aldermen be and they are hereby requested to receive Clemence street, from Washington street to Fountain street, and declare the same a public highway.
Passed In Common Council March 13, 1871.
In Board of Aldermen March 15, 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor



393

Road Roller

Resolved;
That the Surveyor of Highways, acting under the advice and direction of the Joint Committee on Highways, be and he is hereby directed to purchase a road roller at a cost not to exceed five hundred dollars, the same to be charged to the appropriation for highways
Passed March 20, 1871
Approved the same day
Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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394

Lamp Accounts

Resolved;
That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to pay all bills contracted by the Board of Aldermen for the lighting of the public lamps for the months of January and February and up to March 3, 1871, which are now unpaid, when the same shall be properly audited, and charge the amount to the reserve fund.
Passed In Board of Aldermen March 15, 1871
In Common Council March 20, 1871
Approved the same day
Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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Monthly Report of Chief Engineer

The Chief Engineer of the Fire Department makes his Monthly Report for the month ending Feb 28, 1871
Expended for Salaries $1833.28 Incidentals $1146.14 Total $2979.42
Read; whereupon it is ordered that the same be received
Passed March 20, 1871
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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396

Steam Fire Engine

Resolved; That the Joint Standing Committee on the Fire Department are hereby authorized to exchange Steam Fire Engine No 1. for a new steam fire engine, and the sum of three thousand dollars is hereby appropriated from the funds of the fire department to pay the cost of said exchange
Passed March 20, 1871.

(not approved)

Appropriation for Prov Water Works

Resolved:

That the sum of two hundred thousand dollars, be and the same is hereby added to the appropriations for the Providence Water Works, and that the City Treasurer, acting under the advice and direction of the Joint Standing Committee on Finance, be authorized to hire the same

Passed March 20. 1871
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Appropriation for Prov. Reform School

Resolved:

That the sum of ten thousand dollars in additions to former appropriations, be and the same is hereby appropriated to the Providence Reform School, the same to be transferred from the reserve funds

Passed March 20. 1871
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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School house on Greenwich street

Resolved:—

That the sum of fifteen hundred dollars, be and is hereby appropriated for heating and ventilating the Greenwich street Grammar School house: the same to be expended under the direction of the Joint Standing Committee on City Property, and charged to the appropriation for public buildings

Passed March 20. 1871
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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English Sparrows

Resolved:—

That the sum of three hundred and twenty five dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose of introducing and caring for English Sparrows, the same to be expended under the direction of His Honor the Mayor, and to be paid from the appropriation for contingencies

Passed March 20. 1871
Approved the same day— Thomas A. Doyle Mayor



Police pay

Resolved:—

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to pay from the appropriation for police, for police duty performed in February 1871. by men who have been appointed but not confirmed, as follows:

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|---|---|
| John V. Simonds | $ 77.00 |
| Isaac S. Shippee | 77.00 |
| Byron M Darling | 74.25 |
| Alfred S. Keach | 77.00 |
| Frank M Horton | 77.00 |
| John A Stone | 77.00 |
| Andrew J. F Hines | 77.00 |

Passed March 20. 1871
Approved the same day
Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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School committee

Resolved:—

That the committee on Ordinances be and they are hereby directed to report what ordinances if any, are needed to define the duties of the School committee

Passed March 20. 1871.

Not approved

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Tax of Wm J. Pettis

Resolved:—

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to remit the sum of five and 40/100 dollars and interest, as paid, from the amount assessed against William J. Pettis in the city tax of 1870.

Passed In Common Council January 9. 1871
In Board of Aldermen March 20. 1871
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Buildings to be raised

Resolved:—

That permission be granted to the following persons to raise certain buildings, located as follows, pursuant to their several petitions: viz:

Robert Arnold No 50 Barnes st
Cornelius Mc Carty No 332 Power st.
Petrey Silva corner of Ives and William st.
Passed March 20. 1871
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Buildings to be moved

Resolved:—

By the City Council, that permission be granted to the following named persons to move certain wooden buildings, pursuant to their several petitions and to the ordinance in relation to the removal of wooden buildings; provided that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby, be repaired at the expense of the petitioner

Samuel Hedley
Henry Mc Carron
Roger O'Gorman
Franklin H. Richmond

Passed March 20. 1871
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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In Convention March 20, 1871.

The Surveyor General of Lumber presents the names of the following persons as Deputy Surveyors: whereupon it is voted that the City Council approve of their appointment viz:

Robert Manchester Jr
Jacob Sweeney
Nathaniel B. Rhodes
Joseph H. Robinson
Smith Potter
Frank B Shedel
Charles A. Manchester
John R Winship
Henry A. Grimwood

Charles B Lee for Mahogany and ornamental lumber
Robert Manchester Jr for Oak and hard wood used in ship building



Resolved.—

Geo F Campbell

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to pay to George F. Campbell a member of the fire department who was injured while in the service of the city, the sum of one hundred dollars: to be paid from the appropriation for the fire department

Passed March 22. 1871
Approved the same day
Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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Resolved:—

Fund for Schools on Hunter av & Public street

That the sum of fifteen hundred dollars, be hereby added to the appropriation to purchase land for the school houses on Hunter avenue and Public street as authorized by resolution No 361. approved February 27. 1871: the same to be paid from the appropriation for school houses and lots.

Passed March 22. 1871
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Resolved:

Camp street

That the Surveyor of Highways be hereby directed to suspend work in erecting Camp street until further directions from the City Council

Passed March 22. 1871
Approved the same day
Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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Message from the Mayor

Water Loan

Mayor's Office City of Providence March 22. 1871

Gentlemen of the City Council

It has generally been supposed that if a loan made by the city be not paid at maturity, or if the interest thereon be not paid on immediate levy might be made by the bondholder upon any real estate within the city limits. This however is not in my opinion certain as I find, upon an examination of the matter with a view of placing the Water loan. As the law now stands, many grave difficulties will arise

to prevent a speedy collection of the debt in case of its non payment by the City. These difficulties, when understood will undoubtedly prevent the negotiation of the loan upon favorable terms. I therefore suggest your immediate attention to this important matter, in order that such action may be taken at the present session of the General Assembly, as will enable us to negotiate our water loan upon satisfactory terms.

Thomas A Doyle Mayor.

Read March 22. 1871.

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Water Loan Act

Resolved:—

That the Joint Standing Committee on the Reduction of the City Debt, together with the City Solicitor, be and they are hereby authorized and directed to apply to the General Assembly for such an amendment of the act entitled "Act for supplying the City of Providence with pure water," as shall exempt the holders of all bonds that may be issued thereunder, from the obligations of Section 12 of Chapter 30 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Rhode Island and as shall establish the liability of the City of Providence, its real estate and the taxable property of its citizens to respond to the obligations of such bonds, both principal and interest to the holders of the same.

Passed March 22. 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A Doyle Mayor.

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Quarterly Report Surveyor of Highways

The Surveyor of Highways makes his Quarterly Report for the quarter ending February 28. 1871. (City Document No 37.)

Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed March 22. 1871

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Ordinance

An Ordinance fixing the Salaries of the officers of the City of Providence, for the year ensuing the first Monday in June a.d. 1871.

(See Book of Ordinances No 3 page 83. and City Document No 41.)

Passed March 22. 1871

Approved March 24. 1871.

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor



Union St.

Resolved:—

That the Surveyor of Highways, acting under the advice and direction of the Joint Committee on Highways, be and he is hereby directed to cause Union Street from Washington street to Fountain street, to be paved with granite blocks

Passed in Board of Aldermen November 16. 1870.

In Common Council March 22. 1870.

Approved the same day

Thomas A Doyle Mayor.

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North Main St. Granite Pavement

Resolved:—

That the Joint Standing Committee on Highways be and they are hereby authorized to pave North Main Street (when the same is paved) with the Stone Foundation pavement, so called, provided the expense of the same shall not exceed three dollars and twenty five cents per square yard, and provided further, that the payment of the sum of one dollar per square yard for paving said street in front of the estates of the owners thereof, be first guaranteed to the City of Providence

Passed March 22. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Clinton St.

Resolved:—

That the Surveyor of Highways, acting under the advice and directions of the Joint Committee on Highways, be and he is hereby directed to cause curb stones to be set and the gutters paved on Clinton street, in front of the estate of Peleg W. Gardiner, a distance of about four hundred feet.

Passed March 22. 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Hawthorne St.

Resolved:—

That the Surveyor of Highways, acting under the advice and direction of the Joint Committee on Highways, be and he is hereby directed to cause curb stones to be set and the gutters paved on

#21. Hawthorne street from Greenwich street to Vineyard street.
Passed March 22. 1871

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Resolved:—
Chambers Calder & Co — That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to pay to Chambers, Calder & Co the sum of seventeen 77/100 dollars in full for their bill of medicines and charge the same to the fire department.
Passed March 22. 1871
Approved the same day
Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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Resolved —
Prov Tool Co — That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to pay to the Providence Tool Co. the sums of fifty two 47/100 dollars, in full for their bill of repairs on their water pipe used for fire purposes, and charge the same to the fire department.
Passed March 22. 1871
Approved the same day
Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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Resolved:—
Tax of John Bannon — That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to remit the sum of Sixteen 20/100 dollars from the amount assessed against John Bannon in the city tax of 1870.
Passed March 22, 1871
Approved the same day
Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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#23.
Resolved —
Eagle Lodge No 2 — That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to remit the sum of thirteen and 50/100 dollars, from the amount assessed against Eagle Lodge No 2. Independent order of Odd Fellows, in the City Tax of 1870.
Passed March 22, 1871
Approved the same day Thomas A. Doyle Mayor



#26. Resolved:—
Tax of Grand Royal Arch Chapter — That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to remit the sum of Sixteen and 20/100 dollars from the amount assessed against the Grand Royal arch Chapter of Rhode Island, in the city tax of 1870.
Passed March 22. 1871
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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#25. Resolved:—
Tax of John H. Pierce — That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to remit the sum of twenty nine and 70/100 dollars, from the amount assessed against John H. Pierce in the City Tax of 1870
Passed March 22. 1871
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Resolved —
Buildings to be raised — That permission be granted to the following persons to raise certain buildings, located as follows, pursuant to their several petitions viz:
S. A. Austin No 25. Asia street
Passed March 22. 1871
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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#24.
Resolved:—
Building to be moved — That permission be granted to Christopher G. Dodge to raise a certain building located at No 8 Worcester street, pursuant to his petition
Passed March 22. 1871

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Resolved:—
By the City Council that permission be granted to the fol-

Buildings to be moved

loving named persons to move certain wooden buildings pursuant to their several petitions and to the ordinance in relation to the removal of wooden buildings; provided, that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby, be repaired at the expense of the petitioners: viz:

Thomas Cosgrove
Nicholas Moulter.

Passed March 22, 1871
Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Sewer in Merchet Square

Resolved:—

That the Committee appointed by the Board of Aldermen to construct a Sewer in North Main street, be hereby authorized to cause a Sewer to be laid in Merchet Square, to connect the aforesaid sewer with the river, and that the expense thereof be charged to the appropriation for Sewerage

Passed in Board of Aldermen April 3, 1871
In Common Council April 10, 1871
Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Police Station Engine House Ward Room.

Resolved:—

That Aldermen Earle and Hopkins, with Messrs Armington, Street and Aldrich, of the Common Council, be hereby appointed a committee to inquire into and report upon a proper location for a new police station engine house and ward room for the Third Wards.

Passed In Board of Aldermen April 3, 1871
In Common Council April 10, 1871
Approved the same day

Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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Police pay

Resolved:—

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to pay from the appropriation for police, for duty performed in March 1871 by men who have been appointed but not confirmed as follows

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|---|---|
| William J. Booth | $ 85.25 |
| Frank M. Horton | 85.25 |



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|---|---|
| Isaac Weaver | $ 85.25 |
| Byron M. Dueling | $ 85.25 |
| Alfred S. Keach | 85.25 |
| Robert Flynn | 85.25 |
| John C. Simonds | 85.25 |
| Isaac S. Shippee | 85.25. |

Passed In Board of Aldermen April 3, 1871
In Common Council April 10, 1871
Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Broad street

Resolved:—

That in the opinion of the City Council it is desirable and necessary lay out, widen and straighten Broad street, near Snow street, as follows, commencing on the northerly line of said Broad street at the south-westerly corner of the brick building of the heirs of Jacob Tucker and wife and running westerly in a straight line to the south-westerly corner of the estate of James G. Smith trustee for Mary B. Gladding: and on the southerly side of said Broad street, commencing at the north westerly corner of the estate of Lucia Bullock and running westerly to the present line of Broad street about sixteen feet westerly of the estate formerly of Enoch Remington

And whereas certain real estate will be required for that purpose:—

Resolved:—

That the City Solicitor be hereby directed to make application to the Supreme Court of this State for the appointment of commissioners of estimate and assessment under and according to the act entitled "an act in relation to the laying out, enlarging, straightening and otherwise altering streets in the City of Providence", and the City Council hereby direct that in said application, the City Solicitor shall make application, that said Commissioners shall apportion and assess one half of the loss and damage thereof upon the persons and estates benefitted thereby, in the ratio of the benefits conferred.

Resolved:—

That the City Clerk be hereby directed to give notice of such application as soon as he shall be informed thereof by the City Solicitor, according to the direction and in the manner required by said act

Passed April 10, 1871

Rattey Street

Resolved: —

That in the opinion of the City Council, it is desirable and necessary to lay out and widen Rattey street, of a uniform width of forty feet from Fountain street to High street:

And whereas, certain real estate will be required for that purpose,

Resolved —

That the City Solicitor be hereby directed to make application to the Supreme Court of this State for the appointment of commissioners of estimate and assessment under and according to the act entitled "An Act in relation to the laying out, enlarging, straightening and otherwise altering streets in the City of Providence;" and the City Council hereby direct, that in said application, the City Solicitor shall make application that said commissioners shall apportion and assess three fourths of the loss and damage thereof upon the persons and estates benefited thereby, in the ratio of the benefits conferred.

Resolved: —

That the City Clerk be hereby directed to give notice of such application as soon as he shall be informed thereof by the City Solicitor, according to the direction and in the manner required by said act.

Passed April 10. 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Thayer street

Resolved: —

That the Report of the Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment, appointed to lay out Thayer street, from Keene street to Olney street, be referred to Aldermen Coggeshall and Knight, with Messrs Claflin, Waterman and C. I. Smith of the Common Council, to examine and report thereon

Passed April 10. 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Monthly Report of Chief Engineer

The Chief Engineer of the Fire Department makes his Monthly Report for the month ending March 31. 1871 Expended for Salaries $4706.03 Incidentals $ 927.47 Total $ 5633. 50

Read whereupon it is ordered that the same be received



Passed In Common Council April 10. 1871

In Board of Aldermen April 11. 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Monthly Report of the Harbor Master

The Harbor Master makes his Monthly Report for the month ending March 31. 1871 Amt collected $ 73.00

Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed In Common Council April 10. 1871

In Board of Aldermen April 11. 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Monthly Report of City Treasurer

The City Treasurer makes his Monthly Report for March 1871

Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed In Common Council April 10. 1871.

In Board of Aldermen April 11. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Transfer of Appropriations

Resolved: —

That the sum of twenty thousand dollars be and the same is hereby transferred from the "reserved fund," as an additional appropriation to the account of "interest"

Passed In Common Council April 10. 1871

In Board of Aldermen April 11. 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Same

Resolved: —

That the sum of five hundred dollars be and the same is hereby transferred from the reserved fund, as an additional appropriation to Pumps and Wells

Passed In Common Council April 10. 1871

In Board of Aldermen April 11. 1871

Approved the same day Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

Hartford, Providence & Fishkill R.R. Trustees

*Resolved:—*

That the trustees now in possession of that portion of the Hartford, Providence and Fishkills Railroad, situated in the State of Rhode Island, be and they are hereby requested to report to the City Council, as soon as may be, what amount of money has been received by them annually since said road has been in their possession, and what disposition has been made of the same, and also, what property is now in their possession and under what system said road is now run, and who has the custody of the receipts of said road.

Passed In Common Council April 10. 1871
In Board of Aldermen April 11. 1871
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Anna Whipple

N B Ground Fund

*Resolved* —

That the gift of Anna Whipple of the sum of two hundred dollars to the Commissioners of the North Burying Ground, in trust, the income thereof to be applied under the provisions of chapter 367 of the public laws, to the preservation and care of the burial lot of said Anna Whipple in said ground, be and the same is hereby accepted by the City Council.

Passed In Common Council April 10. 1871.
In Board of Aldermen April 11. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Ocean Street

*Resolved:—*

That the Surveyor of Highways, acting under the advice and direction of the Joint Committee on Highways, be and he is hereby directed to cause the curbstones to be set and the gutters paved on Ocean street from Public Street to Thurber Avenue

Passed In Common Council July 16. 1870
In Board of Aldermen April 11. 1871

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B of Ald to receive Governor st.

*Resolved* —

That the Board of Aldermen be and they are hereby requested to receive Governor street from Power street to Power street, and declare the same a public highway

Passed In Common Council April 10. 1871.
In Board of Aldermen April 11. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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B of A to receive Power st.

*Resolved* —

That the Board of Aldermen be and they are hereby requested to receive Power street from Governor street to Sayes street, and declare the same a public highway

Passed In Common Council April 10. 1871.
In Board of Aldermen April 11. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Jacobs Davenport & C. E. Paine

*Resolved:—*

That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to [pay] the following bills for maps and labor in preparing the same: viz:

Jacobs Davenport & Co, Maps three hundred and thirty dollars
Charles E. Paine, Labor preparing plans for maps, one hundred seventeen 33/100 dollars

Passed In Common Council April 10. 1871.
In Board of Aldermen April 11. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Taxes Abated G. C. Elliott Trustee. S. Emerson

*Resolved:—*

That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to remit the following taxes as erroneously assessed in the tax of 1870: viz:

George C. Elliot Trustee twenty seven dollars
Stephen Emerson forty seven 35/100 dollars

Passed In Common Council April 10. 1871 In Board of Aldermen April 11. 1871
Approved the same day Thomas A Doyle Mayor

Taxes abated

Resolved: —

That the City Treasurer be and is hereby directed to abate the several taxes assessed in the year 1868, reported by the treasurer as uncollectable and amounting to forty two hundred and nineteen and 20/100 dollars as per accompanying list

Passed In Common Council April 10. 1871.

In Board of Aldermen April 11. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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Buildings to be raised

Resolved —

That permission be granted to the following persons to raise certain buildings, located as follows, pursuant to their several petitions.

Lawrence Garrity No 36. Joes streets

Thomas L. Doyle, No 22. Stewart street

Passed In Common Council April 10. 1871

In Board of Aldermen April 11. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Buildings to be moved

Resolved —

By the City Council, that permission be granted to the following named persons hereon to move certain wooden buildings pursuant to their several petitions and to the ordinance in relation to the removal of wooden buildings; provided that all damage done to the telegraph wires thereby, be repaired at the expense of the petitioner

Ebenezer Allen

Charles Burlingame

Daniel H Bennett

Paul Capen

Thomas J Hill

John P. Murphy

Passed in Common Council April 10. 1871.

In Board of Aldermen April 11. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A Doyle Mayor.

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Buildings to be moved

Resolved: —

That permission be granted to Sidney J. Williams to move a certain wooden building pursuant to his petition and to the ordinance in relation to the removal of wooden buildings, provided, that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby, be repaired at the expense of the petitioner, and that said building be kept moving night and day over the streets in which said road tracks are laid

Passed In Common Council April 10. 1871.

In Board of Aldermen April 11. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Buildings to be moved

Resolved: —

That permission be granted to Alexander A Springer to move a certain wooden building pursuant to his petition and to the ordinance in relation to the removal of wooden buildings, provided that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby, be repaired at the expense of the petitioner, and that the said building be kept moving night and day while in the streets where said tracks are laid

Passed In Common Council April 10. 1871.

In Board of Aldermen April 12. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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School House on Hunter ave & Plane st.

Resolved:—

That the sum of twenty five thousand dollars, be and the same is hereby appropriated for the erection and furnishing of a primary and intermediate school house, at the corner of Hunter Avenue and Plane street, in accordance with the plans of C. A Nash, architect, recommended by the school committee; said sum to be expended under the direction of the Committee on City Property, and charged to the appropriation for School houses and lots.

Passed In Common Council April 10. 1871.

In Board of Aldermen April 12. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

Report of Highway Works.

The Surveyor of Highways, pursuant to a resolution of the Board of Aldermen passed April 3. 1871 presents a printed report of all works ordered by the City Council, now unfinished, and the estimated cost of the same.

(See City Document No 45)

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

Passed In Common Council April 10. 1871.

In Board of Aldermen April 12. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Fire Cisterns Resolves

Resolved:—

That the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department be hereby authorized to cause two fire cisterns to be constructed, one to be located in the third ward and one in the eighth ward; at an expense of not more than three thousand dollars, to be paid from the appropriation for the fire department

Passed In Board of Aldermen April 12. 1871.

In Common Council April 24. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Fire Bells Bell Towers

Resolved:—

That the Joint Committee on the Fire Department be and they are hereby directed to present plans and estimates for two bell towers and locations for the same, with suitable bells for fire alarm purposes

Passed In Board of Aldermen April 12. 1871

In Common Council April 24. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Transfer of Appropriations

Resolved:—

That the sum of twenty thousand dollars be and the same is hereby transferred from the reserve fund to the appropriation for paving

Resolved:

That the sum of ten thousand dollars be and the same is hereby transferred from the reserve fund to the appropriation for sidewalks and curbing



Passed In Board of Aldermen April 12. 1871

In Common Council April 24. 1871

not approved

(Vetoed by the Mayor.)

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L. H. Sorlin

Broad street

Resolved:—

That the City Engineer be hereby directed to define for L. H. Sorlin the north line of Broad street, opposite his estate, as defined in the resolutions of the City Council, passed April 10. 1871. directing application to be made for the appointment of commissioners on said street.

Resolved:

That the City of Providence hereby agrees to pay to said L. H. Sorlin, the cost of bringing his building to the present line of said Broad Street, in case said line named in the previous resolution shall not be established by the City Council.

Passed April 24. 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Thayer street

Whereas: The commissioners of estimate and assessment appointed by the Supreme Court at the March term, A.D. 1871, to lay out Thayer Street from Keene street northerly to Olney street and the East Turnpike, under and pursuant to the act entitled "An act in relation to the laying out, enlarging, straightening or otherwise altering streets in the City of Providence", made their first report to said Court on Saturday April 8. 1871. Now, therefore, within thirty days after the making of said report to said court:-

Resolved:—

That the City Council do hereby elect to make said improvement

Passed April 24. 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

For Report See Street Book No 3 page and Document No 40

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Summer st

Resolved:—

That the report of the commissioners of estimate and assessment appointed to lay out Summer street, from Broad street to Pine

Street be referred to Aldermen Gardner and Ballou with messrs Dabow, Hunt, and Van Slyck of the Common Council to examine and report thereon

Passed April 24. 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Engine House Police Station Guard Room on Richmond st

Resolved:—

That the sum of five hundred dollars, be and the same is hereby appropriated for the reparation of the building on Richmond street, used for a guard room, Steamer Seven, and for a station house;- to be expended under the direction of the committee on city property. Said sum to be paid out of the appropriation for public buildings

Passed April 24. 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Eddy street

Resolved:—

That in the opinion of the City Council, it is desirable and necessary to lay out and extend Eddy street of its present width from Washington street to Bow street: and whereas, certain real estate will be required for that purpose

Resolved:—

That the City Solicitor be hereby directed to make application to the Supreme Court of this State for the appointment of commissioners of estimate and assessment under and according to the act entitled "An Act in relation to the laying out, enlarging, straightening and otherwise altering streets in the City of Providence": and the City Council hereby direct that in said application the City Solicitor shall make application that said commissioners shall apportion and assess three fourths of the loss and damage thereof upon the persons and estates benefited thereby, in the ratio of the benefits conferred.

Resolved:—

That the City Clerk be hereby directed to give notice of such application as soon as he shall be informed thereof by the City Solicitor, according to the direction and in the manner required by said act.

Passed April 24. 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor



1871.

Susan st

Resolved:—

That the Board of Aldermen be and they are hereby requested to receive Susan street, from Cranston street to Diamond street, and declare the same a public highway

Passed April 24. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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1871

Parade st.

Resolved:—

That the Board of Aldermen be and they are hereby requested to receive Parade street, from Cranston street to Susan street, and declare the same a public highway

Passed April 24. 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Atwell street

Resolved:—

That the Surveyor of Highways, acting under the advice and direction of the Joint Committee on Highways, be and he is hereby directed to cause the curb stones to be set and the gutters paved on Atwell street, from Atwells avenue to West Exchange street

Passed April 24. 1871.

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Buildings to be raised

Resolved:—

That permission be granted to the following persons to raise certain buildings, located as follows, pursuant to their several petitions viz:

1871 April 24.

Charles A. P. Mauran — No 180 Broad street

James Randall — Corner of North Main & Bowen streets.

Passed April 24. 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A Doyle Mayor.

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Street be referred to Aldermen Gardner and Ballard with means Dabell, Hunt, and Van Slyck of the Common Council to examine and report thereon

Passed April 24. 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Engine House Police Station Guard Room on Richmond St.

Resolved:—

That the sum of five hundred dollars, be and the same is hereby appropriated for the reparation of the building on Richmond street, used for a guard room, steamer seven, and for a station house:- to be expended under the direction of the committee on city property. Said sum to be paid out of the appropriation for public buildings

Passed April 24. 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Eddy street

Resolved:—

That in the opinion of the City Council, it is desirable and necessary to lay out and extend Eddy street of its present width from Washington street to Bow street: and whereas, certain real estate will be required for that purpose

Resolved:—

That the City Solicitor be hereby directed to make application to the Supreme Court of this State for the appointment of commissioners of estimate and assessment under and according to the act entitled "An Act in relation to the laying out, enlarging, straightening and otherwise altering streets in the City of Providence": and the City Council hereby direct that in said application the City Solicitor shall make application that said commissioners shall apportion and assess three fourths of the loss and damage thereof upon the persons and estates benefitted thereby, in the ratio of the benefits conferred.

Resolved:—

That the City Clerk be hereby directed to give notice of such application as soon as he shall be informed thereof by the City Solicitor, according to the direction and in the manner required by said act.

Passed April 24. 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor



Susan st

Resolved:—

That the Board of Aldermen be and they are hereby requested to receive Susan street, from Cranston street to Diamond street, and declare the same a public highway

Passed April 24. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Parade st.

Resolved:—

That the Board of Aldermen be and they are hereby requested to receive Parade street, from Cranston street to Susan street, and declare the same a public highway

Passed April 24. 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Storm street

Resolved:—

That the Surveyor of Highways, acting under the advice and direction of the Joint Committee on Highways, be and he is hereby directed to cause the curb stones to be set and the gutters paved on Storm street, from Atwells avenue to West Exchange street

Passed April 24. 1871.

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Buildings to be raised

Resolved:—

That permission be granted to the following persons to raise certain buildings, located as follows, pursuant to their several petitions viz:

| | |
|---|---|
| Charles A. P. Mason | No 180 Broad street |
| James Randall | Corner of North Main & Borden streets. |

Passed April 24. 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A Doyle Mayor.

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Broad street

Resolved:—

That in the opinion of the City Council, it is desirable and necessary to lay out, widen and straighten Broad street, from Greenwich street to the line of the Town of Cranston, so that said street shall be sixty six (66) feet in width from said Greenwich street to the north line of Public street, and eighty (80) feet in width from the south line of Public street to the line of the Town of Cranston, aforesaid: and whereas, certain real estate will be required for that purpose,-

Resolved:—

That the City Solicitor be hereby directed to make application to the Supreme Court of this state for the appointment of commissioners of estimate and assessment under and according to the act entitled "An Act in relation to the laying out, enlarging, straightening and otherwise altering streets in the City of Providence"; and the City Council hereby direct that in said application the City Solicitor shall make application that said commissioners shall apportion and assess three fourths of the loss and damage thereof upon the persons and estates benefitted thereby in the ratio of the benefits conferred

Resolved:—

That the City Clerk be hereby directed to give notice of such application as soon as he shall be informed thereof by the City Solicitor according to the direction and in the manner required by said act.

Passed April 24. 1871
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Lighting Bills

Resolved:—

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to pay all bills contracted by the Board of Aldermen for the lighting of the public lamps for the months of March and April, when the same shall be properly audited, and charge the amount to the reserve funds.

Passed April 24. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Police

Resolved:—

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to pay from the appropriation for police for duty performed in April 1871 by policemen who have been appointed but not confirmed as follows

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| William J Booth | $2.50 | Frank M Norton | $2.50 |
| Isaac Mauser | $2.50 | Byron M Darling | $2.50 |
| Alfred S. Veach | 57.75 | Isaac S. Shippee | $2.50 |
| Robert Flynn | $2.50 | John V. Simmons | $2.50 |

Passed In Board of Aldermen May 1. 1871
In Common Council May 8. 1871
Approved the same day
Thomas A Doyle. Mayor

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Summer st

Whereas, the commissioners of estimate and assessment appointed by the Supreme Court at the October term 1869 to lay out Summer Street from Broad street to Pine streets, under and pursuant to the act entitled "An act in relation to the laying out, enlarging, straightening or otherwise altering streets in the City of Providence", made their first report to said court on Saturday April 15. 1871. Now therefore, within thirty days after the making of said report to said court:

Resolved:—

That the City Council do hereby elect to make said improvement.

Passed In Board of Aldermen May 5. 1871.
In Common Council May 8. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor
(For Report, see Street Book No 3 page 21 - Document No 43)

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## Message from the Mayor

Providence Water Works

Mayor's Office City of Providence May 8. 1871.

Gentlemen of the City Council

I invite your immediate attention to the communication from the Water Commissioners which I transmit herewith

The matter to which it refers is of such great importance that prompt action on your part is necessary, and it does not seem to me that a reference to a committee is required as no new facts can be ob-

trained which will influence your decision. The subject is properly within the jurisdiction of the Water Board, and I recommend therefore that you give the commissioners the authority to act in the premises as they shall deem best for the interests of the city

Thomas A Doyle Mayor

Read in Common Council May 8. 1871

In Board of Aldermen May 11. 1871.

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Appropriation for Pier Miller Market

Resolved:—

That the sum of four hundred thousand dollars be and the same is hereby added to the appropriation for the Providence Water Works and that the City Treasurer, acting under the advice and directions of the Joint Committee on Finance, be hereby authorized to hire the same.

Passed In Common Council May 8. 1871

In Board of Aldermen May 11. 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Monthly Reports Chief Engineer

The Chief Engineer of the Fire Department makes his Monthly Report for the month ending March 31. Amt expended for Salaries $ 183.28 Incidental $ 1809.34 Total $ 3642.62

Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed In Common Council May 8. 1871.

In Board of Aldermen May 11. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Monthly Reports Harbor Master

The Harbor Master makes his Monthly Report for the month ending April 30. 1871. Amount collected $ 108.00

Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed In Common Council May 8. 1871.

In Board of Aldermen May 11. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Harbor Master's Report on Dredging

The Harbor Master makes his Report on Dredging from April 24 to 29.

Amount of Dredging done 2807 cubic yards at 18¾ cts $ 526.32½

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

Passed May 10. 1871 In Common Council

May 11. 1871 In Board of Aldermen

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Quarterly Reports Water Commissioners

The Water Commissioners make their Sixth Quarterly Report for the quarter ending March 31. 1871 (City Documents No 44.)

Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed In Common Council May 8. 1871.

In Board of Aldermen May 11. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

(City Document No 44)

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## North Burying Grounds

Annual Reports of Commissioners of North Burying Grounds

To the Hon the City Council of the City of Providence

The Commissioners of the North Burial Ground in conformity with law make this their Annual Report of receipts and expenditures for the year ending April 30. 1871

Report

First The amount expended for and on account North Burial Ground the past year $ 4969.72

Second The general purposes of the expenditures were for account Surveying, laying out and platting new and old grounds grading & gravelling avenues and paths in new and old grounds, trimming trees insurance, repairs on the buildings &c as per accounts and vouchers on file 4969.72

Third Paid as follows viz:

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Drafts on City Treasury | 4705.72 | |
| Miscellaneous Receipts | 264.00 | 4969.72 |

Respectfully Submitted

Wm Earle

For the Commissioners

Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received and printed in the usual pamphlet form

Passed In Common Council May 8. 1871.
In Board of Aldermen May 11. 1871.

Approved the same day

Herman A. Doyle Mayor

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## North Burial Ground Funds

North Burial Ground Funds

To the Hon the City Council of the City of Providence

The Commissioners of the North Burial Ground make this their annual report of the Trust Funds for the year ending April 30. 1871 viz

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Zachariah Allen Funds. | In Prov Inst for Savings | 43.66 |
| Phebe Whipple Funds | " " " | 100.00 |
| Joseph Veazie Funds | 10 Shares of Stock Boston & Prov par $ 100. | 1000.00 |
| Rebecca M Gladding Funds | In Prov. Inst for Savings | 100.00 |
| John Rawstron Funds | " " " | 100.00 |
| Ferdinands Ralcum Funds | " " " | 100.00 |
| Stephen Randall Funds | " " " | 100.00 |
| Alexander Duncan Funds | " " " | 1000.00 |
| Elizabeth Coville Funds | 8 Shares Blackstone Canal Nat Bank par 25. | 200.00 |
| Abby Gorham Funds | In Providence Inst for Savings | 600.00 |
| Almon D Hodges Funds | " " " " | 100.00 |
| James Wheaton Funds | " " " " | 80.00 |
| George Earle Funds | " " " " | 100.00 |
| Anna Whipple Funds | " " " " | 200.00 |
| | | $ 3823.66 |

Respectfully Submitted

Wm Earle Treas of Com[n] North Burial Ground

Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received and printed
Passed In Common Council May 8. 1871
In Board of Aldermen May 11. 1871
Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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## Income Account

Same

To the Hon the City Council of the City of Providence

The Commissioners of the North Burial Ground make this their Annual Report of receipts and expenditures of the Income from Trust Funds for the year ending April 30. 1871.

| Funds | Amount of Funds | Income on hand April 30. 1870 | Income Received | Amount Expended | Income on hand April 30, 1871 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Zachariah Allen | 43.66 | 10.85 | 3.01 | – | 13.86 |
| Phebe Whipple | 100.00 | 10.92 | 7.00 | 6.00 | 17.92 |
| Joseph Veazie 1 | 1000.00 | 162.01 | 100.00 | 144.00 | 118.01 |
| Rebecca M Gladding | 100.00 | 4.27 | 7.00 | 6.00 | 5.27 |
| John Rawstron | 100.00 | 14.66 | 7.00 | 6.50 | 15.16 |
| Ferdinands Ralcum | 100.00 | 16.41 | 7.00 | 4.50 | 18.91 |
| Stephen Randall | 100.00 | 20.33 | 7.00 | 6.00 | 21.33 |
| Alexander Duncan | 1000.00 | 169.30 | 70.00 | 20.50 | 218.80 |
| Elizabeth Coville | 200.00 | 42.50 | 16.00 | 6.00 | 52.50 |
| Abby Gorham | 600.00 | 67.50 | 42.00 | 19.00 | 90.50 |
| Almon D Hodges | 100.00 | 6.00 | 7.00 | 12.00 | 1.00 |
| James Wheaton | 80.00 | 3.80 | 5.60 | 5.00 | 4.40 |
| George Earle | 100.00 | – | – | – | – |
| Anna Whipple | 200.00 | – | – | – | – |
| | $ 3823.66 | 534.55 | 278.61 | 235.50 | 577.66 |

Respectfully Submitted

Wm Earle Treasurer Com[n] North Burial Grounds

Read whereupon it is ordered that the same be received and printed in usual pamphlet form

Passed In Common Council May 8. 1871
In Board of Aldermen May 11. 1871
Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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## Report of Committee on Finance

City Auditor
City Treasurer

The Joint Standing Committee on Finance to whom was referred the Annual Report of the City Auditor and Treasurer, report that they have examined the same and compared with the vouchers and find the same correct

Wm Spencer for the Committee

Providence May 8. 1871.

Reads: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received
Passed In Common Council May 8. 1871
In Board of Aldermen May 11. 1871
Approved the same day
Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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Ordinance

An Ordinance in amendment of the several ordinances relating to the Assessors of Taxes" (See Book of Ordinances No 3 page 85.)
Passed In Common Council May 8. 1871
In Board of Aldermen May 11. 1871
Approved May 12. 1871
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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School House on Public Streets

Resolved:—
That the sum of seven thousand dollars is hereby appropriated for the enlargement and alteration of the School house on Public Street, after the plan of the School house on Warren streets; said expenditure to be made under the direction of the Committee on City Property and charged to the appropriation for the support of public schools
Passed In Common Council May 8. 1871.
In Board of Aldermen May 11. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Buildings raised

Resolved:—
That permission be granted to the following persons to raise certain buildings located as follows, pursuant to their several petitions, viz:-

| | |
|---|---|
| John Phillips | No 5 Sept street |
| John W Shields | Custar Street |
| Elias Staples | No 107 Williams street |
| John G. Updike | No 3 Rice street |

Passed In Common Council May 8. 1871.
In Board of Aldermen May 11. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 496

Buildings moved

Resolved:—
By the City Council that permission be granted to the following named persons to move certain wooden buildings, pursuant to their several petitions and to the ordinance in relation to the removal of wooden buildings, provided, that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby, be repaired at the expense of the petitioner, viz:

| | |
|---|---|
| 496 | William A Chapman |
| 497 | Flagg & Ellis |
| 498 | John O'Brady |
| 499 | Michael Kenney |
| 500 | Michaels McNale |
| 501 | Perkins Sheet Iron Co |

Passed In Common Council May 8. 1871.
In Board of Aldermen May 11. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Resolved:—
That permission be granted to Hiram A Page, to move a certain wooden building pursuant to his petition and to the ordinance in relation to the removal of wooden buildings, provided, that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby, be repaired at the expense of the petitioner, and provided, further, that said building be kept moving night and day over streets where railroad tracks are laid
Passed In Common Council May 8. 1871.
In Board of Aldermen May 11. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 503

Mayors Portrait

Resolved:—
That Alderman Ratton with Messrs Keep, Burgess and Persons of the Common Council be appointed a committee to confer with His Honor the Mayor relative to exchanging the portrait of His Honor, now in possession of the city for one more satisfactory as a likeness and more creditable to the city as a work of art, with authority to make such exchange
Passed In Board of Aldermen May 11. In Common Council May 15. 1871
Approved

No 537

Hemlock st

Whereas, the commissioners of estimate and assessment, appointed by the Supreme Court at the October term 1869, to lay out and widen Hemlock street, from Beacon streets to Stemford streets, under and pursuant to the act entitled "An act in relation to the laying out, enlarging, straightening or otherwise altering streets in the city of Providence," made their first report to said court on Monday May 15. 1871. Now therefore, within thirty days after the making of said report to said court:-

Resolved —

That the City Council do hereby elect to make said improvement

Passed May 15, 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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Decoration Day

Resolved:—

That Messrs Shaw, Van Slyck and Paine, with Alderman Boggeshall be and they are hereby appointed a committee to make arrangements for a suitable observance of 'Decoration Day'

Resolved —

That the sum of six hundred dollars, be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose of defraying the expenses of that day, to be paid by the City Treasurer to the order of said committee and charged to contingent account

Passed May 15, 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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Ordinance

An Ordinance in amendement of "An Ordinance fixing the Salaries of the officers of the City of Providence for the year ensuing the first Monday in June A. D. 1871."

(See Book of Ordinances No 3 page 85)

Passed May 15, 1871.

Approved May 19, 1871.

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No 507.

Monthly Report of City Treasurer

The City Treasurer makes his Monthly Report for April 1871.

Reads: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received



Passed May 15, 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A Doyle, Mayor

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No 538

Camp street

Resolved:—

That in the opinion of the City Council, it is desirable and necessary to lay out, widen and straighten Camp street, of a uniform width of fifty feet from Olney street to North street; and whereas, certain real estate will be required for that purpose:

Resolved —

That the City Solicitor be hereby directed to make application to the Supreme Court of this state, for the appointment of Commissioners of estimate and assessment, under and according to the act entitled "An act in relation to the laying out, enlarging, straightening and otherwise altering streets in the City of Providence"; and the City Council hereby direct, that in said application the City Solicitor shall make application that said commissioners shall apportion and assess three quarters of the loss and damage thereof upon the persons and estates benefitted thereby, in the ratio of the benefits conferred.

Resolved —

That the City Clerk be hereby directed to give notice of such application as soon as he shall be informed thereof by the City Solicitor, according to the direction and in the manner required by said act.

Passed May 15. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 539

## Report of Committee on Highways

Street from Harris ave to Broadway

W. B. Snow

To the Hon City Council

The Joint Committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of W. B. Snow agt and others for receiving a highway extending from Harris Avenue to Broadway, respectfully report, that when the petitioners will bring said street to the established grade the committee recommend the prayer of the petitioners be granted

For the Committee Wm V. Dabolt Chairman

Reads: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed May 15, 1871.

(Original)

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Canvass Law

Resolved: —

That the City Solicitor be and he is hereby directed in the name of the City Council to petition the General Assembly at its May session for a repeal of the act passed at the last session, altering the laws in relation to canvassing the voting lists of the City of Providence; and, that the former acts bearing on the subject be revived.

Passed May 15, 1871.

Vetoed May 24, 1871.
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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W. A. Burdick agt

Resolved: —

That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to pay W. A. Burdick agent ten thousand six hundred dollars, amount of his bill against the City for paving blocks; the same to be paid out of the appropriation for highways

Passed May 15, 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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Dudley st

Resolved —

That the Surveyor of Highways, acting under the advice and direction of the Joint Committee on Highways, be and he is hereby directed to cause the curb stones to be set and the gutters paved on Dudley street, from Friendship street east, about four hundred and fifty feet.

Passed May 15, 1871

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Almy st

Resolved: —

That the Surveyor of Highways, acting under the advice and direction of the Joint Committee on Highways, be and he is hereby directed to cause curb stones to be set and gutters paved on Almy street, from Broadway to Penn street.

Passed May 15, 1871.



No 514

Clemence st

Resolved: —

That the Surveyor of Highways, acting under the advice and direction of the Joint Committee on Highways, be and he is hereby directed to cause the curbstones to be set and the gutters paved on Clemence street from Washington street to Fountain street.

Passed May 15, 1871.

Not approved

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Parkis av.

Resolved: —

That the Surveyor of Highways, acting under the advice and direction of the Joint Committee on Highways, be and he is hereby directed to cause the curbstones to be set and the gutters paved on Parkis avenue from Broad street to Greenwich street.

Passed May 15, 1871.

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Prairie Av.

Resolved: —

That the Surveyor of Highways, acting under the advice and direction of the Joint Committee on Highways, be and he is hereby directed to cause the curbstones to be set and the gutters paved on Prairie Avenue from the termination of the present curbing to Plumbed avenue

Passed May 15, 1871.

Not approved

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John McMillan

Resolved: —

That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to pay to John McMillan the sum of four hundred and ten 98/100 dollars in full for his bill of damages, whenever satisfactory receipts in full from all parties interested are obtained; said receipts to be acceptable to the City Solicitor and said sum to be charged to contingencies

Passed May 17, 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

Shubael K Brownell

Resolved:—

That the Joint committee on claims be and they are hereby authorized to settle with Shubael K. Brownell for injuries sustained by him as per his petition, provided, the sum does not exceed eight hundred dollars

Passed May 15, 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Thomas Miller

Resolved:—

That the Joint Committee on Claims, be and they are hereby authorized to settle the claim of Thomas Miller, provided the amount does not exceed the sum of twenty dollars; whenever said Miller shall execute the proper papers.

Passed May 15, 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Tax of Alvin G Taylor

Resolved.—

That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to remit to Alvin G. Taylor the sum of thirteen 50/100 dollars from the tax of 1870.

Passed May 15, 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Tax of D. Waterman

Resolved:—

That the City Treasurer be and hereby directed to remit to Daniel Waterman the sum of forty 50/100 dollars erroneously assessed in the tax of 1870

Passed May 15, 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 523

Tax of Benj Greene

Resolved—

That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to remit to Benjamin Greene (3d ward) twelve 15/100 dollars from the tax of 1870.

Passed May 15, 1870.

Approved the same day. Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 523

Taxes abated

Resolved—

That the City Treasurer be and is hereby directed to abate the several taxes of the year 1869 reported by the treasurer as uncollectable, and amounting to fifty six hundreds and twenty two 77/100 dollars

Passed May 15. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Buildings moved

Resolved:—

That permission be granted to the following persons to move certain wooden buildings pursuant to their several petitions and to the ordinance in relation to the removal of wooden buildings, provided, that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby be repaired at the expense of the petitioner

Silas B. Weeks
John R. Cooke
Dennis Mc Carty
Spencer P. Ready
Charles H. Richmond

Passed May 15. 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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In Convention May 15, 1871.

The following City Officers are elected for the remainder of the present municipal year.

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|---|---|
| Police Constables | Williams Lloyd Bowen |
| | William W. Fletcher |
| Weigher of Cotton | Samuel W. Pearce |
| Weigher of Anthracite coal | Samuel W. Pearce |

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Report—

School House Federal st

To the Hon City Council of the City of Providence

The Joint Special Committee appointed January 13. 1869 for the erection and furnishing of the school house at the junction of Federal

and Dean Streets, having completed the duties assigned them present this their final report.

In accordance with the instructions of the council and in conformity to the city ordinance relating to public buildings, the committee after advertising for proposals for the erection of the building according to the plans and specifications of Mr E. G. Howland, awarded the contract for the same to Messrs Moulton & Ingraham of Providence, by whom under the supervision of the able and efficient Superintendent of Public Buildings Mr Slade, it has been completed to the satisfaction of the committee. The desks and other school furniture were furnished under contract by Messrs E. M Thurston & Co of this city, and the committee take special pleasure in calling attention to the general excellence and substantial character of their workmanship in this new and much needed branch of industry in our city

School House in Federal St

The details of the cost of erection, furnishing &c having been presented to the council in the reports of the Superintendents of Public Buildings, the committee deem it unnecessary to repeat other than a recapitulation of the same in this report.

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|---|---|
| Cost of building, proper | $ 83.512.09 |
| " " Furniture | 6.922.02 |
| " " Heating apparatus | 2025.00 |
| " " Draining grading &c | 630.86 |
| " " Fencing &c | 2992.34 |
| Total cost | $ 96.082.31 |
| Amount appropriated by the City Council | 98.000.00 |
| Balance returned to City Treasury | 1.917.69. |

The School House has been occupied for school purposes for several months, but the necessity of waiting for late spring for putting in granite foundation for fence for grading and turfing the grounds, and the adjustment of a few minor accounts which the claimants were dilatory in presenting, have prevented an earlier report

And, now, may we not while the last surviving members of our committee are making their retiring bows in the chamber of the Common Council, point with pardonable pride to the elegant structure, surpassed by few if any in the country in beauty of design, in substantial character of construction, in its admirable arrangement of light, heat and ventilation, its furniture and other appointments, which render it in fact a model school house, erected at a cost less than the architects original estimates, equipped and furnished complete for school purposes, with grounds fenced and graded, for nearly two thousand dollars less than the sum appropriated by the City Council.

All of which is respectfully submitted

For the committee

N. L. Calder Chairman

Read; whereupon it is ordered that the same be received and the committee discharged

Passed In Common Council May 24. 1871

In Board of Aldermen May 31. 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Report.

To the Hon City Council

Mayor's Portrait

The Joint Special Committee appointed to confer with His Hon the Mayor relative to an exchange of portraits, make report that pursuant to the resolution appointing the committee, they have made an exchange with the Mayor, giving him the portrait painted by Mr Oertel for one that your committee consider much more satisfactory as a likeness and indicative of the character of the subject. This picture was painted by Mr John W Arnold of this city, and so far as the committee are able to know, is pronounced on all hands an admirable portrait.

Respectfully submitted: for the committee

David Ballou Chairman

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Read; whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed In Common Council May 24. 1871.

In Board of Aldermen May 31. 1871.

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Resolved:—

Thanks

That the thanks of the City Council be and they are hereby tendered to His Honor the Mayor for the portrait of himself which he so generously tenders to the city in exchange for the one heretofore in the possession of the council

Passed In Common Council May 24. 1871.

In Board of Aldermen May 31. 1871.

No 532

Transfer of Appropriation

Resolved:

That the sum of five thousand dollars be and the same is hereby transferred from the appropriation for highways to the appropriation for paving

Passed In Common Council May 24. 1871
In Board of Aldermen May 31. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 533

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Resolved:—

That the sum of six thousand dollars be and the same is hereby transferred from the appropriation for highways, to the appropriation for side walks and curbing

Passed In Common Council May 24. 1871.
In Board of Aldermen May 31. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 534

Interest Coupons to be paid in Currency

Hartford Prov & Fishkill Rail Road Co

Resolved:—

That the resolutions approved December 19. a.d. 1870 directing the City Treasurer to pay in gold coin the coupons payable on and after January 1. 1871. on the bonds of the City of Providence due in 1876 and 1885. and directing the City Treasurer to demand of the Hartford, Providence and Fishkill Railroad Company payment in gold coin upon the coupons on the bonds of said company held by the City of Providence, be and the same are hereby repealed

Passed In Common Council May 24. 1871
In Board of Aldermen May 31. 1871
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 535.

Bradford st

Resolved:—

That the Surveyor of Highways, acting under the advice and direction of the Joint Committee on Highways, be and he is hereby directed to cause curb stones to be set and gutters paved on Bradford street from Federal street to Atwells avenue



Passed In Common Council May 24. 1871.
In Board of Aldermen May 31. 1871.

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No 536.

Superior st.

Resolved:—

That the Board of Aldermen be and they are hereby requested to receive Superior street from Diamond streets to its Southerly termination in Long Pond, and declare the same a public highway

Passed In Common Council May 15. 1871
In Board of Aldermen May 31. 1871
Approved the same day
Thomas A Doyle Mayor.

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No 537

Hartford Prov. & Fishkill Railroad Co

Interest on Bonds.

Resolved:

That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to receive in current funds, from the trustees of that portion of the railroad of the Hartford Providence and Fishkill Railroad Company, located in this state, the amount due upon the coupons payable January 1. 1871 upon the bonds of said railroad company held by the City of Providence, and, after paying therefrom a sum equivalent to the amount by him paid in gold, redeem the coupons due January 1. 1871 upon the City Bonds issued to said railroad company, to pay the balance to the trustees of the sinking fund for the redemption of said city bonds.

Passed In Common Council May 24. 1871
In Board of Aldermen June 5. 1871 (9 a m)
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Ann Convention June 5, 1871.

Organization

This being the day fixed for the annual organization of the municipal government of the City of Providence, the Mayor, Aldermen and members of the Common Council elect are assembled in the Common Council chamber at 3 o'clock except Mr Daniel S. Whipple and Hon William Rinney of the Common Council and Mr Gideon Bradford

The Certificate of the election of Hon Thomas A. Doyle Mayor of the City of Providence is read and the oath of office is administered to him by Hon Amasa S. Westcott Judge of the Municipal Court.

The Roll of the City Council is called as follows, and all the members being present except messrs Daniel S. Whipple and William Rinney & Gideon Bradford the oath of office is administered by the Mayor to the members present. viz

Aldermen

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Wards 1. | Henry J. Angell | Wards 5. | William Spencer |
| 2. | James H. Boggestball | 6. | Samuel S. Sprague |
| 3. | George R. Babb | 7. | Amos W. Snow |
| 4. | George S. Spicer | 8. | Frederick Brayton |
| | 9. William R. Datow. | | |

Common Council

Wards 1.

| | |
|---|---|
| Stillman White | Allen J. Brown |
| Elisha C. Mowry | Daniel S. Whipple (absent) |

Wards 2

| | |
|---|---|
| William Rinney (absent) | Amos N Beckwith |
| Stephen Waterman | Addison D Fisher |

Wards 3

| | |
|---|---|
| Lewis Dexter | Benjamin W. Stevens |
| Zachariah B Tucker | Clinton D. Sellew |

Wards 4

| | |
|---|---|
| Abner J. Ramaley | Williams W. Paine |
| William H Hennes | Charles F. Phillips |

Wards 5

| | |
|---|---|
| Nelson W. Aldrich | Nicholas Van Slyck |
| Henry A. Coy | Joshua B Brown |

Wards 6.

| | |
|---|---|
| Frederick E. Keep | Lewis W. Anthony |
| Nathaniel F. Potter Jr | David Cady |

Wards 7.

| | |
|---|---|
| Jeroshemul R Ramaley | John H Sorlin |
| Samuel S. Harris | James S. Murray |

Wards 8.

| | |
|---|---|
| Benjamin Hunt Jr | Erwin S. Case |
| Raymond G. Place | Charles H Perkins |

Wards 9.

| | |
|---|---|
| Gideon Bradford (absent) | William G. Potter |
| Henry S. Root. | Richard Haywards |

Samuel W. Brown is elected City Clerk and the oath of office is administered to him by the Mayor.

Prayer is offered by Rev Edwin M. Stone of the Ministry at Large

The Mayor delivers his Inaugural Address

The following City Officers are elected.

| | |
|---|---|
| Chief of Police | Thomas J. A. Gross |
| Judge of the Municipal Court | Amasa S. Westcott |
| Clerk of the Municipal Court. | George R. Nichols |



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|---|---|
| Recorder of Deeds | Gustavus A Williamson |
| City Auditor | James M. Bowes |
| Register of Transfers | Joseph W. Taylor |
| Clerks in the Transfer office | Henry L Holmes |
| Surveyor of Highways (till Jan 1872) | Thomas W. Hart |
| Clerk of the Highway Department | George E. Thompson |
| City Engineer (till Jan 1872) | Charles E. Paine |
| Superintendent of Public Buildings (till Jan 1872) | Obadiah Slade |
| City Sergeant | Edward S. Rhodes |
| City Messenger | Edward S. Rhodes |
| Assessor of Taxes (for three years) | James C Holden |

Presidents of the Fire Departments

| | |
|---|---|
| Charles E. Carpenter | Oliver E. Greene |
| Stanges P. Carpenter | |

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|---|---|
| Chief Engineer of the Fire Department | Oliver E. Greene |

Assistant Engineers

| | |
|---|---|
| Matthew W. Ingraham | Asa Weiser |
| Clerk of the Market | Edward S. Rhodes |

Trustees of the Providence Reform School

| | |
|---|---|
| Edwin M. Snow | Henry J. Angell |
| William J. King | Amasa R. Southcott |
| Charles Anthony | Augustus Woodbury |

Commissioners of the North Burying Grounds

| | |
|---|---|
| Zachariah Allen | William Earle |
| Joseph A. Gilmore | |

| | |
|---|---|
| Superintendent of the North Burying Grounds | Nathan Smalley |
| Ground Keeper at the Asylum | Thomas E. Payne |
| at N. B. Grounds | Nathan Smalley |
| at Ninth Wards | William W. Austin |
| Sealer of Weights and Measures | Samuel W. Hartshorn |
| Advising Committee on Bridges | Mayor and Aldermen |
| Overseer of Bridges | Obadiah Slade |
| Overseers of the Hospital | Mayor and Aldermen |
| Overseer of the City Pumps | Oliver E. Greene |

Committee to Superintend the building of chimneys and the placing of stoves and pipes.

| | |
|---|---|
| Samuel Lewis | Stephen Brown |

Port Wardens

| | |
|---|---|
| Shubael H Cady | Nathaniel Crowell |

Philander Crosby.

City Auctioneers

Francis J. Sheldon — George N. Burnham
Spence Weiser — John Brewster Lester

Undertakers

Michael G. Barrett — Thomas Mc Mannough
Thomas E. Barrett — Mercie Nichols
James Royce — Everett Ridgood
William G. Briggs — Thomas E. Payson
John L. Blanchet — Patrick Quinn
George W. Hopkins — Nathan Smalley
John G. Hopkins — Benjamin P. Swarts
Horace R. Knowles — Gardner S. Swarts
Henry Lynch — Orin Sweet
Thomas R. Matthews — William Wallace

Constables

George Allen — Albert A. Slocum
Silas J. Allen — Henry Wateeman
William Batcheller — Randall B. Wilcox
John Hookely — George W. Brightman
Charles E. Chaffee — Russell Clapp
John W. Gould — Stephen S. Salisbury
Thomas W. Haywards — John A. Creighton
Silas Hemenway — Grecian J. Arnold
John Loughlin — Charles Whitmarsh
George Lawless — James E. Sheridan
William H. Pullen

Police Constables without power to serve civil process.

William E. Atwood — Joseph Tetting
Alonzo B. Bennett — Thomas E. Pauper
Alden M. Brown — Henry A. L. Potter
Pardon H. Brown — George G. Richmond
Amos W. Bucklo — Nathan Smalley
Franklin A. Davis — Thomas Swan
William H. Gale — Nathan J. Shepley
Daniel Hill — Orin Sweet
Nathaniel A. Hallett — Thomas Wilbur
Daniel Joslin — James W. Brainard
William R. Mathews — Thomas W. Walcott
Hector Mc Kenzie — Silas G. Tripp
David E. Moore — Samuel S. Berry



John H. White — Philip E. Gray
William Lloyd Brown — J. Marshall Washburn
William W. Fletcher — John R. Benson
Daniel G. Briggs

Packers and Inspectors of Fish — Peleg S. Sherman
Albert F. Fuller — John P. Mennian

Inspectors of Pot and Pearl Ashes

William R. Blanding — Samuel F. Hilton

Inspector of Saleratus and Bi-carbonate of Soda — Samuel F. Hilton
Inspector of Chain Cables — Thomas Wyatt
Inspector of Kerosene — George A. Cole
Inspector of Beef and Pork — Henry M. Kimball
Sealer of Leather — Hiram R. Appleworth
Viewer of Hoops — Peleg S. Sherman

Surveyors and Borders of Wood

Lyman Arnold — Benjamin F. Olney
William W. Arnold — Benjamin S. Olney Jr.
Stephen Brooks — Jabez B. Olney
Samuel R. Bullock — Ezek N. Pierce
Nelson Chace — Grecian W. Palmer
James S. Anderson — Robert E. Smith 2d
Robert Manchester — William H. Hunter
Darwin R. Money — Thomas E. White

Surveyors and Measurers of Stone

Clifton A. Hall — Leonard Blodget
Alfred Stone — George W. Cady
William Andrews

Inspectors and Measurers of Carpenter's Mason's and Painters work

Jonathan F. Angell — Leonard Blodget
Stephen B. Arnold — John Buckley
George W. Cady — Edson F. Jones
Charles F. Carder — James Lewis
Russell Greene — Robert Manchester
Charles F. Griffin — Robert Manchester Jr
Isaac H. Hallett — Alfred Stone
Clifton A. Hall — Niles R. Scrantarth

John A. Townsend

Measurers of Grain, Grain Salt and Sea Coal

Shubael B. Brussell — Joseph Wesley
Weigher of Hay in Bales — Robert Sherman

Weighers of Hay

| | |
|---|---|
| George A Whipple | Isaac B. Olney |
| Benjamin S. Olney Jr | Albert B. H. Pike |

Weighers of Anthracite Coal

| | |
|---|---|
| Albert B. H. Pike | Samuel W. Pearce |

Weighers of Cotton

| | |
|---|---|
| Richard H. Morgan | Francis G. Sheldon |
| Charles S. Matthewson | Charles Dyer |
| Samuel R. Simmons | Charles H. Bowen |
| Nathaniel W. Pierce | Newton Earle |
| James F. Rhodes | Edward L. Dennis |
| Francis Braston | Francis N. Brown |
| Christopher Rhodes | Samuel C. Davenport |
| Stephen Tripp | Stephen Thurber |

Gauger General — Edward G. Harmer

Trustees of the Sinking Fund to redeem City of Providence 6 per cent Bonds due 1893

James G. Smith — Amos C. Barstow

Moses B. Cochrane

Appraisers of Damage under the Dog Law

Richard Ward Greene — Benjamin S. Eames

Benjamin F. Thurston

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Monthly Report Harbor Master

The Harbor Master makes his Monthly Report of arrivals and receipts for the month ending May 31. 1871. Amt collected $ 110.00

Reads: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed June 5, 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Harbor Masters Report on Dredging

The Harbor Master makes his Report of Dredging from May 1 to 31. 1871.

Amount of dredging done 194 scows 11222 cubic yards at 18¢ 2085.37

49 " in April 536.32

$ 2621.69

Ready: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed June 5, 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A Doyle Mayor



Monthly Report of City Treasurer

The City Treasurer makes his Monthly Report for the month ending May 31. 1871

Cash on hands $ 432,037.40

Reads: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed June 5. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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City Treasurers Report of Registered Bonds

The City Treasurer makes report that during the months of February, March April and May no coupon bonds were exchanged for Registered Bonds

Reads: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed June 5, 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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City Treasurers Report of City Debt

## Report of City Treasurer

City Treasurers Office Providence June 5. 1871

To the Hon'd City Council

Pursuant to our Ordinances in relation to the City Debt the City Treasurer hereby reports that the following notes have been issued by the City of Providence since March 1. 1871

Notes issued

| Date | To whom payable | Rate | When due | Amt. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| March 23 | R I H. Trust Co | 6% | Sept 23, 1871. | $ 200,000. |
| 27 | Prov Nat Bank | 6 | 27 " | 30,000 |
| 28 | G. C. Weightingale | 6 | 28 " | 20,000 |
| April 10 | Peoples Savings Bank | 6 | Oct 10 " | 20,000 |
| 12 | Prov. Nat Bank | 6 | " 12 " | 25,000 |
| 12 | do | 6 | 12 | 10,000 |
| 12 | do | 6 | 12 | 10,000 |
| 12 | do | 6 | 12 | 5,000 |
| 15 | James C. Hidden | 6 | 15. | 10,000 |
| 17 | Peoples Savings Bank | 6 | 17 | 30,000. |
| May 9 | do | 5½ | Nov 9 | 30,000 |
| 17 | do | 5½ | 17 | 45,000 |
| 22 | R. I. H. Trust Co | 5½ | 22 | 75,000 |
| 23 | Peoples Savings Bank | 5½ | 23 | 20,000 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| May 24 | Greene Worcester | 5/4 | Nov 24. | $ 10.000. |
| 24 | do | 5/4 | 24. | 10.000. |
| 24 | do | 5/4. | 24. | 10.000. |

No notes have been paid since my last report

Respectfully submitted

Benjamin Tripp City Treas

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Ready whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed June 5. 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Semi-Annual Report of the Overseer of the Poor.

Semi Annual Report of the Overseer of Poor.

The City of Providence

Office of the Overseer of the Poor June 5, 1871.

To the Hon City Council of the City of Providence)

Gentlemen

The undersigned respectfully submits his Semi Annual Report as follows. In the six month ending May 31. 1871. Twenty four hundred and forty three orders were given to 475 families as follows

| | |
|---|---|
| For Groceries Fuel &c 2346 Amounting to | $ 3.671.00 |
| For Cash 97 Amounting to | 3.382.74 |
| Amounting in the whole to | $ 7 053.74 |
| Amount paid by the City Treasurer for the same time is | $ 6811.79 |

Of the orders for supplies 421 were by order of the Board of Aldermen, 809 by order of His Honor the Mayor, and 1116 by myself

Of the cash orders 61 were by order of the Board of Aldermen and amounted to $ 2773.46. and 36 by myself amounting to $ 609.28. Whole amount $3382.74

Respectfully Submitted

Geo. K. Wightman Overseer of the Poor

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Ready: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.

Passed June 5. 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 7

Annual Report of Engineers of the Fire Department

The Board of Engineers make their Annual Report for the years ending May 31. 1871

Ready: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.

Passed June 5. 1871.

Approved the same day Thomas A Doyle Mayor.

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No 8

Annual Report of Trustees of Sinking Funds of 1893.

Annual Report of Sinking Funds of 1893.

To the Hon City Council of the City of Providence

The undersigned trustees of the Sinking Fund for the redemption of the 6 per cent city bonds payable in 1893 report as follows: viz:

They have in their possession

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 4 | Five per cent Registered Bonds of the City of Providence due in 1893 (in place of same amount named in last report as # 283. to 300 | $ 18.000.00 |
| 1 | Six per cent Registered Bond of the City of Providence due 1885 | 5.000.00 |
| 13. | Six per cent 5/20 U.S. Bonds interest payable in gold | 40.000.00 |
| 4 | Six per cent Bonds of the City of Providence payable in 1876. | 4.000.00 |
| 17 | Six per cent Bonds of the State of Rhode Islands | 17.000.00 |
| 5 | Six per cent 1st Mortgage Bonds of the Prov & Worcester Railroads | 5.000.00 |
| | Cash on deposit in the Mechanics Nat Bank | 1.242.31 |
| | Total | $ 90.242.31 |
| | Last Report | 80.244.05 |
| | Increase for the year. | $ 9.998.26 |

Providence June 1. 1871.

James C. Smith
A. C. Rarstow
M. R. Lockwood
} Trustees

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Ready: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed June 5. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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Annual Report of the Superintendent of the North Burying Grounds

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Annual Report of Super of North Burying Ground

Providence June 1. 1871.

To the Hon the City Council of the City of Providence

The Superintendents of the North Burying Ground in conformity with law, makes this his Annual Report.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Received for Interments June 1. 1870 to date | | $ 1044.00 |
| " " Sale of Lots " " | | 79.50 |
| | Total | $ 1123.50 |

Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received
Passed June 5. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Annual Report of Gauger General

## Annual Report of the Gauger General

To the Hon City Council of the City of Providence

The Gauger General in conformity with the City Ordinance herewith makes this his annual report from June 1. 1870 to June 1. 1871

The whole number of casks gauged by my deputies and myself was 32.967 of which number 7413 contained domestic spirits, whiskey, alcohol and turpentine 13.830 contained oil of different kinds, 11.462 contained molasses or syrup & 264 were empty. The amount of fees received $3396.90

Respectfully Submitted
Edward G. Harmer Gauger General

Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received
Passed June 5. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A Doyle Mayor.

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No 11.

Annual Report of Inspector of Kerosene

## Annual Report of the Inspector of Kerosene

To the Hon the City Council

Gentlemen Agreeably to section 10 of an ordinance in relation to inflammable and explosive articles, herewith please find my report for the year ending June 1. 1871.

I have inspected and branded 780 barrels of kerosene oil. The fees received for which amounted to $ 1170. deducting $ 187.40. amount paid for labor, horse hire and printing, leaves a net income of $ 982.60

During the past year there have passed through this city in transit 2440 barrels, over which I had no control

Respectfully Submitted
G. A. Cole Inspector of Kerosene

Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received
Passed June 5. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 12.

Report on Portrait of Hon S. W. Bridgham

## Report.

Your Committee who were by resolution (approved July 13. 1870) authorized and empowered to cause a proper copy to be made of the Portrait of Hon Samuel W. Bridgham, first Mayor of this city, for the purpose of replacing the portrait now hanging in the councils chamber, respectfully report. that they have procured a copy by Lincoln which is satisfactory to the family of the late Mayor Bridgham as well as to themselves, at a totals expence, including frame of $ 336.

Respectfully Submitted for the committee
James Shaw Jr Chairman

Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.
Passed June 5. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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No 13.

Joint Standing Committees

## Joint Standing Committees

Appointed June 5. 1871.

Resolved: That, the following named gentlemen having been appointed members of the Joint Standing Committees of the City Council on the part of the Common Council; the same be communicated to the Board of Aldermen, that an Alderman may be added to each: viz:

In Common Council June 5. 1871
Read and Passed
J. McAdeman Clerk

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In Board of Aldermen same day
Read and the following Aldermen added
Samuel W. Brown Clerk.

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Finance | Messrs Waterman, | Sucher | } | Ald Spencer |
| | Dexter | Bradford | | |
| Highways | Messrs Rechmith, | Hunt. | } | Ald Snow |
| | J R Brown, | Soslin. | | |
| Education | Messrs Van Sleyck | W.G. Potter | } | Ald Coggeshall |
| | Harris | Place | | |
| Fire Department | Messrs Bradford | Fenner | } | Ald Spicer |
| | White | Keep | | |
| City Property | Messrs Root | Perkins | } | Ald Earle |
| | Fisher | Anthony | | |
| Police | Messrs A.J. Barnaby | Murray | } | Ald Angell |
| | Earle | Hayward | | |
| Ordinances | Messrs Binney | Murray | } | Ald Spicer |
| | Earle | Perkins | | |
| Claims | Messrs Cory | N.F. Potter Jr | } | Ald Dalrow |
| | Murray | Whipple | | |
| Printing | Messrs J.B. Barnaby | Sellew | } | Ald Dalrow |
| | Phillips | A.J. Brown | | |
| N. Burying Ground | Messrs Phillips | A.J. Brown | } | Ald Earle |
| | J.B. Barnaby | | | |
| Harbor | N.F. Potter Jr | Cory | } | Ald Sprague |
| | Perkins | | | |
| Railroads | Messrs Keep | W.G. Potter | } | Ald Brayton |
| | Paine | | | |
| Sewers | Messrs Harris | Cady | } | Ald Brayton |
| | Perkins | White | | |

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No 14.

Committee on Accounts

Whereas Messrs Henry A Cory, Frederick E Keep, William W. Paine Clinton D. Sellew and James T Murray have been elected by ballot, members of the Joint Committee on Accounts, on the part of the Common Council.

Resolved: that the same be communicated to the Board of Aldermen.

In Common Council June 5, 1871
Read and passed
J. W. Addeman Clerk



In Board of Aldermen same day
Read and Aldermen Angell and Snow elected by ballot members of said Committee

Samuel W. Brown Clerk.

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No 15.

Committee on Harbor.

Resolved: —

That Messrs N.F. Potter Jr. Persons and Cory, with Alderman Sprague be and they are hereby appointed a committee for the purpose of expending the money received from the Harbor Master, as already appropriated by ordinance.

Passed Sence 5. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle mayor

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No

Bond of City Treasurer

Resolved: —

That the Board of Aldermen be and they are hereby appointed a committee to take a bond of the City Treasurer for the faithful discharge of the duties of his office: said bond to be in the sum of thirty thousand dollars

Passed June 5, 1871
Approved the same day
Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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No 17.

City Printing

Resolved: —

That Messrs J. B. Barnaby, Phillips, Sellew and A.J. Barnaby of the Common Council, with Alderman Dalrow, be and they are hereby appointed a committee to contract for the City printing for the present municipal year

Passed June 5, 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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No 18.

Mayor's Address Printing

Resolved: —

That Messrs J.B Barnaby, Phillips, Sellew and A.J. Brown of the Common Council, with Alderman Dalrow, be and they are hereby appointed a committee to wait upon his Honor the Mayor, and request

18. 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

Resolved:—

That the above named committee be and they are hereby directed to cause

The Standing Rules of the City Council

The Standing Rules of Order of the Common Council

City Manual — A list of the Standing Committees of the City Council

A list of the City officers, and such portions of the record of the organization of the City Government as they may deem expedient, to be printed in pamphlet form for the use of the City Council, under the general title of the City Manual.

Passed June 5, 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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Resolved:—

Reports to be Printed — That the Joint Committee who were appointed to cause the Mayor's address to be printed, be and they are hereby authorized to cause the following reports to be printed in pamphlet form for the use of the City Council: viz:

The Annual Report of the Gauger General

The Annual Report of the Commissioners of the North Burying Ground

The Annual Report of the Superintendents of the North Burying Ground

The Annual Report of the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department

The Semi-Annual Report of the Overseer of the Poor.

Passed June 5, 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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Resolved:—

Number of City Documents to be printed — That the number of city documents to be printed under the several resolutions passed this day, shall not, except when otherwise specially ordered, exceed in each case, seven hundred and fifty copies

Passed June 5, 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A Doyle Mayor



Jn 21. Resolved:—

Police Court — That from the Justices assigned to keep the peace within the City of Providence, Francis A. Daniels and Stephen Deer, be and they are hereby selected to compose the Police Court during the present Municipal year

Passed June 5, 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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Resolved:—

Mayors address — That the several subjects mentioned in the inaugural address of His Honor the mayor, delivered this day, be and the same are hereby referred to the proper Standing committees, unless otherwise ordered, to examine and report thereon

Passed June 5, 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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Resolved:—

Ordinance Canvassers — That the Joint Committee on Ordinances be hereby requested to report an ordinance fixing the compensation of the Boards of Canvassers and Clerks

Passed June 5, 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Resolved:—

Police — That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to pay from the appropriation for police for duty performed in May 1871 by policemen who have been appointed but not confirmed, as follows

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|---|---|---|---|
| Benjamin F Wroth | $ 85.25 | Robert Flynn | $ 85.25 |
| Frank W. Carter | 85.25 | Byron M Darling | 85.25 |
| William J. Booth | 85.25 | Isaac S. Shippee | 85.25 |
| Frank M. Norton | 85.25. | John V. Simmons | 85.25 |
| Isaac Weaver | 85.25. | Samuel G. Wilbur | 85.25 |

Passed June 5, 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A Doyle Mayor

No 25.

Lamp Bills

Resolved:—

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to pay all bills contracted by the Board of Aldermen for the lighting of the public lamps for the month of May, when the same shall be properly audited, and charge the same to the reserve fund.

Passed June 5. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Fourth of July

Resolved:—

That Messrs Fisher W. G. Potter and Sellew of the Common Council, with Aldermen Datow and Sprague, 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 three thousand dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose of defraying the expenses of said celebration, to be paid by the City Treasurer to the order of said committee, from the appropriation for contingencies

Passed In Common Council June 5 - 12. 1871

In Board of Aldermen June 5. 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Sewer in Parsonage & other Streets

Resolved,—

That the Board of Aldermen be hereby requested to lay and make a main drain or common sewer from Parsonage street, through Manchester, Eddy and Point streets to the river, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 807 of the Public laws

Passed In Board of Aldermen June 5. 1871.

In Common Council June 12. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 28

Chief Engineers Monthly Report

The Chief Engineer of the Fire Department makes his Monthly Report for the month ending May 31. Expended for salaries $ 1833.28. Incidental $1299.09 Total $ 3132.37.

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

Passed In Common Council June 12. 1871

In Board of Aldermen June 14. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A Doyle Mayor.

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No 4

School Committees Annual Report

The School Committee make their Annual Report for the year ending June. 1871.

Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed In Common Council June 12. 1871.

In Board of Aldermen June 14. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A Doyle Mayor.

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No 1

Memorial Day Decoration Day

Report.—

The Committee appointed to make arrangements for a suitable observance of "Memorial Day" respectfully report

That they have attended to the duty assigned them, that they have expended the sum of $ 395.12, and that they have returned to the City Treasurer the unexpended balance $ 4.88 as per the enclosed accounts and vouchers

Respectfully submitted, for the Committee

James Shaw Jr. Chairman

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Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed In Common Council June 12. 1871.

In Board of Aldermen June 14. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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No 31

School Committees Annual Report

Resolved:—

That One Thousand copies of the Annual Report of the School Committee, and the accompanying documents, be printed under the

direction of the Joint Standing Committee on printing.
Passed In Common Council June 12. 1871.
In Board of Aldermen June 14. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Vacation schools

Resolved:—
That the sum of nine hundred dollars be hereby appropriated out of the appropriation for public schools, for the purpose of maintaining such number of vacation schools, not exceeding six in all, as the School Committee may deem expedient
Passed In Common Council June 12. 1871
In Board of Aldermen June 14. 1871
Approved the same day
Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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City Clerk instructed on Printing

Resolved:—
That the City Clerk is hereby instructed not to print in pamphlet form any resolution of the City Council, until it shall have become valid in accordance with the provisions of the City Charter.
Passed In Common Council June 12. 1871.
In Board of Aldermen June 14. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Mayors Message Prov. Reform School

Resolved:—
That so much of the message of His Honor the Mayor, delivered on the 5th instant as relates to the Providence Reform School, be and the same is hereby referred to the Joint Committee on Police, to examine and report thereon
Passed In Common Council June 12. 1871.
In Board of Aldermen June 14. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 35 Resolved:—
Mess Baker That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to pay to Allen Baker, two hundred and thirteen and 96/100 dollars, the same being the amount of his claim, per bill rendered, for material and labor furnished in the years 1865 and 1866 for repairs on City Property, and charge the same to the appropriation for contingencies.
Passed In Common Council June 12. 1871
In Board of Aldermen June 14. 1871
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Streets

Resolved:—
That Messrs Beckwith, Perkins and Cady of the Common Council, with Alderman Brayton, be and they are hereby appointed a committee to examine and report, whether any individuals or corporations are using our streets to the detriment of the public, and if so, what steps are necessary to be taken to prevent such use
Passed In Common Council June 12. 1871.
In Board of Aldermen June 14. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Barclay street

Resolved:—
That the Surveyor of Highways, acting under the advice and direction of the Joint Committee on Highways, be and he is hereby directed to cause curb stones to be set and gutters paved on Barclay street, from Broad way to Atwells avenue.
Passed In Common Council June 12. 1871.
In Board of Aldermen June 14. 1871.

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Buildings moved

Resolved:—
That permission be granted to the following persons to move certain wooden buildings pursuant to their several petitions and to the Ordinance in relation to the removal of wooden buildings, provided

that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby, be repaired at the expense of the petitioners viz:

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Passed In Common Council June 12. 1871.

In Board of Aldermen June 14. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Message

## Message from the Mayor

Mayors Office City of Providence June 21. 1871.

Gentlemen of the City Council

I have convened you this evening in order that final action may be taken in relation to the celebration of the approaching anniversary of American Independence

Thomas A Doyle Mayor

Read June 21. 1871.

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Fourth of July Fire Works

Whereas a communication has been received from responsible parties offering to contribute from $ 1000. to $ 1500. for the purpose of providing an exhibition of fire works for the evening of July 4th: therefore:-

Resolved—

That the City Council do hereby increase the appropriation for July 4th by adding thereto the sum of $ 1000: the same to be used for fire works

Passed In Board of Aldermen June 14. 1871

In Common Council June 21. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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E. W. Sewell Point st Bridge

Resolved: —

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to pay to Edward W. Sewell of New York, the sum of Seven Hundred and twenty dollars and eighty cents, being in payment in full for his claim for expenses and services as civil Engineer, in making an examination and report upon the Point street Bridge: said sum to be paid from the appropriation for



said bridge

Passed In Board of Aldermen June 14. 1871.

In Common Council June 21. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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Message

Town of Cranston Boundaries

## Message from the Mayor

Mayors Office City of Providence June 21. 1871.

Gentlemen of the City Council

The City Engineer has called my attention to the fact that since the annexation of a portion of the Town of Cranston to this city, no permanent bounds have been placed on the present boundary line of the two towns, and the marks made by the City Engineer when surveying the line, are becoming obliterated. I recommend that authority be given to a committee to cause suitable bounds to be placed on the line, provided the Town of Cranston will appoint a similar committee for the same purpose, which I have no doubt will be done.

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

Read June 21. 1871.

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Register of Transfers

Resolved: —

That three hundred and fifty dollars is hereby appropriated out of the appropriation for Salaries, for assistance in the office of the Register of Transfers, to be expended under the approval of the Mayor.

Passed June 21. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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Town of Cranston Boundaries

Resolved: —

That Messrs Paine Root and Persons of the Common Council, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, (Ald Dalton) be and they are hereby appointed a committee to cause suitable bounds to be placed on the boundary line between this city and the town of Cranston, provided said town of Cranston will appoint a similar committee for the same purpose

Passed June 21. 1871.

Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Chandaliers

Resolved:—
That the Joint Standing Committee on City Property be and they are hereby directed to exchange the chandaliers now in the council chamber, for suitable gas reflectors: the cost of the same to be paid for out of the appropriation for public buildings
Passed June 21. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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Hope Iron Works

Resolved—
That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to pay to Hope Iron Works, fifteen dollars and nine cents, the same being for labor and materials furnished in repairs at the police station on Richmond street: the same to be paid out of the appropriation for public buildings.
Passed June 21. 1871
Approved the same day Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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Refund of J. A Shelland

Resolved:—
That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to refund the sum of thirteen dollars and fifty cents and interest to Jeremiah A Sheldon: said amount having been erroneously assessed against him in the City tax of 1870: he being at the time of assessment of said tax a resident of the Town of North Providence
Passed June 21. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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No 49.

Buildings moved

Resolved:
That permission be granted to the following named persons to move certain wooden buildings, pursuant to their petitions and to the ordinance in relation to the removal of wooden buildings: provided that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby be repaired at the expense of the petitioners: viz:



No 49. Fletcher Manufacturing Company
50. William A Harris
51. Sylvester Taylor
52. Patrick Mowbray
Passed June 21. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 53.

Building moved

Resolved:—
That permission be granted to John Donley to move a certain wood en building pursuant to his petition and to the ordinance in relation to the removal of wooden buildings, provided, that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby, be repaired at the expense of the petitioner; and said building to be moved between the hours of 11 o'clock PM and 6 o'clock A.M. to the end that the horse cars may not be obstructed by such removal
Passed June 21. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 54.

Courtland street

Resolved:—
That the Surveyor of Highways, acting under the advice and direction of the Joint Committee on Highways, be and he is hereby directed to cause curbstones to be set and gutters paved on Courtland street, from Broadway to Penn street, a distance of about seven hundred feet.
Passed June 21. 1871.
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No 55.

Penn street

Resolved:—
That the Surveyor of Highways, acting under the advice and direction of the Joint Committee on Highways, be and he is hereby directed to cause curbstones to be set and gutters paved on Penn street, from Almy to Courtland street, a distance of about four hundred feet.
Passed June 21. 1871.
Not ac

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In Convention June 21. 1871

The Surveyor General makes report that he has appointed as Deputy Surveyors Messrs Amos Potter and Robert Sherman, whereupon it is voted that said appointments be approved.

A communication from John Evarts Lester, declining to serve as Fence Viewer, is presented, read and received.

The following City officers are elected; viz:

| | |
|---|---|
| Fence Viewer | Franklin Olds |
| Constables | J. Crawford Potter |
| Charles Barrows | Michael Braddock |
| Police Constable | James N. Holmes |

The following persons are nominated as constables, whereupon it is voted, that said nominations be referred to the Joint Committee on Police.

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1871

## Report.

School Houses on Atwells av Bridgham st & Messer st.

The Joint Committee on Education, to whom was referred the communication of the President of the School Committee, relative to school houses on Atwells avenue, Bridgham and Messer streets, beg leave to report that in their opinion it is desirable to erect on the land belonging to the city on Atwells avenue, a school house containing six rooms in accordance with plans herewith submitted: also, that it is advisable to erect a school house on the City's land on the corner of Messer and Willow streets similar in arrangement to the school house on Hansen street, the same to be built of brick and to contain eight rooms; - also that it is advisable to alter and repair the grammar school house on Bridgham street by addition of a French roof, in accordance with plans herewith submitted.

Respectfully submitted

L. S. Harris for Committee

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Read; whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed In Common Council June 21. 1871.



In Board of Aldermen June 30. 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 57.

School House on Bridgham st

Resolved:—

That Messrs Root, Fisher, Perkins and Anthony of the Common Council with Aldermen Earle and Brayton, be and they are hereby appointed a committee to cause the school house on Bridgham street to be altered and repaired in accordance with plans herewith submitted, provided the expense of the same shall not exceed the sum of ten thousand dollars; which sum is hereby appropriated for the above purpose; to be paid out of the appropriation for school houses

Passed In Common Council June 21. 1871.

In Board of Aldermen June 30. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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East Turnpike

Resolved:

That the Board of Aldermen be hereby requested to receive the East Turnpike, so called, from Olney streets to the North Providence line, as a public highway

Passed In Board of Aldermen June 23. 1871.

In Common Council July 10. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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John N. Lonsdale

Grade of N. Main st.

Resolved —

That Aldermen Spicer and Brayton, with Messrs Fisher, Maury and Cory, be appointed a committee to confer with John N. Lonsdale, relative to his claim against the City of Providence for damages on account of change of grade in North Main street, and that said committee have full authority to settle and arrange the same, provided a satisfactory adjustment can be made.

Passed In Board of Aldermen June 23. 1871.

In Common Council July 10. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A Doyle Mayor.

Cross walks

Resolved:

That the Surveyor of Highways be hereby directed to lay cross walks as follows:

Across E. street, at Central street

Across Market square, from the City Building to the South walk of Weybosset Bridge

Passed In Board of Aldermen June 23. 1871.
In Common Council July 10. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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Ordinance

An Ordinance in amendment of an ordinance entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the North Burying Grounds"

(See Book of Ordinances No 3 page 86.) and City Document No. 11.)

Passed In Board of Aldermen July 3. 1871.
In Common Council July 10. 1871.
Approved July 12. 1871.
Thomas A Doyle Mayor.

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Police Pay

Resolved:

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to pay from the appropriation for police, for duty performed in June 1871 by policemen who have been appointed but not confirmed as follows

| | |
|---|---|
| William T. Robinson | $ 82.50 |
| Benjamin F Worthy | 77.00 |
| William J. Worthy | 82.50 |
| Frank W. Carter | 82.50 |
| Frank M Norton | 82.50 |
| Isaac Weaver | 82.50 |
| Byron M Darling | 55.00 |
| Robert Glynn | 82.50 |
| Samuel G Wilbur | 13.75 |
| Byron A Arnold | 82.50 |
| Isaac L Shippee | 82.50 |
| John V. Simmons | 82.50 |

Passed In Board of Aldermen July 3. 1871 In Common Council July 10. 1871
Approved the same day Thomas A Doyle Mayor.



No 3.

Message from the Mayor

Mayor's Office City of Providence July 10. 1871

Gentlemen of the City Council

Point Street Bridge

The committee appointed to superintend the erection of a bridge at Point street, are, I understand, nearly ready to report the completion of the bridge. In view of the severe strictures made upon the character of this work by General Sewell, it seems proper that the bridge should be thoroughly tested before being thrown open for public travel. This test should be under the direction of competent persons not connected with the city government. Fortunately, we have such who are residents of our city and whose judgment can be taken as conclusive. I need only refer to gentlemen like Samuel B. Cushing, J. Albert Monroe or James B. Bucklin, either or all of whom I have no doubt, would perform the duty if requested to do so by the City Council. Such a test as I suggest, would I think be approved by the committee now in charge of the work, and I therefore invite your immediate attention to the matter

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

Read In Common Council July 10. 1871.
In Board of Aldermen July 12. 1871.

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No 4.

Monthly Report of Chief Engineer

The Chief Engineer of the Fire Department makes his Monthly Report for the month ending June 30. 1871. Expended for Salaries $ 4708.53 incident at $ 810.69 Total $ 5519.22.

Ready whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed In Common Council July 10. 1871.
In Board of Aldermen July 12. 1871.

Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 5.

Monthly Report of Harbor Master

The Harbor Master makes his monthly Report for the month ending June 30. 1871 Amount collected $ 121—

Ready: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.

Passed In common Council July 10. 1871
In Board of Aldermen July 12. 1871

Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

The Harbor Master makes his Report of Dredging. Amount dredged 192 Scows or 10.995 cubic yards at 18 3/4 ¢ $ 2061.56. (In June 1871)

Harbor Masters Report of Dredging

Ready whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed In Common Council July 10. 1871

In Board of Aldermen July 12. 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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The City Treasurer makes his Monthly Report for June 1871.

City Treasurer's Monthly Report

Ready: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed In Common Council July 10. 1871.

In Board of Aldermen July 12. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A Doyle Mayor.

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The Surveyor of Highways makes his Quarterly Report for the quarter ending June 30. 1871. (City Document No 7.)

Quarterly Report of Surveyor of Highways

Ready: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed In Common Council July 10. 1871.

In Board of Aldermen July 12. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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The Water Commissioners make their Quarterly Report for the quarter ending July 1. 1871. (City Document No 6)

Quarterly Report of Water Commissioners

Ready: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received and printed in pamphlet form for the use of the City Council.

Passed. In Common Council July 10. 1871.

In Board of Aldermen July 12. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 10.

## Report of Committee on Fourth of July

Fourth of July

To the Hon City Council of the City of Providence



No 10.

The Joint Special Committee of the City Council, appointed to make arrangements for the celebration of the fourth of July 1871. beg leave to report that they have attended to the duty assigned them and submit herewith a detailed account of the receipts and expenditures of the committee, accompanied with the proper vouchers.

Receipts

From City Treasurer being amount of appropriations of the City Council $ 4000—

Fourth of July

Expenditures

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Clapp & King | 100 | Rev Edward O Bartlett | 10.00 |
| American Band | 675. | A Crawford Greene | 65.58 |
| Whatcheer Band | 350. | Honorable Anthony A Danielson | 63.00 |
| Marine Corps of Artillery | 400. | Noah D. Payne | 62.63 |
| United Train of Artillery | 135. | Prov. Press Co | 54.38 |
| Providence Horse Guards | 125 | General Advertiser | 16.50 |
| Riverside National Guards | 95 | Edwin Baker | 10.00 |
| Slocum Light Guards | 62. | Francis F. Tingley | 25.00 |
| Wolf Jone Guards | 62. | A. D. Wheeler & Co | 20.00 |
| Co A. R. I. Guards | 62. | Ellsbree & Watson | 10.00 |
| Co D. R. I. Guards | 62. | J. L. & A. Webster | 9.00 |
| Kearney Cadets | 60. | W. H. Goffe | 9.00 |
| G. H. Copeland & Co | 132.50 | John N Bates | 8.00 |
| Thomas J. A. Gross | 93. | A. D. Fisher | 7.86 |
| J. Harry Webb | 75 | E. Carpenter & Sons | 4.30 |
| A C Rawson Music Hall | 65. | S. S. Rider & Bro | 6.00 |
| Benj W. Hardy | 50. | Street Sprague | 6.00 |
| Rt Rev Thomas M Clark | 100. | E. C. Penney | 5.00 |
| Wm Orne Weeden | 10. | Total expenditures | $ 3997.75 |
| | | Balance returned to City Treasurer | 2.25 |
| | | | $ 4000.00 |

All of which is respectfully submitted

Addison D. Fisher for the Committee

Providence July 10th 1871.

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Ready: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed In Common Council July 10. 1871

In Board of Aldermen July 12. 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

Ordinance

An Ordinance in amendment of an ordinance entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the removal of wooden buildings."

(See City Document No 13. and Book of Ordinances No 3 page 87.)

Passed In Common Council July 10. 1871.
In Board of Aldermen July 12. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Ordinance

"An Ordinance prohibiting certain animals from going loose or unattended in the streets of the City of Providence."

(See City Document No 12 and Book of Ordinances No 3 page 87.)

Passed In Common Council July 10. 1871.
In Board of Aldermen July 12. 1871.
Approved July 13. 1871
Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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Oration of Thomas M. Clark D.D.

Resolved:—

That the thanks of the City Councils of the City of Providence be hereby tendered to the Right Reverend Thomas M. Clark, Bishop of the Diocese of Rhode Island, for the able and eloquent oration delivered by him at the late municipal celebration of the anniversary of American independence

Resolved—

That the Committee of Arrangements for the said celebration, be hereby instructed to wait upon the Right Reverend Bishop and request of him a copy of said oration for publication, and to cause the same to be printed in such manner as they may deem expedient for the use of the City Council

Passed In Common Council July 10. 1871.
In Board of Aldermen July 12. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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1074.

Appropriation for Interest

Resolved:—

That the sum of thirty five thousand dollars, be and is hereby added to the appropriation for interest, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated



Passed In Common Council July 10. 1871.
In Board of Aldermen July 12. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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1075.

Interest in Bonds

Appropriation

Resolved:—

That the premium on gold paid on coupons due January 1. 1871. on bonds of the City of Providence payable in 1876, amounting to sixteen hundred and forty and 62/100 dollars, be and is hereby added to the appropriation for interest on bonds payable in 1876; and the premium on gold paid on coupons due March 1. 1871 on bonds of the City of Providence payable in 1885 amounting to nineteen hundred and eighty dollars. be and is hereby added to the appropriation for interest on bonds payable in 1885, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Passed In Common Council July 10. 1871.
In Board of Aldermen July 12. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Appropriation for Sewerage

Resolved:—

That the sum of thirty thousand dollars be and the same is hereby added to the appropriation for Sewerage, and the City Treasurer is hereby authorized, under the direction of the Committee on Finance, to hire said sum for sewerage account.

Passed In Common Council July 10. 1871.
In Board of Aldermen July 12. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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1077.

Wm S. Haines
John Howe

Resolved:—

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to pay to William S. Haines, the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars, and to John Howe one hundred and sixty dollars, the same being for amounts of their bills for services as engineers; and charge the same to the appropriation for the Point Street Bridge

Passed In Common Council July 10. In Board of Aldermen July 12. 1871
Approved the same day Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

No 78

Whereas: a committee has been appointed to make recommendations in regard to the future care and lay out of the cove lands; and whereas, in such lay out it may be necessary to change and straighten some of the streets already in use: It is therefore

Resolved —

That the Surveyor of Highways

Cove Streets

be and is hereby directed to suspend all action in the paving of Cove Street, until ordered by this council to proceed with the same

Passed In Common Council July 10. 1871.
In Board of Aldermen July 12. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Gilmore Streets

Resolved: —

That the Board of Aldermen be and they are hereby requested to receive Gilmore Street from Brandon street to Wilson street, and declare the same a public highway; said street having been laid out, travelled and actually used for more than twenty years

Passed In Common Council July 10. 1871.
In Board of Aldermen July 12. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Buildings to be moved

Resolved: —

That permission be granted to the following named persons to move certain wooden buildings, pursuant to their several petitions and to the Ordinance in relation to the removal of wooden buildings, provided that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby, be repaired at the expense of the petitioner viz:

No 80. E. G. W. Bartlett
81. Timothy Hughes
82 William D. Sherman

Passed In Common Council July 10, 1871.
In Board of Aldermen July 12, 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor



Buildings to be raised

Resolved —

That permission be granted to the following persons to raise certain buildings, located as follows, pursuant to their several petitions, viz:

No 83. E. G. W. Bartlett corner of Charles & West Dover streets
84. Peter W. T. Bennett No 14 Beacon street
85. John Dwyer Rear of No 9 Warren lane
81. Patrick Mc Gaughy Rear of No 186 Atlantic avenue

Passed In Common Council July 10. 1871.
In Board of Aldermen July 12. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Pumps accounts

Resolved: —

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to pay all bills contracted by the Board of Aldermen for the lighting of the public lamps for the month of June, when the same shall be properly audited, and charge the same to the reserve funds.

Passed In Board of Aldermen July 12. 1871.
In Common Council July 17. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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Appropriation transferred

School House on Public st.

Resolved: —

That the sum of seven thousand dollars be and the same is hereby transferred from the appropriation for public schools to the appropriation for school houses and lots, and that the expenses for the enlargement and alteration of the school house on Public street, under the resolution approved May 11. 1871. be charged to the appropriation for school houses and lots.

Passed In Board of Aldermen July 12. 1871.
In Common Council July 17. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 84

Resolved: —

That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to receive in

current funds, from the trustees of that portion of the railroad of the Hartford Providence and Fishkill Railroad Company, located in the State of Connecticut, the amount due upon the coupons payable January 1. 1871. upon the bonds of said railroad company held by the city of Providence, with interest thereon at the rate of seven per cent per annum from January 1. 1871. until the date of payment, and after paying therefrom a sum equivalent to the amount paid by him in gold, and interest thereon at the rate of seven per cent per annum to redeem the coupons due January 1. 1871 upon the City bonds issued to said railroad company, to pay the balance to the trustees of the sinking fund for the redemption of said city bonds

Interest due by Hartford Prov & Fishkill Railroad

Passed July 17. 1871
Approved the same day
Thomas A Doyle Mayor.

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Resolved:—

Writing teacher

That the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the payment of the principal teacher in writing for services rendered in teaching penmanship in the public schools during the past school year; and also, that the sum of four hundred dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for instruction in French in the High School for the ensuing school year.

French teacher

Passed July 17. 1871
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Resolved:—

Sewer in Waterman Streets

That the Board of Aldermen be hereby requested to lay a main drain or common sewer from Cooke street through Waterman street to Gano street, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 807 of the public laws

Passed July 17. 1871
Approved the same day
Thomas A Doyle Mayor.

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Resolved:—

That the Report of the Commissioners of Estimate and assessment on the widening of Dyer street, and the report of the Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment on the widening of South Water street be hereby referred to a Joint Special Committee, consisting of the President and Messrs A.J. Ramsay and Dexter of the Common Council with Aldermen Coggeshall and Spencer, to examine and report thereon.

Dyer & South Water Streets

Passed July 17. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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In Convention July 17. 1871.

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A Woodbury

The declination of Augustus Woodbury, elected Trustee of the Providence Reform School, is presented and read, whereupon it is voted that the same be accepted

F. Olds

The declination of Franklin Olds, elected Fence Viewer, is presented read and laid on the table.

The following City Officers are elected.

Trustee of the Providence Reform School — J. Lewis Diman

Inspectors and Measurers of Carpenters', Masons' and Painters' work.

Henry A Grimwood — Thomas E. White

Police Constables without power to serve civil process —

John R. Oaks — William Lewis

Henry Mc Elroy.

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Ordinance

An Ordinance providing for the assessment and collection of a tax upon the real and personal estate in the City of Providence

(See Book of Ordinances No 3 page 88 and City Document No 14)

Passed In Board of Aldermen July 17. 1871
In Common Council July 24. 1871.
Approved July 25. 1871
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Ordinance

An Ordinance relating to the City Debt.

(See Book of Ordinances No 3 page 88. and City Document No 15.)

Passed July 24. 1871.
Approved July 25. 1871.
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Sewer in Pearl Street

Resolved:
That the Surveyor of Highways, acting under the direction of the Joint Committee on Highways be and he is hereby instructed to cause all obstructions to be removed from the sewer in Pearl street: the same to be paid out of the appropriation for sewers

Resolved:
That the sum of three hundred dollars be and is hereby appropriated to carry the foregoing resolution into effect.
Passed July 24. 1871
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Dorrance St

Resolved.—
That the Surveyor of Highways, acting under the advice and directions of the Joint Committee on Highways, be and he is hereby directed to cause the curbstones to be re-set and the street re-paved on Dorrance Street, from Broad street to Pine street, in order to conform to the new line of said Dorrance street: the work to be done forthwith.
Passed July 24. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Sewer in Sabin Street

Resolved:—
That the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby instructed to cause an opening to be made in the Sabin street sewer at the corner of Sabin street and Broadway
Passed July 24. 1871
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Resolved:—
That the City Treasurer be hereby instructed to deduct from the



Tax abated

Charles Adams

amount of tax assessed against Charles Adams, in the year 1870, the sum of one hundred forty nine dollars and eighty five cents: the same having been erroneously assessed against him upon personal property, he having been at the time of such assessment, a resident of the town of Cumberland, as appears by the certificate of the town clerk of said town.
Passed July 24. 1871
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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G. W. Copeland & Co

Resolved:—
That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to pay to G. W. Copeland & Co the sum of twenty two dollars and twenty five cents, the same being in full for their claim for damage to sleigh, on the night of February A. D. 1871: said sum to be paid out of the appropriation for Highways
Passed In Common Council July 10. 1871
In Board of Aldermen July 24. 1871
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Building moved.

Second Free Baptist Society

Resolved:
That permission be granted to the Second Free Baptist Church Society to move a certain wooden building pursuant to their petition and to the ordinance in relation to the removal of wooden buildings, provided that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby, be repaired at the expense of the petitioner, they giving bond to pay $10. per day under the ordinance
Passed July 24. 1871
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Buildings to be moved.

Resolved:
That permission be granted to the following named persons to move certain wooden buildings pursuant to their several petitions and to the ordinance in relation to the removal of wooden buildings, provided that all damage done to the telegraph wires thereby, be repaired at the expense of the petitioner, viz:
Patricky Gannong

James H. Saling

Passed In Common Council July 24. 1871.
In Board of Aldermen July 31. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Building to be raised

Resolved:

That permission be granted to Americus V. Potter to raise a certain building, located at No 481 Cranston street, pursuant to his petition

Passed In Common Council July 24. 1871
In Board of Aldermen July 31. 1871
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Prospect Square

Resolved:

That Alderman Borgerhoff, with Messrs Cory, Paine and Anthony of the Common Council be hereby appointed a committee to obtain plans and estimates for the improvement of Prospect Square, and report thereon as soon as practicable

Passed In Board of Aldermen June 30. 1871
In Common Councils August 14. 1871
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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John H. Porter et als

Resolved:

That the City Solicitor is hereby authorized and directed to enter satisfaction of the judgment in favor of Benjamin Tripp, City Treasurer, against John H. Porter, John Mc Elroy and Walter R. Porter, rendered at the June term A.D. 1871, upon payment of all costs which have accrued thereon

Passed In Board of Aldermen July 31. 1871
In Common Council August 14. 1871
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 106.

Transfer of Appropriation

Resolved: —

That the sum of ten thousand dollars be transferred from the reserve fund to the appropriation for paving

Passed In Board of Aldermen July 31. 1871
In Common Council August 14. 1871.



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No 107.

Lamp Accounts

Resolved: —

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to pay all bills contracted by the Board of Aldermen for the lighting of the public lamps for the month of July, when the same shall be properly audited, and charge the same to the reserve fund

Passed In Board of Aldermen August 7. 1871.
In Common Council August 14. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A Doyle Mayor.

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No 108.

Police pay

Resolved: —

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to pay from the appropriation for police for duty performed in July 1871 by men who have been appointed but not confirmed, as follows

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| Peyton H. Arnold | $88.00 | Frank M. Norton | $88.00 |
| John V. Simonds | 88.00 | Frank W. Carter | 88.00 |
| Grace S. Shippee | 88.00 | William T. Robinson | 88.00 |
| William P. Winsor | 88.00 | Benjamin F. North | 88.00 |
| John H. Tripp | 88.00 | Robert Glynn | 88.00 |
| Isaac Weaver | 88.00 | Francis H. Norton | 88.00 |
| William J. North | 88.00 | | |

Passed In Board of Aldermen August 7. 1871
In Common Councils August 14. 1871
Approved the same day
Thomas A Doyle Mayor.

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No 109.

Ordinance

"An Ordinance in relation to the Cove Lands"

(See Book of Ordinances No 3 page 90 and City Document No 19.)

Passed In Common Council July 17 & Aug 14. 1871
In Board of Aldermen August 14. 1871
Approved August 16. 1871. Thomas A Doyle Mayor.

No 110

## Message from the Mayor

Mayor's Office City of Providence Aug 14. 1871

Gentlemen of the City Council

Thomas f a Gross — A vacancy exists in the office of Chief of Police caused by the death on the 2d inst of Thomas f. a. Gross, who was elected to the position for the second time in June last.

Chief of Police — Mr. Gross was appointed city watchman November 21. 1854; he was subsequently promoted to a position on the day force, and in June 1864 I appointed him Captain of the Watch. At the organization of the present police system he became Captain of Police and Deputy Chief, serving as such until his election to the office of Chief in June 1870.

In these various positions he was found to be faithful to the trust committed to him and I am confident that the immediate cause of his death was his close attention to official duties

City Attorney — I take this occasion to recommend that the Chief of Police be relieved from the duty of conducting cases in the courts, and that so much of his work be assigned to an officer to be styled the City Attorney.

The four to six hours daily confinement in the court room required of the Chief of Police is a serious injury to the efficiency of the force. No one can perform this duty properly and then have the requisite energy left to devote to the general detail, the discipline and operations of the department. I have been aware of this for a long time. The morning report required to be made to the Mayor by the Chief of Police at ten o'clock each day has not for the past two years, been made until afternoon, and frequently not until a subsequent day. When the number of cases before the courts has been unusually large, sometimes two or three days have elapsed without an interview between the Mayor and the Chief of Police. The remedy for this state of things is the appointment of such an officer as I have suggested.

For the year ending on the first instant 5896 persons were arrested by the police for various offences. In the month of July last 647 were arrested and thus far in the present month, 369 arrests have been made These statistics are sufficient to convince any person that the City Attorney would find ample employment, and that the Chief of Police, who examines and prosecutes so many cases, can find little time for other and more important duties.

Thomas A Doyle Mayor

Read August 14. 1871.



No 111.

Resolved:

City Attorney — That the Message of the Mayor presented this day, relating to the subject of a City Attorney, be and the same is hereby referred to the Joint Committee on Ordinances to examine and report thereon

Passed August 14. 1871.

Approved the same day.

Thomas A Doyle Mayor.

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No 112.

## Message from the Mayor

Mayor's Office City of Providence August 14. 1871.

Gentlemen of the Board of Aldermen

Cattle / Slaughtering — The recent stampede of cattle in the streets of this city has caused so much inquiry to be made at this office as to the means taken by the executive department to protect the lives and property of our citizens against similar occurrances in future, that I deem it proper to communicate to you the present condition of the business of slaughtering cattle and cattle driving in the streets of our city.

In June 1866, the General Assembly passed an act providing that when any town council should designate a place in the town, where slaughtering could be carried on, it should be unlawful to carry it on in that town in any place not so designated under a penalty for each days violation of the act.

In October 1869 the board of aldermen designated a place in this city where slaughtering of cattle could be carried on, and every effort was made by the Superintendent of Health, the Chief of Police, and the executive department to induce persons engaged in violating the act in this city to cease therefrom but without success

Finding other means fail resort was had to the courts, and at the last June term of the Common Pleas three persons were indicted arraigned and plead not guilty. Their cases were continued to the September term when it is hoped they will be tried

In December last, the City Council passed an ordinance prohibiting the driving of cattle in the streets of this city after the first day of March of the present year under a penalty to be recovered in the Municipal Court At the April term warrants were issued against sundry parties for violation of the ordinance; the cases were called and continued to the June term, and in June, were continued to the September term.

The operations of this ordinance being too slow to be effective it was repealed on the 13th of July last and a new ordinance passed under which cases could be brought in the Police Court.

So little time elapsed after its passage that the late Chief had no opportunity to enforce it. Early last week, and before the stampede of cattle occurred I called the Deputy's attention to the business of slaughtering and driving cattle in this city and directed him to commence at once the work of suppressing them. I directed him to commence each day new actions against the persons carrying on the business of slaughtering, and against the workmen engaged in the operations, and also to prosecute the persons employed in driving cattle through the streets in violation of the ordinance. He at once proceeded to carry my orders into effect and warrants were being prepared when the stampede occurred, which have some of them been served and the others will be.

Every effort will be made by these repeated prosecutions under statute and ordinance to suppress a business which is being persisted in to the danger and annoyance of the whole community.

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

Ready August 14. 1871.

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Appropriations for Highways

Resolved:—

That the whole sums paid into the City Treasury by the Water Commissioners for work done for them by the highway department be and the same is hereby ordered to be transferred to the appropriation for the highway department.

Passed August 14. 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Water on Williams Street

Resolved:—

That the Joint committee on Highways be directed to provide for the surface water on Williams street, east of Ames street, in the same manner as the water on Brown street is now cared for, and the sum of four hundred dollars be and hereby is appropriated for this purpose, said sum to be paid out of the reserve fund, - - - - and the work to be done forthwith.

Passed August 14. 1871.

(Vetoed by the Mayor September 4. 1871.)



Dry Well on Dalrell street

Resolved:—

That the Surveyor of Highways be hereby directed with the advice of the Joint Committee on Highways, to cause a dry well to be sunk in Dalrell street, near Greenwich street, for the purpose of disposing of the surplus water which now floods the highway at the corner of said streets; provided that the expense of the same shall not exceed the sum of three hundred dollars, the expense thereof to be paid from the appropriation for highways.

Passed August 14. 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Point St. Bridge

Resolved:—

That the Committee on the Point Street Bridge be hereby authorized and directed, upon the completion of said bridge, and prior to its acceptance from the contractors, to employ Samuel B. Bunker Esq. C.E. and Ambrose C. Riverside Esq and Noble S. Greene Esq to make an inspection or test thereof, and report in full their opinion and advice in relation thereto.

Passed August 14. 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Monthly Report of Chief Engineer

The Chief Engineer of the Fire Department makes his Monthly Report for the month ending July 31. 1871 & expended for Salaries $2063.20 incidental $1156.76: total $3219.96.

Ready: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed August 14. 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A Doyle Mayor.

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Monthly Report of Harbor Master

The Harbor Master makes his Monthly Report of arrivals and receipts for the month ending July 31. 1871 Amount received $131.00

Ready: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed August 14. 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A Doyle Mayor.

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Harbor Masters Report of Dredging

The Harbor Master makes his Report of Dredging for the months of July 1871. Amount dredged 10,307 cubic yards at an expense of $ 1932.57.

Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed August 14. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Monthly Report of City Treasurer

The City Treasurer makes his Monthly Report for the months ending July 31. 1871.

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

Passed August 14. 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Ordinance

"An Ordinance in amendment of an ordinance entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the Police"

(See Book of Ordinances No 3 page and City Document No 20.)

Passed August 14. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 124

Appropriation for Prov. Water Works

Resolved: —

That the sum of two hundred thousand dollars be and the same is hereby added to the appropriation for the Providence Water Works, and that the City Treasurer, acting under the advice and direction of the Joint Committee on Finance, be authorized to hire the same

Passed August 14. 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A Doyle Mayor.

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No 123.

City Building

Resolved: —

That the Standing Committee of the City Council on City Property be and they are hereby directed to cause such repairs to be made within the City Building as in their judgment, may be necessary, provided the cost thereof shall not exceed the sum of one thousand dollars: to be paid from the appropriation for public buildings

Passed August 14. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 121.

Broad Street

Whereas, the commissioners of estimate and assessment appointed by the Supreme Court at the March term 1871. to widen and straighten Broad Street, near Snow street, made their first report to said court on Thursday July 20. 1871. - Now therefore, within thirty days after the making of said report to said court.

Resolved: That the City Council do hereby elect to make said improvement

Passed August 14. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle. Mayor.

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No 125.

Irwin Street

School House on Greenwich st

Resolved: —

That the Joint Committee on City Property be and they are hereby directed to take such action as may be necessary to close Irwin street and to add the same to the school estate on Greenwich street: and that the sum of twelve hundred dollars is hereby appropriated for this purpose, to be charged to the appropriation for school houses and lots.

Passed August 14. 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 126.

Sewer in Fountain st

Resolved: —

That the Board of Aldermen be hereby requested to lay a main drain or common sewer in Fountain street, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 807 of the public laws.

Passed August 14. 1871.

(Vetoed by the Mayor. September 4. 1871)

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No 127.

Resolved: —

That permission be granted to the following persons to raise

Buildings raised

certain buildings, located as follows, pursuant to their several petitions.

No 127. Andrew Moore No 200 Atwells avenue
128. William H. Read Nos 57 and 59 Federal st.
129. John W. Shields No 64 Summer st.
130. James Tiffany Summer st.

Passed August 14. 1871
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Resolved: —

Building moved

That permission be granted to Ebben Simmons, to move a certain wooden building pursuant to his petition and to the ordinance in relation to the removal of wooden buildings, provided, that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby, be repaired at the expense of the petitioner.

Passed August 14. 1871
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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In Convention August 14. 1871.

The following City officers are elected

Chief of Police — John W. Knowles
Police Constables without power to serve civil process
John Slocum — Stephen S. Salisbury
John Nickerson — Richard Barrett.
Fence Viewer — Henry G. Gladding

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In Convention September 4. 1871

The declination of Henry G. Gladding, elected Fence Viewer, is presented read and accepted.

The following City officers are elected
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Oliver A Washburn jr — Morris R. Deming
Fence Viewer — Lyman Arnold.

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No 132

Pawtuxet Property to be Leased

Resolved: —

That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby instructed to sign such a lease or leases of the whole or any portion of the property in Pawtuxet, purchased by the Water Commissioners for the city, as they and the City Solicitor may approve

Passed In Common Council August 14. 1871
In Board of Aldermen September 4. 1871
Approved the same day
Thomas A Doyle Mayor.

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No 133

Report of Com on City Debt on Water Loan

The Joint Committee on the City Debt who were instructed to advertise for proposals for a loan of $4.000.000. for the construction of the Providence Water Works make their report in relation thereto.

Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received
Passed September 4. 1871
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

(For Report see Printed Resolutions of the City Council 1871-2 No 133)

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No 134.

Ordinance

An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance appointing the times and the place for holding the Municipal Court."

(See Book of Ordinances No 3 page 91. and City Document No 23.)
Passed September 4. 1871
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 135

Appropriation Transferred

Resolved: —

That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to transfer the sum of six thousand dollars from the reserve fund to the appropriation for Highways

Passed September 4. 1871.

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Lamp Accounts

Resolved:—

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to pay all bills contracted by the Board of Aldermen for the lighting of the public lamps for the months of August, when the same shall be properly audited, and charge the same to the reserve fund

Passed September 4. 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A Doyle Mayor.

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Ocean Street

Resolved:—

School House on Public Street

That the Joint Committee on Highways be and they are hereby instructed to provide in any contract for work on Ocean street, that so much of the surplus earth as may be needed for the purpose shall be removed to the school estate on Public street

Passed September 4. 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

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Resolved:—

Narragansett Hotel Co

That the petition of the Narragansett Hotel Company, asking, that the improvements they propose to make upon their lot at the corner of Dorrance, Broad and Eddy streets, may be exempted from taxation for the term of ten years, be referred to Aldermen Boggenhall and Brayton with Messrs J. R. Rumsey, Case and Kenney of the Common Council to examine and report thereon

Passed September 4. 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Ordinance

"An Ordinance in amendment of "an ordinance permitting the Elmwood Horse Railroad Company to lay rails in certain streets of the City of Providence."

(See Book of Ordinances No 3 page 91. and City Document No 24.)

Passed September 4. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor



Appropriation

Resolved:—

That the sum of ten thousand five hundred dollars be hereby transferred from the appropriation for the reserve fund to the appropriation for police

Passed September 4. 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Resolved:—

That the sum of Sixty two hundred and fifty dollars be and the same is hereby transferred from the reserve fund as an additional appropriation to the fire department

Passed September 4. 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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School House on Public Street

Resolved:—

That the sum of fifteen hundred dollars, is hereby appropriated for furnishing the school house on Public Street; said expenditure to be made under the direction of the Committee on City Property, and charged to the appropriation for public buildings

Passed September 4. 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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School House on Greenwich st.

Resolved:—

That the sum of twelve hundred dollars is hereby appropriated for grading and fencing the School House lot on Greenwich street, and otherwise repairing the house; the same to be expended under the direction of the Committee on City Property, and charged to the appropriation for public buildings

Passed September 4. 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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Sewerage of Fountain street District

Resolved:—

That the Joint Committee on Sewers be and they are hereby requested to obtain of the Water Commissioners a plan for a System of Sewerage for the Fountain street district, and report the same at the next meeting of this council

Passed September 4. 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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W. E. Anthony et al

Resolved:—

That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to pay to

Walter E. Anthony, one hundred and nineteen dollars

to Edward I. Caswell fifty dollars,

to Charles W. Parsons twenty dollars,

to A. A. Fisher fifteen dollars,

to Robert Miller ten dollars,

Steam Fire Engine No 6.

to George W. Hopkins One hundred thirty nine dollars and sixty cents, and

to Swan Point Cemetery, (G. B. Dronne Treasurer) fifteen dollars, the same being for medical attendance and funeral expenses furnished in the case of George

Geo I. Renson

I. Renson, who came to his death in consequence of the explosion of a steam fire engine belonging to the city. The same to be paid from the appropriation for contingencies. And in passing the aforegoing resolution, the City Council expressly disclaims any legal liability of the city in the above named case, being impelled to this action solely by the peculiarly distressing circumstances of the case.

Passed September 4. 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Henry L. Clarke

Resolved:—

That Messrs Bradford, Sinclair and Metcalf of the Common Council, with Aldermen Coggeshall and Sprague, are hereby constituted a committee with full power to adjust and settle all the outstanding unsettled claims of Henry L. Clark and Clark & Webb trustees to said Clark against the city for injuries to the property of said Clark resulting from discharging the contents of the Dorrance street and Ship street sewers into the Dorrance street docks



Resolved:—

That said committee are hereby authorized to draw upon the city treasurer for the payment of such sums as they shall finds to be due said Henry L. Clark, and the City Auditor is hereby directed to audit the draft of said committee therefor, without the approval of the Committee on Accounts: the said amount to be paid from the appropriation for contingencies

Passed September 4. 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Building to be raised

Resolved:—

That permission be granted to S. W. Simmons to raise a certain building located at the corner of Halsey and Benefit street, pursuant to his petition.

Passed September 4. 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Building to be moved

Resolved:—

That permission be granted to S. W. Simmons to move a certain wooden building pursuant to his petition and to the ordinance in relation to the removal of wooden buildings, provided that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby be repaired at the expense of the petitioner

Passed September 4. 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Resolved:—

That permission be granted to Elizabeth Wilkinson to move a certain wooden building pursuant to her petition and to the ordinance in relation to the removal of wooden buildings, provided, that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby be repaired at the expense of the petitioner, and provided further, that said building be removed without obstructing the rail road, and, that the sum of ten dollars per day be designated as the sum to be paid by said petitioner for each day said building shall remain upon any public highway.

Passed September 11. 1871
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 150.

Monthly Report of Chief Engineer

The Chief Engineer of the Fire Department makes his Monthly Report of expenditures for the month ending August 31. 1871. Expended for Salaries $2063.20 Incidental $620.62 Total $2063.20
Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received
Passed September 11. 1871
Approved the same day
Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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No 151.

Monthly Report of Harbor Master

The Harbor Master makes his Monthly Report for the month ending August 31. 1871. Amount collected $144.00
Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received
Passed September 11. 1871
Approved the same day
Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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No 152.

Harbor Masters Report of Dredging

The Harbor Master makes his Monthly Report of Dredging for the month of August 1871. Amount of dredging 15445 yards Amount expended $2895.94.
Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received
Passed September 11. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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No 153.

Monthly Report of City Treasurer

The City Treasurer makes his Monthly Report for August 1871.
Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.
Passed September 11. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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No 154.

City Treasurer Report of Registered Bonds

The City Treasurer makes report that during the past three months no coupon bonds were surrendered to him for exchange
Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received



Passed September 11. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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No 155.

City Treasurer's Report of City Debt.

The City Treasurer Makes his Report of issues and payments of the City Debt from June 1. 1871

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| Amount of City Notes issued | $ 740.000.00 |
| Amount of City Notes paid | $ 450.000.00 |

Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received
Passed September 11. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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No 156.

Surveyor's Report of proposed grades

Report of the Surveyor of Highways

To the Hon. City Council

The Surveyor of Highways respectfully reports that he proposes to establish grades on the following streets: viz: Wheaton, Pearce, Noyes Homestead, Jackson, Anthony and Hamilton avenues, and Emery, Emery, Elmy, Borden, Thayer, Manchester and Hemlock streets and Eagle lane.

Respectfully submitted

Thomas H. Hart Surveyor of Highways.

Providence September 11. 1871.
Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received
Passed September 11. 1871.
Approved the same day Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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No 157.

Ordinance

An Ordinance making appropriations for the support of the government of the City of Providence for the financial year ending September 30 A.D. 1872"
(See Book of Ordinances No 3 page 91. and City Document No 25.)
Passed September 11. 1871.
Approved September 13. 1871
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 158.

Point St Bridge

Resolved: —

That the Joint Special Committee on the Point Street Bridge are

hereby directed to transmit to the City Council, any report or reports that may be received by them from the committee appointed to inspect and test said bridge, at the earliest possible moment after their reception.

Passed In Common Council September 4. 1871.
In Board of Aldermen September 11. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Resolved:—

Location for School House on Plane & Point Streets

That the City Council of the City of Providence fix upon the following described land in the said City of Providence, to wit: a certain tract of land described as follows: Beginning at the South east corner of Plane and Point Streets being also the north west corner of the estate of Laurence Mowray: thence easterly on the southerly line of Point street 180 89/100 feet to a corner: thence Southerly in a line parallel with Plane street and 180 feet therefrom, bounding easterly on land of Henry C. Matheuson, 245 39/100 feet to a corner in land of said Matheuson; thence westerly in range with the northerly line of Langley Street continued (from Hospital street) 184 91/100 feet, bounding southerly on land of said Matheuson and of Bridget O'Donnell to the easterly line of Plane street: thence on said easterly line, northerly 204 9/10 feet to the point of beginning, as a location for a school house,- and the same is hereby fixed upon as such location for said purpose

Passed September 11. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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Resolved:—

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That the Joint Standing Committee on Education are hereby authorized to negotiate with the owners of the land on Point and Plane Streets, this day fixed upon as a location for a school house, and to obtain the terms upon which said owners will convey said land to the city

Passed September 11. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 161.

Resolved:

That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to deduct from the bill

Daniel Remington

of the City of Providence, dated October 1. 1870. against Daniel Remington for 245 feet of curbing, the sum of five cents per foot, or twelve dollars and twenty five cents: he being equitably entitled to said deduction according to the terms of the bill, having tendered payment of the same within thirty days of the date thereof

Passed September 11. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Resolved:—

John R Kiernan

That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to pay to John R Kiernan out of the appropriation for contingencies, the sum of fifteen dollars and twenty cents. the same being for cash paid for one undivided sixteenth part of an estate sold by A. S. Draper then Collector of Taxes and purchased by said Kiernan, for interest on same and for cost of recording deed. And having afterward proved that the estate was wrongfully sold by the collector, that it belonged to a person other than the one against whom the tax was attempted to be collected, and that the real owner had already paid the tax upon the same. Therefore the sale to Kiernan conveyed no valid title to the property

Passed September 11. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 163.

Resolved:—

J. L. Sherman

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to pay from the city treasury, the bill of J. L. Sherman amounting to one hundred and eight and 68/100 dollars ($108.68) and charge the same to the appropriation for police

Passed September 11. 1871
Approved the same day
Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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Buildings to be raised

Resolved:

That permission be granted to the following persons to raise certain buildings, located as follows, pursuant to their several petitions: viz:

A. C. Brown Railroad street
George R Earle No 250 South Main street
David Lingum No 100 Riverside street
Patricky Mc Kenna rear of No 106 Federal street
William A. Stevens No 96 Transit street

Passed September 11. 1871
Approved the same day
Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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Jot Kenyon

Resolved: —

That permission be granted to Jot Kenyon to move a certain wooden building pursuant to his petition and to the ordinance in relation to the removal of wooden buildings, provided that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby be repaired at the expense of the petitioner

Building to be moved

Passed September 11. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Do

Resolved: —

That permission be granted to Patrick Mc Cann, to move a certain wooden building pursuant to his petition and to the ordinance in relation to the removal of wooden buildings, provided, that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby be repaired at the expense of the petitioner

Patrick Mc Cann

Passed September 11. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Commissioner of Cove Lands

James G. Smith is elected by concurrent vote, a Commissioner of the Cove Lands September 11. 1871.

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Commissioners of Cove Lands

The following persons are elected by concurrent vote Commissioners of the Cove Lands. (September 25. 1871.)

Thomas A Doyle Joseph J. Cooke.
Nelson W. Aldrich

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No 171.

Sewerage of Ninth Ward & Perrance St

Resolved: —

That Messrs Moses R Lockwood, Charles E. Carpenter and Joseph J. Cooke be hereby appointed a committee to examine and report a plan for the drainage and sewerage of the district comprising the ninth ward, and also, a new plan for draining the district now drained by the sewer in Perrance street

Passed In Board of Aldermen August 7. 1871
In Common Council September 25. 1871
Approved Sept 25. 1871
Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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No 172.

Waterman St

Resolved —

That the Surveyor of Highways, acting under the advice and direction of the Joint Committee on Highways, be and he is hereby directed to cause Waterman street to be brought to a grade, from the Central Bridge westerly, across East River street.

Passed In Board of Aldermen September 11. 1871.
In Common Council September 25. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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No 173.

Ann Coghlin

Resolved: —

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to pay Mrs Ann Coghlin the sum of fifty dollars for damages sustained by her in grading Spruce street: said sum to be paid from the appropriations for contingencies

Passed In Board of Aldermen September 11. 1871.
In Common Council September 25. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 174.

Message

Message of the Mayor.

Mayors Office. Providence September 25. 1871.

To the Hon the City Council of the City of Providence

Revision of Ordinances

The Commissioners who were appointed to cause a revision of the City Ordinances to be made, have recently completed the work, and herewith present printed copies of the revised ordinances which they respectfully request may receive the early examination of your honorable body.

On behalf of the commissioners

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

Read September 25. 1871.

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175.

Central Bridge

Resolved: —

That the Overseer of Bridges is hereby authorized and directed to cause suitable wing walls to be constructed at the west abutment of the Central Bridge, and to cause a suitable building to be erected for the use of the keeper of said bridge, or to cause the present toll house to be put in suitable repair

Resolved: —

That the sum of four thousand dollars is hereby appropriated for the purposes named in the foregoing resolutions to be paid out of the appropriations for the maintenance of public bridges, and to be expended under the direction of the Board of Aldermen

Passed September 25. 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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176.

School House Lot Point & Planet St.

Resolved: —

That Messrs Charles Anthony, Benjamin R. Knights and Ezekiel Tallman, being the three disinterested freeholders appointed by the Board of Aldermen to decide upon the valuation of the land at the junction of Point and Planet Streets, fixed upon by the City Council as a location for a school house, be and they are hereby authorized and empowered to purchase the fee of said land, provided the same can be done upon satisfactory terms, and provided further, that a title satisfactory to the City Solicitor can be obtained thereto.

Passed September 25. 1871

Approved the same day Thomas A. Doyle Mayor



No 177.

Williams St.

Resolved: —

That the Board of Aldermen be hereby requested to receive Williams Street from Governor street to the Seekonk river and declare the same a public highway

Passed September 25. 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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178.

Summer St.

Resolved: —

That the Surveyor of Highways, acting under the advice and direction of the Joint Committee on Highways be and he is hereby directed to cause curbstones to be set and gutters paved on Summer Street from Broad street to Meadow street: the work to be done forthwith

Passed September 25. 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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179.

Broadway

Resolved: —

That the Surveyor of Highways, acting under the advice and direction of the Joint Committee on Highways, be and he is hereby directed to cause Broadway, from Barton street to the intersection of Broadway with High Street, to be paved with granite blocks; the work to be done forthwith

Passed September 25. 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 180.

Quarterly Report of Surveyor of Highways

The Surveyor of Highways makes his Quarterly Report for the quarter ending August 31. 1871. (City Document No 26)

Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed September 25. 1871

(Not approved)

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Ord 181

## Report of Committee on Point street Bridge

Point street Bridge

To the Hon the City Council

The Point street Bridge Committee, report that they have received from Messrs Bushing, Greene and Burnside, two reports relative to the Point street Bridge, and having seen in the published proceedings of your Honorable body an account of the passage of a resolution directing them to communicate all reports from the above named gentlemen, respectfully present the accompanying reports for your consideration.

The first of these reports as will be seen, relates to the contract of the New England Iron Company for replacing the broken beams and putting in an entire new turn table, which contract, in the opinion of the examining engineers, seems to have been well and properly performed, in which opinion your committee concur. The bills for this work have been paid from the funds remaining unpaid under the first contract.

The suggestions contained in the report of the examining engineers, with the exception of strengthening the sidewalk railing, are now being completed.

The second report dated Sept 16th and which was received by the committee Sept 23d relates to the entire superstructure, and gives in detail the operations of the examining engineers and also their views, with a drawing showing their plans for strengthening the bridge.

Your committee in presenting this plans prepared by the examining engineers simply say that although they do not concur in all the suggestions of the examining engineers, yet they are perfectly willing to see the plans carried out to completion and therefore they recommend the passage of the following resolution

Respectfully submitted: for the Committee

James H Armington Chairman

Providence Sept 25, 1871.

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Read; whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed September 25, 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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(Note: The Resolution referred to in the last clause of the above report was not adopted by the City Council who passed the following resolution numbered 182. J.H.B.)

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Ord 182.

Point Street Bridge

Resolved:—

That Messrs S.R. Bushing, A.T. Greene and Thomas J. Hill are hereby requested to prepare and present to this Council, detailed plans and specifications for any alterations and additions which they may deem necessary to properly strengthen the Point street Bridge; said plans to be accompanied by an estimate of cost.

Resolved:—

That the Joint Special Committee on the Point street Bridge, are directed to forthwith suspend all work upon the Point street Bridge

Passed September 25, 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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Ord 183.

School House on Atwells av

Resolved:—

That the Joint Standing Committee on Education be hereby directed to report a plan and estimates for a primary and intermediate school house on the Atwells avenue school lot.

Passed September 25, 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Ord 184.

Water for Public Buildings

Resolved:—

That the Superintendents of Public Buildings, acting under the directions of the Committee on City Property, be and he is hereby directed to make application to the Water Commissioners for the introduction of service pipes to the buildings belonging to the city

Passed September 25, 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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Ord 185.

Building moved

W.J. Arnold

Resolved:—

That permission be granted to William J. Arnold to move a certain wooden building pursuant to his petition and to the ordinance in relation to the removal of wooden buildings, provided, that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby be repaired at the expense of the petitioner, and further provided, that the sum of five dollars be the amount designated to be paid for each

day or part of a day said building shall occupy either of the public streets of the city

Passed September 25, 1871
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 187.

Building moved

Olive G. Potter

Resolved: —

That permission be granted to Olive G. Potter to move a certain wood en building pursuant to her petition and to the ordinance in relation to the removal of wooden buildings, provided that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby, be repaired at the expense of the petitioner, and further provided that the sum of ten dollars be the amount designated to be paid by the petitioner for each day or part of a day said building shall occupy any public street of the city

Passed September 25, 1871
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 188.

Building moved

Eliz. Wilkinson

Resolved: —

That permission be granted to Elizabeth Wilkinson, to move a certain wooden building, pursuant to her petition and to the ordinance in relation to the removal of wooden buildings, provided, that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby be repaired at the expense of the petitioner and further provided, that the sum of ten dollars be the amount designated to be paid by said petitioner for each day said building shall occupy any of the public streets of the city

Passed September 25, 1871
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 189.

Sewer in Fountain St.

Resolved:

That the Board of Aldermen be hereby requested to lay a main drain or common sewer in Fountain and Cove streets, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 807 of the public laws

Passed in Common Council September 25. 1871
In Board of Aldermen October 4. 1871.
Approved the same day Thomas A. Doyle Mayor



No 189.

Quarterly Report of Water Commissioners

The Water Commissioners present their Eighth Quarterly Report for the quarter ending October 1. 1871 (City Document No 28)

Ordered: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed in Board of Aldermen October 2. 1871.
In Common Council October 9. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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No 190.

Emily Gross

Thomas J. A. Gross

Resolved: —

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to pay to the order of Mrs Emily Gross, widow of the late Thomas J. A. Gross, the amount that would have been due him for his services as Chief of Police for the quarter ending on the first Monday in September, 1871. and charge the same to the appropriation for police.

Passed In Board of Aldermen October 2. 1871
In Common Council October 9. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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No 191.

Henry J. Smith et ux

Resolved: —

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to remit the amount of the bill against Henry J. Smith and wife, amounting to one hundred and sixty dollars and sixty nine cents for overstenes, provided, said Smith and wife execute a release to the City of Providence of all claims for damages caused by changing the grade of East and South Main streets near the Point Street Bridge

Passed In Board of Aldermen October 2. 1871.
In Common Council October 9. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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No 192.

Mrs E. B. Hall

Benefit St.

Power St.

Resolved: —

That the Surveyor of Highways be hereby directed to set the curbing at the corner of Benefit and Power streets in front of the estate of Mrs Edward B Hall, provided, she release to the city the right of way over the portion of her land which shall be included in the street in

changing the position of the curbing

Passed In Board of Aldermen October 2. 1871.

In Common Council October 9. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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1871

Police Station Engine House Ward Room

Resolved: —

That the Special Committee appointed April 10. 1871, to inquire into and report a proper location for a police station, engine house and ward room for the third ward, be hereby authorized to purchase the lot of land east of and adjoining the police station on Winchenden street, measuring about forty eight by one hundred feet, provided, the cost of the same shall not exceed the sum of five thousand dollars, and provided, that a title satisfactory to the City Solicitor be obtained. Said sum to be paid from the appropriation for the Reserve Fund

Passed October 9. 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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1871

Sewer in Dove st & Exchange Place

Resolved: —

That Messrs Moses R. Lockwood, Charles E. Carpenter and Joseph J. Brother be and they are hereby appointed a committee to cause in their discretion, the tidal drains, so called, in Dove street and Exchange Place to be enlarged by deepening, and the direction of the inlets to be changed substantially in accordance with the recommendations of the Water Commissioners, and that the expense thereof be charged to the appropriations for sewers

Passed October 9. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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1871

Report of Committee on City Property.

Roger Williams Square

To the Hon the City Council

The Joint Standing Committee of the City Council on City Property to whom was referred Sept 4th the message of His Honor the Mayor relating to land on Williams street given for a public square make this their report.



1871

The committee have given the subject due consideration by an official visit to the "public square" in questions: that they find the square or park at the foot of a steep bluff, inaccessible by team or carriage over any received street or highway. Your committee would therefore suggest that if it is necessary at this time to improve this piece of public property, the proper order of business would be to first grade, at the expense of the abutters or otherwise, and then receive the streets leading to this public park.

Your committee would further recommend that before any money is expended upon the park in question, the City Solicitor be instructed to inquire into and report upon the validity of the title under which the city holds the same. In view of the foregoing reasons, your committee are of the opinion, that it is inexpedient to expend, at this time, any money upon Roger Williams Square

Respectfully submitted. For the Committee on City Property

Henry J. Boot Chairman

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Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed October 9. 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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1871

Sewer in Saltmans Lane

Resolved: —

That the Board of Aldermen be hereby requested to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Saltman's Lane, from Chestnut street to the river, in compliance with chapter 807 of the public laws.

Passed October 9. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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1871

Monthly Report of Chief Engineer

The Chief Engineer of the Fire Department makes his Monthly Report for the month ending September 30. 1871

Expended for Salaries $ 5569.20 incidentals $ 1713.88. total $ 7283.08.

Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed October 9. 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

1871.

Monthly Report of Harbor Master

The Harbor Master makes his Monthly Report for the month ending September 30. 1871

Amount collected $ 124.00

Resolved: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.

Passed October 9. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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1871.

Monthly Report City Treasurer

The City Treasurer makes his Monthly Report for the month ending September 30. 1871

Resolved whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.

Passed October 9. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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1871.

Ordinance

An Ordinance in amendment of the several ordinances by which the Union Railroad Company derive rights to lay rails in the Streets of the City of Providence.

( See Book of Ordinances No 3 page 93. and City Document No 29.)

Passed October 9. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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James Skinner

Resolved: —

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to pay as a gratuity to James Skinner or his legal representatives, the sum of one dollar and twenty five cents per day, for such a period, not exceeding six months from the first day of June 1871. as the Board of Aldermen may determine; said payments to be made monthly and charged to the appropriation for police

Passed October 9. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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1871.

Lyman Arnold

Whereas Lyman Arnold a resident of the City of Providence and an owner of real estate on the corner of Greenwich and Public streets in said city has



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Public street

proposed to give to the said City of Providence a portion of said estate, to wit a part of the southwesterly corner of said lot to be added to and form a part of Public street, on condition that the said City of Providence will erect a suitable watering trough and drinking fountain similar to the one on Broad street, therefore

Resolved: —

Watering trough

That the Joint Standing Committee on City Property be and they are hereby authorized and directed to erect said watering trough and drinking fountain and to take a warrantee deed of said land to the City of Providence. The sum of five hundred dollars is hereby appropriated to be paid out of the appropriation for contingencies. for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this resolution.

Passed October 9. 1871

Vetoed by the Mayor Oct. 12. 1871

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1871.

Sewer in Pearl street

Resolved: —

That whenever the Surveyor of Highways proceeds to remove the obstructions in the sewer in Pearl street in compliance with a vote passed by the City Council on the 24th day of July last, he be further instructed to cause the side walls and covering stones of said Sewer to be so raised as to make the same of a uniform capacity throughout, from Dixie street to the eistern in Pearl street

Passed October 9. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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1871.

Sons of Israel

Resolved: —

That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to pay to the Congregation of Sons of Israel one hundred and fifty dollars, the same being in full compensation for all damage sustained by them by reason of the grading of Greenwich street. The same to be paid from the appropriation for Highways whenever they shall give a receipt therefor satisfactory to the City Solicitor

Passed October 9. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

Tallman's lane

Resolved:—

That the Surveyor of Highways, acting under the advice and direction of the Joint Committee on Highways, be and he is hereby directed to cause curbstones to be set and the street paved on Tallman's lane from Chestnut street to Eddy street.

Passed October 9. 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Superior street

Resolved:—

That the Board of Aldermen be and they are hereby requested to lay out and extend Superior street from the easterly termination of said Superior street to Dexter street, of a width of forty feet.

Passed October 9. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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Sycamore street

Resolved—

That the Board of Aldermen be and they are hereby requested to receive Sycamore street, from Willow street to Hudson street, and declare the same a public highway

Passed October 9. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Winton street

Resolved:—

That the Board of Aldermen be and they are hereby requested to receive Winton street, from Lee street to Butler street, and declare the same a public highway.

Passed October 9. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Hope street

Resolved:—

That in the opinion of the City Council, it is desirable and



necessary to widen and straighten Hope streets from Johns street to Thayer street of a width of not less than fifty feet. And whereas, certain real estate will be required for that purpose,

Resolved

Hope Street

That the City Solicitor be hereby directed to make application to the Supreme Court of this State for the appointment of commissioners of estimate and assessment under and according to the act entitled "An Act in relation to the laying out, enlarging, straightening and otherwise altering streets in the City of Providence", and the City Council hereby direct, that in said application, the City Solicitor shall make application that said commissioners shall apportion and assess three fourths of the loss and damages thereof upon the persons and estates benefitted thereby, in the ratio of the benefits conferred

Resolved:—

That the City Clerk be hereby directed to give notice of such application as soon as he shall be informed thereof by the City Solicitor, according to the direction and in the manner required by said act.

Passed October 9. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Bailey street

Whereas,—

The Commissioners of estimate and assessment appointed by the Supreme Court at the March term A.D. 1871 to lay out and widen Bailey street, of a uniform width of forty feet, from Fountain street to Hope street, under and pursuant to an act entitled. "An act in relation to the laying out, enlarging, straightening or otherwise altering streets in the City of Providence", made their first report to said court on Saturday October 7, 1871. Now therefore, within thirty days after the making of said report to said Court:—

Resolved:—

That the City Council do hereby elect to make said improvement.

Passed October 9. 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Buildings to be raised

Resolved —

That permission be granted to the following named persons to raise certain buildings located as follows, pursuant to their several petitions, viz:

Edward T Allen No 61 Front street
Mr F. S Sims and Mr. E. J. Russell Linden street
Thomas Meiller No 45 Borden street

Passed October 9. 1871
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Buildings to be moved

Resolved: —

That permission be granted to the following persons to move certain wooden buildings, pursuant to their several petitions and to the ordinance in relation to the removal of wooden buildings, provided that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby be repaired at the expense of the petitioner viz:

James Lewis
James Murphy

Passed October 9. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Thos T. James

Resolved: —

That permission be granted to Thomas T. James, to move a certain wooden building, pursuant to his petition and to the ordinance in relation to the removal of wooden buildings, provided that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby be repaired at the expense of the petitioner.

Resolved: —

That the sum of ten dollars be the amount to be paid for each day or part of a day said building shall occupy any of the public streets of the city

Passed October 9. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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No 218.

Building to be moved.

James Murphy

Resolved: —

That permission be granted to James Murphy to move a certain wooden building pursuant to his petition and to the ordinance in relation to the removal of wooden buildings, provided, that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby, be repaired at the expense of the petitioner, and, that the sum of ten dollars be the amount designated to be paid by said petitioner for each day or part of a day said building shall occupy any public street of the City

Passed October 9. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 219.

Report on petitions of Narragansett Hotel Co & A. W. Aldrich

Report.

The Special Committee of the City Council to whom was referred the petitions of the Narragansett Hotel Co and of A. W. Aldrich asking that certain properties may be exempted from taxation respectfully report: That inasmuch as the City Solicitor has advised your committee that the Council have no authority to exempt any property other than that provided for by the acts of the General Assembly, from taxation, they would recommend that the petitioners have leave to withdraw

James H Eggleston Chairman
For the Committee

Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received and that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Passed In Board of Aldermen November 6. 1871
In Common Council November 13. 1871
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 220.

Wall on Wanasquatucket River

Resolved: —

That the Joint Committee on City Property be hereby instructed to examine and report to the City Council upon the expediency of extending the river wall on the Southerly Side of Wanasquatucket River

Passed In Board of Aldermen Nov 6. 1871. In Common Council Nov 13. 1871
Approved the same day Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

10221.

James Rothwell

Resolved: —

That Aldermen Snow and Eaule, with Messrs Mowry, Persons and Mowray of the Common Council, are hereby appointed a committee with full power to settle the suit of James Rothwell against the City for damages to his estate by reason of the overflow from the Sewer in Pearl street, now pending in the Supreme Court of this State.

Resolved —

That the City Auditor is hereby directed to draw upon the City Treasurer for the amount that shall be found due to said Rothwell, and to charge the same to the appropriation for contingencies

Passed In Board of Aldermen November 6. 1871.
In Common Council November 13. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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10222.

Unconfirmed Police

Resolved: —

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to pay from the appropriations for police, for duty performed in October 1871 by men who have been appointed but not confirmed, as follows,

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| James Braslin | $ 74.25 |
| Edward F Soule | 85.25 |

Passed In Board of Aldermen November 6. 1871
In Common Council November 13. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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10223.

Message

Message from the Mayor

Mayor's Office City of Providence Novem 13. 1871.

Gentlemen of the City Council

F.W. & K.D. Cheney

I invite your attention to the communication herewith which I have received from Charles Hart Esq counsel of the Messrs Cheney against whom the city have commenced a suit. I recommend the appointment of a new committee as requested by Mr Hart.

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

Read November 13. 1871

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"Providence Nov 11. 1871

"Hon Thomas A Doyle Mayor

Dear Sir

The communication of the City Treasurer of November 7. "1870 to the city council touching the claim of the city against F.W. & K.D. Cheney "for Doyle avenue with accompanying documents was referred as you remember to a "committee of two from the aldermen and three from the council to examine and report "thereon That committee proposed to give me a hearing before reporting upon my "suggestion that the Cheneys were desirous of avoiding litigation at some sacrifice. "Nothing was done by the committee in the way of such hearing nor was any "report made to the council of last year Three of the committee are not in office "this year and one has deceased. I suppose a new committee should be "appointed and would like the same to be done.

"Yours respectfully

Charles Hart Attorney for Cheneys"

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10224.

F.W. & K.D. Cheney

Resolved: —

That the Special committee appointed November 7. 1870 to examine and report upon the claims of the city against F.W. & K.D. Cheney for the expense of Doyle Avenue, are hereby discharged.

Passed November 13. 1871
Approved the same day
Thomas A Doyle. Mayor

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10225.

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Resolved —

That the communication of the City Treasurer dated November 7. 1870, relating to the claim of the city against Frank W. and Knight D. Cheney for the expense of opening Doyle Avenue, with the accompanying documents, are hereby referred to Aldermen Snow and Eaule and Messrs Van Slyck, Root and Fisher of the Common Council, with instructions to hear the parties or their counsel, and to report thereon to the City Council.

Passed November 13. 1871
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 226

## Message from the Mayor

Mayor's Office City of Providence November 13. 1871

Message

Gentlemen of the City Council

Water

It is highly probable that the long desired supply of water will be flowing through the pipes in new streets some time during the present month and the Water Commissioners hope to have upwards of sixty fire hydrants ready for use before the winter weather shall interfere with their important work It is evident that with this number of hydrants and a certain supply of water for them it will be necessary to re-organize the fire department.

Horse Companies

I recommend that such changes be made in the ordinance establishing the fire department as will provide for the establishment of Horse companies and the withdrawals from active service of one or more Companies to be held in reserve for any emergency which may arise

I have heretofore called the attention of the City Council to the necessity of a change in the statute relative to the erection of wooden buildings in the compact portions of the city. As real estate increases in value and rents advance, owners of vacant lands are tempted to erect cheap structures of wood totally regardless of the serious damages from fire they are causing to neighboring property and the city at large. A notable instance of this is seen on Pine Street between Richmond and Chestnut streets, where a wooden building three stories in height is in process of erecting between two dwelling houses and within five feet of each of them. This building is to be used it is understood for a blacksmiths shops and carriage making shops.

Building Laws

The present statute is entirely inadequate to prevent this class of buildings from being erected and I earnestly hope that you will make application to the General Assembly, at the beginning of the next session for such changes in the law as will effectually prevent the erection of wooden buildings in the compact and business portions of the city. The recent destruction of the business portion of Chicago should impel us to use all the means at our command to prevent a similar calamity here. Our chief security heretofore has been in the open spaces surrounding our buildings. If we suffer these to be occupied with large wooden structures we shall deserve to be severely punished for our folly.

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

Read November 13. 1871.

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No 227.

Horse Companies
Building Laws

Resolved:

That so much of the Message of the Mayor, dated November 13. 1871, as refers to re-organizing the fire department by introducing Horse carriages, and the erection of wooden buildings, be referred to the Joint Committee on the Fire Department to examine and report thereon

Passed November 13. 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 228

Annual Reports of City Registrar

The City Registrar presents his Annual Report of Births Marriages and Deaths for the year ending December 31. 1870.

Read: whereupon it is Resolved, that the same be received, and that seven hundred and fifty copies thereof and of the communications accompanying the same be printed in pamphlet form for the use of the City Council

Passed November 13. 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 229.

Esek Tallman

Resolved —

That the Joint Special Committee of the City Council, appointed to settle the claim of James Rothwell, be hereby empowered, in like manner, to settle the claim of Esek Tallman for damages sustained by him by the overflow of the sewer in Pearl street, and that the Joint Committee on claims be hereby discharged from further action on his claim

Passed November 13. 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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No 230.

Sewer in Pearl Street

Resolved: —

That the Resolution passed July 24. 1871 directing the Surveyor of Highways to remove all obstructions in the Pearl street sewer, is hereby amended by striking out the words "Joint Committee on Highways", and inserting in place thereof the words "Joint Committee on Sewers."

Passed November 13. 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 231.

Neil Harvey

Resolved. —

That the Joint Committee on Sewers be hereby instructed to examine the premises of Neil Harvey, No 167 Wickenden street, which are alleged to have been damaged by an overflow of water thereon.

Passed November 13. 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 232.

Monthly Report of Harbor Master

The Harbor Master makes his Monthly Report for the month ending Oct. 31. 1871. Amount collected $ 110.00

Resolved whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.

Passed In Common Council November 13. 1871.

In Board of Aldermen November 15. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 233.

Monthly Report of City Treasurer

The City Treasurer makes his Monthly Report for the month of October 1871.

Resolved whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed In Common Council November 13. 1871.

In Board of Aldermen November 15. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 234.

Appropriation for Prov. Water Works

Resolved —

That the sum of two hundred thousand dollars be and the same is hereby added to the appropriation for the Providence Water Works, and that the City Treasurer, acting under the advice and direction of the Joint Committee on Finance, be authorized to have the same

Passed In Common Council November 13. 1871.

In Board of Aldermen November 15. 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 235

Resolved: —

That the Board of Engineers, acting under the advice and di-



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Fire Bells & Towers

rection of the Joint Committee on the Fire Department, be and they are hereby directed to procure for fire alarm purposes, four alarm bells, with suitable striking apparatus and towers for the same

Resolved: —

That the sum of nineteen thousand dollars, be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose of carrying the aforegoing resolutions into effect; the same to be paid from the appropriations for the fire department.

Passed In Common Council November 13. 1871

In Board of Aldermen November 15. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 236.

Lyman Arnold

Resolved:

That the deed of Lyman Arnold to the City of Providence of certain land at the corner of Greenwich and Pearle streets in said city for the purpose of a highway conditioned upon the erection of a drinking fountain thereon is hereby accepted

Drinking Fountain

Resolved —

That the sum of three hundred dollars is hereby appropriated for the erection of a drinking fountain upon said land under the supervision of the Water Commissioners, to be charged to the appropriations for contingencies

Passed In Common Council November 13. 1871.

In Board of Aldermen November 15. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 237.

Hudson st

Resolved: —

That the Board of Aldermen be and they are hereby requested to receive Hudson street from Parade street to Messer street and declare the same a public highway.

Passed In Common Council November 13. 1871.

In Board of Aldermen November 15. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Emily A. Gross
Thos J. A. Gross

*Resolved:* —

That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to pay to Mrs Emily A. Gross the sum of one hundred and sixty two dollars, being in full for the bill of Messrs Knowles & Rogers for the funeral expenses of Thomas J. A. Gross, late Chief of Police. The same to be paid from the appropriation for contingencies

Passed In Common Council November 13. 1871.

In Board of Aldermen November 15. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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## Message from the Mayor

Water Celebration

Mayor's Office City of Providence November 13. 1871.

Gentlemen of the City Council

The introduction into this city of a supply of pure water is of sufficient importance to deserve recognition by public services. I therefore recommend the appointment of a committee to make arrangements for a proper celebration of the event at an early day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

Read November 13. 1871.

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## Message from the Mayor

Sewer in N. Main st.

Mayor's Office City of Providence November 13. 1871.

Gentlemen of the City Council

I have received from the committee appointed to construct a sewer on North Main street a communication in relation to the condition of the catch basins attached to said sewer. It is absolutely necessary that these basins should be examined after every rain fall, and cleaned as soon as any considerable deposit of earth has been made therein; and this rule should be observed with reference to all our sewers similarly constructed. A great number of suits are now pending against the city for defective sewerage, and it is not wise to invite others by our neglect to keep the sewers clean and fit for the purpose for which they were built. I would suggest that the water board be empowered to take charge of all the sewers constructed under their supervision, and attend to their cleaning and repairing. The sewerage of the city should be under the care of the department which controls the water



240. supply, for the reason that the force of engineers and workmen constantly employed by that department can perform the duties connect with the sewerage better than other employees of the city.

I forward the communication of the committee herewith, and invite prompt action thereon

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

Read November 13. 1871.

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"Hon Thomas A Doyle Mayor

Dear Sir

"We regret that we are compelled to call your official "notice the state of the catch basins connected with the North Main street sewer, and "to the great damage which must necessarily ensue from their continued neglect. "These basins as you are aware, are intended to prevent the solid matter brought "down the hill side by rains, from entering the sewer, and should be kept clean "for that purpose. If it was merely a question of difference of expense between "removing sand from these basins and removing it from the sewer, it would be "important: but the sewer itself with the connecting pipes are likely to become filled. "Should such be the case destructive overflows must inevitably occur

"If a remedy for the evil is not within the scope of your own authority, "we respectfully ask that you will make such representations to the City Council "in relation to the subject as shall cause prompt and efficient action.

"What we have said in regard to the North Main street catch basins and "sewer, is of course, applicable in principle, to all others which have been or "may be constructed.

"Very respectfully Yours — N B Lockwood, Chas E. Carpenter, Joseph J. Brooke

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Water Celebration.

*Resolved:* —

That in conformity with the recommendation of His Honor the Mayor, Aldermen Borgerhoff and Brayton, with Messrs Rimey, Van Slyck and N. F. Potter Jr of the Common Council, be and they are hereby appointed a committee to arrange for a proper celebration in commemoration of the introduction of water into this city, and that this committee be authorized to draw upon the City Treasurer for a sufficient sum to defray the expenses of the same: to be charged to the appropriation for contingencies

*Resolved:* —

That the Mayor be hereby added to the aforegoing committee.
Passed In Board of Aldermen November 13. 1871.
In Common Council November 20. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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No 245.

Water Commissioners to have care of Sewers

Resolved: —
That the Water Commissioners are hereby authorized and directed to keep all Sewers constructed by them in repair and properly cleaned, until further orders from the City Council.
Passed In Board of Aldermen November 13. 1871.
In Common Council November 20. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 246.

Tallman's Land

Resolved: —
That the Surveyor of Highways be hereby directed, under the advice of the Joint Committee on Highways, to cause the curbing to be set and the gutters paved on Tallman's Lane, from Chestnut street to Eddy street, forthwith.
Passed In Board of Aldermen November 15, 1871.
In Common Council November 20, 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 247.

Ratley street
Broad street
(near Snow)

Resolved: —
That the City Solicitor is hereby directed to apply to the Supreme Court to re-commit the reports of the commissioners of estimate and assessment on Broad street near Snow street and on Ratley street, for the purpose of revising the same and correcting any errors in said reports respectively.
Passed November 20. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 248.

P. & J. O'Connor
Mayor &c

Resolved:
That Messrs Mowry, Cady and Mowry with Aldermen Dillon and Brayton are hereby constituted a committee with full power



245 adjust and settle all claims of Patrick and Timothy O'Connor against the city for damages to their property resulting from the extension of Sharon street.
Resolved: —
That said committee are hereby authorized to draw upon the City Treasurer for such sums as they shall find due to the said Patrick and Timothy O'Connor, and the City Auditor is hereby directed to audit the drafts of said Committee therefor, without the approval of the Committee on Accounts, the said amount to be paid from the appropriation for opening streets.
Passed In Common Council October 9. 1871
In Board of Aldermen November 22. 1871
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 246.

Committee

Whereas, Mr Parley M. Mathewson has been appointed a member of the Joint Standing Committee on Finance to fill the vacancy caused by the death of the late Stephen Waterman Esq.
Resolved: That the same be communicated to the Board of Aldermen
Passed In Common Council November 20. 1871.
Read In Board of Aldermen November 22. 1871.

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No 247.

Monthly Report Chief Engineer

The Chief Engineer of the Fire Department makes his Monthly Report for the month ending October 30. 1871. Expended for Salaries $2063.20 Incidentals $1445.87. Total $3508.01.
Read: whereupon it is ordered, That the same be received
Passed In Common Council November 20. 1871
In Board of Aldermen November 22. 1871
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 248.

Richd Atkinson
John Baxter

Thurber av

Resolved —
That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to pay to Richard Atkinson and John Baxter, three hundred and twenty five dollars: the same being in full compensation for all damages sustained by them by reason of any change of grade on Thurber avenue: to be paid from the appropriation for highways whenever they shall give a joint receipt therefor satisfactory to the City Solicitor
Passed In Common Council November 20. 1871.

In Board of Aldermen November 22. 1871
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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G. Lewis Clarke

Resolved: —

That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to pay to George Lewis Clarke thirty seven dollars and ninety five cents, the same being in full compensation for damages to horse, wagon and harness, by reason of the running in of a water portion of North Main street, near Arsenal Lane, on the first day of July 1871. To be paid from the appropriation for contingencies, whenever said Clarke shall give a receipt for the same satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

Passed In Common Council November 20. 1871.
In Board of Aldermen November 22. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Steam Fire Engines
Hose Carts

Resolved: —

That the Board of Engineers, acting under the advice and direction of the joint Standing committee on the Fire Department, be and they are hereby directed to procure for the use of the fire department, either by purchase or exchange two steam fire engines and two hose carts

Resolved: —

That the sum of ten thousand dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose of carrying the aforegoing resolutions into effect: the same to be paid from the appropriation for the fire department.

Passed In Common Council November 20. 1871
In Board of Aldermen November 22. 1871
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Winton street

Resolved: —

That the Surveyor of Highways, acting under the advice and direction of the Joint Committee on Highways, be and he is hereby directed to cause curbstones to be set and gutters paved on Winton street, from Asia street to Gosler street.

Passed In Common Council Nov 20, 1871 In Board of Aldermen Nov. 22. 1871.
Approved the same day Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.



Buildings to be moved.

Resolved: —

That permission be granted to the following named persons to move certain wooden buildings, pursuant to their several petitions and to the ordinances in relation to the removal of wooden buildings, provided that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby, be repaired at the expense of the petitioners: viz:

No 252. Chestnut Street Methodist Episcopal Church
253. N. H. Clarke
254. Hugh Dugan
255. Michael Gormley
256. Primus Jones

Passed In Common Council November 20. 1871.
In Board of Aldermen November 22. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 257.
Message

Message from the Mayor

Mayor's Office City of Providence December 1. 1871.

Gentlemen of the City Council.

I have convened you this evening, in consequence of a proposition which has been made to me, and which I deem it of great importance to the interests of the city that some actions should be at once taken by the City Council thereon.

Thomas A Doyle Mayor

Read. December 1. 1871.

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No 258.
W. S. Rouse Land to be purchased.

Resolved: —

That the City Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to pay to Walter S Rouse and others, a sum not exceeding eleven thousand dollars, ($11.000) whenever they shall present to him a deed satisfactory to the City Solicitor, of lots number 12 and 13 on the plat of the Dorrance Street Association, in the City of Providence: the same to be paid from the appropriation for contingencies

Passed December 1. 1871.
Approved the same day Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

No 259

W.S. Baxter
Zenus Baxter
Point st Bridge

Resolved: —

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to pay Walter S. Baxter the sum of sixty five dollars, and Zeenus Baxter the sum of seventy five dollars, the same being for their services in watching the Point Street Bridge to October 24. 1871. Said Sum to be paid from the appropriation for bridges

Passed In Board of Aldermen November 6. 1871

In Common Council December 11. 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 260

J. H. Stevens
Point st Bridge

Resolved: —

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to pay J. H. Stevens the Sum of three hundred and six 70/100 dollars, being in full payment for his services on the Point street Bridge, from September 28 to November 10, 1871: to be paid from the appropriation for the Point street Bridge

Passed In Board of Aldermen November 13. 1871.

In Common Council December 11. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A Doyle Mayor.

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No 261

Eddy street

Resolved: —

That in the opinion of the City Council, it is desirable and necessary to lay, widen and straighten Eddy Street, from Pine street to Broad Street, by the following courses and distances. Beginning for the easterly line of said street in the northerly line of Pine street and at the south west corner of the Opera House estate; thence northerly in the westerly line of said Opera House estate and in direct range therewith about 293 33/100 feet to the southerly line of Broad street: the westerly line of said street to be parallel with the easterly line and forty and 12/100 feet therefrom, beginning at Pine Street and from thence northerly to the brick building on the estate of William Grosvenor and wife at a point about 100 and 39/100 feet southerly from Broad Street thence following the line of said building 59 113/100 feet; thence in a line parallel with the easterly line aforesaid and forty and 12/100 feet therefrom to the southerly line of Broad street. And whereas, certain real estate will be required for that purpose.

Resolved:

That the City Solicitor be hereby directed to make application



261. to the Supreme Court of this State for the appointment of commissioners of estimate and assessment, under and according to the act entitled "An Act in relation to the laying out, enlarging, straightening and otherwise altering streets in the City of Providence", and the City Council hereby direct, that in said application the City Solicitor shall make application, that said commissioners shall apportion and assess three fourths of the loss and damage thereof upon the persons and estates benefitted thereby, in the ratio of the benefits conferred

Resolved: —

That the City Clerk be hereby directed to give notice of such application as soon as he shall be informed thereof by the City Solicitor, according to the directions and in the manner required by said act

Passed In Board of Aldermen December 11. 1871.

In Common Council December 11. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 262

Police pay

Resolved: —

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to pay from the appropriation for police, for duty performed in November 1871. by men who have been appointed but not confirmed, as follows;

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| Joseph Gardiner | $ 68.75 |
| Charles G. North | 111.25 |
| James Braslin | 82.50 |
| Edward B Soule | 82.50 |

Passed In Board of Aldermen December 11. 1871.

In Common Council December 11. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 263.

Sewer in Angell st & Waterman st

Resolved: —

That the Board of Aldermen be hereby requested to cause a main drain or Common Sewer to be laid in Angell Street; commencing at or near the highest point in said street, east of Prospect street, and continuing through Angell Street to Benefit street, through Benefit to Waterman and Waterman to North Main street; in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 807 of the public laws

Passed In Common Council Nov. 20. In Board of Aldermen December 11. 1871.

Approved the same day Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

No 264.

Sewer in Meeting Street

Resolved:—

That the Board of Aldermen be hereby requested to cause a main drain or common sewer to be laid in Meeting street from Congdon to North Main streets in accordance with the provisions of chapter 807 of the public laws

Passed In Common Council November 20. 1871.

In Board of Aldermen December 11. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Message from the Mayor.

Mayor's Office City of Providence

December 11. 1871.

Central Bridge

Gentlemen of the City Councils

A portion of the sums appropriated for building the Central Bridge was used for other purposes connected therewith, by direction of the City Council. The commissioners request that the amount so used may be added to the appropriation for the Central Bridge in order that they may pay for work already contracted for by them.

I suggest that this appropriation be made at an early date and also, that such further sums be appropriated as may be needed to complete the bridge. The request of the Commissioners is presented herewith.

Thomas A. Doyle. Mayor

Ready. December 11. 1871.

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"Providence Dec 7. 1871"

"Hon Thomas A Doyle

"Mayor of Providence Dear Sir The commissioners for building the Central Bridge"
"will have very early occasion for using the remainder of the appropriation made by"
"the city for said bridge, amounting to $3325. and they respectfully request that"
"the same may be placed in their hands for use"

"By direction of the Commissioners:-"

"James C. Rucklin Chairman"

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No 266.

Central Bridge

Resolved:—

That the Message of His Honor the Mayor dated December 11. 1871. recommending a further appropriation for the Central Bridge, be referred



to the Joint Committee on Finance

Passed December 11. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 267.

Ordinance

"An Ordinance permitting the Union Railroad Company to connect with and use the track of the Hartford, Providence and Fishkill Railroad Company"

Passed December 11. 1871

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

(See Book of Ordinances No 3. page 93.— and City Document No 34)

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No 268.

Edward Pearce Buildings raised

Resolved:—

That permission be granted to Edward Pearce to raise certain buildings located at Nos 305 and 307. Westminster street, pursuant to his petition.

Passed In Common Council November 20. 1871.

In Board of Aldermen December 11. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Cove Lands

William Rimney is elected by concurrent vote a Commissioner of the Cove Lands. December 11. 1871.

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No 269.

Superior St

Resolved:—

That the Board of Aldermen be hereby requested to lay out Superior street from Cranston street to Dexter street

Passed In Board of Aldermen November 20. 1871.

In Common Council December 11. 1871.

Approved the same day

Thomas A Doyle Mayor.

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No 270.

Monthly Report of Chief Engineer

The Chief Engineer of the Fire Department makes his Monthly Report for the month ending November 30. 1871. Expended for Salaries $ 2063.20.- Incidental $ 1764.21. Total $ 3827.41.

Ready: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed in Common Council December 11. 1871.
In Board of Aldermen December 13. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 271.
Monthly Report of Harbor Master

The Harbor Master makes his Monthly Report for the month ending November 30. 1871. Amount collected $ 112.00
Read whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.
Passed In Common Council December 11. 1871
In Board of Aldermen December 13. 1871
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 272
Monthly Report of City Treasurer

The City Treasurer makes his Monthly Report for the month ending November 30. 1871
Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received
Passed In Common Council December 11. 1871.
In Board of Aldermen December 13. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 273.
Sprague st

Resolved:—
That the Board of Aldermen be and they are hereby requested to receive Sprague street from Greenwich street to Dexter street, and declare the same a public highway
Passed In Common Council December 11. 1871.
In Board of Aldermen December 13. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 274.
Broadway Baptist Society

Resolved:—
That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to pay to the Broadway Baptist Society, the sum of one hundred dollars, the same being in full compensation for all damages sustained by them by reason of the flowing of water from Broadway or otherwise. To be paid from the appropriation for highways whenever said Society shall give a receipt for the same satisfactory to



the City Solicitor.
Passed In Common Council December 11. 1871.
In Board of Aldermen December 13. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 275
Tax of F. Brasher trustee

Resolved:—
That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to remit, or if the same has already been paid, to refund, to Frank Brasher trustee, the sum of fifty nine dollars and forty cents; the same having been twice assessed against him, first as Frank Brasher administrator, and again as Frank Brasher trustee
Passed In Common Council December 11. 1871.
In Board of Aldermen December 13. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 276
Tax of Erastus Edwards

Resolved:—
That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to deduct from the tax assessed against Erastus Edwards for the year 1871. the sum of eight dollars and ten cents, the same being for an error made in estimating a given number of feet of land at a given rate per foot.
Passed In Common Council December 11. 1871.
In Board of Aldermen December 13. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 277.
Tax of Jacob McStreet & Charles Gorton

Resolved:—
That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to remit, or if the same has already been paid, to refund to Jacob McStreet trustee, the sum of twenty dollars and twenty five cents, the same having been erroneously assessed:- first to Charles Gorton and wife, and again to Jacob McStreet trustee
Passed In Common Council December 11. 1871
In Board of Aldermen December 13. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

Tax of Louisa Miller

Resolved:—

That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to remit, or if the same has already been paid, to refund to Louisa Miller, widow of the late Edward F. Miller, the sum of forty dollars and fifty cents; the same being for amount erroneously assessed against her; she having made her statement to the Board of Assessors, as by law required, and said statement having been accidentally overlooked by said board in making up the amount of her tax.

Passed In Common Council December 11. 1871.
In Board of Aldermen December 13. 1871.
Approved the same day.
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Tax of J. C. Richmond

Resolved:—

That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to remit, or if the same has already been paid, to refund to J. C. Richmond the sum of one hundred seventy nine dollars and twenty cents; the same having been erroneously assessed for the years 1868, 1869, 1870, and 1871. upon property which has been and now is used solely for church purposes, and is by law exempt from taxation

Passed In Common Council December 11. 1871.
In Board of Aldermen December 13. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Building ordered Wm A. Mowrer

Resolved:—

That permission be granted to William A Mowrer to raise the building corner of Governor and Ironsit streets, pursuant to his petition.

Passed In Common Council December 11. 1871.
In Board of Aldermen December 13. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Building moved Talbot Brothers

Resolved:—

That permission be granted to Talbot Brothers to move a certain wooden building, pursuant to his petition and to the ordinance in relation to the removal of wooden buildings, provided that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby, be repaired at the expense of the petitioner; and it is further resolved, that the petitioner be required to pay to the City Treasurer five dollars for each day or part of a day said buildings shall be upon any of the public streets of the city

Passed In Common Council December 11. 1871
In Board of Aldermen December 13. 1871.
Approved the same day.
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Wards Ninth Ward Eastern Congressional District

Resolved:—

That Aldermen Earle and Datoll and Messrs W. D. Potter, Archer and Mowray of the Common Council, be hereby appointed a committee to inquire into the expediency of applying to the General Assembly to increase the number of wards in the city and also, for annexing the ninth ward to be included in the eastern congressional district.

Passed In Board of Aldermen November 22. 1871.
In Common Council December 20. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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Land at the Junction of Broadway and High st.

Resolved:—

That Aldermen Brayton and Messrs Sellew, A. J. Brown and Place, of the Common Council, be hereby authorized to purchase a certain lot of land at the junction of Broadway and High street, for the purpose of adding the same to the street; provided, the cost thereof shall not exceed the sum of five hundred dollars; to be paid from the appropriation for opening streets

Passed in Board of Aldermen November 22. 1871
In Common Council December 20. 1871
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Prospect Square

Resolved:—

That the Joint Standing Committee on City Property be and they hereby are directed to cause Prospect Park to be graded and laid out in conformity with the plans accompanying this resolution; and that the sum of eight thousand dollars, be and the same is hereby

appropriated to defray the expenses thereof, the same to be paid out of the appropriation for public grounds.

Passed In Board of Aldermen December 4. 1871.
In Common Council December 20. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 285.

Quarterly Report of Surveyor of Highways

The Surveyor of Highways makes his Quarterly Report for the quarter ending November 30. 1871. (City Document No 38)

Ordered: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received
Passed In Common Council December 20. 1871.
In Board of Aldermen December 21. 1871.

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Report of Joint Special Committee

Report.

To the Honorable City Council of the City of Providence

The Joint Special Committee appointed by the City Council with full power to adjust and settle all claims of Timothy and Patrick O'Connor against the City of Providence for damages to their property from the extension of Thayer street by leave to report-

Thayer street

That they have conferred with said Timothy and Patrick and found the several sums estimated by the commissioners of estimate and assessment on said extension, as the damages of said Timothy and Patrick by reason of said extension, to be in the judgment of your committee entirely inadequate to indemnify them against the actual net damages they have sustained thereby:- that the total amount of damages claimed and shown to your committee by said Timothy was $ 7063.- being $ 2754 more than the amount estimated by said commissioners, and the total amount of damages claimed and shown by said Patrick was $ 6007. being $ 3458 more than the amount estimated by said commissioners: That your committee have compromised and made a full settlement with both of said claimants by allowing them one thousand dollars each additional to the amount so estimated by said commissioners, and that thereupon the several appeals taken by said Patrick and Timothy from the doings of said commissioners to the Supreme Court have been discontinued.

Respectfully submitted for the committee
E. C. Manning Chairman



Ordered: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received
Passed In Common Council December 20. 1871.
In Board of Aldermen December 21. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 287.

Prescott Post Grand Army of the Republic

North Burying Ground

Resolved:—

That the petition of Prescott Post of the Grand Army of the Republic of this city, for a burial lot in the North Burying Ground, be granted with the following conditions: that the lot be deeded to the Prescott Post for the use of all the posts of the Grand Army of the Republic in this city, as a burial place for the comrades of their several posts; that the Prescott post shall agree to erect on the lot when deeded to them, a suitable monument within two years of the date of said deed, and they shall also agree to keep the lot in good order

Resolved:—

That the Commissioners of the North Burying Ground are hereby directed to set apart a lot for said post: the dimensions of the same not to exceed fifty by fifty feet: also to curb the same at an expense not exceeding two dollars per foot: the expense thereof to be paid from the appropriation for the North Burying Ground.

Passed In Common Council December 20. 1871
In Board of Aldermen December 21. 1871
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 288.

Potter street

Resolved:—

That in the opinion of the City Council it is desirable and necessary to lay out and widen Potter street from Pine street to Broad street by the following described meets and bounds: beginning in the westerly line of Pine Street at the southeasterly corner of Thomas Cosgrove's estate: thence westerly bounding northerly on land of said Cosgrove and of the heirs of Pelinchas Potter and in direct line with the southerly side of the buildings on said estates, about 214 feet to an angle forty feet northerly from the present southerly line of Potter street: thence westerly, parallel with said southerly line and forty feet therefrom, about seventy four feet to the easterly line of Broad street. Then beginning for the southerly line of said lay out, at a point in the easterly line of said Broad street, forty feet from the above described northerly line being the present southerly line of said Potter street, thence in said southerly

line as near as may be easterly about one hundred and twelve feet to an angle 46 14/100 feet from the northerly line above described: thence westerly parallel with and 46 14/100 feet from said northerly line, about one hundred and seventy two feet to the westerly line of Pine street.

Potter Street

And whereas, certain real estate will be required for that purpose

Resolved:—

That the City Solicitor be hereby directed to make application to the Supreme Court of this State for the appointment of commissioners of estimate and assessment under and according to the act entitled "an act in relation to the laying out, enlarging, straightening, and otherwise altering streets in the City of Providence", and the City Council hereby direct, that in said application, the City Solicitor shall make application that said commissioners shall apportion and assess three fourths of the loss and damage thereof upon the persons and estates benefitted thereby, in the ratio of the benefits conferred

Resolved:—

That the City Clerk be hereby directed to give notice of such application as soon as he shall be informed thereof by the City Solicitor according to the direction and in the manner required by said act.

Passed In Common Council December 20. 1871.
In Board of Aldermen December 21. 1871.
Approved the same day.
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 289.

Summer St

Resolved:—

That the Surveyor of Highways, acting under the advice and direction of the Joint Committee on Highways, be and he is hereby directed to cause curb stones to be set and gutters paved on Summer street, from Pine street to Friendship street.

Passed In Common Council December 20. 1871.
In Board of Aldermen December 21. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 290.

Mary A. Sellew Ex: Tax.

Resolved:—

That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to remit, or if the same has already been paid, to refund to Mary A. Sellew, Executrix of the Will of John Sellew, deceased, the sum of twenty four dollars and twenty five cents:— the same being for an error whereby a building situated on Custom House street



and belonging to another person bearing the same name of her late husband, was taxed for the years 1867 1868, 1869 and 1870, to the last named individual or to his estate.

Passed In Common Council December 20. 1871.
In Board of Aldermen December 21. 1871.

(Vetoed by the Mayor Jan 3. 1872)

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No 291.

Tax of E. W. Appleton

Resolved:—

That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to pay to Elisha W. Appleton, the sum of nine dollars and fifteen cents: the same having been erroneously assessed against and paid by him upon a lot of land in the year 1870 which said lot of land had been sold and conveyed by him by deed to the City of Providence in February of the same year 1870.

Passed In Common Council December 20. 1871.
In Board of Aldermen December 21. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 292.

Tax of Anna R. Boardman

Resolved:—

That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to remit, or if the same has already been paid, to refund to Anna R. Boardman the sum of twenty dollars and twenty five cents, the same having been twice assessed against her, once in her maiden name Anna Rathbone, and again in her present name, Anna R. Boardman

Passed In Common Council December 20. 1871
In Board of Aldermen December 21. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 293.

Tax of N. B. Waldron

Resolved:—

That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to remit to Nathan B Waldron the tax assessed against him upon personal property for the year 1871: he having been at the time said tax was assessed, and for some time previous a resident and tax payer in the town of North Kingstown, as appears by the accompanying certificate from the town clerk of said town.

Passed In Common Council December 20. 1871.

In Board of Aldermen December 21. 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

No 294

Resolved:—

Tax of John Wardwell

That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to pay to John Wardwell the sum of twenty one dollars and thirty cents, the same having been erroneously assessed against and paid by him for the years 1867, 1868, 1869, 1870 and 1871. by reason of a mistake in estimating the number of feet contained in the lot of land owned by him, and situated on Pine street.

Passed In Common Council December 20. 1871.
In Board of Aldermen December 21. 1871.

[illegible] Mayor [illegible] 1871

No 295

Semi Annual Report of the Overseer of the Poor

Semi annual Report of Overseer of Poor

The City of Providence -
Office of the Overseer of the Poor. December 11. 1871
To the Hon City Council of the City of Providence

Gentlemen. The undersigned respectfully submits his Semi annual report as follows. In the six months ending Nov. 30. 1871 eleven hundred and forty two orders were given to two hundred ninety two families as follows

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| On Sundry persons for groceries and supplies | 1136 | amounting to | $1480.00 |
| for Bark | 106 | " " | 2841.61 |
| Total amount | | | 4321.61 |
| The amount paid by City Treasurer | | | 4318.70 |

Of the orders for supplies 364 were by direction of the Board of Aldermen: 345 by his Honor the Mayor and 427 by myself.

Of the cash orders 76 were by direction of the Board of Aldermen and amounted to $ 2515.08 and 30 by myself amounting to $ 326.53

Respectfully submitted
Geo W. Wightman Overseer of the Poor.

Bonds: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received
Passed in Board of Aldermen Dec. 21. 1871. In Common Council Jan 3. 1872.
Approved the same day Thomas A. Doyle Mayor



No 296

Message

Irish American Societies Invitation

Message from the Mayor

Mayors office City of Providence January 1. 1872

Gentlemen of the City Council

I transmit herewith an invitation of a convention of the Irish American Societies of this City for the City Council to take part in the procession of the above societies on St Patricks Day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

Read In Board of Aldermen January 1. 1872.
In Common Council January 3. 1872.

"Providence Dec 28. 1871.

"To His Honor the Mayor and the Municipal Council of Providence

May it please your honor and gentlemen. At a convention of Irish "Am Societies held in this city Dec 18. to take into consideration the celebration of "St Patricks day by a public parade. the following resolution was unanimously "adopted. That his honor the Mayor and municipal officers of the City of "Providence be respectfully invited to appear in line on Monday March 18 "1872. Respectfully submitted to the consideration of the above named "parties.

Rev. O'Donnell
J. Driscoll
Hugh Keen
} Committee on behalf of the Convention

No 297

Report of Committee on the City Debt

Water Bonds

To the Hon the City Council of the City of Providence

The Committee on the City Debt make this report. In their report to your honorable body on the fourth of September last, they expressed the opinion "that there would be no difficulty in placing the balance of the two millions of the water loan they had voted to issue on as favorable terms as the average rate of the bids made by the People's Saving Bank of this city" which was $ 105.50 for a six per cent bond. On the day succeeding the date of the above report Messrs Blake, Brothers and Company of Boston, addressed a communication to the committee in which they requested the committee to offer to them at a fixed price the remaining portions of the two millions of water bonds bearing interest at the rate of five per cent per annum. The committee

in answer to this proposition fixed the sum of ninety three dollars as the price at which they would issue the amount asked for, which was equal to at least $ 107. for a six per cent bond. This offer Messrs Blake Brothers & Co promptly accepted, and since that time the committee have been endeavoring to arrange the terms of the negotiation, but were not successful until Friday last when certain changes in the original ordinance in relation to the water loan were unanimously agreed to by both the committee and the Messrs Blake. The Ordinance as proposed to be amended is herewith presented the passage of which the committee recommend. The changes asked for are merely matters of form, with the exception of the places of payment of the bonds, which now include the City of Boston

Respectfully submitted in behalf of the committee
Thomas A. Doyle Chairman

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Read; whereupon it is ordered that the same be received
Passed In Board of Aldermen January 1. 1872.
In Common Council January 3. 1872.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Ordinance

An Ordinance creating a Water Board for the City of Providence.
(See Book of Ordinances No 3 page 93 and City Document No. 40)

Passed In Board of Aldermen January 1. 1872
In Common Council January 3. 1872.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 577.

Commissioners of Cove Lands

Report of the Commissioners of the Cove Lands

Mayor's Office City of Providence January 1. 1872

To the Hon the City Council of the City of Providence

The Commissioners of the Cove Lands report that they have organized by the appointment of Thomas A Doyle as chairman and Joshua M. Addeman as clerk at a compensation to be hereafter agreed upon, and Samuel B Bushing as Chief Engineer at a salary of $3500. per annum

The Commissioners have taken rooms on North Main street in the building owned by James S. Rhodes Esq at an annual rent of seven



277 hundred and fifty dollars. The investigation of the matters committed to the commissioners will require legal talent, which they are not now authorized to employ. I am therefore instructed by them to request your Honorable body to grant authority to the commissioners to employ such counsel as they may deem expedient

In behalf of the Commissioners of the Cove Lands
Thomas A. Doyle Chairman

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Read; whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.
Passed In Board of Aldermen January 1. 1872.
In Common Council January 3. 1872.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 578.

Commissioners of Cove Lands

Resolved: —

That the Commissioners of the Cove Lands be hereby authorized to employ such legal counsel as the commissioners may deem necessary

Passed In Board of Aldermen January 1. 1872.
In Common Council January 3. 1872.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 301.

Police pay

Resolved: —

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to pay from the appropriation for police for duty performed in December 1871, by policemen who have been appointed but not confirmed as follows

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| Joseph Gardiner | $ 85.25 |
| Edward P. Soule | 85.25 |
| James Brashin | 85.25 |

Passed In Board of Aldermen January 1. 1872.
In Common Council January 3. 1872.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 302.

W. S. Baxter

Resolved: —

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to pay —

Zenas Baxter

Walter S. Baxter the sum of ninety two 50/100 dollars, and Zenas Baxter the sum of ninety two & 50/100 dollars: the same being for their services in watching the Point Street Bridge to December 31. 1871. said sums to be paid from the appropriation for bridges

Point St Bridge

Passed In Board of Aldermen January 1. 1872
In Common Council January 3. 1872.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Resolved:—

That the Overseer of Bridges, be and he is hereby authorized to employ such persons as he may think proper, as temporary watchmen of the Point Street Bridge; subject to the approval of the Board of Aldermen

Overseer of Bridges

Passed In Board of Aldermen January 1. 1872.
In Common Council January 3. 1872.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Resolved:—

That the Board of Aldermen are hereby requested to declare that portion of Dorrance street lying southerly of Dyer street, and extending to tide water, as laid out upon the plat of the Dorrance street association to be a public highway, by reason of the same having been quietly, peaceably and actually used and improved as a public highway for twenty years.

Dorrance St

Passed In Board of Aldermen January 1. 1872.
In Common Council January 3. 1872.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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The Water Commissioners make their Ninth Quarterly Report for the quarter ending December 31. 1871. (City Document No 39.)

Quarterly Report of Water Commissioners

Resolved: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.
Passed January 3. 1872.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Resolved:—

That all committees of the City Council who have heretofore been appointed relative to the Point Street Bridge, be and the same are hereby discharged.

Point St Bridge

Passed January 3. 1872.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Report on Point Street Bridge

To the Hon. City Council of the City of Providence

The Special committee appointed to procure from Samuel B. Cushing and Noble T. Greene, their opinion upon the present draw pier of the Point Street Bridge, so called, and its sufficiency to support the draw contemplated in their plans and estimates presented heretofore to the Board of Aldermen, respectfully report; that they present herewith such opinion in the form of a report in writing, signed by those gentlemen.

Said committee also ask leave to recommend the passage of the accompanying resolution

William Rinney Chairman
for Committee

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Read whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.
Passed January 3. 1872.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Resolved:—

That Messrs Rinney, Van Slyck and Metcalf on the part of the Common Council, with Aldermen Earle and Spencer be and they hereby are constituted a committee of the City Council, whose duty it shall be under the supervision and direction of Samuel B Cushing Esquire and the Overseer of Bridges ——— of the City of Providence; to proceed as soon as conveniently may be, to erect and complete upon the site of the present Point Street Bridge, a drawbridge of material, form and construction in conformity with the plans

Specifications and estimates for a bridge having a draw span of one hundred feet as presented to the Board of Aldermen by said Samuel B Bushing and Noble T Greene on the day of November A. D. 1871 and in conformity with and reliance upon the professional opinions of said Bushing and Greene as expressed in their communications in writing dated Dec 30. 1871 and signed by them, directed to a special committee of the common Council: Also that the committee hereby constituted be and they hereby are authorized and directed to use so much of the material now in said Point Street Bridge as may be needed or capable of being used in the performance of their duties hereunder, or to sell any or all of such material and apply the proceeds thereof in such performance: Also, that said committee make report to this council, once in each month of the progress of their work and of the amount expended up to such time in its prosecution; and that they make a final report to said Council within one month of their receiving from said Bushing and Nobl Greene of Bridge a certificate in writing signed by them that said bridge and draw are complete and ready for use

Appropriation

Resolved —

That the sum of thirty thousand dollars be and the same hereby is appropriated out of the city treasury and charged to the loan account; to meet the expense of completing said bridge; said moneys to be expended under the direction of the committee hereby constituted.

Passed January 3. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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Ch. C.

Report of committee on City Property.

Hall on Wanasquatucket River

To the Hon the City Council

Gentlemen, The Joint Standing committee on City Property, to whom was referred by your Hon body on the 13th day of November a resolution entitled "Resolution of inquiry as to expediency of extending the wall on Wanasquatucket river, make their report. That your committee, although agreeing to the necessity of ultimately constructing or extending the wall in question, yet in view of the fact that a commission has been appointed by the City Council charged with duty of preparing and reporting plans for the improvement of the cove lands, deem that the subject matter of the resolution in question appropriately belongs



to the Cove Lands Commission. Your committee therefore report back the resolution, recommending that the matter be referred to the cove land commission

Respectfully submitted, for the committee on City Property

Henry T. Root Chairman

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Resd. whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed In Board of Aldermen January 3. 1872.

In Common Council January 8. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Ch 311.

Resolved —

Wall on Wanasquatucket River

That the Committee of the Cove Lands be hereby requested to examine and report upon the expediency of extending the wall along the southerly side of Wanasquatucket river

Passed In Board of Aldermen January 3. 1872

In Common Council January 8. 1872

Approved.

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Ch 311.

Resolved. —

Sarah Gill

Grade of Evanston Street

That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to pay to Mrs Sarah Gill, four hundred and fifty dollars for damages sustained by her in the change of grade of Evanston Street, upon her filing with the City Treasurer a proper receipt for full compensation for such damage

Passed In Board of Aldermen January 1. 1872.

In Common Council January 8. 1872.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Ch 313.

Resolved —

Prov Concrete Co

Mrs E B Hall

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to pay the Providence Concrete Company, the sum of thirty one 50/100 dollars; being in full payment for a concrete sidewalk laid in front of the estate of Mrs Edward B Hall on Benefit and Power streets.

Passed In Board of Aldermen November 22, 1871.
In Common Council January 8, 1872.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Resolved:—

That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to pay to John R. Freeman the sum of twenty five dollars and fifty five cents, the same being for amount paid by said Freeman for a lot of land with all the buildings and improvements thereon, situated on Brighton street in the City of Providence, together with interest on the same, and expence of recording deed.* Said estate was taxed to one Louisa W. Pierce and was sold July 31, 1868 by C. J. Drake then Collector of Taxes in said city, for non payment of tax. It afterward appeared that said estate was owned by one Elisha W. Pierce;— that the taxes had been paid upon the same and consequently that the Collectors deed to Freeman conveyed no valid title to the property.

* Provided said Freeman convey all his right title and interest in said estate to Elisha W. Pierce without additional compensation.

Passed In Common Council Jan 8, 1872.
In Board of Aldermen Dec 21, 1871.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Resolved:—

That the subject of purchasing the Slaughter House estates of J. H. & A. Comstock, Moore & Perkins, No 76 block and William A. Wood, be referred to Aldermen Dalton and Brayton with Messrs Mathewson, J. B. Barnaby and Dexter of the Common Council, to examine and report thereon

Passed January 8, 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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The Harbor Master makes his Monthly Report for the month ending Dec 31, 1871.
Amount collected, $44.00

Ready: whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received



Passed January 8, 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Communication from the City Auditor

City Auditors Office Jan 8, 1872

The Honorable City Council

Gentlemen I have examined the Statement of the City Treasurer for the month of December 1871 and find it correct with the exception of a charge on page 6 of $1050.00, (6 months interest on notes to Williams Corliss) to the "North Burying Ground Sinking Fund", and as the City Council has not (in the knowledge of the auditor) created such "Fund" by an ordinance, and no appropriation having been made for the payment of interest on said notes except the "Interest account", he is of the opinion that the amount should have been charged to that appropriation.

The Joint Committee of Accounts, having the direction of the manner in which the auditors books shall be kept, he respectfully requests that the report may be referred to said committee

Very respectfully
Jas McCrosp City Auditor

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Ready whereupon it is ordered that the same be received
Passed January 8, 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Resolved:—

That the Monthly Report of the City Treasurer for December 1871, be received and referred to the Joint Committee on Finance, with instructions to report why the City Auditor's certificate is omitted.

Passed January 8, 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

No 315.

Wall on Stonemaquatucket River

## Report.

To the Hon. City Council of the City of Providence

The Commissioners of the Cove Lands who were directed by your Honorable body to inquire into and report upon the expediency of extending the river wall along the Southerly side of Stonemaquatucket river, make this report.

In obedience to the instructions of the City Council, they have examined the subject committed to them and are of the opinion that there is no immediate necessity for the erection of said wall

Respectfully Submitted by order of the Commissioners of the Cove Lands

Thomas A. Doyle Chairman

Providence January 8. 1872

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Resolved: Whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed January 8. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Police Station Engine House Fruit Street

Resolved: —

That Messrs Tolles, Root, and Keep, with Aldermen Angell and Spicer, be and they are hereby appointed a committee to report plans and estimates for a suitable building, to be erected upon the land owned by the city on Prichenden Street, to be used for a guard room, fire and police station —

Passed January 8. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 320.

City Building Water

Resolved: —

That the Superintendent of Public Buildings, acting under the advice and direction of the Joint Standing Committee on City Property, be and is hereby directed to introduce water into, and cause the City Building to be properly plumbed; and that the sum of one thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated for this purpose: to be charged to the appropriations for public buildings.

Passed January 8. 1872.



Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 321.

Land on Dorrance Street Wharf

## Petition —

To the Hon the city Council of the City of Providence

The undersigned for himself and Messrs Henry J. Angell, James H. Coggeshall, George R. Case, George T. Spicer, Welcome Spencer, Samuel T. Sprague, James W. Snow, Frederick Brayton and William C. Baker, respectfully represents, that they have purchased of Hon Walter S. Burges and others the two lots of land known as lots numbers twelve (12) and thirteen (13) of the Dorrance street association lands, with all the rights belonging thereto, being the same property which your Honorable body voted to purchase by resolution approved December 1. 1870. that the undersigned and his associates were aware before they bought said property, that the purchase of the same by the city council would have been highly advantageous to the city & with the rights of wharfage belonging thereto would have been of great use, not only for the purposes of the highway, but other departments of the government: that they were also aware that by the action of two of the justices of the Supreme court of this State, the city would not be able to complete the purchase of said lots within the time specified in the contract of sale made by them with Mr Burges, and they would therefore be unable to secure the advantages to be derived as aforesaid: that in view of these facts the undersigned and his associates decided to buy said lots and hold the same until your Honorable body should be at liberty to purchase them, or in case they were not so purchased, to retain them as an investment: that the undersigned, therefore, under instructions from his associates, informed Mr Burges prior to the time fixed for the completion of his contract with the city, that they were ready, in case the city could not conform to their contract, to pay the price fixed in said contract and take the deeds of said lots upon the express condition that the same should be offered to your Honorable body at the same price paid to him, and that the city should be allowed all the time they might desire to decide whether or not they would buy said lots: that upon this condition the said Burges made said sale, and deeds were executed in due form to the undersigned as trustee for himself and the parties aforesaid: and that now, in conformity to said condition, the undersigned hereby offers to your Honorable body to convey to the City of Providence the two lots of land aforesaid, with all the rights thereunto belonging for the exact cost

J. A. Doyle Trustee

thereof, to the undersigned and his associates whenever, within a reasonable time hereafter your honorable body shall desire to purchase the same.

Respectfully submitted for the parties in interest

Thomas A. Doyle trustee

Providence January 8, 1872.

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Ready: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.

Passed January 8. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 325

Resolved: —

That whereas in the opinion of the City Council and in the exercise of their powers under the Charter of the City of Providence, it has become for the interest of the city in its highway department, and for other municipal uses to purchase, own and make use of the real estate referred to in the petition in writing to sell the same, made to the city council this day by Thomas A Doyle for himself and certain associates; that city council hereby accepts such offer on the part of the City of Providence at its terms as contained in said written proposition, and that the City Treasurer be and he hereby is authorized to pay to said Thomas A Doyle the sum fixed in said proposition, upon the tender to said treasurer of a deed of said real estate by said Thomas A Doyle, approved by the City Solicitor: and that the amount so paid be charged to the loan account.

Passed January 8. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Resolved: —

That permission be granted to John A Hicks to raise a certain building, located on Autumn street, pursuant to his petition.

Passed January 8. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Resolved: —

That permission be granted to Sarah L. Reed to raise a certain building, located at No 4 Westfield street, pursuant to her petition

Passed January 8. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 325

Resolved: —

That the sum of five hundred dollars, be and is hereby appropriated for the purpose of building a fish trap on the dam owned by the city at the mouth of the Pawtuxet river: the same to be built under the directions of the Water Commissioners: the appropriation herewith voted to be charged to the appropriation for contingencies.

Passed January 8. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 326

Resolved: —

That the City Clerk be hereby directed to cause the old tax books in his office to be suitably bound for preservation.

Passed January 8. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 327.

Resolved: —

That the Joint Committee on Highways, be hereby instructed, when the purchase of the land on Dorrance street wharf is completed, to examine and report upon the cost of suitable derricks, chutes and bins, for the landing and storage of materials for the highway department thereon

Passed January 8. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 328.

The Chief Engineer of the Fire Department makes his Monthly Report for the month ending December 31. 1871

Expended for Salaries $415.13.14. Incidental $206.64.18 Total $621.32

Ready: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.

Passed In Common Council January 8. 1872
In Board of Aldermen January 10. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 329.

Teachers of French

Resolved: —

That the sum of one hundred dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated in addition to the former appropriations for the salary of the teacher of French in the High school of this city: the appropriation for the same to be paid from the former appropriation for the support of public schools; provided however, that the whole appropriation for the said purpose for the present fiscal year, shall not exceed the sum of five hundred dollars

Passed In Common Council January 8. 1872
In Board of Aldermen January 10. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 330

Sewerage of Second & Third Wards

Resolved: —

That the Water Commissioners be hereby appointed a committee to examine and report a plan for the drainage and sewerage of the second and third wards

Passed In Common Council January 8. 1872
In Board of Aldermen January 10. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 331.

Vineyard Street.

Resolved: —

That the Board of Aldermen be and they are hereby requested to receive Vineyard street, from Potters avenue to Hawthorne street, and declare the same a public highway, according to the accompanying plat.

Passed In Common Council December 20. 1871
In Board of Aldermen January 10. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor



No 332

Wards Second & Third Wards

Resolved: —

That the Joint Committee on City Property be authorized to let the lower floor of the ward room building on Benefit street at a rent of not less than three hundred dollars per annum, on condition that the tenant thereof should vacate the same at any time on receiving fifteen days notice

Passed In Board of Aldermen January 24. 1872.
In Common Council January 25. 1872.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 333

Message from the Mayor

Mayors Office City of Providence January 24. 1872

Gentlemen of the City Council

Land on Dorrance & Steet Wharf

A resolution of the City Council approved December 1. 1871 authorized the purchase of lots 12 and 13 on the Dorrance Street Association plat, at a price not exceeding $11,000. Hon Walter S. Burges, who was authorized to sell said lots stipulated that the price should be $11000, with interest thereon at the rate of seven per cent per annum from the day of sale until the delivery of the deed that the purchaser should furnish the internal revenue stamps and pay for acknowledging the deeds: that he should also pay the city taxes for 1871 on said lots and the wharf rights belonging to them and Mr Henry C. Clark's bill for their proportion of the wharf repairs and expenses. These terms were accepted by the committee on the part of the city, but the action of the Supreme Court prevented the execution of the contract and the lots were purchased on the same terms by them as A Doyle as trustee for himself and others. By a resolution of the City Council, approved on the 8th inst. the City Treasurer was authorized to pay to said trustee for a deed of said lots, "the exact cost thereof" to the said trustee and his associates. Under this resolution I yesterday made my draft on the City Treasurer for the sum of $280.79 being the balance due said trustee over and above the sum of $11.000. previously paid to him, making the exact cost to the city for these lots to be $ 11.280.79 the vouchers for which are on file with the proper officers, as follows, viz.

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|---|---|
| Paid Hon W. S. Burgess | $ 11.000.00 |
| Paid same for taxes on lots | 15.90 |
| Paid same for taxes on wharf rights | 53.58 |
| Paid same 14 days interest at 7% | 29.95 |
| Paid same for Henry C. Clark's bill | 136.86 |
| Paid for Stamps on deeds to trustees | 11.00 |
| Paid for acknowledging same | .50 |
| Paid for recording same | 3.00 |
| Paid for Stamps on deed to city | 11.50 |
| Paid for interest to R. I. Hospital Trust Co for loan to trustees | 16.50 |
| Totals | $ 11.280.79 |

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

Recvd. In Board of Aldermen January 24. 1872.
In Common Council January 25. 1872.

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## Report.

To the Hon the City Council of the City of Providence

Jo. & H. D. Cheney

Doyle avenue

The Joint Special Committee of the City Council who were appointed Nov 13. 1871, to whom was referred the communication of the City Treasurer dated Nov 7. 1870 relating to the claim of the city against Francis W and Knight D. Cheney for their portion of the expense of constructing Doyle Avenue, with accompanying documents, with instructions to hear the parties or their counsel, do now respectfully report that they have carefully examined the contract of the Messrs Cheney with the city; taken the testimony of the Surveyor of Highways, the Chairman of the Committee on Highways at the time the work was in progress, and the City Engineer and have heard and duly weighed the arguement of the counsel for the Messrs Cheney, and their proposal to pay to the city, six thousand dollars as a compromise of said claim, and after giving the whole matter a careful consideration and on consultation with the City Solicitor, your committee are unanimously of the opinion that it will be for the interest of the city to accept the proposal now made for a settlement. They do therefore recommend the passage of the following resolution

Respectfully submitted

Amos M. Snow

For the Committee

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335. 334

Jo. & H. D. Cheney

Doyle Avenue

Resolved:—

That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and directed to receive from Messrs Francis W. and Knight D. Cheney, Six thousand dollars in full payment of the claim of the city against the said Cheneys for their portion of the expense of opening and finishing Doyle Avenue

Passed In Board of Aldermen January 24. 1872.
In Common Council January 25. 1872.
Approved the same day.

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 335.

Streets through West Burying Ground

Resolved:—

That Aldermen Snow and Brayton, with Messrs Berg, A. A. Tolles Jr and Haines of the Common Council, be and they are hereby appointed a committee to take into consideration and report upon the proper method of laying out and extending Streets through the West Burying Ground, so called with a plan thereof.

Passed In Board of Aldermen January 24. 1872
In Common Council January 25. 1872
Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 336.

## Message from the Mayor

Mayor's Office City of Providence January 22. 1872

Police Station on Richmond St

Gentlemen of the City Council

I deem it proper to call your attention to the bad condition of the police station on Richmond Street in consequence of the want of proper drainage. The cells are frequently unfit for use because of the depth of water on their floors. I suggest that the Joint Committee on City Property should be authorized to remedy the difficulty complained of at the earliest practicable moment.

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

Read In Common Council January 22. 1872.
In Board of Aldermen January 24. 1872.

No 338

## Message from the Mayor.

Mayors Office City of Providence January 22. 1872.

Jos J. Brooke Report of Surveyor of Highways N. Main St

Gentlemen of the City Council

I transmit herewith a communication I have received from Joseph J. Brooke Esq, one of the board of Water Commissioners, relating to a matter contained in the last report of the Surveyor of Highways, which would seem to require some further explanation from that office

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

Read: In Common Council January 22. 1872.
In Board of Aldermen January 24. 1872.

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Entered. —

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Voted That the Message of His Honor the Mayor dated January 22 1872 transmitting a communication from Mr Joseph J. Brooke one of the Water Commissioners, relative to the removal of surplus earth on North Main Street by the Surveyor of Highways, be and the same is hereby referred to Messrs Cook Anthony and Paine of the Common Council, with Aldermen Sprague, to examine and report thereon.

Passed In Common Council January 22. 1872
In Board of Aldermen January 24. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Upon the Annual Report of the Chief of Police for the year ending December 31. 1871: —

Annual Report of Chief of Police

Ready: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received and printed for the use of the City Council under direction of the Joint Committee on Printing

Passed. In Common Council January 22. 1872
In Board of Aldermen January 24. 1872.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

(City Document No 25.)

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No 340.

## Annual Report of the Superintendent of Public Buildings

To the Hon the City Council

Annual Report Supt of Public Buildings

The Superintendent of Public Buildings, in conformity with the ordinance of the City Council has the honor of presenting his Annual Report showing the conditions of the buildings, with the nature and amount of expenditure that have been made thereon during the year 1871.

By a detailed statement in print [Document No 41] herewith submitted, to which the attention of the council is respectfully invited, it will be seen that the amount paid for ordinary repairs and improvements including all furniture is twenty four thousand four hundred and seventy eight dollars and thirty two cents $24,478.32

For new building and alterations ordered by the City Council forty four thousand, eighty five dollars, four cents 44,085.04

Total Sixty eight thousand five hundred sixty three dollars and thirty six cents $ 68,563.36

Respectfully submitted.
Obediah Slade Supt of Public Buildings

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Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received
Passed In Common Council January 22. 1872
In Board of Aldermen January 24. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 341.

The Special Committee on the Point Street Bridge make their first Monthly Report —

Point Street Bridge

Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received
Passed In Common Council January 22. 1872
In Board of Aldermen January 24. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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(Print)
No 341.

## Report.

To the Hon the City Council of the City of Providence

The Committee to whom on the 8th day of June 1870 was referred

portion of the Mayors Message relating to highways, in examining the subject committed to them, have found it necessary to more clearly define the duties of the City Engineer, and they have therefore prepared an ordinance for the purpose which they herewith submit and recommend its passage. — The two large and expensive bridges now in process of erection, and the fact that a similar one will be required at Indian Point within a very few years, and nearly twenty other smaller bridges being now under the care of the city, seemed to the committee to require some competent person educated as an engineer to take charge of them. The subject of a proper system of Sewers and their construction, the large extent of territory within the city limits yet to be graded with the alterations of grades already established, require competent engineering talent in order to protect the city against heavy loss or future damage in consequence of improper works.

These considerations have influenced the committee in the preparation of the ordinance and will respectfully commend its provisions to the favorable consideration of your honorable body

Respectfully submitted, in behalf of the committee

Thomas A. Doyle Chairman

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Resolved: wherupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed in Common Council January 22. 1872.

In Board of Aldermen January 24. 1872.

Approved the same day

Thomas A Doyle Mayor.

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An Ordinance in amendment of an ordinance entitled "An Ordinance providing for the appointment of a City Engineer."

(See Book of Ordinances No 3 page 95. and City Document No 46)

Passed in Common Council January 22. 1872.

In Board of Aldermen January 24. 1872.

Approved January 25. 1872.

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Resolved: —

That the City Solicitor be hereby directed to make application to the General Assembly for the passage of an act authorizing the City Council of the City of Providence to increase the number of wards in said city, from time to time as the City Council may think best.



Passed January 22. 1872 In Common Council

January 24 1872 In Board of Aldermen

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Resolved: —

That the Surveyor of Highways, acting under the advice and direction of the Joint Committee on Highways, be and he is hereby directed to cause curbstones to be set and gutters paved on Sycamore street, from Hudson street to Willow street, a distance of about three hundred feet.

Passed in Common Council January 22. 1872

In Board of Aldermen January 24. 1872

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Resolved —

That the Surveyor of Highways, acting under the advice and direction of the Joint Committee on Highways, be and he is hereby directed to cause curbstones to be set and gutters paved on Hudson Street from Parade Street to Messer street, a distance of one thousand feet.

Passed in Common Council January 22. 1872

In Board of Aldermen January 24. 1872

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Resolved: —

That permission be granted to Cornelius Gabriel to move a certain wooden building, pursuant to his petition and to the ordinance in relation to the removal of wooden buildings, provided that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby be repaired at the expense of the petitioner.

Passed in Common Council January 22. 1872.

In Board of Aldermen January 24. 1872.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Or 348

Tax abated
Asahel Peck

Resolved: —

That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to cancel and abate the tax assessed against Asahel Peck for the year 1871 amounting to three hundred thirty seven dollars and fifty cents, the same having been erroneously assessed against him

Passed In Common Council January 22 & 25. 1872
In Board of Aldermen January 24. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Or 349

Tax abated
Richard Murphy

Resolved: —

That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to pay to Richard Murphy the sum of Sixteen dollars and twenty cents. the same having been erroneously assessed against and paid by him.

Passed In Common Council January 22 & 25. 1872
In Board of Aldermen January 24. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Or 350

Tax abated
Benj G. Dexter.

Resolved: —

That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to pay to Benjamin G. Dexter the sum of thirteen dollars and fifty cents: the same having been erroneously assessed against and paid by him for the year 1871 on personal property.

Passed In Common Council January 22, & 25. 1872
In Board of Aldermen January 24. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Or 351.

Union Railroad Co
Prov. Pawtucket & C.F. Railroad Co

Resolved: —

That the Union Railroad Company and the Providence Pawtucket and Central Falls Railroad Company, at their own expense under the direction of the Committee on City Property, be permitted to make alterations in their depot for the better accommodation of the public

Passed In Common Council Jan 22. 1872. In Board of Aldermen Jan 24. 1872
Approved the same day Thomas A. Doyle Mayor



Or 352

Ordinance

"An Ordinance creating a Water Board for the City of Providence"

(See Book of Ordinances No 3 page 96. and City Documents No 47)

Passed January 25. 1872
Approved January 26. 1872
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Or 353

Sinking Funds

Annual Report of the Trustees of the Sinking Fund to redeem Bonds issued to the Hartford Providence & Fishkill R.R.

The trustees of the Sinking Fund for the redemption of the Bonds of the City of Providence Bonds dues 1876 issued to the Hartford Providence and Fishkills Railroad Company make the following report of the investments made by them of the funds in their hands.

They hold seven Registered Bonds of the City of Providence
payable in 1876 6% Bonds $ 92.000.00
They hold five Registered Bonds of the City of Providence
payable in 1893 5% Bonds 35.000.00
They hold five coupon Bonds State of Rhode Island @ $1000 ea 5.000.00
Cash on Hands 639.97
$ 125.639.97

E. E. Providence January 25. 1872
Amos D. Smith
A. C. Rouslow
Benjamin Tripp
} Trustees Sinking Fund City of Providence

Coupons 1858 unpaid

Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.
Passed January 25. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Or 354

Highway Department

Report on Re organization of the Highway Department

To the Hon! the City Council of the City of Providence

The committee appointed by resolution of the City Council approved June 8. 1870 to whom was referred that portion of the Message of the Mayor relating to the highway department make this report

The committee find that under the present system of managing highway work the Surveyor has full and absolute control of the expenditure of the large sums appropriated for highways:- he has authority to employ such number of men and teams as he deems expedient:- he decides what streets are to be cleaned and when the work shall be done. he fixes the price to be paid to the workmen and teams employed on the streets:- he decides what materials shall be purchased and when and of whom:- he fixes the grades of streets and directs the manner in which sidewalks shall be built:- in fact, the entire department is in his hands, and the joint standing committee on highways, of the City Council have practically no control whatever over him or his work. This state of things the committee believe should be changed. However competent the Surveyor may be the committee are of opinion that no single individual should be vested with power to expend upwards of one hundred thousand dollars annually of the public money without the supervision of a board of commissioners or a committee of the City Council. The committee have given much attention to the whole subject of managing the highway work which already requires heavy appropriations for its support and will demand more and more with the growth of the city, and as a result of their deliberations they submit two ordinances for the consideration of your Honorable body.

Highway Department

By one of said ordinances the control of the highway department is placed in the joint standing committee on highways of the city council and by the other the management of the highway department and all the powers now exercised by the Surveyor of highways are vested in a board of three commissioners, one of whom only is to be elected annually.

The committee unanimously recommend the adoption of the latter ordinance.

The work now performed by the highway committee exceeds that of any other committee of the City Council and for a long time, has been so burdensome that it has been done with great reluctance. To increase this duty as proposed would render it more difficult to find members of the City Council who would accept a place on the committee, and the operation of the ordinance would result in a practical restoration of the present system.

The committee are of the opinion that our city has arrived at a proper size and its highway work is of sufficient importance to warrant placing it in the control of a board of commissioners who shall be paid for their services. The members of this board should be elected for a term of years, in order that at all times, there shall be men of experience engaged



in the management of so important a branch of the city government.

The committee are confident that under such a board of commissioners the highway work would be more economically performed and a large saving be made annually to the city treasury.

Respectfully submitted, for the committee,

Thomas A. Doyle Chairman

Providence January 25. 1872

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Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed January 25. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Vol 335

Resolved —

Appropriation transferred.

That the sum of one thousand dollars be and the same is hereby transferred from the reserved fund to the appropriation for the Point Street Bridge

Passed January 25. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Vol 336

Resolved: —

Park at Fields Point

That the City Solicitor is hereby directed to apply to the General Assembly for such modifications of chapter 813 of the public laws entitled "An Act authorizing the City of Providence to establish a public park in said city." as shall allow the City Council in their discretion, to make such reduction in the limits of said park as they may determine

Passed January 25. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Vol 337.

Resolved: —

Sewer in Meeting St.

That the Board of Aldermen be hereby requested to cause a main drain or common sewer to be laid in Meeting Street from Prospect street to Congdon street, to connect with the sewer already ordered to be laid in Meeting street from Congdon to North Main street.

Passed January 25. 1872

Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

No 252.

W. J. Baxter
Xenas Baxter
Point st Bridge

Resolved: —
That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to pay Walter J. Baxter the sum of sixty seven and 50/100 dollars and Xenas Baxter the sum of Seventy seven & 50/100 dollars, the same being for their services in watching the Point street Bridge to November 24. 1871: said sums to be paid out of the appropriation for public bridges
Passed January 25, 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

Supt of Engines
Supt of St

Resolved: —
That the City Solicitor be and he is hereby directed to apply to the Supreme Court for authority to postpone the elections of Superintendent of Wells and Surveyor of Highways until May next or to dispense with said offices altogether if the City Council shall deem expedient
Passed in Board of Aldermen January 25. 1872.
In Common Council January 31. 1872.

Appropriation for Prov. Water Works

Resolved: —
That the sum of two hundred thousand dollars, be and the same is hereby added to the appropriation for the Providence Water Works, and the City Treasurer, acting under the advice and direction of the Joint Committee on Finance, is authorized to hire the same
Passed January 31. 1872.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

No 261.

Appropriation for Interest on Water Loan

Resolved: —
That the sum of one hundred thousand dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the payment of interest on the water Loan payable in the year 1900: and that the City Treasurer, acting



under the advice and direction of the Joint Committee on Finance, is hereby authorized to hire the same
Passed January 31. 1872.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

No 262.

Bridgham School

Resolved: —
That the Committee on City Property be and they are hereby directed to cause the upper rooms of the Bridgham School house to be fitted for school use forthwith.
Resolved: —
That the sum of six hundred dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated to carry the foregoing resolution into effect: the same to be charged to the appropriations for public buildings
Passed January 31. 1872.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

No 263.

Eddy street

Resolved: —
That in the opinion of the City Council, it is desirable and necessary to lay out and extend Eddy street in the City of Providence, of its present width from Washington street to Cove street in continuation of the present line of said Eddy street, between Westminster and Washington streets. And whereas, certain real estate will be required for that purpose: —
Resolved: —
That the City Solicitor be hereby directed to make application to the Supreme Court of this state for the appointment of commissioners of estimate and assessment, under and according to the act entitled "An act in relation to the laying out, enlarging, straightening and otherwise altering streets in the City of Providence," and the City Council hereby direct, that in said application the City Solicitor shall make application that said commissioners shall apportion and assess three fourths of the loss and damage thereof upon the persons and estates benefitted thereby, in the ratio of the benefits conferred.
Resolved: —
That the City Clerk be hereby directed to give notice of

such applications as soon as he shall be informed thereof by the City Solicitor according to the direction and in the manner required by said act.

Passed January 31. 1872.

Approved the same day

Thomas A Doyle Mayor

Mrs Martha W Shepard

Resolved:—

That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to pay to Martha W Shepard, the sum of one hundred dollars; being in full for all damages sustained by her by reason of a fall upon one of the public highways of the city on Thanksgiving Day, 1871: the same to be paid from the appropriation for contingencies, whenever she shall give a receipt therefor satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

Passed January 31. 1872.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

Resolved.—

Tax of Abby D. Bradford

That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to remit the sum of forty dollars and fifty cents, assessed against Abby D. Bradford on personal property for the year 1871: She being at the time of such assessment a resident of the town of Remington R.I.

Passed January 31. 1872.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

In Convention January 31. 1871.

The following City Officers are elected.

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| City Engineer | Charles E. Paine |
| Superintendent of Public Buildings | Obediah Slade |
| Sewerage and Corder of Wards | Charles H. Battelle. |



No 306.

## Annual Report of Commissioners of North Burying Ground

To the Hon City Council of the City of Providence

North Burying Grounds

The Commissioners of the North Burying Ground in conformity with law make this their report of receipts and expenditures from May 1 1871 to Dec 31. 1871 inclusive

Report

First The amount expended for and on account North Burying Ground from May 1. 1871 to Dec 31. 1871 inclusive — $4976.40

Second The general purpose of the expenditures were for account surveying, laying out and platting new and old grounds, trimming trees, repairs on buildings at Corliss estate and for purchasing horses carts wagons, tools harnesses &c &c per inventory, Salaries, labor, horse feed &c &c — $4976.40

Funds Paid for as follows

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Drafts on City Treasury | 4749.01 | |
| Miscellaneous receipts | 227.39 | $4976.40 |

Respectfully submitted for the Commissioners on North Burying Grounds

William Earle Commissioner

Statements of North Ground Ground Account.

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1871 May 1 | Balance in City Treasury this day | | | $172.36 |
| " 6 | Sale 8 lots paid to City Treasurer per receipts | | | 444.20 |
| June 16 | " 11 " " " " " " | | | 428.60 |
| July 11 | " 8 " " " " " | | | 695.65 |
| Aug 11 | " Rent Corlis Estate " " " | | | 300.00 |
| " 16 | Sale 7 lots pd " " " | | | 436.30 |
| Sept 12 | " 12 " " " " " " | | | 955.55 |
| Oct 11 | " 9 " " " " " " | | 674.75 | |
| Nov 11 | " 9 " " " " " " | | 424.80 | |
| " | " Rents and interments pd " " | | 105.67 | |
| Dec 26 | Sale 4 lots paid " " " | | 361.64 | |
| " | " Rents and interments " " " | | 116.35 | |
| 28 | " Corlis Estate " " " | | 300.00 | |
| | | | 1886.21 | |
| | Less for account Sinking Fund 25/0 | | 471.55 | 1414.66 |
| | | | | $5067.32 |

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June 7. Sight draft favor W Smalley Supt a/c Labor May $1130.36

North Burying Grounds

July 6. Light draft for N Smalley Sup ofe Slater June 574.60
Aug 2 " " " " " " " July 1115.07
Sept 5 " " " " " " " Aug 423.51
Oct 5. " " " " " " " Sept 576.84
26 " " " " for horses, carts &c 567.25
Nov 9. " " " " Sup ofe Slater Oct 502.87
Dec 5. " " " Nov 433.96
Jan 3. " " " Dec 854.55
4749.111
Balance in City Treasury new ofe 318.31 5067.327

Respectfully Submitted
William Earle Treasurer of Commissioners

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Ready, whereupon it is ordered that the same be received
Passed In Common Council January 22. 1872.
In Board of Aldermen February 1. 1872.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 36

Ordinance

An Ordinance in relation to Highway Commissioners.
(See Book of Ordinances No 3 page 98. and City Document No 48)
Passed February 1. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 37

Grammar School in Ninth Ward

Resolved:—
That the Joint Standing Committee on Education, be hereby authorized to hire and fit up for school purposes, a suitable room and grounds in the Ninth Ward, to be used for a grammar school for the rest of this municipal year: the cost of said room and fittings not to exceed the sum of six hundred dollars and to be charged to the appropriation for public schools.
Passed February 1. 1872.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 36

Re Organization of the Highway department

Resolved:
That the Joint Special committee to whom on the 8th day of June A D. 1870 was referred a Message from the Mayor in relation to re-organizing the highway department, be hereby discharged from further consideration of the subject
Passed In Board of Aldermen February 5. 1872
In Common Council February 7. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 37

Police pay

Resolved:—
That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to pay from the appropriation for police, for duty performed in January 1872 by policemen who have been appointed but not confirmed as follows
Joseph Gardiner $ 83.50
Edward P. Soule 83.25
James Fraylor 83.25
Passed In Board of Aldermen February 5. 1872.
In Common Council February 7. 1872.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 38

Land given by Betsey Williams

Message from the Mayor.

Mayor's Office City of Providence February 7. 1872.
Gentlemen of the City Council
I transmit herewith a certified copy of the will of Miss Betsey Williams, late of this city, who died on the 27th of November last, and who by said will bequeathed to the City of Providence upon certain conditions her farm of about one hundred acres, situated partly in this city and partly in the town of Cranston. The location and boundaries of the farm will be seen upon the plat thereof made by the City Engineer, which I also transmit herewith. The will was proved in the Municipal Court of this city on the 19th of December last, and the time allowed by Statute for an appeal expired on the 28th ultimo; the title of the city to the lands in question is therefore complete. Miss Williams was the daughter of James Williams, who was the son of Nathan-

ieb Williams, who was the son of James Williams, who was the son of Joseph Williams who was the son of Roger Williams.

The land bequeathed to the city is undoubtedly a portion of the original track set off to Joseph Williams by the proprietors of the town of Providence, and a portion of this farm has never been conveyed by a deed of sale, having descended through the several parties before named to Miss Williams the testator. The tract of land thus bequeathed to the city is extremely valuable, and I recommend its acceptance by the City Council upon the conditions named in the will and also, that a committee be appointed to report the proper action to be taken in the premises.

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

Read February 7. 1872.

(For Will of Betsy Williams see City Document No 33)

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Resolved: —

Henry & others vs. City

That the committee to whom was referred the claim of Henry G. Allen against the city of Providence be and the same is hereby discharged.

Passed February 7 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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City Treasurer's Report of Coupon & Registered Bonds

The City Treasurer makes report that during the months September, October, November and December 1871. No coupon bonds were surrendered to him for exchange for Registered Bonds

Ready: whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

Passed February 7. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Same

The City Treasurer makes report that during the past month there have been surrendered to him seventy one coupon bonds of $1000. each, viz: 57 bonds payable January 1. 1876 and 14 bonds payable Sept 1. 1885. for which he has issued Registered Bonds for the same amount as follows: — 6 bonds of $1000. each — one bond of $5000. two bonds of $10.000. each and two bonds of $20.000 each.

Ready: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed February 7. 1872

Approved the same day Thomas A. Doyle Mayor



No 376

Appropriation for Central Bridge

Resolved: —

That the sum of twenty one thousand dollars, be and the same is hereby transferred from the reserved fund to the appropriation for the Central Bridge

Passed February 7. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 377

Surveyor of Highways to transfer books and property

Resolved: —

That the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to turn over to the Joint Standing Committee on Highways, all books documents and property of every kind and nature whatsoever, in his possession belonging to the city, and the same by said committee to be turned over to the Highway Commissioners elected by this City Council.

Passed February 7. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 378

E. Rhodes

Resolved: —

That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to pay to Edward Rhodes the sum of sixty five dollars: the same being in full for their bill for a buggy harness furnished to the highway department.

Passed February 7. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 379

Building raised Jemima Collins

Resolved: —

That permission be granted to Jemima Collins to raise a certain building located at No 86 Ocean street, pursuant to her petition.

Passed February 7. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle

Mayor.

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# Return of Lumber surveyed in the City of Providence

## for the year ending February 5. 1872.

| Inspections Surveyed | White Pine boards plank & joists | | | | | | S. & E. board pine boards plank & timber | | Spruce boards plank joist & Sawed timber | | Hemlock boards plank joist & Sawed timber | | White Pine Timber | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | No 1 Feet | No 2 Feet | No 3 Feet | No 4 Feet | No 5 Feet | No 6 Feet | M Feet | Refuse Feet | M Feet | Refuse Feet | M Feet | Refuse Feet | M Feet | Refuse Feet |
| Robert Manchester Jr | 2081 | 28633 | 52.203 | 58159 | 964.214 | 69.368 | 478451 | 187452 | 2311219 | 117745 | 345.643 | 33898 | | |
| Nathaniel C Bishop | 24.200 | 138627 | 206061 | 113.138 | 718763 | 187768 | 344581 | 157139 | 2781978 | 340363 | 276583 | 32048 | | |
| Jacob Sillaway | 709 | 7720 | 23872 | 75842 | 671686 | 137827 | 350924 | 51078 | 2459253 | 339054 | 335948 | 44320 | | |
| Asa Ns Reckwood | 29126 | 51934 | 47089 | 48276 | 1303797 | 388568 | 1616188 | 530319 | 1405945 | 341856 | 293540 | 58442 | | |
| Leicester C. Lee | | | 540 | 27784 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Smith Potter | 7218 | 55582 | 27345 | 11595 | 48175 | 7759 | 1049432 | 413069 | 1643415 | 145834 | 512565 | 54688 | | |
| Amasa S Arnold | 10460 | 35207 | 97.990 | 113.330 | 616007 | 62795 | 1527185 | 278799 | 1776410 | 286940 | 1190729 | 187353 | | |
| Chas A. Manchester | 511 | 8380 | 9874 | 37233 | 598895 | 8813 | 85255 | 100353 | 3353783 | 287556 | 755406 | 39731 | | |
| Edwin B Winsship | 5851 | 22383 | 179.352 | 118394 | 190336 | 32887 | 118040 | 13033 | 2970136 | 270946 | 1426215 | 276554 | | |
| Henry W Brownell | 1474 | 2834 | 5566 | 11771 | 107352 | 133472 | 479437 | 32.581 | 2575319 | 309495 | 1132495 | 118825 | | |
| Special Deputies | 11974 | 27686 | 7185 | 996 | 2219 | | | | 81965 | 4371 | | | | |
| Ezek A. Sillaway | 1140 | 24021 | 13269 | 11368 | 113121 | 3670 | 111625 | 14589 | 622144 | 161893 | 2557 | 2371 | | |
| Total | 94.741 | 403.257 | 683.376 | 675.796 | 3374.415 | 876.292 | 6041538 | 1739.212 | 20981567 | 2601555 | 6116.011 | 843.920 | | |

| Oak Chestnut Boards plank & Joist | | Ash Boards Plank & Joist | | Birch & Maple Boards Planks & Joist | | White Wood Boards Joist | | Cherry Boards & Joist | | Black Walnut Boards Joist | | Mahogany & Cedar Boards Planks & Joist | | Surveyors Fees | | Deputy Surveyor's Fees | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| M Feet | Refuse | M Feet | Refuse | M Feet | Refuse | M Feet | Refuse | M Feet | Refuse | M Feet | Refuse | M Feet | Refuse | $ | cts | $ | cts |
| 4440 | 549 | | | 20887 | 36121 | | | | | 26648 | 687 | | | 137. | 23 | 1103 | 44 |
| | | | | | | 5892 | 55 | | | 9021 | 50 | 1118 | 341 | 160 | 63 | 1177 | 91 |
| | | | | | | 5348 | 248 | | | | | | | 134 | 87 | 989 | 05 |
| | | | | | | 8047 | 1266 | | | 3093 | 2070 | | | 183. | 75 | 1347 | 50 |
| 18747 | 30536 | 173689 | 28955 | 1133564 | 183598 | 364175 | 33951 | 57996 | 22367 | 370305 | 135174 | 5644 | 17703 | 90 | 08 | 5721 | 701 |
| 3515 | 329 | | | | | 3888 | | | | | | | | 119. | 73 | 877. | 63 |
| 3521 | 3326 | | | | | | | | | | | | | 183. | 69 | 1346 | 70 |
| 4473 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 128 | 19 | 941 | 84 |
| 1191 | 3311 | | | | | 1969 | 87 | | | 3672 | 433 | | | 171 | 16 | 1246 | 70 |
| 673 | 97 | | | | | | | | | | | | | 1421 | 44 | 1044 | 49 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 4 | 09 | 30 | 01 |
| 19627 | 32557 | | | | | 2026 | | | | | | | | 275. | 93 | | |
| 101998 | 61502 | 173659 | 28955 | 2041680 | 181120 | 390215 | 35602 | 57996 | 22367 | 380680 | 138614 | 6762 | 18044 | $1731. | 09 | $10597. | 99 |

Grand Total Feet 116.249.917.

To the Hon the City Council of the City of Providence

The undersigned Surveyor General of Lumber herewith presents his Annual Report of all lumber surveyed by himself or his deputies, specifying the various kinds and qualities and by whom surveyed and the amount of all fees received by him and his deputies.

Ezek A. Sillaway
Surveyor General of Lumber

Providence February 5, 1872.

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Resolved: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.
Passed February 5, 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

Highway Commissioners

## Commissioners of Highways

Elected by concurrent vote of the Common Council and Board of Aldermen February 7. 1872.

Samuel L. Blaisdell for three years.
Charles Anthony for two years.
Gideon Bradford for one year

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Surveyor General of Lumber

In Common Council February 7. 1872

The following City Officers is elected

Surveyor General of Lumber — Ezek A. Stimson.

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## Report.—

Providence February 3. 1872

To the Hon. the City Council.

Sewer in Market Square

The undersigned who having previously been constituted by the Hon. the Board of Aldermen a committee to cause to be constructed a public sewer in North Main street acting by your honorable bodies by a resolution approved April 10. 1871 authorized to cause a sewer to be laid in Market Square to connect the aforesaid sewer with the river respectfully Report—

That the said sewer was constructed by contract in connection with the North Main street Sewer:- that the cost of the whole work, as per detailed statement in the report of the committee to the Honorable the Board of Aldermen, is $ 22.046.62 The cost of the North Main street section is $ 20.155.53 The cost of the Market Square Sewer is $ 1891.09 as is shown by the statement hereunto appended and which is made a part of this report. A plan of the sewer is also embraced in the report of the committee to the Hon. the Board of Aldermen

M. B. Bockmore
Chas E. Carpenter } committee
Joseph J. Cooke }

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## Statements of the cost of Sewer laid in Meachet Square

(Memo. The bills referred to are a portion of the bills for the North Main Streets Sewer. See annexed report)

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Part of Bill No | 1 | Builders Iron Foundry | Iron work | $ 16.44 |
| " " | 3 | Thomas Brown, Inspector | | 35.76 |
| " " | 4 | P. J. Blanchard | granite | 75.00 |
| " " | 5 | James Edmond & Co | Sewer pipe | 16.00 |
| " " | 10 | Congdon Carpenter & | wire work | 2.25 |
| " " | 14 | Lewis R Daniels | internal examination | 3.00 |
| " " | 16 | Alfred Mowndell | Construction | 1647.83 |
| " " | 21 | George R Wheeler | Incidentals | 4.75 |
| " " | 22 | Providence Water Works | for services of engineers | 90.00 |
| | | | | $ 1891.09 |

Read whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed. In Board of Aldermen February 5. 1872

In Common Council February 12 1872.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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## Whereas.—

Board Denied by Betsey Williams

His Honor the Mayor has this day transmitted to the City Council a copy of the will of Betsey Williams, late of this city deceased (a lineal descendent of Roger Williams.) and whereas, by said will the City comes into possession of a valuable tract of land of about one hundred acres on certain express conditions, it is therefore

## Resolved:—

That we recognize, accept and gratefully appreciate this munificent bequest, and acknowledge our obligations to the generous spirit which prompted it: and, for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of said will in relation thereto, and also, that the proper steps be now taken to secure the appropriate laying out platting and general care of said land, that his Honor the Mayor and Aldermen Angell and Dalton with Messrs Root Keech and Dexter of the Common Council, be and they are hereby appointed a committee to consider and recommend to the City Council such action in the premises as in their judgment, the interests of the city may require

Passed In Board of Aldermen Feb 7. 1872. In Common Council Feb 12. 1872

Approved the same day Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

No 382.

Joint Standing Committee

In Common Council February 12. 1872.

The President having appointed Mr William Rimmey a member on the part of the Common Council of the Joint Standing Committee on the City Engineers Department pursuant to Ordinances it is therefore Resolved That the aforegoing appointment be communicated to the Common Council.

By Order. J. Mc Addeman Clerk

In Board of Aldermen February 14. 1872

Reads:

Samuel W. Brown Clerk

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No 383

Monthly Report of Chief Engineer

The Chief Engineer of the Fire Department makes his Monthly Report for this month ending February 1. 1872. Expended for salaries $2013.20 incidentals $ 324.20 Total $ 7137.40.

Reads: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.

Passed In Common Council February 12. 1872.

In Board of Aldermen February 14. 1872.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 384

Monthly Report of Master Mason

The Master Mason makes his Monthly Report for the month ending January 31. 1872 Amount collected $ 31.00

Reads whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed In Common Council February 12. 1872.

In Board of Aldermen February 14. 1872.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 385.

Monthly Report of City Treasurer

The City Treasurer makes his Monthly Report for the month ending January 31. 1872

Reads: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.

Passed In Common Council February 12. 1872.

In Board of Aldermen February 14. 1872.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 386.

Report of the Highway Commissioners

Report of the Highway Commissioners

Highway Commissioners Office

City of Providence February 12. 1872.

To the Hon the City Council of the City of Providence

The Highway Commissioners respectfully report that they have been duly engaged according to law and have organized by electing Charles Anthony President and Gideon Braidford Secretary. The commissioners have secured for their office the room adjoining the office of the City Engineer at a rent of four hundred dollars per annum.

Respectfully submitted

Charles Anthony
Samuel L. Brucidell } Commissioners
Gideon Braidford

Reads: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.

Passed In Common Council February 12. 1872

In Board of Aldermen February 14. 1872.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 387.

Office for the Highway Commissioners

Furniture

Resolved: —

That the Superintendent of Public Buildings, acting under the advice and direction of the Joint Committee on City Property, be and he is hereby directed to cause the office of the Highway Commissioners to be fitted up at a cost not to exceed five hundred dollars: to be paid out of the appropriations for public buildings

Passed In Common Council February 12. 1872.

In Board of Aldermen February 14. 1872.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 388.

Teacher for Grammar School in Eddy St.

Resolved —

That the School Committee be and hereby is empowered to employ a male grammar school teacher in the Eddy street grammar school and to pay said teacher a salary of not exceeding fifteen hundred dollars per year. The said sum to be charged to the appro-

Donation for public schools

Passed In Common Council February 12. 1872

In Board of Aldermen February 14. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

Water

## Message from the Mayor

Mayor's Office City of Providence Feby 19. 1872

Gentlemen of the City Council

I invite your immediate attention to that portion of the last quarterly report of the Water Commissioners which relates to the subject of supplying water to the inhabitants of adjoining towns. It is important that a decision should be made in reference to this matter at an early day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

Read February 19. 1872.

Resolved: —

Water

That the Message of His Honor the Mayor dated February 19 1872 in relation to supplying water to consumers in adjoining towns, be referred to the joint committee on finance, to examine and report thereon

Passed February 19. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

## Report.

To the Hon the City Council of the City of Providence

Land of Betsey Williams

The committee appointed by resolution of the City Council approved February 12. 1872. to consider and recommend to the City Council such action in relation to the land devised to the city by Miss Betsey Williams as the interests of the city may require, make this report.

The committee have examined the land referred to and find it to be admirably adapted for a public park. A considerable portion of the tract is covered with forest trees of various kinds, and many of them of of large size. A part of Cunliffs Pond is embraced in the devise, while two brooks flowing through the premises will enable other portions of the tract to be flowed, and thus add to the attractiveness of the place The land



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is sufficiently unwooded to make a drive over it pleasant by the variety of the scenery, even in mid-winter The committee were surprised to find a parcel of land already fitted for a park, so near the compact part of the city, and yet known to but a few of our citizens. The committee therefore report herewith a resolution which they recommend be adopted, setting apart the land given to the city by Miss Betsey Williams, except so much as may be used for a grave yard, as and for a public park by the name of Roger Williams Park.

Roger Williams Park

It may be urged in opposition to this resolution that the city has already established a park of several hundred acres in extent in the same section of the city and that therefore the land of Miss Williams should be used for other purposes. In reply to this the committee suggest that the City Council have applied to the General Assembly for permission to reduce the limits of Fields Point Park, and that the advantage to be gained by adopting the above resolution is, that the present residents of our city will by a small annual outlay, be enabled to enjoy the advantages of a park during the entire year, while the location of Fields point will require many years and a heavy expenditure of money to make it attractive, except during the heat of summer. The committee recommend that the City Council make another application to the General Assembly for authority to connect the Fields Point Park with the land of Miss Williams, and to add to the latter tract such adjoining land as may be necessary. The whole quantity so taken, however, not to exceed the number of acres embraced in the first lay out of Fields Point Park; and for this purpose the committee recommend the passage of the resolution herewith.

Parks at Fields Point

If the City Council decide to make a park of the Williams land, the next action should be to authorize the employment of suitable talent to lay out the same in proper form, and a resolution giving this authority is submitted with this report, which the committee recommend be adopted.

The City of Providence has never commemorated its founder by any public monument or proper memorial, and the munificent bequest of Miss Williams affords a fitting opportunity to remedy this neglect. The grave yard where before the remains of the children of Roger Williams and their descendants, would seem to be a proper place to erect a monument worthy of this prosperous city and its noble founder. The yard is situated at the foot of Elmwood Avenue, and a monument therein would be seen for nearly a mile on this broad street. The committee recommend the City Council to take

immediate actions to procure designs for a monument to the memory of Roger Williams, to be erected within the graveyard situated on the tract of land devised to the city by the late Miss Betsy Williams, and a resolution appointing a committee for that object, is presented herewith, and the committee trust it will receive the unanimous approval of the City Council, as they believe such a vote will be approved by the citizens of Providence

Respectfully Submitted

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor
Henry J. Angell
Wm. V. Daboll
Henry J. Root
Fred E. Keep
Lewis Dexter
} Committee

Providence February 19, 1872.

Resolved: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.
Passed February 19, 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

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No 394.

Name of Betsy Williams

Roger Williams Parks

Resolved: —

That the tract of land devised to the city by Miss Betsy Williams, deceased situated partly in the ninth ward and partly in the town of Cranston, be and the same is hereby set apart and designated as used for a public park, to be known as Roger Williams Park, excepting so much thereof as may be included in the Williams Burying Ground on said tract, wherein are the remains of the children and descendants of Roger Williams and excepting also so much thereof as may be sold or exchanged for the purpose of straightening any dividing line or lines, or of leaving the main body of the farm in a better shape than it now is.

Passed February 19, 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 395.

Roger Williams Parks

Resolved: —

That the Mayor and Aldermen Snow, Angell and Daboll with President Aldrich and Messrs Root, Keep and Dexter of the Common Council, be a committee to procure from competent landscape gardeners and rural artists, proper plans for the lay out of Roger Williams Park —

Passed February 19, 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 396.

Roger Williams Parks

Resolved: —

That the Mayor and Aldermen Snow, Angell and Daboll with President Aldrich and Messrs Root, Keep and Dexter of the Common Council be a committee to make application to the General Assembly at its present session, for such an amendment to Chapter 813 of the public laws, as will allow the City Council to reduce the limits of the park at Fields point, to not less than one hundred and twenty five acres, nor more than two hundred and fifty acres; and to connect the same with the land devised to the city by Betsy Williams, deceased; with authority to take such land adjoining said Williams land, for a public park, as said City Council may deem necessary, provided, that the quantity of land so taken, exclusive of water, shall not exceed in all the number of acres embraced in the original lay out of Fields Point Parks

Parks at Fields Point

Passed February 19, 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 397.

Roger Williams Monument

Resolved. —

That the Mayor, and Aldermen Snow, Angell, and Daboll, with President Aldrich, and Messrs Root, Keep, and Dexter of the Common Council, be and they are hereby appointed a committee to procure plans and estimates for a monument to be erected to the memory of Roger Williams in the Williams Burying Ground, situated on the tract of land devised to the city by Betsy Williams deceased.

Passed February 19, 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 398.

Standing Committee

In Common Council February 19, 1872

Mr Samuel S Harris having been appointed a member of the Joint

Standing committee on the Fire Department in place of Gideon Bradford resigned, and Mr James Arden, a member of the Joint Standing Committee on Education in place of Mr Samuel S Harris, resigned, it is:-

Resolved: That said appointments be communicated to the Board of Aldermen. By order

J. McAddemand, Clerk.

In Board of Aldermen same day: Read

Samuel W. Brown Clerk

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## Report.

Point Street Bridge

To the Hon. City Council

The Joint Special committee on the Point Street Bridge make this their second report as follows

Since the presentation of their first report the committee have diligently prosecuted the work entrusted to them. They have advertised for proposals and issued full detailed specifications of the work required: They have received and entertained various proposals at the date fixed for their reception. They have not as yet concluded the terms of any contract but the same are in course of preparation, and when completed will be reported to the council in detail.

The committee have every reason to expect that the work committed to them will be completed expeditiously and satisfactorily to the council

For the committee.

Wm Kinney Chairman

Prov. Feb 19/72

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

Passed February 19. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 838

Building raised

Resolved: —

That permission be granted to William H. Price to raise a certain building located at No 11 Prairie Avenue, pursuant to his petition

Passed February 19. 1872.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Building moved

Resolved: —

That permission be granted to the following persons to move certain wooden buildings, pursuant to their several petitions and to the ordinance in relation to the removal of wooden buildings, provided, that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby be repaired at the expense of the petitioner: viz:

No 837 Michael Dillon

Ferdinand Potter

No 801 Patrick Mulvey

Passed February 19. 1872.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 802

Building moved

Resolved: —

That permission be granted to Albert Lyman to move a certain wooden building pursuant to his petition and to the ordinance in relation to the removal of wooden buildings; provided, that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby be repaired at the expense of the petitioner, and provided, further, that the sum of twenty dollars be paid for each day or part of a day said building shall occupy any of the public streets of the city.

Passed February 19. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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In Convention February 19. 1872

The Surveyor General of Lumber presents the names of the following persons as Deputy Surveyors: whereupon it is voted that the City Council approve of their appointment viz:

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|---|---|
| Robert Manchester | Frank R Chadel |
| Nathaniel C Perkins | Charles A Manchester |
| Isaac Sillaway | John R Winship |
| Joseph H Robinson | Henry A Grimmond |
| Smith Potter | |

Charles C Lee for mahogany and other ornamental lumber

Robert Manchester for oak and other hard wood used in ship building

The following City Officers are elected: viz

Police Constables without power to serve civil process
Oliver P. Hopkins  Prescott Thatcher

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P.C. 403.

## Message from the Mayor

Mayor's Office City of Providence Feb 26. 1872

Gentlemen of the City Council

St. J. Cooke, Elijah C. Baker, Sackett st, Elmwood ave.

I transmit herewith two deeds executed in proper forms one by Joseph J. Cooke Esq. conveying his interests in Sackett street and Elmwood avenue to the city, and the other by Elijah C. Baker Esq and wife, conveying their interest in said Elmwood avenue to the city, which I recommend be accepted by the City Council.

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

Read February 26. 1872.

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P.C. 404.

Sackett st, Elmwood ave.

*Resolved*, —

That the Message of His Honor the Mayor dated February 26. 1872 in relation to certain deeds conveying Sackett street and Elmwood avenue, be referred to the Joint Committee on Highways to examine and report thereon

Passed February 26. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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P.C. 405

## Message from the Mayor

Mayor's Office City of Providence Feby 26. 1872

Horses hitched to lamp posts

Gentlemen of the City Council

The custom of hitching horses to the public lamp posts has become so great an annoyance as to require some legislation to remedy it. On a recent occasion eleven horses were thus fastened to the posts on one of our main thoroughfares at the hour of lighting, and the lighter must either leave the lamps unlighted, or stop to find a more suitable place to hitch the horse. Two of our lamplighters have been thrown from their ladders and the ladder destroyed by attempting to light the lamps without moving the horse. As the posts are set up for the convenience of the entire public I suggest that their use for the accommodation of a single individual be prohibited.

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

Read February 26. 1872.

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P.C. 406.

Ordinance

*Resolved*, —

That the Message of His Honor the Mayor dated February 26. 1872, in relation to hitching horses to the public lamp posts, be referred to the Joint committee on Ordinances to report the requisite ordinance

Passed February 26 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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P.C. 407.

Intercepting Sewer in Benefit, Jackson & other streets

## Report —

Providence February 26. 1872.

To the Honorable the City Council

The undersigned, acting in accordance with a resolution of your Honorable bodies, approved September 25. 1871 were appointed a committee to report a new plan for the drainage and sewerage of the district now drained by the sewer in Dorrance street, and who were also, on the 16th day of October last, constituted by the Hon Board of Aldermen a committee to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed from Aleen street, through Fountain and Cove streets to connect with the tidal drain, so called, in said Cove street: respectfully present a copy of a communication made to them by J. Herbert Shedd Esq chief engineer of the Providence Water Works, dated February 24. recommending a plan for the relief of the Dorrance street drainage district by the construction of an intercepting sewer, beginning in Benefit street at Atwells avenue and running through a part of Federal street, the whole of Jackson street, including a proposed short extension of the same, and parts of High and Chestnut streets, and the whole of Ship street to the river.

A profile of street levels and a large diagram of the Dorrance street and the Fountain street drainage districts, showing the locations of the proposed sewer, are also presented herewith

The committee earnestly recommend the adoption of the proposed plan, and as the size of the Fountain street sewer can be materially lessened by such adoption, it is desirable that the question should be decided as early as can consistently be done.

Re.

M. R. Lockwood,
Chas. C. Carpenter } Committee
Joseph J. Cooke

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Providence Water Works Chief Engineer's Office
No 2 College Street Providence R.I. July 24. 1872

Intercepting Sewer.

Messrs M. R. Lockwood, Charles C. Carpenter, Joseph J. Cooke Committee

Gentlemen

You have asked me to prepare plans for the relief of the Dorrance street drainage district. A view of that territory brings to notice the fact that a considerable area lies but a few feet above tide. Other cities have found it necessary to raise the buildings and fill such lands at enormous expense, and others still, have been obliged to pump the sewage gathered on their low grounds to a sufficient elevation to carry it away. It may not be necessary to determine now, whether either of these courses is likely to be forced upon the City of Providence at some future time, but from various reasons such as the need of keeping the size of sewers on low lands small, so that they may discharge well at low tide, and still have their water line of full flow as much below the street grade as possible; the greatly increased cost of taking a given quantity of sewage along a nearly level grade rather than on a steep grade; and other reasons, it is evident I think, that the amount of sewage allowed to collect on lands so little above tide should be reduced as far as practicable.

With this in view I have examined the district to see if there are convenient ways to intercept the drainage of any considerable area of high ground and turn it off to the harbor without passing it through the low grounds.

I find that the area of the Dorrance street districts, including that of Fountain street, to be about 356 acres, and of this amount about 201 acres may be drained through an intercepting line, beginning in Bowen street at Atwells avenue and running through a part of Federal street, the whole of Jackson streets including a proposed (short) extension of the same, and parts of High and Chestnut streets, and the whole of Snip street to the Providence river.

All this intercepting line would be through present highways of the city, except on land between Carpenter and Fountain streets, in the line of Jackson streets, a distance excluding the width of a lane, of about 220 feet, by scale measurement on the city map.

The collected travel of several main avenues could be so conveniently turned through Jackson streets into other important avenues centering



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at the junction of High and Westminster streets, if Jackson street were extended, that its extension would seem to be demanded for highway purposes alone, and there is no doubt in my mind that its extension would be more than warranted on account of its value as a line for drainage.

I therefore respectfully suggest that you propose to the City Council the extension of Jackson street to Carpenter street, and that authority be given for the construction of the sewer in Fountain street now entrusted to you, on a plan providing for an intercepting drain as above indicated. Such a plan would, I think, prove more satisfactory and more economical than any other that occurs to me.

Yours very respectfully

J. Herbert Shedd

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Ready: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.
Passed February 26. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Jackson

Resolved —

That in the opinion of the City Council it is desirable and necessary to lay out Jackson street from Fountain street to Broadway, and whereas, certain real estate will be required for that purpose,

Resolved: —

Jackson street

That the City Solicitor be hereby directed to make application to the Supreme Court of this State for the appointment of commissioners of estimate and assessment under and according to the act entitled An act in relation to the laying out, enlarging, straightening and otherwise altering streets in the City of Providence; and the City Council hereby direct that in said application the City Solicitor shall make application that said commissioners shall apportion and assess one half of the loss and damage thereof upon the persons and estates benefitted thereby in the ratio of the benefits conferred.

Resolved: —

That the City Clerk be hereby directed to give notice of such application as soon as he shall be informed thereof by the City Solicitor, according to the direction and in the manner required by said act.

Passed February 26 1873
Approved the same day. Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

No 1[illegible]

Annual Report of Surveyor of Highways

Resolved:—

That the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to lodge his annual report for the year ending November 30. 1871, with the City Clerk on or before the first day of March 1872, or, to give, in writing, his reasons why said report is not presented to the City Council, as required by ordinance.

Passed February 26. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 1[illegible]

Act relating to trails in streets

Resolved:—

That the City Solicitor is hereby directed to apply to the General Assembly for the repeal of Chapter 263 of the Statutes.

Passed February 26. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Bump street

Whereas, the commissioners of estimate and assessment appointed by the Supreme Court at the March term A.D. 1871 to lay out, widen and straighten Bump street, from Olney street to North street under and pursuant to the act entitled "An act in relation to the laying out, enlarging, straightening or otherwise altering streets in the City of Providence", made their first report to said court on Thursday February 1. 1872. Now therefore, within thirty days after the making of said report to said court —

Resolved—

That the City Council do hereby elect to make said improvement

Passed February 26. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

(For Report see Street Book No 3 page 47 and City Document No 42.)

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No 412

Joint Standing Committee

In Common Council February 26. 1872.

Mr Lewis H. Anthony having been appointed a member of the Joint Standing Committee on Finance, in place of Mr Gideon Brandford resigned. it is Resolved That the same be communicated to the Hon Board of Aldermen

By Order J. Mc Alderman Clerk

In Board of Aldermen same day. Read. E.M. Brown Clerk



No 413

Annual Report of Sinking Funds

## Sinking Fund of 1885.

To the Hon City Council

The Trustees of the Sinking Fund for the redemption of the bonds of the City of Providence payable in 1885. make the following report of the investments for account of said funds.

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| 17 | Registered City of Providence Bonds | 6% | 1885. | $ 127.000.00 |
| 12 | " " " " | 5% | 1893. | 104.000.00 |
| 7 | " " " " | 6% | 1876 | 24.000.00 |
| 3 | " United States Currency Bonds | 6% | | 16.000.00 |
| 10 | Coupon " " Gold " | 5% | 10-40's | 10.000.00 |
| 21 | " State of Rhode Island " | 6% | | 21.000.00 |
| | Cash in National Banks of Commerce Providence | | | 111.82 |
| | | | | $ 302.041.82 |

E.E. Providence January 16. 1872

Amos D. Smith
Henry Anthony
Elisha Dyer
} Trustees Sinking Fund, City of Providence Bonds 1885.

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Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed February 26. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 414

Water for adjoining towns

Resolved:—

That the Water Commissioners be hereby authorized to supply water from the Pawtuxet river to the inhabitants of the towns adjoining the City of Providence, whenever in the judgment of the commissioners, the interests of the city will be promoted thereby

Passed February 26. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 415.

Ward Rooms Third Wards

Resolved:—

That the Joint Special Committee appointed to report plans and estimates for a ward room for the Third Wards, be hereby directed to advertise & sell at public auction, the wooden building now standing upon the

Sand owned by the city on Wickenden street
Passed February 26. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

Buildings raised.

Resolved. —

That permission be granted to the following persons to raise certain buildings, located as follows: pursuant to their several petitions: viz:

Janette H. Olney No 4 Newton street
Daniel Mc. Tyler corner of Lockwood and Providence streets.

Passed February 26. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A Doyle Mayor

Buildings moved

Resolved: —

That permission be granted to the following named persons to move certain wooden buildings pursuant to their several petitions and to the ordinance in relation to the removal of wooden buildings, provided that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby be repaired at the expence of the petitioner; said buildings to be kept moving night and day while upon the railroad track: and it is further provided, that said petitioners shall each pay into the city treasury the sum of ten dollars for each day or part of a day his building shall occupy any public street of the city; viz:

David Cady
John Gorton
Charles A. Peabodie

Passed February 26. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

Marion Railroad to

Resolved: —

That the claims of the city against the Union Railroad Company for paving Transit street and cleaning said track, be referred to a joint special committee, consisting of Aldermen Coggeshall and Spencer, with Messrs Case, Van Slyck and Mowry of the Common Council, to examine and report thereon

Passed March 1. 1872. Approved the same day Thomas A. Doyle Mayor



Surveyor of Highways

Report. —

Providence March 1. 1872

To the Hon City council of the City of Providence

The Surveyor of Highways as directed by ov resolutions of the City council to lodge his annual report with the city clerk on or before the first day of March. 1872 or to give in writing, his reasons why said report is not presented, respectfully reports that the inventory was not fully completed and the increased business of the department rendered it impossible for the clerk of the department to get the report before your honorable body. The report will be in at the next regular meeting of the City council

Respectfully submitted
Thomas W. Hunt
Surveyor of Highways

Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received
Passed March 1. 1872

Hartford Prov & Fishkill RRs.

Resolved: —

That the City Solicitor, acting under the advice and direction of the committee on the city debt is hereby instructed to take immediate steps to collect the amount due the city from the Hartford Providence and Fishkill Railroad Company upon the coupons on the bonds of said company due July 1. 1857 now in the possession of the city.

Passed March 1. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

Deed of James Russell

School

Resolved: —

That the City Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to pay to James Russell the sum of fifteen hundred dollars, whenever said Russell shall present to him a deed satisfactory to the City Solicitor of his lot of land in the rear of Plane street, near Point street in the City of Providence: the same being a portion of the land fixed

upon as a location for a school house by resolution approved September 11. A.D. 1871

Passed March 1. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 425.

Annual Report City Auditor

The City Auditor makes his Annual Report of receipts and expenditures for the year ending September 30. 1871.

(See City Documents No 44)

Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed March 1. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 426.

Salary Ordinance

Resolved —

That the Joint Standing Committee on Finance, are hereby requested to prepare an ordinance fixing the salaries of the several officers of the city for the year ensuing the first Monday in June. 1872, and report the same to the council.

Passed March 1. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 427.

Police pay

Resolved:

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to pay from the appropriation for police for duty performed in February 1872 by men who have been appointed but not confirmed, as follows:

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|---|---|
| James Brankin | $79.75 |
| Edward B Soule | 79.75 |
| Joseph Gardiner | 79.75 |

Passed in Board of Aldermen March 11 1872.

In Common Council March 11. 1872.

Approved the same day

Thomas A Doyle, Mayor



No 428.

Monthly Report of Chief Engineer

The Chief Engineer of the Fire Department makes his Monthly Report for the month ending February 29. 1872. Expended for salaries $2063.20 Incidentals $437.57. Total $2063.20.

Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed In Common Council March 11. 1872

In Board of Aldermen March 13. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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No 429.

Monthly Report of Harbor Master

The Harbor Master makes his Monthly Report for the month ending February 29. 1872. Amount received $25.00

Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed In Common Council March 11. 1872

In Board of Aldermen March 13. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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No 430.

Monthly Report of City Treasurer

The City Treasurer makes his Monthly Report for the month ending February 29. 1872

Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed In Common Council March 11. 1872

In Board of Aldermen March 13. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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No 431.

Hose

Resolved: —

That the Board of Engineers, acting under the advice and direction of the Standing Committee on the Fire Department be and they are hereby directed to purchase five thousand feet of hose at a cost not exceeding six thousand dollars: to be paid from the appropriation for the fire department

Passed In Common Council March 11. 1872.

In Board of Aldermen March 13. 1872.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 135

Sewer in Rowen st

Resolved: —

That the Board of Aldermen be hereby requested to cause a main drain or common sewer to be laid in Rowen street from Prospect street to a well or catch basin near Thayer street, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 807 of the public laws.

Passed In Common Council March 11. 1872
In Board of Aldermen March 13. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Resolved: —

U.S. Pickering

That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to pay Veranus B Pickering the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars; being in full for all damages sustained by him by reason of the overflow of the sewer on Pearl street in June A.D. 1870. To be paid from the appropriation for contingencies whenever he shall give a receipt for the same, satisfactory to the City Solicitor

Passed March 11. 1872. In Common Council
In Board of Aldermen March 13. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Resolved: —

Building moved

That permission be granted to John King to raise a certain building located at No 42 Pearl street, pursuant to his petition

Passed In Common Council March 11. 1872.
In Board of Aldermen March 13. 1872.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Resolved: —

Buildings removed

That permission be granted to the following persons to remove certain wooden buildings pursuant to their several petitions and to the ordinance in relation to the removal of wooden buildings, provided that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby be repaired at the expense of the petitioners: viz:



No 135.
136.

John King
Sylvester Taylor.

Passed In Common Council March 11. 1872
In Board of Aldermen March 13. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 137

Point St Bridge

Resolved: —

That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to pay S. R. Bushing, A. J. Greene and A. E. Burnside, the committee appointed to test the Point street bridge, the sum of six hundred and seventy five dollars, the amount of their account for services and expenses, and charge the same to the appropriation for bridges.

Passed In Board of Aldermen March 13. 1872
In Common Council March 14. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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In Convention March 14. 1872

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Resignation

Resignation of Amos D. Smith

Providence March 9. 1872

To the Hon City Council

The undersigned herewith tenders his resignation of the office of Trustee of the Sinking Fund for the redemption of the bonds of the City of Providence payable in 1885. As the trustees account has been kept by the undersigned he respectfully requests that the same be examined

Amos D. Smith

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To the Hon City Council

The undersigned herewith tenders his resignation of the office of Trustee of the Sinking Fund for the redemption of the bonds of the City of Providence payable in 1876. and issued to the Hartford Providence and Fishkill Railroad Company. As the trustees account has been kept by the undersigned, he respectfully requests that the same be examined

Amos D. Smith

Reads: whereupon it is voted that the resignation of Amos D Smith Trustee as aforesaid. be accepted by the City Council

The following officers are elected

Sinking Funds — Trustee of the Sinking Fund to redeem City Bonds payable in 1885 — William Rimney

Do — Trustee of the Sinking Fund to redeem City Bonds payable in 1876, issued to the Hartford, Providence and Fishkill Co — William Rimney

Constable — Alexander McMaster

Police Constables without power to serve civil process — Gilbert C. Westcott — Reuben A. Arnoldy.

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City Treasurers Report of City Debt

The City Treasurer tenders report of the issues and payments of the City Debt since September 1. 1871

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|---|---|
| Amount of Notes issued | $ 230.000, 00 |
| Amount of Notes paid | $ 1. 650. 000. 00 |

Whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.

Passed March 14. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Resolved: —

Amos D Smith

That the thanks of this City Council be and they are hereby tendered to Amos D. Smith Esqr. for the valuable services which he has for several years, rendered to the City of Providence in his capacity as trustee of the sinking fund to redeem the bonds of the city due in 1885, and also, as trustee of the sinking fund for redemption of the bonds issued to the Hartford, Providence and Fishkill Railroad Company; and that it is with extreme regret that the City Council has accepted his resignation of the above named offices

Resolved: That the City Clerk be directed to transmit to Amos D. Smith Esq a copy of these resolutions, and to enter a copy thereof on the records of the City Council.

Passed March 14. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor



Resolved: —

Sinking Funds — A D Smith

That the Joint committee on the City Debt. be hereby requested to receive from Amos D. Smith, trustee of the sinking fund to redeem city bonds due in 1885, and trustee of the sinking fund to redeem city bonds issued to the Hartford Providence and Fishkill Railroad Company, all the property in his possession as such trustee, and transfer the same to his successor in office; and also, to examine and report upon the correctness of the same

Passed March 14. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Message from the Mayor

Mayor's Office City of Providence March 25. 1872

Gentlemen of the City Council

Materials for Sewers — I am informed by the Chief Engineer of the Water Works that a considerable saving to the city may be made by purchasing materials for sewers in large quantities. He has and shall be ordering sewers to be built in different sections of the city, and the committee in charge of their construction can only buy the material for each sewer as required. As the castings and street openings as well as other portions of the materials are the same in each sewer I suggest that the Water Commissioners, who have thus far had this important matter under their supervision, may be authorized to purchase such sewer materials as will in their judgment be needed during the ensuing working season.

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

Read March 25. 1872

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Resolved: —

Do — That the Message of His Honor the Mayor, relative to the purchase of materials for the construction of sewers, be referred to the Joint Committee on Sewers to examine and report thereon

Passed March 25. 1872.

Approved the same day

Thomas A Doyle Mayor

## Message from the Mayor

Storage of Merchandise

Gentlemen of the City Council

In January 1869 I called the attention of the City Council to the need of some legislation in reference to the manner of packing merchandise in buildings in this city. No action was taken by the City Council however, and we have again been reminded of the necessity of such legislation. On Sunday morning 17th instant, a fire broke out about one o'clock, in a brick building three stories in height on Washington Street. Each story of the building was closely packed with hay or straw; in consequence of which no water could be thrown into the building through the doors or windows, and the firemen were compelled to wait until the roof had burned through before their labor was effective. After some sixteen hours of service in removing the contents of the building, laborers had to be employed to continue and complete the work. In other cities that method of packing buildings has been prevented by law, owners and occupants being compelled to leave sufficient space around the contents of their buildings for the firemen to move about in when needed. Had such a space been left in the building referred to, the fire would have been easily controlled, and in all probability confined to the story in which it originated. I trust that you will take the necessary steps to secure the proper storage of merchandise in buildings in this city

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

Read March 25. 1872.

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Do

Resolved: —

That the Message of His Honor the Mayor in relation to the storage of merchandise in buildings be referred to the Joint Committee on the Fire Departments to examine and report what legislation is requisite in the matter.

Passed March 25. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Annual Report of Reform School

Resolved: —

That the Annual Report of the Trustees of the Providence Reform School for the year ending November 30. 1871 be received and that one thousand copies thereof be printed for the use of the City Council.

Passed March 25. 1872

Approved the same day.

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor



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Land and Wickenden sts

Resolved: —

That the special committee who were instructed to procure plans and estimates for a police station, guard room and engine house on Wickenden street, be hereby authorized and directed to purchase for that purpose, a certain lot of land on said street on the northerly side, near the corner of Transverse street, provided the cost of the same shall not exceed the sum of eleven thousand dollars, to be paid from the town account, and provided a title satisfactory to the City Solicitor be first obtained

Passed March 25. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Surveyor of Highways Report

Resolved: —

That Aldermen Spencer and Sprague, with Messrs Smith Corson, Berg and Anthony, of the Common Council, be hereby appointed a Special committee to examine the Annual Report of the Surveyor of Highways and his records and accounts, the property in his hands and the inventory of the same; and said committee are hereby authorized, by their chairman for the time being, to summon witnesses to testify, and to administer oaths: and on completing the examination to report the same to the City Council

Passed March 25. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Roger Williams Park

Resolved: —

That the Special committee appointed by resolution No 393, approved February 19, 1872, be and they are hereby directed to apply to the General Assembly for an act annexing to the City of Providence, the portion of the Roger Williams Park lying in the town of Cranston and also, such land as may by law, be added to said park, situate in said town.

Passed March 25. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

Resolved: —

Hope st. That the commissioners appointed by the Supreme Court to lay out and widen Hope street, be hereby directed to lay out said street according to the plat made by the City Engineer and presented to the City Council in October 1871.

Passed March 25. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

Report of Committee on the Point Street Bridge

To the Hon. City Council of the City of Providence

Point St. Bridge. The Joint Special Committee on the Point street Bridge would for their third report report as follows

Referring to reports previously made to the council, the committee continued their action by advertising in the city papers, inviting proposals from bridge builders for the construction of a draw span in accordance with certain specifications to be obtained of the engineer E. H. Bunting. A copy of the advertisement is appended hereto marked (A) and a copy of the specifications marked (B)

In response to this advertisement various proposals were received, with plans accompanying the same in some instances

The lowest proposal was that of Charles M^c Donald of New York

The committee received satisfactory assurances of Mr. Mac Donald's competency and character from parties for whom he had successfully completed extensive works of a character like that now proposed for, and to the satisfaction of the parties. The committee therefore accepted Mr. Mac Donald's proposal, and a contract was executed by him and the chairman of this committee on behalf of the city, in conformity thereto, on the 22d day of February 1872. A copy of this contract is annexed to this report, marked (C.)

This contract was based upon the supposed sufficiency of the existing turn table to carry the contemplated draw span; a supposition which it was not in Mr Mac Donald's power, at that time to verify, nor in the



1872. power of the committee to establish. It was therefore agreed that Mr Mac Donald should take such steps as he deemed necessary to satisfy himself on this point and amongst them, should inquire directly of Mr Sellers the maker and patentee of the turn table.

Point street Bridge. The result of this investigation was that Mr Mac Donald reported to the committee that the existing turn table was in parts badly damaged and was and always had been entirely insufficient to support the weight contemplated for the draw when loaded. This conclusion Mr Mac Donald supported by a letter of Mr Sellers to himself of which a copy is annexed hereto marked (D.)

In conformity with this conclusion of Mr Mac Donald, a communication of the engineer, Mr Bunting was submitted to the committee, taking the same ground, and presenting a proposition by Mr Mac Donald for reconstructing the turn table, using certain of its parts in so doing, so as to render it adequate to the load which it was intended to carry. The communication of Mr Bunting is annexed hereto marked (E.) as also that of Mr Mac Donald marked (F.)

Both communications were discussed by the committee and it was unanimously voted to accept the proposition of Mr Mac Donald, and in consequence an additional contract was executed March 22^d 1872 by said Mac Donald and the chairman of this committee on the part of the city, of which a copy is annexed marked (G.)

As certain portions of the existing turn table would not be needed in the new work, the committee have instructed the engineer to invite an offer for the same from Mr Sellers, the original constructor.

From an examination of the exhibits before referred to it will be seen

That the existing turn table was only intended to carry 250 tons safely and that Mr Sellers was assured that the "total weight on it would never exceed 100 tons."

That the weight of the present draw span, unloaded, is 225 tons

That the contemplated draw span, unloaded, will not weigh more than if quite as much as the present one

That the weight of either the existing or contemplated draw span, when loaded as intended to be provided for would be 490 tons.

That the turn table therefore must be made sufficient to bear this load or nearly this.

If a bridge was to be built at all at Point street, with the original requirements, it was therefore necessary in the first place to provide a competent turn table in place of the present incompetent one

It will also be seen that the committee have contracted in accordance

with plans and under the approval of S.R. Cushing Esq. for the completion of a suitable turn table, at a cost of $650.00

And for the completion of a draw span in all respects up to the largest requirements of the original intentions of the City Council in regard to the same, at a cost of $22.727.00

Less the iron on the present draw which is to be paid for by contractor at the price of one cent per pound say 2200.00 about 20.527

$27.027

Point street Bridge

That the work is to be done on or before June 25. 1872 with a forfeit of fifty dollars ($50.) by contractor, under certain contingencies, for each working day from that date, to day of completion

In order to have the present shore spans ready at that time to receive the contemplated draw in connection it was foreseen and so stated to the City Council by the engineer S.R. Cushing Esq that they would require strengthening by means of some description of piles or pile. The committee therefore requested the engineer to prepare specifications for a suitable support for the same and to invite offers from competent parties.

Mr Mac Donald was invited to make an offer but stated to the committee that the work needed could be better and more cheaply done here than by himself, and he declined to propose for the same. A proposition however was made by J. Albert Morrow which is submitted herewith and is marked (H.) and a recommendation of the same by S.R. Cushing Esq annexed thereto marked (I)

The foregoing work when finished will complete the construction of the Point street draw bridge, except in so far as certain stone filling about the piers or slight alterations of footways and railings, all of which have been already suggested to the council or Board of Aldermen in earlier communications upon the subject of the bridge

As the original appropriation was $30,000.

and the necessary cost of the works detailed above will amount to $27.127.

and the work on the piers by proposal of J. Albert Morrow is $5.000.

The committee recommend that the additional sum of $2.027.

be added to the appropriation for the Point street Bridge, and this with the full understanding that the work generally alluded to above but not yet estimated upon in detail and certain contingent expenses, as for instance the services of the engineer, will not be included therein but will require additional appropriations. This work was originally estimated by the engineer at about $2700. thus making the necessary additional appropriation about $5000. which the committee recommend.

When all is paid for, the Point Street Bridge will be found to have been an exceedingly costly public work, but this committee do not feel responsible in any way for this fact. The present bridge is wholly incapable of use for the purposes and to the extents and with the safety originally demanded.

Point street Bridge

The plans adopted by the engineers, approved by the council, and now contracted by the committee to be carried into effect, is not believed by the committee to be other than a good and reasonable one in the points of economy, durability, efficiency, facility of adjustment and of repair

Admonished by the past history of this bridge, this committee cannot go further than express the belief as stated above, and the hope the ill fortune which has hitherto attended it may not adhere to the labors of the present committee

All of which is respectfully submitted by

Wm Rimmey Chairman

Pier March 25, 1872

Ready: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed March 25. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Resolved:—

Same Appropriation

That the sum of five thousand dollars be and the same hereby is added to the appropriation for the completion of the Point street Bridge and be charged to the loan account.

Passed March 25. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Resolved:—

Point st Bridge

That the committee on the Point street Bridge be and they hereby are authorized to construct piers under the fixed spans of the Point street Bridge as recommended by S.R. Cushing Esq and referred to in their report of March 25. and to contract for the same.

Passed March 25. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Ann Andrew

Resolved:—

That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to pay to Ann Andrew the sum of sixty dollars being in full compensation for all damages sustained by her by reason of the overflow of the Pearl street sewer in June A.D. 1870. To be paid from the appropriation for contingencies whenever she shall give a receipt for the same satisfactory to the City Solicitor

Passed March 25. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Wm E. Ford

Resolved—

That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to pay to William E. Ford the sum of sixty dollars, being in full compensation for all damages sustained by him by reason of the overflow of the sewer on Pearl street in June A.D. 1870. To be paid from the appropriation for contingencies whenever he shall give a receipt for the same satisfactory to the City Solicitor

Passed March 25. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Heirs of Peleg Johnson's Wife

Hospital street

Resolved:—

That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to pay to Peleg Johnson's wife's heirs' estate the sum of two hundred dollars, being for amount agreed to be paid to said estate by the Surveyor of Highways under the advice of the Board of Aldermen, for setting back a dwelling house on Hospital street. To be paid from the appropriation for highways whenever the legal representatives of said estate shall give a receipt for the same satisfactory to the City Solicitor

Passed March 25. 1872.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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R.I. Concrete Co

Resolved—

That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to pay the R.I. Concrete Company sixty four dollars and ninety four cents, the same being in full for their bill for laying a concrete sidewalk in front of the public estate on Knights street. To be paid from the appropriation for highways



Passed March 25. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Sewer corner N. Main & Steer streets

Resolved:—

That the Joint Standing committee on Sewers are hereby requested to cause an examination to be had of the Sewer at the corner of North Main and Steer streets, and, as soon as may be, to take such action as will prevent the occurrence of damage to property in that vicinity by reason of any defect existing therein.

Passed March 25. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Resolved:—

That in the opinion of the City Council, it is desirable and necessary to widen and extend Thayer street from Power street to Pike street of a uniform width of fifty feet beginning for the easterly line of said extension at the intersection of the present easterly line of Thayer street with the northerly line of Power street, thence southerly in a direct line to an angle at a point in the southerly line of Sohm street, about ten feet easterly from the northeasterly corner of Wheeler & Brandings house; thence southerly in a direct line to Wickenden street passing through a point fifty feet easterly from the north east corner of Benjamin D. Bailey's house on the west side of Thayer street and touching also the north west corner of Benjamin Smith's house, so called on the southerly side of Sheldon street; thence, beginning on the southerly side of Wickenden street at the easterly line of Swan street and extending southerly in said easterly line about sixty eight feet to the range of the easterly side of Swan street as laid out south of Pike street, thence in said range southerly to the northerly line of Pike street. And whereas, certain real estate will be required for that purpose,

Thayer street

Resolved:—

That the City Solicitor be hereby directed to make application to the Supreme Court of this state for the appointment of commissioners of estimate and assessment under and according to the act entitled "An Act in relation to the laying out, enlarging, straightening and otherwise altering streets in the City of Providence," and the City Council hereby direct, that in said application, the City Solicitor shall make application

that said commissioners shall apportion and assess three quarters of the loss and damage thereof upon the persons and estates benefitted thereby in the ratio of the benefit conferred

Resolved:—

That the City Clerk be hereby directed to give notice of such application as soon as he shall be informed thereof by the City Solicitor, according to the direction and in the manner required by said act.

Passed March 25. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Resolved:—

That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to pay to William J. Bailie the sum of fifty dollars being in full compensation for all damage sustained by him by reason of the overflow of the Pearl street sewer in June A.D. 1870: to be paid from the appropriation for contingencies whenever he shall give a receipt for the same satisfactory to the City Solicitor

Passed In Common Council March 25, 1872

In Board of Aldermen April 1. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Resolved:—

That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to pay to A. G. Woodall the sum of eighty five ——— dollars, being in full compensation for all damage sustained by him by reason of the overflow of the Pearl street sewer in June A.D. 1870: to be paid from the appropriation for contingencies whenever he shall give a receipt for the same satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

Passed In Common Council, March 25, 1872

In Board of Aldermen April 1. 1872

Approved the same day,

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Resolved:—

That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to pay to Thomas J. Stebbins the sum of eighty two dollars and fifty cents, being in full compensation for all damages sustained by him by reason of the overflow of the Pearl street sewer in June A.D. 1870; to be paid from the appropriation for contingencies whenever he shall give a receipt for the same satisfactory to the City Solicitor

Passed In Common Council March 25, 1872

In Board of Aldermen April 1. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Buildings Raised

Resolved:—

That permission be granted to the following named persons to raise certain buildings, located as follows, pursuant to their several petitions, viz:—

Cyprus F. Andrews — No 11 Portland street

Sullivan Dorr — No 88 Brown street

Patrick Kenney — Ashburton street

Passed In Common Council March 25. 1872

In Board of Aldermen April 1. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Buildings Moved

Resolved:—

That permission be granted to the following persons to move certain wooden buildings pursuant to their several petitions and to the ordinance in relation to the removal of wooden buildings, provided, that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby be repaired at the expense of the petitioner, viz:

Charles E. Rood

Sullivan Dorr

James Heap

Lucius Brown

Passed In Common Council March 25, 1872

In Board of Aldermen April 1. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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that said commissioners shall apportion and assess three quarters of the loss and damage thereof upon the persons and estates benefitted thereby in the ratio of the benefits conferred

Resolved:—

That the City Clerk be hereby directed to give notice of such application as soon as he shall be informed thereof by the City Solicitor, according to the directions and in the manner required by said act.

Passed March 25. 1872)
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Wm. H. Packer

Resolved:—

That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to pay to William H. Packer the sum of fifty dollars, being in full compensation for all damage sustained by him by reason of the overflow of the Pearl street sewer in June A.D. 1870: to be paid from the appropriation for contingencies whenever he shall give a receipt for the same satisfactory to the City Solicitor

Passed In Common Council March 25. 1872)
In Board of Aldermen April 1. 1872)
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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A. G. Kendall

Resolved:—

That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to pay to A. G. Kendall, the sum of eighty five — — — dollars, being in full compensation for all damage sustained by him by reason of the overflow of the Pearl street sewer in June A.D. 1870: to be paid from the appropriation for contingencies whenever he shall give a receipt for the same satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

Passed In Common Council, March 25. 1872)
In Board of Aldermen April 1. 1872)
Approved the same day.
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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1st Ward.

T. F. Stebbins

Resolved:—

That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to pay to Thomas



T. Stebbins, the sum of eighty two dollars and fifty cents, being in full compensation for all damages sustained by him by reason of the overflow of the Pearl street sewer in June A.D. 1870; to be paid from the appropriation for contingencies whenever he shall give a receipt for the same satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

Passed In Common Council March 25. 1872)
In Board of Aldermen April 1. 1872)
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Buildings Raised

Resolved:—

That permission be granted to the following named persons to raise certain buildings located as follows, pursuant to their several petitions, viz:—

Cyrus F. Andrews — No 11 Portland street
Sullivan Dorr — No 88 Brown street
Patrick Kenney — Asbburton street

Passed In Common Council March 25. 1872)
In Board of Aldermen April 1. 1872)
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Buildings Removed

Resolved:—

That permission be granted to the following persons to remove certain wooden buildings pursuant to their several petitions and to the ordinance in relation to the removal of wooden buildings, provided, that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby be repaired at the expense of the petitioner, viz:

Charles E. Fogg
Sullivan Dorr
James Heap
Lucius Weaver

Passed In Common Council March 25. 1872)
In Board of Aldermen April 1. 1872)
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Building Moved Pat. McKenna

Resolved: —

That permission be granted to Patrick McKenna to move a certain wooden building, pursuant to his petition, provided, that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby be repaired at the expense of the petitioner

Resolved: —

That the sum of ten dollars be the amount designated to be paid for each day or part of a day said building shall occupy any public street of the city

Passed In Common Council March 25. 1872

In Board of Aldermen April 1. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Thos L. Angell & C. H. Emerson

Resolved: —

That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to pay to Thomas L. Angell and Charles H. Emerson, the sum of one hundred and twenty five dollars, being in full compensation for all damages sustained by them by reason of the flooding of their boat during the water celebration on Thanksgiving day November 30. A.D. 1871. to be paid from the appropriation for contingencies whenever they shall give a receipt for the same satisfactory to the City Solicitor

Passed In Common Council March 25. 1872

In Board of Aldermen April 1. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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1872

Boards of City on Seekonk river near Washington Bridge

Mooring Railroads

Resolved: —

That the City Solicitor be and he is hereby directed to appear before the Courts of this State and the General Assembly to prevent the condemnation for railroad purposes of the water front on the east banks of the Seekonk river, owned by the City of Providence.

Passed In Board of Aldermen March 25. 1872

In Common Council April 8. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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1872.

Ward Clerks

Resolved: —

That the Ward Clerks of the several wards, be paid the sum of one hundred dollars each, in full compensation for all services now performed and to be performed by them during their present term of office as Clerks of Boards of Canvassers

Resolved: —

That the sum of nine hundred dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for that purpose, to be charged to the appropriation for elections.

Passed In Board of Aldermen April 1. 1872

In Common Council April 8. 1872.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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1873.

Slaughter Houses

Report.

To the Hon City Council

The joint special committee of the City Council appointed January 8. 1872, to whom was referred the subject of purchasing the Slaughter house estates of J. S. & A. Comstock, Moses Perkins, H. L. Clark and William A. Wood, respectfully make report, that in the opinion of a majority of the committee, it would not be advisable nor for the interests of the City of Providence to make such purchase.

Respectfully submitted

L. Brayton Chairman

Providence March 14. 1872

Ready: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed In Board of Aldermen April 1. 1872.

In Common Council April 8. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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1874.

Wardens & Ward Clerks

Resolved: —

That the City Solicitor be instructed to apply to the General Assembly for the passage of an act fixing the term of office of Wardens and Ward Clerks, from the first Monday in June, annually.

Passed In Board of Aldermen April 1. 1872.
In Common Council April 8. 1872.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Police pay

Resolved: —

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to pay from the appropriation for police, for duty performed in March 1872 by policemen who have been appointed but not confirmed, as follows:

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|---|---|
| James Rankin | $ 85.25 |
| Timothy D Morse | 85.25 |
| Edward F Soule | 85.25 |
| Ebenezer Sylvester | 80.25 |
| Joseph Gardiner | 83.25 |
| Alonzo Goodwin | 85.25 |
| Albert J. Whipple | 82.50 |

Passed In Board of Aldermen April 1. 1872
In Common Council April 8. 1872.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Cross walks

Resolved: —

That the Highway Commissioners be hereby directed to lay a cross walk across Bachelor street at the South side of Garden street, and a cross walk across Greene street at the north side of Garden street.

Passed In Board of Aldermen April 1. 1872
In Common Council April 8. 1872.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Gen L. Clarke

Thayer street

Resolved: —

That Aldermen Snow and Brayton and Messrs Hunt, J. R. Rivers and Pearce of the Common Council be and they are hereby appointed a special committee, with full power, in their discretion, to settle the claim of Hon George L. Clarke for damages sustained by him in the extension and opening of Thayer street, now pending in the Supreme Court. And the City Treasurer is hereby directed to pay to the order of said committee, such sum as may be agreed upon

Passed In Board of Aldermen April 1. 1872.
In Common Council April 8. 1872.



(not approved)

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Surveyor of Highways
Superintendents of Streets

Resolved: —

That the offices of Surveyor of Highways and Superintendents of Streets be and the same are hereby abolished

Passed In Common Council February 26. 1872.
In Board of Aldermen April 10. 1872.

not approved

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Monthly Report of Chief Engineer

The Chief Engineer of the Fire Department makes his Monthly Report for the month ending March 31. 1872. Expended for Salaries $ 5571.70 Incidentals $ 1907.11. Total $ 7478.81.

Read whereupon it is ordered that the same be received
Passed In Common Council April 8. 1872
In Board of Aldermen April 10. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Monthly Report of Harbor Master

The Harbor Master makes his Monthly Report for the month ending March 31. 1871 Amount received $ 25.00

Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received
Passed In Common Council April 8. 1872
In Board of Aldermen April 10. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Monthly Report of City Treasurer

The City Treasurer makes his Monthly Report for March 1872

Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received
Passed In Common Council April 8. 1872
In Board of Aldermen April 10. 1872
Approved the same day Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

## Report.

Surveyor of Highways

The Joint Special Committee appointed under a resolution approved March 25. 1872, to examine the Annual Report of the Surveyor of Highways and his records and accounts, the property in his hands and the inventory of the same, with power to summon witnesses to testify and to administer oaths, and on completing the examination, to report the same to the City Council, respectfully report —

That having devoted no inconsiderable amount of time and labor to the hearing of testimony and the examination of the records of the department, they present the following as the result of their investigations

They find that by an amendment of the ordinance approved August 9. 1869 among other duties therein specified, it was made the duty of the Surveyor of Highways to keep a proper record of all the proceedings of his department and a set of books in which should be entered an account of all the receipts and expenditures &c &c: and soon after the passage of said Amendment, a clerk was elected for the purpose of assisting in performing the duties created under the same.

The committee, in the prosecution of their duties, have confined their investigations to the period of time embraced in the interval between the passage of said amendment and the date of the Surveyor's Report.

They find that during a space of twenty one months after the passage of said amendment, its provisions were utterly disregarded in almost every particular; the business of the department was continued to be conducted as it had previously been, in the loosest possible manner; no account of materials on hand had been entered upon the books, and with the single exception of the curbing account, there could be found no reliable data upon which to base a proper examination of the condition of the department.

Since June 1. 1871. a marked improvement has been made in the manner of keeping the records and accounts, but not having been based, as it should have been upon an inventory or account of materials then on hand, for the purpose of ascertaining anything at all reliable in regard to the correctness of the Surveyors report, it is of quite as little avail as if the former practice had been continued.

As already intimated, the curbing account is an exception to this general rule; commencing as it does from September 1. 1869 with no materials on hand, we have been enabled to examine its several items, down to the date of the Surveyor's report.



The result has been the finding of an apparent deficiency of from 2300 to 3000 feet. A portion of this deficiency may very properly be placed to the account of unavoidable waste, and whether or not the remainder is to be accounted for by the general loose manner in which the department has been conducted, or is the consequence of other irregularities, it has been impossible to determine from any testimony that the committee have been enabled to command. In the absence therefore, of any evidence to the contrary, the committee deem it proper to accept the more charitable conclusion and to believe that no intentional wrong has been done to the city.

In closing their report, the committee deem it due to the clerk of the department to state, that they exonerate him entirely from all responsibility for the irregularities therein existing: abundant testimony having been presented, showing that from the time of his appointment, he has labored earnestly and persistently to obtain such information as was necessary to the proper prosecution of his clerical duties, and always without success

Having thus to the best of their ability, under the peculiar circumstances of the case, completed the duty assigned them, the committee respectfully ask that this their report may be received and the committee discharged

For the committee

Henry A. Berg Chairman

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Read; whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed In Common Council April 8. 1872

In Board of Aldermen April 10. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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1872.

Annual Report of Surveyor of Highways

The Surveyor of Highways makes his Annual Report for the year ending November 30. 1871. (City Document No 43)

Read; whereupon it is ordered that the same be received and printed for the use of the City Council

Passed In Common Council March 11. 1872.

In Board of Aldermen April 10. 1872.

(not approved)

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Quarterly Report of Highway Comm.

The Highway Commissioners make their Quarterly Report for the quarter ending April 1. 1872 (City Documents No 55)

Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed In Common Council April 8. 1872

In Board of Aldermen April 10. 1872.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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## Message from the Mayor

Mayor's Office City of Providence April 8. 1872

Gentlemen of the City Council

School ho Plane & Point sts

I am informed that the parties from whom some of the land at the corner of Point and Plane streets was taken by the City Council for school purposes, are willing to sell to the city the fee of the land so taken. I suggest therefore that a committee of the City Council should be empowered to confer with such parties and make the purchase of the fee

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

Read In Common Council April 8. 1872.

In Board of Aldermen April 10. 1872.

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Resolved: —

Same

That Messrs Van Slyck, Tschirch and Paine, with Aldermen Brayton and Spencer, be and they are hereby appointed a committee to confer with the owners whose land has been taken for School purposes on the corner of Point and Plane streets, for the purpose of ascertaining for what price said owners will convey the fee thereof to the city.

Passed In Common Council April 8. 1872.

In Board of Aldermen April 10. 1872.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Resolved: —

That the executive committee of the school committee be and they



School House on Plane & Point sts

are hereby authorized and directed to procure plans and estimates for a grammar school building to be erected upon the land recently taken by the city for school purposes, at the corner of Point & Plane streets, and to report the same to the school committee for their action thereon.

Passed In Common Council April 8. 1872

In Board of Aldermen April 10. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Urinals

Resolved: —

That the Joint Standing Committee on City Property are hereby instructed to cause suitable urinals to be erected upon the southerly side of Weybosset Bridge, at an expense not exceeding, two hundred dollars, the same to be charged to the appropriation for public buildings.

Passed In Common Council April 8. 1872

In Board of Aldermen April 10. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Resolved: —

Tax of A P Dexter

Williams st Nursery.

That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to cancel the tax amounting to twenty nine dollars and seventy cents assessed against A. P. Dexter upon the estate on Williams street held by him in trust for the benefit of the Williams street Nursery, a charitable institution; said estate not being a proper subject of taxation

Passed In Common Council April 8. 1872

In Board of Aldermen April 10. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Resolved: —

Tax of E. D. Cummings

That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to pay to Eugene D. Cummings, the sum of seven dollars, the same being for amount of tax and interest added, erroneously assessed against and paid by him for the year 1871; he having been at the time of such assessment a resident of the Town of North Providence, and not liable to taxation in the City of Providence on personal property.

Passed In Common Council April 8. 1872.
In Board of Aldermen April 10. 1872.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Buildings to be raised

Resolved: —

That permission be granted to the following named persons to raise certain buildings, located as follows, pursuant to their several petitions, viz:

Sarah L. Aldrich — No 7 Byron street
Lewis C. Allen — No 241 Wickenden street
George Henry — Lowell street

Passed In Common Council April 8. 1872.
In Board of Aldermen April 10. 1872.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Buildings to be moved

Resolved: —

That permission be granted to the Peneficent Congregational Society to move two certain wooden buildings, pursuant to their petition and to the ordinance in relation to the removal of wooden buildings, provided that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby, be repaired at the expense of the petitioners

Passed In Common Council April 8. 1872.
In Board of Aldermen April 10. 1872.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Same

Resolved: —

That permission be granted to
Amos M. Hawkins
A. A. Wimball and
Nathan W. Parker to move certain wooden buildings pursuant to their several petitions, provided that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby be repaired at the expense of the petitioner.

Resolved —

That the sum of five dollars be the amount designated to be paid for each day or part of a day each of said buildings shall occupy any public



street of the city.

Passed In Common Council April 8. 1872.
In Board of Aldermen April 10. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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$10.

Building to be moved.

Resolved: —

That permission be granted to Patrick Dufley to move a certain wooden building pursuant to his petition, provided that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby, be repaired at the expense of the petitioner

Resolved: —

That the sum of ten dollars be the amount designated to be paid for each day or part of a day said building shall occupy any public street of the city.

Passed In Common Council April 8. 1872.
In Board of Aldermen April 10. 1872.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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$10.

Quarterly Report of Water Commissioners

The Water Commissioners make their Quarterly Report for the quarter ending April 1. 1872. (City Document No 54.)

Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed In Board of Aldermen April 10. 1872
In Common Council April 11. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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$10.500.

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Resolved: —

That the Quarterly Report of the Water Commissioners for the quarter ending April 1. 1872 be referred to Aldermen Boggenhall and Sprague with Messrs Fisher, J. B Barnaby and W. C. Potter of the Common Council to examine and report thereon.

Passed In Board of Aldermen April 10. 1872
In Common Council April 11. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

No. 501.

Central Bridge

## Report of Central Bridge Commissioners

To the Hon. City Council of the City of Providence

The Central Bridge Commissioners respectfully report that they have proceeded to build a bridge over Seekonk river in accordance with the act by which they were appointed and as proposed in their former reports. They have now completed it and it is ready for use by the public, and they herewith submit a statements of their expenditures thereon.

Expenditures.

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|---|---|---|---|
| Samuel B Cushing | Engineer in charge | | $ 2500.00 |
| Daily Herald | printing | $ 20.25 | |
| Daily Journal | " | 20.25 | |
| Evening Press | " | 20.25 | 60.75 |
| Francis Wennington | Piling for foundation of Abutments | | 3804.96 |
| George H. Read | Masonry | | 16.267.72 |
| A. D. Briggs & Co | Draw Bridge and draw complete | | 39.500.00 |
| Thomas Reid | Dredging | $ 2250.00 | |
| Harvey Kent | " | 1272.03 | |
| Walter Coleman | " | 25.50 | 3.547.53 |
| G. H. Read | Ballasting | 1521.91 | |
| Harvey Kent | " | 1031.51 | |
| H. Barney | " | 1374.80 | 3928.22 |
| | Dolphins and Fenders | | |
| John Armstrong | Blacksmithing | 625.57 | |
| Samuel Stones | Piles | 854.70 | |
| Samuel Chaffee | " | 619.60 | |
| T. A Hammond | " | 2284.64 | |
| Jackson & Butler | Freight on piles | 640.00 | |
| E. A. Sillcox | Survey of piles | 16.43 | |
| A. D. Briggs & Co | Driving & capping | 4550.00 | |
| James A. Potter | Lumber | 2726.65 | |
| G. B Abbney | " | 165.85 | |
| Francis Wennington | piles and driving | 1587.99 | 14.071.43 |
| J. A Parsons | Superintendance and travelling expenses | | 429.48 |
| | Sundry Bills | | |
| Thomas Phillips | Lead pipe | 3.25 | |
| Fletcher Brothers | Hardware | 15.48 | |
| R. H. Pennington | rope | 13.97 | |
| W. C. Barrett | Shovels & Burners | 30.00 | |



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| 501. | S. Grant & Co | Divers | 15.00 | |
| | J Batchs Sons | Pitch | 8.48 | |
| Central Bridge | H. Staples | Paper & Tar | 20.85 | |
| | Marine Railway | Spikes | 8.05 | |
| | Worcester Railroad | Freight of Piles | 30.00 | |
| | C. H Read | filling bearings | 35.00 | 180.03 |
| | | | | $ 74.290.12 |

Receipts

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|---|---|---|
| State of Rhode Island | $ 20.000.00 | |
| City of Providence | 36.675.00 | |
| Town of East Providence | 15.000.00 | |
| Interest | 1729.40 | $ 73.404.40 |

Providence April 1. 1872

James C. Rucklin, C. R. Farnsworth, James O. Smith } Commissioners

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Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed In Board of Aldermen April 10. 1872

In Common Council April 11. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 502

Benjamin Appleton

Point st Bridge

Resolved:—

That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to pay to Benjamin Appleton, the sum of twenty dollars, being in full for his bill for the use of a boat furnished to the committee on the Point street Bridge, from September 8. 1870, to Nov 10. 1871: the same to be paid from the appropriation for the Point street Bridge

Passed In Board of Aldermen April 10. 1872

In Common Council April 11. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 503

Fence Viewers Fees

Resolved:—

That the City Solicitor be hereby directed to make application to the General Assembly, for the passage of an act empowering the City Council to fix the fees of Fence Viewers in the City of Providence

Passed April 11. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 504.

Sewers in private lands

Resolved: —

That the City Solicitor is hereby directed to apply to the General Assembly for the passage of an act authorizing the City Council to lay out and maintain public sewers through private lands, upon making due compensation for all damages sustained by the owners of such lands
Passed April 11. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Message from the Mayor.

Mayors office City of Providence April 11. 1872

Gentlemen of the City Council

Pond st
Bargill st
Pearl st.

In making the plans for the sewerage of the city, it occasionally happens that an important line is interrupted by the abrupt termination of a street which should be used for the location of a main sewer. Three of these cases are of sufficient importance to be brought to your attention. They are Pond, Bargill and Pearl streets. The first required to be opened into Weaulew Place, the second to be extended into Fountain streets, and Pearl street should be continued to the junction of Plane and Dudley streets

I suggest the appointment of a committee to examine the subject in order that full information in regard to the extension of these streets may be placed before the City Council at an early day.

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

Read April 11. 1872

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No 506.

Do

Resolved: —

That the Message of His Honor the Mayor, presented this day in relation to the extension of Pond, Bargill and Pearl streets, be received, and the same is hereby referred to the Joint Committee on the Engineers department to examine and report thereon
Passed April 11. 1872



Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 507.

School House Greenwich st

Resolved: —

That the request of the school committee to place single desks in two of the rooms of the Greenwich street grammar school, be referred to the Joint Committee on Education to examine and report thereon.
Passed April 11. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 508.

Do

Resolved: —

That the Superintendent of Public Buildings, acting under the advice and by the direction of the Committee on City Property, be and he is hereby directed to place suitable single desks in two of the grammar rooms of the Greenwich street school building during the next vacation. The cost of the work not to exceed six hundred dollars and to be charged to the appropriation for public buildings
Passed April 11. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 509.

Sewer Materials

Resolved: —

That the Joint Committee on the City Engineers department be hereby authorized to contract for the purchase of such sewerage materials as they may deem necessary for the use of the sewerage department for the coming season
Passed April 11. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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In Convention April 11. 1872

The following persons are elected Police Constables without power to serve civil process viz: Richmond J. Stone, Bathrop Lewis, John Short, Jeremiah A Bates, Barak Evans

No 510.

Water Commissioners
J. MacDonald & Co

The Water Commissioners, pursuant to a Resolution of the Board of Aldermen, passed April 1, 1872, make report relative to the contracts and accounts with James Mac Donald & Co for constructing the Sockanosset Reservoir.

Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received and printed for the use of the City Council (City Document No 57)

Passed April 15, 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 511.

Harbor Lines

Resolved:—

That the City Solicitor is hereby directed to make application to the General Assembly for the passage of an act authorizing the City Council to establish a harbor line, between Sassafras point and Fields Point

Passed April 15, 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No. 512.

Cattle & Swine

Resolved:—

That the City Solicitor is hereby instructed to apply to the General Assembly for the passage of an act prohibiting the driving of cattle or swine, loose or unfastened, in any of the streets of this city

Passed April 15, 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 513

Sewer in Point Street

Resolved:—

That the Joint Committee on Sewers be and they are hereby instructed to inquire into and report upon the injuries done to the water pipes leading from the Manchester fountain by the construction of the Point street Sewer

Passed April 17, 1872,

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 514.

City Building
City Auditor
Municipal Court

Resolved:—

That the Superintendent of Public Buildings, acting under the direction of the Committee on City Property, be and he is hereby directed to enlarge the office of the City Auditor by adding thereto a portion of the office of the Municipal Court, in accordance with plans herewith submitted, and to furnish said offices with such furniture as may be found necessary by the alteration, at an expense not exceeding one thousand dollars, to be paid out of the appropriation for public buildings, and the said Committee on City Property are hereby empowered to have the work done without advertising for proposals and without contracts

Passed In Common Council April 15, 1872

In Board of Aldermen April 17, 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 515

Yearly Meeting of Friends
Thayer st.

Resolved:—

That Messrs Arnold, J. R. Brown and Peirce of the Common Council, and Aldermen Snow and Brayton be and they are hereby appointed a special committee to confer with a committee of the Yearly Meeting of Friends relative to their suit for damages by reason of the extension and opening of Thayer street, now pending in the Supreme Court, and to report to the City Council on what terms the same can be settled.

Passed In Common Council April 15, 1872.

In Board of Aldermen April 17, 1872.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 516

Camp street

Resolved:—

That Messrs A. J. Brown, Beckwith and Berry with Aldermen Snow and Brayton are hereby appointed a committee with authority to settle the claims of all parties dissatisfied with the report of the commissioners of estimate and assessment on Camp street, provided that such settlement can be made for a sum not exceeding fifteen hundred dollars

Resolved:—

That the sum of fifteen hundred dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose named in the foregoing resolution

to be paid out of the appropriations for opening streets.
Passed In Common Council April 15. 1872
In Board of Aldermen April 17. 1872.

Not approved

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No 519.

Hemlock St.

Resolved: —
That the Highway Commissioners be and they are hereby directed to proceed forthwith, and complete the highway work made necessary by the extension of Hemlock street
Passed In Common Council April 15. 1872
In Board of Aldermen April 17. 1872.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Horse for Supt of Buildings

Resolved: —
That the Superintendent of Public Buildings, acting under the direction of the Committee on City Property, be authorized to purchase one horse for the use of the department of public buildings, at a cost not exceeding the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars, ($250.) to be paid out of the appropriation for public buildings
Passed April 17. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 520.

Building raised
R. O'Donnell

Resolved: —
That permission be granted to Reynard O'Donnell to raise a certain building located at No 120 Plane street, pursuant to his petition
Passed April 17. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 521.

Building moved
Patrick Hackett.

Resolved: —
That permission be granted to Patrick Hackett to move a certain wooden building, pursuant to his petition, provided that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby, be repaired at the expense of the petitioner



No 520.

Resolved: —
That the sum of five dollars be the amount designated to be paid for each day or part of a day said building shall occupy any public street of the city
Passed In Common Council April 15. 1872
In Board of Aldermen April 17. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 521.

Building moved
Jas L Williams

Resolved: —
That permission be granted to James L Williams to move a certain wooden building, pursuant to his petition and to the ordinance in relation to the removal of wooden buildings, provided that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby, be repaired at the expense of the petitioner
Passed April 17. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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In Convention April 17. 1872.

George Renford is elected Police Constable without power to serve civil process.

Ordered That the City Solicitor apply to the General Assembly for certain amendments to the act in relation to the laying out, widening and straightening and otherwise altering streets.

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No 522.

Ordinance

An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance permitting the Union Railroad Company to lay rails in certain streets of the City of Providence". (See Book of Ordinances No 3 page 101)
Passed In Common Council April 11. 1872
In Board of Aldermen April 22. 1872
Approved April 23. 1872
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

(City Document 58)

No 524

Manchester Mountain Sewer, Point st

Resolved:—

That the Highway Commissioners be hereby directed to cause the injuries done to the water pipes leading from Manchester Mountain, in constructing the sewer in Manchester and Point streets, to be properly repaired: and that the expense thereof be paid from the appropriation for sewers

Passed April 23. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Report.—

To the Hon. City Council

Erwin Railroad Co.

Your Joint Special Committee to whom on the first day of March 1872, was referred the matter of the claims of the City against the Erwin Railroad Company, respectfully report that they have attended to the duty assigned them and are of the opinion that in regard to the claim for cleaning sand traps the city has a perfect claim against said company. In regard to the claim for re-paving Granden Street with granite blocks, your committee have obtained from the City Solicitor an opinion to the effect that under the facts in this case, the city has no legal claim against the company: the track having been originally constructed under a grant from the Town of Granden which did not require the company to repave

All of which is respectfully submitted.

For the committee

Erwin T. Case Chairman

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

Passed April 23. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 525

Decoration Day

Resolved:—

That the Sum of Six hundred dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose of defraying the expenses of that day, to be paid by the City Treasurer upon the order of said committee, from the appropriation for contingencies.

Passed April 23. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 526

Ratley street

Resolved:—

That the Highway Commissioners be hereby instructed to cause the repairs in Ratley street to be completed, forthwith

Passed April 23. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 527

C. C. Baker

Building moved

Resolved:—

That permission be granted to Colin C. Baker, to move a certain wooden building, pursuant to his petition, provided, that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby, be repaired at the expense of the petitioner. Said building to be kept moving night and day.

Resolved—

That the sum of ten dollars be the amount designated to be paid for each day or part of a day said building shall occupy any public street of the city.

Passed April 23. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 528.

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Patrick Kenna

Resolved:—

That permission be granted to Patrick Kenna to move a certain wooden building, pursuant to his petition, provided that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby, be repaired at the expense of the petitioner. Said building to be moved at such time as not to obstruct the street cars

Resolved: That the sum of ten dollars be the amount desig-

No 555.

Decoration Day

Resolved:—

That Messrs Carr, Keep and Sellew, with Alderman Angell, be and they are hereby appointed a committee to make arrangements for a suitable observance of Decoration Day.

mated to be paid for each day or part of a day said building shall occupy any public street of the city.

Passed April 23. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Resolved:—

That permission be granted to

Solomon Taylor, and

Lorenzo Vaughan, to move certain wooden buildings, pursuant to their several petitions, provided, that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby, be repaired at the expense of the petitioners.

Buildings. Moved

Resolved:—

That the sum of five dollars be the amount designated to be paid for each day or part of a day, each of said buildings shall occupy any public street of the city

Passed April 23. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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In Convention April 23. 1872

The following officers are elected

Police Constables without power to serve civil process

Fitz James Rice  William H. Wickes

The Convention consider the revision of the City Ordinances

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An Ordinance fixing the Salaries of the Officers of the City of Providence for the year ensuing the first Monday in June a.d. 1872

Ordinance

Passed April 29. 1872.

(See Book of Ordinances No 3 page 111. & City Document 59)

(Not approved)

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No 532

Ordinance

An Ordinance in relation to the loan of the credit of the City of Providence in aid of the Providence and Springfield Railroad Company.

Passed April 29. 1872

Approved May 4. 1872

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

(See Book of Ordinances No 3 page 113 and City Document No 60)

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No 533.

Land for N. Clifford st.

Resolved:—

That the Joint Committee on Highways be hereby authorized to purchase for the city for highway purposes, a certain piece of land at the intersection of Dudley, Myrtle and West Clifford streets, provided the same shall not cost more than three hundred dollars and that a title satisfactory to the City Solicitor be obtained. The said sum to be paid from the appropriation for highways

Passed In Board of Aldermen April 10. 1872.

In Common Council April 29. 1872.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 534

Resolved:—

Central Bridge.

That the Highway Commissioners are hereby directed to set the curbstone in front of the city lands at the westerly ends of the Red Bridge: also, to pave the approaches to the bridge with paving blocks, not exceeding in area three hundred and thirty square yards: the whole to be paid out of the appropriation for highways

Passed In Board of Aldermen April 23. 1872

In Common Council April 29. 1872.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 535

Resolved:—

Gilmore street

That the Highway Commissioners be and they are hereby directed to cause curb stones to be set and gutters paved on Gilmore street, from Cranston street to Wilson street

Passed In Common Council April 23. 1872

In Board of Aldermen April 29. 1872

Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Pro & Springfield Railroad Co

Legal Advisers

Resolved:—
That Messrs Charles Hart and Benjamin F. Thurston are hereby selected to act with the City Solicitor, as the legal advisers of the city in relation to all matters pertaining to the proposed loan of the credit of the City to the Providence and Springfield Railroad Company
Passed April 29. 1872.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Sewerage

Resolved:—
That the Water Commissioners be hereby appointed a committee to cause a plan or plans to be prepared for the sewerage and drainage of the several sections of the city, plans for which have not already been ordered
Passed April 29. 1872.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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S. Angell st

Resolved:—
That the Highway Commissioners be and the hereby are directed to bring to grade that portion of South Angell Street lying between its junction with Wayland avenue and the easterly end of the estate of J. Herbert Stead; and to set the curbstone and pave the gutters thereon
Passed April 29. 1872.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Chas O Barnes

Resolved —
That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to pay to Charles O Barnes the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars, being in full compensation for all damages sustained by him by reason of the overflow of the sewer at the junction of North Main and Star streets on the tenth day of March, 1872: to be paid from the appropriation for con-



tingencies whenever he shall give a receipt for the same satisfactory to the City Solicitor
Passed April 29. 1872.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Buildings raised

Resolved:—
That permission be granted to the following named persons to raise certain buildings, located as follows, pursuant to their several petitions
William Mc. Parsons No 279 Pine street
Horace R. Knowles No 13 Arnold street
Manchester Chace No 75 Ocean street
Benjamin W. Parsons No 14 Arnold street
Silas Steere Corner of Riverside street and Potter's Avenue

Passed April 29. 1872.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Buildings moved

Resolved:—
That permission be granted to the following named persons to move certain wooden buildings pursuant to their several petitions and to the ordinance in relation to the removal of wooden buildings, provided that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby, be repaired at the expense of the petitioner, viz:
Peter Gookin.
Charles O. Hall.
Samuel L. Spencer.
Passed April 29. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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D.D.

Resolved —
That permission be granted to
Michael Cullen and
Benjamin R. Thurston to move certain wooden buildings pursuant to their several petitions, provided that all dama-

ges done to the telegraph wires thereby be repaired at the expense of the petitioner

Resolved —

That the sum of five dollars be the amount designated to be paid for each day or part of a day each of said buildings shall occupy any public street of the city

Passed April 29. 1872.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 550.

North Burial Ground Fund.

## Annual Report of the North Burial Ground Fund

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

The Commissioners of the North Burying Ground make this their Annual Report of the Trust Funds for the year ending April 30. 1872

Report

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Jeremiah Allen Fund | deposited in Prov. Trust for Savings | $ 43.66 |
| Rhebe Whipple Fund | " " " " " " | 100.00 |
| Joseph Brazier Fund. | 10 Shares Stock Boston & Prov. Railroad Co } Par value $100. per Share | 1000.00 |
| Rebecca M. Gladding Fund | deposited in Prov. Trust for Savings | 100.00 |
| John Rowley Fund | " " " " " " | 100.00 |
| Ferdinand Balcom Fund | " " " " " " | 100.00 |
| Stephen Randall Fund | " " " " " " | 100.00 |
| Alexander Duncan Fund | " " " " " " | 1000.00 |
| Elizabeth Cottle Fund | 8 Shares Stock in Blackstone Canal National Bank par value $25. per share | 200.00 |
| Abez Gorham Fund | deposited in Prov. Trust for Savings | 600.00 |
| Abner D. Hodges Fund | deposited in " " " " | 100.00 |
| James Wheaton Fund | " " " " " " | 80.00 |
| George Earle Fund | " " " " " " | 100.00 |
| Anna Whipple Fund | " " " " " " | 200.00 |
| | Total. | $ 3823.66 |

Respectfully Submitted

Wm Earle for Commissioners of North Burying Grounds

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To the Hon. City Councils of the City of Providence

The Commissioners of the North Burying Ground make their Annual Report of receipts and expenditures of the Income from the Trust Funds for the year ending April 30. 1872.



| 550. Fund. | Amt. of Fund | Income on hand April 30/71 | Income Received | Amt Expended | Income on hand April 30/72 | Remarks |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Jeremiah Allen | 43.66 | 13.86 | 3.01 | — | 16.87 | |
| Rhebe Whipple | 100.00 | 17.97 | 7.00 | 7.00 | 17.97 | Appropriated |
| Rebecca M. Gladding | 100.00 | 5.27 | 7.00 | 6.00 | 6.27 | Do |
| Joseph Brazier | 1000.00 | 115.01 | 134.00 | 113.00 | 139.01 | Do to pay for head stones |
| John Rowley | 100.00 | 15.16 | 7.00 | 6.75 | 15.41 | Do in part summer bill |
| Ferdinand Balcom | 100.00 | 18.91 | 7.00 | 6.50 | 19.41 | Do " " " " |
| Stephen Randall | 100.00 | 21.33 | 7.00 | 5.75 | 22.58 | Do " " " " |
| Alexander Duncan | 1000.00 | 218.50 | 70.00 | 25.00 | 263.50 | Accumulating this fund to repair monuments |
| Elizabeth Cottle | 200.00 | 89.50 | 16.00 | 6.00 | 43.50 | Appropriated |
| Abez Gorham | 600.00 | 91.50 | 42.00 | 19.00 | 113.50 | A portion appropriated |
| Abner D. Hodges | 100.00 | 8.00 | 7.00 | — | 15.00 | " " " |
| James Wheaton | 80.00 | 4.40 | 5.00 | 6.50 | 3.50 | Bill to be paid |
| George Earle | 100.00 | — | 5.25 | — | 5.25 | " " " " |
| Anna Whipple | 200.00 | — | 10.50 | — | 10.50 | " " " " |
| | $3823.66 | 84.66 | 328.50 | 201.50 | 711.50 | |

Respectfully Submitted

Wm Earle Treasurer of Commissioners of N.B. Grounds

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Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed In Board of Aldermen May 6. 1872

In Common Council May 9. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 551

Hope street

Resolved: —

That the City Solicitor is hereby instructed to discontinue all future proceedings in relation to the widening and straightening of Hope street from Olney street to Angell street, under the resolutions of the City Council approved October 9. 1871.

Passed In Board of Aldermen May 6. 1872

In Common Council May 9. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

No 552.

Hope Street

Resolved:—

That in the opinion of the City Council it is desirable and necessary to widen and straighten Hope street in said city as follows; beginning for the easterly line at the north westerly corner of the house belonging to Philip H. Dorfee, in the easterly line of said Hope street, at a point one hundred and five and sixty one hundredths feet northerly from the northerly line of Potter Street; thence in a direct line northerly to an angle at a point in the northerly line of Power Street nine and fifty five hundredths feet easterly from the present easterly line of said Hope street; thence in a direct line to an angle at the present southerly line of Young Orchard Avenue, so called ninety four hundredths feet easterly from the present easterly line of Hope Street; thence in the present easterly line of Hope street to the centre line of Rivenden Street; thence in a direct line to an angle at the centre line of George Street and at the present easterly line of Hope street; thence in the present easterly line of Hope street to the southerly line of Angell Street; thence across Angell street to a point in the northerly line thereof, four and six tenths feet easterly of the present easterly line of Hope Street; thence in a direct line to an angle at the range of the northerly line of Power Street, passing through a point four and 5.5/7 eight hundredths feet easterly of the southwesterly corner on Hope Street of the Dexter Asylum Estate; thence in a direct line to the easterly line of Prayer Street as recently established, passing through a point fifty feet easterly of the angle in the present easterly line of Hope street opposite the house of Patrick O'Connor: and for the westerly line of said Hope street a line fifty feet westerly from and parallel with the above described proposed easterly line.

And whereas certain real estate will be required for that purpose,

Resolved —

That the City Solicitor be hereby directed to make application to the Supreme Court of this state for the appointments of commissioners of estimate and assessment, render and according to the act entitled "An act in relation to the laying out, enlarging, straightening and otherwise altering streets in the City of Providence"; and the City Council hereby direct that in said application the City Solicitor shall make application that said commissioners shall apportion and assess three quarters of the loss and damage thereof upon the persons and estates benefitted thereby in the ratio of the benefits conferred

Resolved —

That the City Clerk be hereby directed to give notice of such application as soon as he shall be informed thereof by the City Solicitor, according to the direction and in the manner required by said act.

Passed May 9, 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 553.

Building Moved

Geo Stephenson

Resolved, —

That permission be granted to George Stephenson to move a certain wooden building, pursuant to his petition, provided that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby be repaired at the expense of the petitioner.

Resolved: —

That the sum of five dollars be the amount designated to be paid for each story or part of a story, said building shall occupy any public Street of the city.

Passed May 9, 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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In Convention May 9 1872

Theodore R. Pierce is elected Weigher of Coal.

The Convention consider the revision of the City Ordinances.

Voted That the City Council meet for the purpose of revising the City Ordinances on Monday May 13 1872 at 7½ o'clock P.M.

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No 555.

Death of Moses B. Lockwood

Message from the Mayor

Mayor's Office City of Providence May 13, 1872

Gentlemen of the City Council

I have to announce to you with deep pain the death of our esteemed fellow citizen Moses B. Lockwood, who departed this life at his residence this morning after a brief and

painful illness. In making this announcement I can but express any sincere regrets at the loss to this community of so estimable a public servant.

Mor Lockwood has been identified with the interests of the city as president of the board of Water Commissioners since its organization, and theretofore as a member of the Common Council and of the School Committee. In these capacities he has exhibited marked skill and ability and in the great public work in which he was engaged when seized with his last illness he has left a fitting monument of fidelity which will preserved to future generations the name of an honored citizen

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

In Board of Aldermen May 13. 1872 Reads
In Common Council same day Reads

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Resolved: —

Death of Moses B. Lockwood

That the City Council have heard with deep regret of the decease of Moses B. Lockwood Esq President of the board of Water Commissioners

Resolved: —

That the City Council desire to express their sensibility of the great loss which this community has sustained in the death of Mor Lockwood whose daily life both in public and private was distinguished by integrity and faithful devotion to duty.

Resolved: —

That, as a token of respect to the memory of the deceased, the City Council will attend the funeral.

Resolved: —

As a further token of respect to the memory of the deceased that a copy of these resolutions be transmitted to his family and that the same be entered upon the records of the City Council

Passed May 13. 1872
Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Monthly Report of Chief Engineer

The Chief Engineer of the Fire Department makes his Monthly Report for the month ending April 30. 1872 Expended for Salaries $2063.20 Incidental $3194.29, Total $5257.49.

Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received



Passed May 13. 1872
Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Monthly Report of Harbor Master

The Harbor Master makes his Monthly Report for the month ending April 30. 1872. Amount collected $31.00

Read whereupon it is ordered that the same be received
Passed May 13. 1872
Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Monthly Report of City Treasurer

The City Treasurer makes his Monthly Report for the month ending April 30. 1872

Read whereupon it is ordered that the same be received
Passed May 13. 1872
Approved the same day.

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Ordinance

An Ordinance in amendment of the several ordinances whereby the Union Railroad Company desires right to lay rails on the Streets of the City of Providence.

[See Book of Ordinances No 3 pages 104 and City Document No 61]

Passed May 13. 1872
Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Lands on Doyle Avenue

Engine House

Resolved: —

That in the opinion of the City Council of Providence, it is desirable for the interests of the city that the lot of land on Doyle avenue directly in the rear of and adjoining the engine house at the corner of North Main street and Doyle avenue, be sold or exchanged for other land contiguous to said engine house; and that Messrs Root, Fisher, Perkins and Anthony of the Common Council and Alderman Earle, be and they are hereby appointed a committee to act in accordance with the terms of this resolution, and report to the City Council upon what terms such sale or exchange can be made

Passed May 13. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Rhodes Street

Resolved: —
That the Highway Commissioner be and they are hereby directed to cause the curb stones to be set and the gutters paved on Rhodes Street, between Eddy and Pierce streets, provided the expense of the same does not exceed the sum of fourteen hundred dollars
Passed May 13. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Simcoe St
Temple St
Central Bridge

Resolved: —
That the Highway Commissioner be and they are hereby authorized and directed to cause that portion of Simcoe Street and South Temple street, commencing at the west approach to Central Bridge, to be graded and put in such condition as may be in their judgment, deemed advisable.
Passed May 13. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Board of Aldermen Wood st

Resolved: —
That the Board of Aldermen be and they are hereby requested to receive Wood street, from Parade street to Mercer street and declare the same a public highway.
Passed May 13. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Board of Aldermen King street

Resolved: —
That the Board of Aldermen be and they are hereby requested to receive King street, from Knight street to Army street, and declare the same a public highway; said street having been peaceably travelled and actually used for more than twenty years



Passed May 13. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Building raised Jos Moulton

Resolved: —
That permission be granted to Joseph Moulton to raise a certain building located on Clemence street, pursuant to his petition.
Passed May 13. 1872

(Not approved)

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Building raised

Resolved: —
That permission be granted to the following named persons to raise certain buildings, located as follows, pursuant to their several petitions, viz:
Fabrick Kenney Moulton street
Francis Moulton No 32 Stewart street
Albert D. Rhoads No 36. Stewart street
Eliza G. Richardson No 90. Courtland street
Passed May 13. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Resolved —
That permission be granted to the following persons, to move certain wooden buildings, pursuant to their several petitions and to the ordinance in relation to the removal of wooden buildings, provided that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby, be repaired at the expense of the petitioned viz:
Henry J. Angell
Williams Porter
Richard Walsh
Passed May 13. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

Buildings moved

Resolved —

That permission be granted to the following persons to move certain wooden buildings pursuant to their several petitions, provided, that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby, be repaired at the expense of the petitioner viz:

Charles A Brown
Michael J. Butler
John Cassidy
James Healey
Harley Luther
William H. Young

Resolved. —

That the sum of five dollars, be the amount designated to be paid for each day or part of a day each of said buildings shall occupy any public street of the city.

Passed May 13. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Buildings moved

Resolved —

That permission be granted to the following persons to move certain wooden buildings pursuant to their several petitions, provided that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby, be repaired at the expense of the petitioner. Said buildings to be kept in motion while upon the railroad tracks: viz:

Thomas A. Kennedy
Solomon W. Thurston

Resolved —

That the sum of ten dollars be the amount designated to be paid for each day or part of a day said building shall occupy any public street of the city.

Passed May 13. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Resolved: —

That in the opinion of the City Council it is desirable that



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Bridge at Eagle Street

a bridge be built across the Woonasquatucket river, between the City of Providence and the Town of North Providence, at the foot of Eagle street, and that a sum not exceeding two thousand dollars be and is hereby appropriated for this purpose to be expended by the Overseer of Bridges, acting under the advice and direction of the Advising Committee on Bridges.

Passed May 13. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Resolved —

Bowe estate

That the City Solicitor be hereby directed to apply to the Supreme Court by petition in equity, and to pray such court for decree to sell the estate held by the city on Broad street, and known as the "Bowe estate" pursuant to Chapter 727 of the public laws

Passed In Board of Aldermen March 25, 1872
In Common Council May 13, 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Report.

Land for School House on Point & Plane street

To the Hon. the City Council

In Joint Special Committee appointed to [illegible]

owners whose land has been taken for school purposes on the corner of Point and Plane streets, for the purpose of ascertaining for what price said owners will convey the fee thereof to the city, report that the City Solicitor has been in communication with said owners at the request of your committee and has thus been the medium of communication between said owners and your committee. From information derived from him your committee are enabled to give the following as the terms upon which the fee may be purchased, to wit:

H. C. Matheson

Henry C Matheson will sell to the city all land taken belonging to him, at one dollar per square foot, including land that is in dispute between him and Lawrence Mowray, containing about 19.650 feet, 3650 feet of which is in dispute. As to that in dispute he offers a warranty deed and also a satisfactory bond to protect the city against all claims that may be made against it.

L. Mowray

Lawrence Mowray offers to sell the fee of all land belonging to him

taken for school purposes, including the 2650 feet claimed by Henry C. Weatherwax for $ 15000; withdrawn the 2650 feet in dispute for the sum of $ 15000. Upon said land there are three very fair houses.

Bridget O'Donnell

So far as land taken belonging to Bridgeth O'Donnell is concerned, there has no price been given that she is willing to take, within any reasonable figure.

The commissioners' estimates for the land taken were at the rate of fifty cents per square foot, but all the parties have appealed from the awards, and unless a purchase is made, the price must be determined by a jury.

A. Van Slyck Chairman

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Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.
Passed May 13. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Resolved:—

Same for land taken on Main and Point streets

That Aldermen Brayton and Spencer and Messrs Van Slyck Rickuth and Paine of the Common Council, be and they are hereby appointed a committee to procure the fee of the land taken for school purposes on the corner of First and Plane streets, the fee of which is in Henry C. Weatherwax and Lawrence Mooney, at an expence not exceeding $ 35000.

H. C. Weatherwax & Mooney

Appropriation

Resolved:—

That the sum of thirty five thousand dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for that purpose; the same to be charged to the loan account.

Passed May 13. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 58.

Resolved:—

Williams street Nursery

That the sum of five hundred dollars, is hereby appropriated to assist the Williams street Nursery in putting said street in a passable condition, and to provide for the disposal of the water upon said street: said sum to be paid out of the appropriation for contingencies.

Williams street

Passed May 13. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor



No 56.

Ordinance

"An Ordinance fixing the fees of fence viewers."
(See Book of Ordinances No 3 page
Passed May 20. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 57.

In Board of Aldermen May 20. 1872

Invitation

Resolved:—

That the Common Council be invited to join the Board of Aldermen in convention on Thursday evening May 23. at nine o'clock for the purpose of electing a water commissioner in place of Moses S. Beckwood, de ceased

Water Commissioner

Samuel W. Brown Clerk

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In Common Council same day.
Read whereupon it is Resolved that the same be accepted
M. C. Alderman Clerk

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No 5

Resolved:—

Portrait of J. M. Bingham

That the original portrait of Hon Samuel M. Bridgham, formerly hanging in the Common council chamber, be deposited in the gallery of portraits at Brown University, during the pleasure of the City Council

Passed May 20. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 59

Resolved:—

Annual Report of City Registrar

That the Seventeenth Annual Report of the City Registrar for the year ending December 31 1871, be received, and that seven hundred and fifty copies thereof, and of the communication accompanying the same, be printed in pamphlet form for the use of the City Council, under the direction of the joint committee on printing

Passed May 20. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

## Report

Boundaries on the line of Cranston

To the Hon. City Council of the City of Providence

The special committee appointed on the 31st of June last to cause suitable bounds to be placed on the boundary line between this city and the town of Cranston, beg leave to report that on the thirty first day of August the Town Council of the town of Cranston appointed a committee to act in connection with your committee and that the two committees have given the subject proper attention and have caused seven large and twelve small granite bounds to be place on said boundary line as follows: viz one large stone on the corner of Cranston street and Penner avenue, one one the corner of Reservoir and Penner avenues: one on Pontiac street: one on the avenue west of the Stonington railroad: one near the east line of Roger Williams Park: one on Broad street and one at the Hector line: one small stone on the Stonington railroad line: one on the north side of Cranston street: nine at angles in Penner avenue and one near Roger Williams farm house.

The cost of the seven large bounds is $ 100.00
" " " twelve small " " 84.00
The carriage, plowing & City Engineers assistants time will not exceed 100.00
making in total of $ 284.00, one half of which is to be paid by the City of Providence and the other half by the Town of Cranston.

Respectfully submitted, for the committee
Wm W. Paine Chairman

Read: whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received
Passed May 20. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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## Report.

Geo L. Clarke Thayer street

To the Hon City Council of the City of Providence

The joint special committee of the City Council appointed on the 8th ultimo, with full power to settle the claim of Hon George L. Clarke against the city for damages sustained by him in the extension and opening of Thayer street, beg leave to report, that after a conference with Mr Clarke and after giving the subject a full consideration, in all its bearings, your committee proposed and Mr Clarke accepted a payment of seven thousand five hundred dollars in full for the aforesaid claim, for which the City auditor now holds a proper receipts.

Respectfully submitted
Amos W. Snow for the committee

Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received
Passed May 20. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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## Report.

Friendly Meeting Thayer St

To the Hon City Council of the City of Providence

The special committee appointed by the City Council, on the 17th ultimo, to confer with a committee of the Friendly Meeting of Friends relative to their suit for damages by reason of the extension of Roger street, now pending in the Supreme Court; and to report to the City Council on what terms the same can be settled, beg leave to report that they have conferred with a committee of the Society of Friends, who were fully authorized to make a settlement of their claim against the city, but having without power to make a settlement, your committee could obtain from the committee of the Society of Friends no satisfactory proposal. They could therefore respectfully ask that they may be fully empowered to make a settlement with said society or be discharged from further action in the premises.

Respectfully submitted
Amos W. Snow Chairman pro tem of the committee

Read whereupon it is ordered that the same be received
Passed May 20. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Appropriation for Water Works

Resolved: —

That the sum of two hundred thousand dollars, be and the same is hereby added to the appropriation for the Providence Water Works: to be paid from the money in the treasury received from the sale of water bonds.

Passed May 20. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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School House Ground on Hunter ave

Resolved —

That in the opinion of the City Council it is desirable and expedient to enlarge the School estate on Hunter avenue by adding to the said estate on the northerly side thereof, a lot of land fronting forty feet on Plane Street and extending easterly 100.30 feet, holding the width of forty feet and containing four thousand and twelve feet more or less - and it is further

Resolved —

That the joint Standing committee on city property be and they are hereby directed to purchase said land at an expense not exceeding one thousand and fifty dollars which sum is hereby appropriated for this purpose, to be charged to the appropriation for School houses and lots: provided, a title satisfactory to the City Solicitor be obtained

Passed May 20. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Watermans

Resolved: —

That the Highway Commissioners be hereby directed to cause curb stones to be set on Watermans Street, from the termination of the present curbing, one hundred feet westerly of Central Bridge, to East River street, a distance of about one hundred feet.

Passed May 20. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Resolved —

That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to pay to

To Kinsley & Co
To H. Staples & Co
To Deering & Morrell
To D. H. Braman
To John Mathews & Co
To McClellan, Morris & Co

S. C. Kinsley & Son & Co the sum of eight hundred seventy one dollars & ninety cents
Henry Staples & Co three hundred thirteen dollars and ninety five cents
Deering & Morrell two hundred forty seven dollars and fifteen cents
D. H. Braman two hundred forty four dollars and fifteen cents
John Mathews & Co one hundred ninety nine dollars and two cents
McClellan, Morris & Co one hundred fifty eight dollars and fifty cents, and to



C. C. J. Wheaton and Henry Anthony, one hundred twenty seven dollars and thirty eight cents: being in full compensation for all damage sustained by them or either of them, by reason of the overflow of water from the sewer at the corner of Exchange street and Exchange Place, on or about the 17th day of June A.D. 1870: to be paid from the appropriation for contingencies, whenever the several named parties shall give receipts for their several specified amounts, satisfactory to the City Solicitor

C. C. J. Wheaton
Henry Anthony

Passed May 20. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Resolved: —

That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to pay to Thomas A. Hunt Thomas A. Hunt hereby five dollars, being in full compensation for all damage sustained by him by reason of the sinking of two coals belonging to him during the celebration of the introduction of water on Thursday June 15th 1871. To be paid from the appropriation for contingencies upon his giving a receipt for the same satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

Passed May 20. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Resolved: —

That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to deduct from the tax assessed upon real estate for the year 1871 against Susan Cooke, wife of Isaac, the sum of twenty dollars and twenty five cents: the same having been erroneously assessed against and paid by said Isaac Cooke on personal property in the said year 1871.

Tax abated Susan Cooke

Passed May 20. 1871
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Resolved —

That permission be granted to Albert Warren to raise a certain building located at No. 458 Benefit street, pursuant to his petition.

Building raised

Passed May 20. 1872
Approved the same day Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

Buildings moved

Resolved: —

That permission be granted to the following persons to move certain wooden buildings, pursuant to their several petitions, provided that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby, be repaired at the expense of the petitioner. viz:

Benjamin G. Chace
Alvin Copeland
C. F. & J. M. Wells
Fergus Mc Golrick
Frederick Weidler

Resolved:—

That the sum of five dollars be the amount designated to be paid for each day or part of a day each of said buildings shall occupy every public street of the city.

Passed May 20. 1872.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Whereas a petition is now pending before the General Assembly, for the annexation of a portion of the town of North Providence to the City of Providence, and whereas before action be had thereon by the general assembly, it is desirable that said town and this city shall fully consider the matter; it is therefore

Resolved: —

That three commissioners, who shall be tax payers and citizens of the city, be appointed for the purpose

First, of preparing a map of the territory proposed to be annexed to the city.

Second, of making a correct estimate of the value of the real estate contained therein, and of the amount of the taxable property of the inhabitants thereof.

Third. Of the amount of public property belonging to said town or any school district in said portion, and all public property belonging to the town in the portion not set off.

Fourth. Of the amount of indebtedness of the town justly belonging to the portion of said town or any school district proposed to be annexed, and how much of said debt should be assumed by this city.

Fifth Of examining and reporting upon all matters bearing upon said proposed annexation, which in the judgment of said commissioners, may seem of importance

Passed In Board of Aldermen May 23. 1872.

In Common Council May 23. 1872
Approved the same day.
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Resolved: —

That the City Solicitor is hereby instructed to apply to the General Assembly for an amendment to chapter 598 of the statutes, providing that the City Treasurer, City Solicitor, Superintendent of Health, Overseer of the Poor, and Hunter Master shall hereafter be elected by the City Council

Passed May 23. 1872.
Approved the same day.
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Resolved: —

That the City Solicitor is hereby directed to apply to the General Assembly for an amendment to chapter 640 of the Statutes permitting the City Council to extend the term of office of the Water Commissioners for such time as said City Council shall deem advisable

Passed May 23. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Resolved: —

That in the opinion of the City Council it is desirable and necessary to lay out and extend Peckell street, from its present southerly terminus, southerly to Pine street, of a uniform width of thirty three feet, beginning at the termination of the easterly line of said street as formerly laid out, then in direct continuance of said line southerly about thirty five feet to an angle at a point in the westerly line of Joseph C. Manning estate, then southerly in said westerly line to Pine street

And whereas, certain real estate will be required for that purpose.

Resolved: —

That the City Solicitor be hereby directed to make application to the Supreme Court of this state for the appointment of commissioners of estimate and assessment, under and according to the act entitled "an act in relation to the laying out, enlarging, straightening and otherwise altering streets in the City of Providence": and the City Council hereby

direct that in said application the City Solicitor shall make application that said commissioners shall apportion and assess three quarters of the loss and damage thereof upon the persons and estates benefitted thereby in the ratio of the benefits conferred.

Resolved: —

That the City Clerk be hereby directed to give notice of such application as soon as he shall be informed thereof by the City Solicitor, according to the direction and in the manner required by said act.

Passed May 23. 1872.

Approved the same day.

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Providence Dispensary

Resolved: —

That the Overseer of the Poor be authorized to pay to the Providence Dispensary the sum of five hundred and fifty dollars, for medical attendance and medicines furnished to the out door poor of this city on his order, during the municipal year ending in June 1872.

Passed May 23. 1872.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Building raised

Resolved: —

That permission be granted to John C. Jenkins to raise a certain building located at No 66. Bates street pursuant to his petition

Passed May 23. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Building moved.

Resolved: —

That permission be granted to Nathaniel D. Thurber to move a certain wooden building pursuant to his petition, provided that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby, be repaired at the expense of the petitioner

Passed May 23. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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In Convention May 23. 1872.

The following city officers are elected.

Water Comm — Water Commissioner — William Corliss

(In place of Moses R. Lockwood, deceased.)

N. Providence — Commissioners to examine and report upon all matters connected with the proposed annexations of a part of North Providence, under resolution No 605. — Lodowick Brayton, Henry A. Cory, Nicholas Van Slyck.

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## An Convention June 3. 1872.

This being the day fixed by law for the annual organization of the municipal government of the City of Providence, the Mayor, Aldermen and members of the Common Council elect are assembled in the Common Council chamber at three o'clock p.m.

The certificate of the election of Hon Thomas A. Doyle Mayor of the City of Providence is read by the City Clerk, and the oath of office is administered by Hon Amasa S. Westcott Judge of the Municipal Court to the Mayor

The Roll of the City Council is called as follows and all the members being present except Messrs William Rimmey and Nathaniel S. Potter to the oath of office is administered to the members present viz

Aldermen

| | | | |
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| Wards 1 | Henry J. Angell | Wards 6. | Samuel S. Sprague |
| 2 | Lucian Sharpe | 7. | Amos W. Snow |
| 3 | George B. Cady | 8. | Silas A. Strait. |
| 4 | George T. Spicer | 9. | Henry T. Root. |
| 5 | William Spencer | | |

Common Council

First Wards

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|---|---|
| Allen J. Brown | Reuben A. Guild |
| Elisha C. Mowry | Alfred Potter |

Second Wards

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| William Rimmey | Parley M. Strathearn |
| Addison D. Fisher | Thomas E. Steere |

Third Wards

Clinton D. Sellew — Stourges P. Carpenter
William Ames — James C. Rattenworth

Fourth Wards

Abner J. Ramaley — William W. Paine
William H Jennes — Charles A. Phillips

Fifth Wards

Nicholas Van Slyck — William W. Rickards
Solon W. Angell — Gorham P. Penney

Sixth Wards

Nathaniel F. Potter Jr — William J. Hayward
Nelson W. Aldrich — Charles Sidney Smith

Seventh Wards

Samuel A. Harris — John H. Joslin
Leonhard F. Ramaley — James T. Mowry

Eighth Wards

Orrin J. Peirce — Edwin A Smith
Raymond G. Pierce — Israel M. Hopkins

Ninth Wards

William G. Potter — George H. Potter
James Arden — George A. Johnson

Samuel W. Brown is elected City Clerk and the oath of office is administered to him by the Mayor

Prayer is offered by Rev. James C. Cross

The Mayor delivers his Inaugural Address

The following City Officers are elected for the ensuing municipal year: viz:

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| Chief of Police | John M. Knowles |
| Judge of the Municipal Court | Amasa F. Westcott |
| Clerk of the Municipal Court | George R. Nichols |
| Recorder of Deeds | Gustavus A. Williamson |
| City Auditor | James M. Cross |
| Register of Transfers | Joseph W. Sayler |
| Clerk in the Register's Office | Henry L. Holmes |



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| Clerk of the Highway Department | George C. Thompson |
| City Sergeant | Edward S. Rhodes |
| City Messenger | Do |
| Clerk of the Market | Do |
| Assessor of Taxes (For three years) | Christopher T. Keith |
| Presidents of the Fire Department | |
| Charles C. Carpenter | Stourges P. Carpenter |
| Oliver E. Greene | |
| Chief Engineer of the Fire Department | Oliver E. Greene |
| Assistants Engineers | |
| Matthew W. Ingraham | Ira Winsor |
| Trustees of the Providence Reform School | |
| Edwin M Snow | Henry J. Angell |
| William J. Hoing | Amasa F. Westcott |
| Charles Anthony | J. Lewis Diman |
| Commissioners of the North Burying Ground | |
| Zachariah Allen | William Goode |
| Joseph F. Gilmore | |
| Superintendents of the North Burying Ground | Nathan Smalley |
| Pound Keeper At the Asylum | Thomas C. Payen |
| " At North Burying Ground | Nathan Smalley |
| " in the Ninth Wards | William W. Austin |
| Sealer of Weights and Measures | Franklin Olds |
| Advising Committee on Bridges | Mayor and Aldermen |
| Overseer of Bridges | Obadiah Steele |
| Overseers of the Hospital | Mayor and Aldermen |
| Overseer of the City Pumps | Oliver E. Greene |
| Fence Viewers | Seaman Arnold |

Committee to superintend the building of Chimneys and placing of Stoves and Pipes

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|---|---|
| Samuel Lewis | Stephen P. Henry |
| Port Wardens | |
| Spurtual H. Cady | Nathaniel Crowell |
| Philander Crosby | |
| City Auctioneers | |
| Francis J. Sheldon | George H. Burnham |
| Undertakers | |
| Michael G. Ramon | William G. Briggs |
| Thomas C. Ramon | George L. Clarke |
| James Royce | George W. Hopkins |

Undertakers (continued)

John G. Hopkins
Horace P. Saunders
Henry Lynch
Thomas R. Matthews
Thomas Mc Mearrough
Merrit Nichols
Everett R. Osgood

Constables

George Allen
Silas J. Allen
Lucian J. Arnold
Charles Barnes
Mitchell Batchelder
John H. Bobbey
John A. Creighton
John H. Gould
Thomas N. Haywards

Police Constables without power to serve civil process

William C. Atwood
Abram G. Bennett
John R. Benson
James W. Brannan
Daniel G. Briggs
Wm. George Bowers
Alden H. Brown
Reuben H. Brown
Amos M. Clarke
Samuel D. Cory
Franklin H. Davis
William W. Fletcher
William H. Gale
Philip C. Gray
Daniel Hill
Nathaniel F. Hallett
James A. Holmes
Daniel Jordin
William R. Matthews
Hector Mc Kenzie
David C. Moore

Thomas E. Payson
Patrick Quinn
Nathan Smalley
Benjamin P. Swarts
Gardner S. Swarts
Orin Street
William Wallace

John Laughlin
George Sawtelle
William H. Patten
Randall R. Wiley
George W. Wightman
Charles Whitmarsh
Alexander Mc Massie
Charles Henry Brown
Samuel Merry Jr.

Joseph Nutting
Thomas E. Payson
Henry A.S. Potter
George G. Richardson
Nathan Smalley
Thomas Swan
Benjamin M. Hubbard
Nathan J. Shepley
Orin Street
Silas G. Tripp
Thomas Watson
Thomas W. Walcott
J. Marshall Washburn
John H. White
John R. Cobb
William Lewis
Henry J. Mc Elroy
John Slocum
John Nickerson
Stephen G. Salisbury
Richard Barrett



Police Constables continued

Oliver P. Hopkins
Preserved Thatcher
Gilbert O. Westcott
Reuben A. Arnold
Richmond J. Stone
Jeremiah H. Bates
John Short

Packers and Inspectors of Fish

Peleg S. Sherman
John P. Merriam

Inspectors of Pot and Pearl Ashes

William R. Blandwig

Inspector of Saleratus and Bi-carbonate of Soda

Inspector of Chain Cables

Inspector of Beef and Pork

Sealer of Leather

Viewer of Hoops

Surveyors and Corders of Wood

Lyman Arnold
William W. Arnold
Stephen Brooks
Samuel R. Russell
Nelson Spruce
James S. Anderson
Robert Manchester
Darwin R. Merry

Surveyors and Measurers of Stone

Clifton A. Hall
Alfred Stone

George W. Cady.

Inspectors and Measurers of Carpenters, Masons and Painters work

Jonathan S. Angell
Stephen C. Arnold
Leonard Blodget
John Buckley
George W. Cady
Russell Greene
Charles F. Griffin
Isaac N. Hallett

Samuel F. Hilton
Samuel F. Hilton

Thomas Wyatt
Henry M. Kimball
Horace P. Wiplesworth
Peleg S. Sherman

Isaac C. Abney
Caleb H. Pierce
Lucian W. Palmer
Robert C. Smith 2d
William H. Hunted
Thomas C. White
Charles A. Pattelle

William Andrews
Leonard Blodget

Clifton A Hall
Edson S. Jones
Robert Manchester
Alfred Stone
Niles R. Sprowatt
John A. Sammond
Henry A. Simmons
Thomas E. White

Gotthelf Lewis
Barak Evans
George Renford
Fitz James Rice
William H. Winches
Welcome B. Comstock
Gideon Angell

Albert A. Fuller

Measurers of Grain, Bran, Salt and Sea Coal

Shubael R. Conwell — Joseph Wesley

George W. S. Potter

Weighers of Hay

George A. Whipple — Albert B. H. Pike

Jabez B. Olney — Samuel W. Hartshorn

Weigher of Hay in Bales — Robert Sherman

Weighers of Anthracite Coal

Albert B. H. Pike — Samuel W. Pearce

Weighers of Cotton

Richard H. Morgan — Charles Dyer

Charles S. Matheson — Charles H. Conwell

Samuel R. Simmons — Newton Eaves

Nathaniel W. Pierce — Frank S. Brown

Frank Preston — Stephen Hunter

Edward L. Dennis — Orrin A. Lockwood Jr

Samuel S. Davenport — Morris R. Deming

Christopher Rhodes — Theodore R. Pierce

Stephen Smith — Charles S. Morgan

Frank L. Sheldon — John S. Kellogg

Edward G. Farmer

Sauger General

Appraisers of Damage under the Dog Laws

Richard Ward Greene — Benjamin F. Eames

Benjamin F. Thurston

Trustees of Sinking Fund to redeem City of Providence Five per cent Bonds

Due in 1893 — passed

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Joint Standing Committees

In Common Council June 3. 1872

The following appointments of members of the several Joint Standing Committees on the part of the Common Council having been made it is

Resolved —

That the same be communicated to the Board of Aldermen for the addition of an Alderman to each of said committees

J. Mc. Addeman

Clerk

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In Board of Aldermen same day

Read and the following named Aldermen added

Samuel W. Brown Clerk

| Committees | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Finance | Messrs | Matheson | |
| | | Butterworth | |
| | | Tenney | Ald Spencer |
| | | J. R. Barnaby | |
| Highways | Messrs | Sorlien | |
| | | A. S. Potter Jr | |
| | | Tenney | Ald Snow |
| | | A. J. Brown | |
| Education | Messrs | Van Slyck | |
| | | W. G. Potter | |
| | | Place | Ald. Sharpe |
| | | Guild | |
| Fire Departments | Messrs | Penniss | |
| | | Harris | |
| | | Sellew | Ald Spicer |
| | | Hazard | |
| City Property | Messrs | Fisher | |
| | | Ardeen | |
| | | Carpenter | Ald Earle |
| | | Hopkins | |
| Police | Messrs | A. J. Barnaby | |
| | | Case | |
| | | Greene | Ald Angell |
| | | Angell | |
| Ordinances | Messrs | Binney | |
| | | Case | |
| | | Mowry | Ald Snow |
| | | Richards | |
| Claims | Messrs | Mowry | |
| | | C. J. Smith | |
| | | Paine | Ald Root |
| | | Ames | |
| Printing | Messrs | J. R. Barnaby | |
| | | Phillips | |
| | | E. A. Smith | Ald Angell |
| | | Pettis | |

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|---|---|---|---|
| North Burying Grounds | Messrs | Phillips | |
| | | Pettis | Alds. Earle |
| | | Alfred Potter | |
| Harbor | Messrs | A. F. Potter Jr | |
| | | Rickards | Alds Sprague |
| | | Carpenter | |
| Railroads | Messrs | W. C. Potter | |
| | | Murray | Alds. Sprague |
| | | C. S. Smith | |
| Sewers | Messrs | Harris | |
| | | Paine | |
| | | Johnson | Alds. Sweet. |
| | | Alfred Potter | |
| City Debt | Mer | Rimney | |
| City Engineers Department | | Mer Rimney. | |

In Common Council June 3. 1872

Whereas;—

Messrs, Williams W. Paine, James T. Murray, Clinton D Sellew Elisha C. Rimney and Thomas E. Steere, have been elected by ballot members of the Joint Committee on Accounts on the part of the Common Council—

Resolved;— That the same be communicated to the Board of Aldermen.

J. M. Addeman Clerk.

In Board of Aldermen, same day

Read and Aldermen Henry J. Angell and Amos W. Snow elected on the part of the board

Samuel W. Brown Clerk

Resolved;—

That Messrs A. F. Potter Jr, Rickards and Murray of the Common Council, with Alderman Sprague, be and they are hereby appointed a committee for the purpose of expending the money received from the Harbor Trustee, as already appropriated by ordinance

Passed June 3. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

Resolved;—

That Messrs J. R. Burnaby, Phillips, E. A. Smith and Pettis of the Common Council, with Alderman Angell, be and they are hereby appointed a committee to contract for the City Printing for the present municipal year

Passed June 3. 1872.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

In Board of Aldermen June 3. 1872

Whereas;—

Messrs Elias M. Sanches and Stephen Essex, have been selected from the Justices of the Peace to compose the Police Court; it is therefore resolved that said selection be communicated to the Common Council

Samuel W. Brown Clerk

In Common Council June 3. 1872

Resolved—

That from the Justices assigned to keep the peace within the City of Providence, Stephen Essex and Elias M. Sanches be and they are hereby selected to compose the Police Court during the present municipal year

J. M. Addeman Clerk

Resolved;—

That the several subjects mentioned in the inaugural address of his Honor the Mayor, delivered this day, be and the same are hereby referred to the proper standing committees, unless otherwise ordered, to examine and report thereon.

Passed June 3. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

Re Organization Fire Departments

Resolved:—

That the portion of the Mayor's Address delivered this day relating to the re-organization of the fire department be referred to a committee to consist of Messrs Money, Rinney, Ames, Penner, Van Slyck & A. Smith, Murray, Place, and W. C. Potter, being one from each ward of the city, with Aldermen Sharpe and Root to examine and report thereon

Passed June 3. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Monthly Report Chief Engineer

The Chief Engineer of the Fire Department makes his Monthly Report for the month ending May 31. 1872. Expended for salaries $ 2063.20. In extended $ 990.20 Total $ 3053.40.

Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed June 3. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Monthly Report Harbor Master

The Harbor Master makes his Monthly Report for the month ending May 31. 1872. Amount collected $ 25.00

Read whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed June 3. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Report on Dredging

The Harbor Master makes his Monthly Report of Dredging for the month of May 1872. Amount of dredging done 4967 cubic yards. Amounts expended $ 1192.08.

Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed June 3. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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1871.

City Treasurer Report of Registered Bonds

The City Treasurer makes his Report of Registered Bonds issued in exchange for Coupon Bonds as follows

1 Bond payable September 1. 1885. $ 5000. 6 per cent in exchange for 5 coupon bonds payable at the same time, at the same rate of interest.

Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed June 3. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Annual Report Fire Departments

The Board of Engineers of the Fire Department present their Annual Report for the year ending May 30. 1872.

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

Passed June 3. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Annual Report of Gauger General

Annual Report of the Gauger General

To the Hon City Council of the City of Providence

The Gauger General in conformity with the City ordinance, herewith makes their his Annual Report from June 1. 1871 to June 1 1872

The whole number of casks gauged by my deputies and myself was 29.566. of which number 8.320. contained domestic spirits, whiskey, alcohol and turpentine. 13.492 contained oil of different kinds, 7356. contained molasses or syrup and 198 were empty. The amount of fees received was $ 2956.60.

Respectfully submitted

Edward G Farmer Gauger General

Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed June 3. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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## Annual Report of the Inspector of Kerosene

Annual Report of Inspector of Kerosene

To the Hon. City Council

Gentlemen. Agreeable to section 10 of an ordinance in relation to inflammable and explosive articles, herewith please find my report for the year ending June 1. 1872

I have inspected and branded 8900 barrels of Kerosene Oil. The fees received amount to $ 1335.00. Deducting $ 186.40. amount of expenses leaves a net income of $ 1148.60.

During the past three years there have occurred in Providence but five explosions of lamps. In three of these instances the lamps were filled with naptha: in one with Kerosene mixed with lard oil, and in the other the explosion was caused by the use of an imperfect lamp.

Respectfully Submitted

George N. Cole Inspector of Kerosene

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Ready: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed June 3. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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## Semi Annual Report of the Overseer of the Poor

Semi Annual Report of Overseer of Poor.

Office of the Overseer of the Poor

City of Providence June 3. 1872.

To the Hon. City Council of the City of Providence

Gentlemen. The undersigned respectfully submits his semi-annual report, as follows

In the six months ending May 31. 1872. 2072 orders were given to 354 families as follows

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| For groceries, fuel &c | 1966 | amounting to | $ 3333.61 | |
| For cash | 106 | " " | 3148.04 | $ 6482.04 |
| Amount paid by the City Treasurer | | | | $ 6304.23 |

Of the orders for supplies 409 were by direction of the Board of Aldermen, 793 by order of His Honor the Mayor and 764 by myself. Of the cash orders 74 were by order of the Board of Aldermen and amounted to $ 2608.45 and 32 by self, amounting to $ 539.98. Whole amount $ 3148.43

Of the cash orders $ 1042.50 were for the board of the insane. $ 951.54 to the State Asylum, and $ 90.96 to the Butler Hospital

The whole expense of the Insane for the year ending March 31. 1872 was $ 1839.64. $ 1562.18 at the State Asylum and $ 277.46 at the Butler Hospital

There were 20 persons at these institutions at the expense of the city. 16. at the State Asylum and 4 at the Butler Hospital

The alterations and improvements made at the Dexter Asylum makes this one of the finest pauper institutions in the country and in every respect worthy of its founder and an honor to the city. Under the present management and under the system as now inaugurated, the city treasury will be at no expense for the support of its inmates. During the past municipal year the products of the farms and the income from the donation fund have more than paid its expenses, leaving a small balance to be carried forward to another year.

The average number of inmates for the year ending May 31. 1872 was 101.14 which is less than the average for any year since the present asylum was opened. The present number is 86.

Respectfully Submitted

George H. Wightman Overseer of the Poor.

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Ready: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed June 3. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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## Report of Sinking Fund of 1893.

Annual Report of Sinking Fund of 1893.

To the Hon. City Council of the City of Providence

The undersigned, Trustees of the Sinking Fund for the redemption of the five per cent city bonds payable in 1893 report as follows viz:

They have in their possession

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| 4. | 5 per ct Registered Bonds of the City of Providence due in 1893. | $ 18,000.00 |
| 13. | United States 5-20 Bonds bearing 6 per cent interest payable in gold | 40,000.00 |
| 1. | 6 per ct Registered Bond of the City of Providence due in 1885 | 5,000.00 |
| 10. | 6 " " " " " " " " 1876 | 10,000.00 |
| 20. | 6 " State of Rhode Island Bonds | 20,000.00 |
| 5. | 6 " 1st Mortgage Bonds, Providence & Worcester Railroads | 5,000.00 |
| Cash on deposit in Mechanics National Bank, Providence | | 2680.64 |
| (Increase $ 10,418.33) | Total | $ 100,680.64 |

James G. Smith
Amos C. Barstow } Trustees

Ready: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received
Passed June 3. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Land at Wickenden St.

## Report

To the Hon the City Council of the City of Providence

The Joint Special Committee who were by resolution approved March 25, 1872, authorized and directed to purchase a certain lot of land on the northerly side of Wickenden street, near the corner of Traverse street, at an expense not exceeding eleven thousand dollars, provided a title satisfactory to the City Solicitor be first obtained, report that they have attended to the duty assigned them, and have purchased of Mr Artus T. Pike the lot referred to in the above resolution, at a total cost to the City of ten thousand seven hundred and twenty five dollars ($10,725.) the deed of which is on record

Respectfully submitted
Edwin D. Sellew Chairman

Ready: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received
Passed June 3. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Annual Reports City Auditor & City Treasurer

## Report

To the Hon City Council

The Joint Standing Committee on Finance, to whom was referred the Annual Reports of the City Auditor and Treasurer, report that they have examined the same and compared them with the vouchers and find the same correct.

For the committee
Lewis Dexter Chairman

Providence June 3. 1872



Ready: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received
Passed June 3. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Annual Reports School Committee

Resolved:—

That one thousand copies of the Annual Report of the School Committee and the accompanying documents, this day presented be received and printed under the direction of the Joint Standing Committee on Printing.

Passed June 3. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Mayor's Address

Resolved:—

That Messrs J. R. Barnaby, Phillips, E. A. Smith and Peter of the Common Council, with Alderman Angell, be and they are hereby appointed a committee to wait upon his Honor the Mayor and request them 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.

City Manual

Resolved:—

That the above named committee be and they are hereby directed to cause the Standing rules of the City Council, the Standing rules of order of the Common Council, a list of the Standing Committees of the City Council, a list of the city officers and such portions of the record of the organization of the city government as they may deem expedient, to be printed in pamphlet form for the use of the City Council, under the general title of the City Manual

Passed June 3. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Reports to be Printed

Resolved:—

That the Joint Committee who were appointed to cause the Mayors address to be printed, be and they are hereby authorized to cause the following reports to be printed in pamphlet form for the

ure of the City Council: viz:

The Annual Report of the Gauger General

The Annual Report of the Commissioners of the North Burying Grounds

The Annual Report of the Superintendents of the North Burying Ground

The Annual Report of the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department

The Semi-Annual Report of the Overseer of the Poor.

Passed June 3. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Number of City Documents

Resolved:—

That the number of city documents to be printed under the several resolutions passed this day shall not, except when otherwise specially ordered, exceed in each case, seven hundred and fifty copies.

Passed June 3. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Treasurer of City

Appropriation

Resolved:—

That Messrs Jones, Hayward and Hopkins of the Common Council with Alderman Sharpe, 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 three thousand dollars, be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose of defraying the expenses of said celebration, to be paid by the City Treasurer to the order of said committee from the appropriation for contingencies.

Passed June 3. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Bond of City Treasurer

Resolved:—

That the Board of Aldermen be and they are hereby appointed a committee to take a bond of the City Treasurer for the faithful discharge of the duties of his office: said bond to be in the sum of thirty thousand dollars

Passed June 3. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 5.

Contract for Stationery

Resolved:—

That the Joint Standing Committee on Printing, be and they are hereby authorized to contract for Stationery for the use of the various city officers for the present municipal year

Passed In Common Council June 3. 1872

In Board of Aldermen June 10. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 6.

Stephen Mowtons Heirs

Land at Engine house on Doyle ave to be exchanged

Resolved:—

That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to convey by deed of the City of Providence, to the heirs of Stephen Mowton, three hundred and sixty seven square feet of the land now belonging to the city adjoining and directly in the rear of the engine house estate at the corner of North Main street and Doyle avenue, provided said heirs of Stephen Mowton convey to the City of Providence an equal amount of land belonging to them and adjoining said engine house estate on the north, and provided further that said heirs of Stephen Mowton give a title to the same satisfactory to the City Solicitor. And the City Treasurer is further empowered by this resolution to convey to the heirs of Stephen Mowton the remaining portion of the land belonging to the city on Doyle avenue, and adjoining the land above conveyed, the same containing fourteen hundred and twenty one square feet, upon said heirs of Stephen paying into the city treasury the sum of twelve hundred seven and eighty five one hundredths dollars

Passed In Board of Aldermen and Common Council June 10. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 7

Orms Street

Resolved:—

That the Highway Commissioners be and they are hereby directed to cause curbstones to be set and gutters paved on Orms street from Charles street to State street, at the grade established by the Board

of Aldermen: said work to be done forthwith
Passed June 10. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Grand Army

Message from the Mayor.

Mayor's Office City of Providence June 10, 1872

Gentlemen of the City Council

I transmit herewith a communication received from the departement commander of the Grand Army of the Republic, of this state, relative to the appropriation made by the City Council for Decoration Day.

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

Read June 10. 1872

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Decoration Day

Asst Adjutants Generals office
Providence R.I. June 8, 1872

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

Gentlemen

In behalf of the Grand Army of the Republic, I desire to tender you their sincere thanks for the liberal appropriation of funds to assist in carrying out our programme on Memorial Day, and for the kind co-operation of the city officers in rendering our celebration a success. I assure you that your kindness and liberality is heartily appreciated by the veteran soldiers and sailors of this city.

I have the honor to be very respectfully

E. H. Rhoades Departement Commander

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Message from the Mayor

Mayor's Office City of Providence June 10, 1872

Henry C Clarke

Gentlemen of the City Council

I desire to call your attention to the suits of Henry C. Clarke against the city, now pending in the Supreme Court in which he claims damages to his property on Dorrance street wharf in consequence of the discharge from the Dorrance street sewer

The Supreme Court have sustained the claim of Mr Clarke as a matter of law, and the question now at issue is simply one of damages. It seems to me that the interests of the city would be better protected by referring the subject matter of these suits to a board of referees to be appointed in the usual manner under a rule of court. It is important that this matter should be attended to at once as these suits are set down for trials during the present week

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

Read June 10, 1872.



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Resolved:—

Henry C Clarke

That the City Solicitor is hereby authorized to agree to the reference of the suits at law of Henry C Clarke against the city, now pending in the Supreme Court of this State under a rule of court.

Passed June 10. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Resolved:—

Henry C Clarke

That Edward D. Pearce be appointed as one of the Referees in the suits of Henry C Clarke against the City of Providence.

Passed June 10. 1872.

Approved the same day

Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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Message from the Mayor

Mayor's Office City of Providence June 10. 1872

Weights and Measures

Gentlemen of the City Council

I am informed by the Sealer of Weights and Measures that the apparatus in his office is in such bad order as to be unfit for use. I suggest that the committee on city property be authorized to repair the same

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

Read June 10. 1872

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Weights & measures

Resolved: —

That the Committee on City Property be and they are hereby authorized and directed to put the apparatus in the office of the sealer of weights and measures in proper order for use, the expense thereof to be paid from the appropriation for contingencies

Passed June 10. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas N. Doyle Mayor.

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Monthly Report City Treasurer

The City Treasurer makes his Monthly Report for the month ending May 31. 1872

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

Approved the same day

Thomas N. Doyle Mayor

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Roger Williams Park

Resolved: —

That the Superintendent of Public Buildings, acting under the advice and direction of the committee appointed to procure plans for the laying out of Roger Williams Park, be and he is hereby authorized and directed to cause the grounds in said park to be cleared of leaves and under brush and to open such drive ways as may be expedient, provided that the cost thereof shall not exceed one thousand dollars, the same to be paid from the appropriation for public grounds

Passed June 10. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas N. Doyle Mayor.

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Salary of Deputy Supert of Health

Resolved: —

That the Salary of the Deputy Superintendents of Health is hereby fixed at the rate of two thousand dollars per annum, payable monthly.

Passed June 10. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas N. Doyle Mayor

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1872.

Resolved: —

School House lot Point & Plane st Bridget O'Donnell

That the Joint Standing Committee on Education be and they are hereby authorized to purchase in fee simple the 16.975 feet of land near the corner of Plane and Point streets, taken by the city for school purposes and belonging to Bridget O'Donnell, at a sum not exceeding twenty five thousand dollars, upon the title to the same being certified as perfect by the City Solicitor

Appropriation

Resolved: —

That the sum of twenty five thousand dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the above purpose, to be charged to this loan account

Passed June 10. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas N. Doyle Mayor

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Building raised

Resolved: —

That permission be granted to Charles Greene to raise two certain building located at No Prairie avenue, pursuant to his petition.

Passed June 10. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas N. Doyle Mayor

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Buildings moved

Resolved: —

That permission be granted to Charles Greene to move two certain wooden buildings pursuant to his petitions, provided that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby be repaired at the expense of the petitioner

Resolved: —

That the sum of five dollars be the amount designated to be paid for each day or part of a day each of said buildings shall occupy any public street of the city.

Passed June 10. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas N. Doyle Mayor.

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Resolved —

Building removed

That permission be granted to Silas Rangers to remove a certain wooden building pursuant to his petition, provided, that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby, be repaired at the expense of the petitioner.

Passed June 10. 1872.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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In Convention June 10. 1872.

The following city officers are elected

Deputy Superintendents of Health. William H. Palmer

Police Constables without power to serve civil process

William Bassett — Francis F. Brennan

Richard F. Smith — Roderick N. Davidson

Deputy Gaugers

The Gauger General makes report that he has appointed as Deputy Gaugers Thomas Amos Potter and Robert Sherman, whereupon it is voted that said appointments be approved.

Granite

Voted That the subject of inspecting, weighing and measuring granite be referred to the Joint Committee on Ordinances, with the City Solicitor to examine and report what action is necessary

Voted That the Convention meet for the purpose of revising the ordinances only, on Tuesday June 18. 1872 at 8 o'clock P.M.

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1872.

Resolved —

M. R. Lockwood

That the salary of Moses R. Lockwood, recently deceased as Water Commissioner be paid to the end of the current quarter.

Passed In Board of Aldermen June 17. 1872

In Common Council June 18. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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1872.

Resolved:

Patrick Baxter

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to pay to Patrick Baxter the sum of sixty three dollars and fifty cents, being in full for damages sustained by him by the overflow of the sewer in Exchange Place, June 17. 1870.: to be paid out of the appropriation for contingencies whenever said Patrick shall give a receipt therefor satisfactory to the City Solicitor

Passed In Common Council June 18. 1872

In Board of Aldermen June 26. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Resolved

Yearly Meeting of Friends

That Aldermen Snow and Spencer with Messrs Butterworth, Mathewson and Richards of the Common Council be and they are hereby appointed a committee with full power in their discretion, to adjust and settle the claims of the Friends Yearly Meeting for

Thayer street

damages sustained by them in the extension and opening of Thayer street, now pending in the Supreme Court. And the City Treasurer is hereby directed to pay to the order of said committee such sum as may be agreed upon

Passed In Board of Aldermen July 1. 1872.

In Common Council July 8. 1872.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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1873.

Assessments for Sewerage.

Resolved:

That the Joint Committee on the City Engineers department, be and they are hereby directed to devise and report as soon as possible, some equitable mode of making assessments for Sewerage.

Passed In Board of Aldermen July 1. 1872.

In Common Council July 8. 1872.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Monthly Report Chief Engineer

The Chief Engineer of the Fire Department makes his Monthly Report of expenditures for the month ending June 30.

Expended for salaries $5570.70 Incidental $5077.87 Total $10.648.37

Ready: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed In Common Council July 8. 1872

In Board of Aldermen July 10. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle. Mayor.

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Monthly Report City Treasurer

The City Treasurer makes his Monthly Report for the month ending June 30. 1872

Ready whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed In Common Council July 8. 1872

In Board of Aldermen July 10. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Monthly Report Harbor Master

The Harbor Master makes his Monthly Report of arrivals and receipts for the month ending June 30. 1872 Amt collected $2800

Ready: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed In Common Council July 8. 1872.

In Board of Aldermen July 10. 1872.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Harbor Masters Report of Dredging

The Harbor Master makes his report of Dredging the Harbor for the month of June 1872. Dredging done 97. scows Expended $1337.28

Ready whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed In Common Council July 8. 1872

In Board of Aldermen July 10. 1872.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Mess. 50.

Message from the Mayor

Mayor's Office City of Providence July 8. 1872

Gentlemen of the City Council

Hon Randall heirs

Hon Edward P. Knowles and the heirs of William Randall have certain suits against the city now pending in the Court of Common Pleas, in which the title to a portion of the land of the North Burial Ground is in dispute These cases, I am informed, can be amicably settled without serious loss to the city, and I therefore recommend that a committee be appointed with full power to settle the above controversies

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

Read in Common Council July 8. 1872.

In Board of Aldermen July 10. 1872.

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Ordinanced

An Ordinance in relation to the loan of the credit of the City of Providence in aid of the Providence and Springfield Railroad Company

Passed In Common Council July 8. 1872

In Board of Aldermen July 10. 1872

Approved July 1, 187 Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

( See Book of Ordinances No 3 page 105. and city Document No 11

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Com. 51.

Communication from the City Auditor

City Auditors office July 8 1872.

City Auditor

To the Hon. City Council

Gentlemen, An abstract of the probable receipts and expenditures of the City of Providence for the fiscal year ending September 30. 1873, required by ordinance to be submitted to the City Council on or before the second Monday in July in each year by the City Auditor is necessarily delayed as several of the committees have failed to hand in their estimates

Respectfully submitted

James M. Cross City Auditor

Ready whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed In Common Council July 8. In Board of Aldermen July 10. 1872

Approved the same day Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

Appropriation Transferred

Resolved:—

That the sum of fifteen thousand dollars be and the same is hereby transferred from the appropriation for opening streets to the appropriation for interest

Passed in Common Council July 8. 1872

In Board of Aldermen July 10. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Fourth of July Oration of W. B. Vincent

Resolved:—

That the thanks of the City Council be and they are hereby tendered to Walter B. Vincent Esq. for the eloquent oration delivered by him at the late municipal celebration of the ninety sixth anniversary of American independence

Resolved:—

That the committee of arrangements for the fourth of July celebration be and they are hereby authorized to request of Mr. Vincent a copy of the oration delivered by him on that day, and to cause the same to be published in such manner as they may deem expedient, for the use of the City Council

Passed in Common Council July 8. 1872

In Board of Aldermen July 10. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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High School

Resolved:—

That the Superintendent of Public Buildings, acting under the advice and direction of the Joint Committee on City Property be and he is hereby directed to cause the building at the High School, now used as a Gymnasium to be finished inside and fitted for a recitation room: also, to connect said building with the High school building by a suitable covered way. The aforesaid work to be done at a cost not exceding seven hundred dollars; to be paid out of the appropriation for school houses and lots

Passed in Common Council July 8. 1872

In Board of Aldermen July 10. 1872

Approved the same day Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.



Richard House on Greenwich st

Resolved:

That the committee on City Property be and they are hereby authorized and directed to build a recitation room at the Greenwich street school house, for the use of the grammar schools; to cost not to exceed one hundred and fifty dollars, and to be paid out of the appropriation for school houses and lots.

Passed in Common Council July 8. 1872.

In Board of Aldermen July 10. 1872.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Vacation Schools

Resolved:—

That the sum of one thousand dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated from the appropriation for public schools, for the purpose of establishing and maintaining six vacation schools; and the school committee are hereby authorized to establish such schools.

Passed in Common Council July 8. 1872.

In Board of Aldermen July 10. 1872.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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School Room Ninth Ward

Resolved:—

That the Joint Standing committee on Education be hereby authorized and directed to hire for school purposes, a suitable room and grounds in the ninth ward, to be used for a grammar school for the ensuing year: the cost of the same not to exceed one thousand dollars and to be paid out of the appropriation for public schools

Passed in Common Council July 8. 1872.

In Board of Aldermen July 10. 1872.

(Veto [illegible])

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School House Square st

Resolved:—

That the Superintendent of Public Buildings, acting under the advice and direction of the Joint Committee on City Property be and he is hereby directed to place suitable single desks for grammar

scholars in the two rooms of the Squirrel street school house: the cost of the same not to exceed six hundred dollars, to be paid out of the appropriation for school houses and lots.

Passed In Common Council July 8. 1872.
In Board of Aldermen July 10. 1872.

Approved by the Mayor July 29. 1872.

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School on Meeting st

Resolved: —

That the School Committee be and they are hereby authorized to establish one intermediate school on Meeting street

Passed In Common Council July 8. 1872
In Board of Aldermen July 10. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Ward Room Ninth Wards

Resolved: —

That the Joint Committee on City Property, be and they are hereby directed to examine and report upon the expediency and cost of fitting the building now owned by the city at the corner of Greenwich street and Potters avenue, for a wards room for the ninth wards

Passed In Common Council July 8. 1872
In Board of Aldermen July 10. 1872.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Leasing of the real estate of the City

Resolved —

That the Joint Committee on City Property, be and they are hereby instructed to report to the City Council any real estate belonging to the city not used or required for city purposes and not now under lease, and whether it be expedient to offer such property for lease at public auction

Passed July 8. 1872 in Common Council
July 10. 1872 in Board of Aldermen
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Resolved: —

Jeffingwell Gas Regulator

That the Superintendent of Public Buildings be and he is hereby authorized and directed to purchase Jeffingwell Gas Regulators, and to place the same in such buildings owned or occupied by the City of Providence as he may be directed by the Committee on City Property: the cost of such regulators not to exceed the sum of two hundred dollars: the same to be charged to the appropriation for public buildings

Passed In Common Council July 8. 1872
In Board of Aldermen July 10. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Water for Charitable Institutions

Resolved: —

That so much of the Mayor's inaugural address delivered June 3. 1872 as relates to supplying Charitable Institutions of the city with Pawtuxet water, be and the same is hereby referred to Aldermen Fisher E. C. Smith, and Ardeen of the Common Council with Aldermen Angell and Street, to examine and report thereon

Passed In Common Council July 8. 1872
In Board of Aldermen July 10. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Sewer across land of Jas Flessington

Resolved: —

That the Joint Committee on Sewers, are hereby authorized to cause a brick drain to be constructed across the land of James Flessington at the corner of Eddy street and Pavilion avenue, at an expense not exceeding the sum of three hundred dollars, the same to be paid out of the appropriation for sewers.

Resolved: —

That the sum of three hundred dollars is hereby appropriated to carry the aforegoing resolution into effect

Passed In Common Council July 8. 1872.
In Board of Aldermen July 10. 1872.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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John N. Lonsdale

Grade of N. Main st.

Resolved: —

That the Joint Special Committee appointed July 10 1871 to settle with John N Lonsdale for damages sustained in changing the grade of North Main street, be hereby requested to report at the next meeting of the council, the terms of the agreement made in settling with Mr Lonsdale

Passed In Common Council July 8. 1872

In Board of Aldermen July 10. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Wm R. Wallace

Resolved: —

That the City Treasurer be and hereby is directed to pay to Dr William R. Wallace the sum of five hundred and seventy five dollars, being in full for damages sustained by him by reason of obstructions in the meeting street sewer; said sum to be paid out of the appropriation for contingencies whenever he shall give a receipt for the same satisfactory to the City Solicitor

Passed In Common Council July 8. 1872.

In Board of Aldermen July 10. 1872.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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S. S. Gordon
A. E. Horton

Resolved: —

That the City Treasurer be and hereby is directed to pay to Samuel S Gordon and Arnold E. Horton the sum of seventy five dollars; being in full compensation for loss of boat and fishing implements belonging to them resulting from the celebration of the introduction of Pawtuxet waters, November 30. 1871. Said sum to be paid out of the appropriation for contingencies whenever a receipt shall be given therefor satisfactory to the City Solicitor

Passed In Common Council July 8. 1872

In Board of Aldermen July 10. 1872.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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America st.

Resolved: —

That the Highway Commissioners be and they are hereby directed to cause curbstones to be set and gutters paved on the west side of America street, from Asia street to Atwells Avenue

Passed In Common Council July 8. 1872

In Board of Aldermen July 10. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Vineyard st.

Resolved —

That the Highway Commissioners be and they are hereby directed to cause curbstones to be set and gutters paved on Vineyard street, from Potters avenue to the west side of Bartholomew street.

Passed In Common Council July 8. 1872

In Board of Aldermen July 10. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Buildings raised

Resolved —

That permission be granted to the following named persons to raise certain buildings, located as follows; pursuant to their several petitions: viz

Benjamin M. Brown, Summer street

John Cullen jr No 50 Ship street

Patrick Mc Kenna Conduit street

Mary A. Mathews corner of Brook & Wickenden street

Terance Tierney rear of No 35 Bishop street

Passed In Common Council July 8. 1872

In Board of Aldermen July 10. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Buildings moved

Resolved: —

That permission be granted to the following named persons to move certain wooden buildings, pursuant to their several petitions, provided that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby, be repaired at the expense of the petitioners viz:

No 76.
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Horatio A. Angell
James H. Rhea.

Resolved: —

That the sum of five dollars be the amount designated to be paid for each day or part of a day each of said buildings shall occupy any public street of the city.

Passed In Common Council July 8. 1872.
In Board of Aldermen July 10. 1872.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Buildings moved

Resolved: —

That permission be granted to the following named persons to move certain wooden buildings pursuant to their several petitions, provided, that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby, be repaired at the expense of the petitioner: viz:

William H. Angell
Benjamin M. Brown
Amos Fuller
Francis Hackett
Silas Harvey

Passed In Common Council July 8. 1872
In Board of Aldermen July 10. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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1883

Resolved: —

Superior Street

That in the opinion of the City Council, it is desirable and necessary to lay out Superior street, from Cranston street to Dexter street and forty feet wide, as follows: beginning at Cranston street, and from thence running easterly as the street is now laid out and mapped, to Diamond street: thence for the northerly line, forty feet southerly of the northerly line of land of Michael Doonan and Walter S. Burges to Dexter street, opposite Sprague street: and whereas, certain real estate will be required for that purpose,

Resolved: —

That the City Solicitor be hereby directed to make application to the Supreme Court of this State for the appointment of commissioners of



estimate and assessment under and according to the act entitled "An act in relation to the laying out, enlarging, straightening and otherwise altering Streets in the City of Providence", and the City Council hereby direct that in said application the City Solicitor shall make application that said commissioners shall apportion and assess three quarters of the loss and damage thereof upon the persons and estates benefited thereby, in the ratio of the benefits conferred.

Resolved

That the City Clerk be hereby directed to give notice of such application as soon as he shall be informed thereof by the City Solicitor, according to the directions and in the manner required by said act.

Passed In Board of Aldermen July 10. 1872.
In Common Council July 29. 1872.
Approved the same day
Amos W. Snow Acting Mayor

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No 84.

Resolved:

Sidewalk at Anthony st

That the Joint Committee on Highways be and they are hereby requested to report at the next meeting of the City Council the estimated expenses for setting curbing and paving the gutters on Anthony Street

Passed In Board of Aldermen July 10. 1872
In Common Council July 29 1872
Approved the same day
Amos W. Snow Acting Mayor.

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No 85.

Quarterly Report of Water Commissioners

The Water Commissioners present their Eleventh Quarterly Report for the quarter ending July 1. 1872. (City Document No 5.)

Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed in Common Council July 8. 1872
In Board of Aldermen July 31. 1872
Approved the same day
Amos W. Snow Acting Mayor.

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No 87.

Quarterly Report of Highway Commissioners

The Highway Commissioners present their Quarterly Report for the quarter ending June 29. 1872
(City Document No 7.)

Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received
Passed In Common Council July 29. 1872
In Board of Aldermen July 31. 1872
Approved the same day
Amos W. Snow Acting Mayor

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Estimates of City Auditor

The City Auditor presents his Estimates of the Receipts and Expenditures of the City of Providence for the financial year ending September 30. 1873.
(City Document No 14)

Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received
Passed In Common Council July 29. 1872
In Board of Aldermen July 31. 1872
Approved the same day
Amos W. Snow Acting Mayor.

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Ordinance

"An Ordinance providing for the assessment and collection of a tax upon the real and personal estate in the City of Providence."
(See Book of Ordinances No. 3 page and City Document No 15)
Passed In Common Council July 29 1872.
In Board of Aldermen July 31. 1872.
Approved the same day
Amos W. Snow Acting Mayor.

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Ordinance

"An Ordinance in amendment of an ordinance permitting the Union Railroad Company to lay rails in certain Streets of the City of Providence."
(See Book of Ordinances No 3 page and City Documents No 16)
Passed In Common Council July 29. 1872.
In Board of Aldermen July 31. 1872.
Approved the same day
Amos W. Snow. Acting Mayor.

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Report of Committee on Decoration Day

## Report.

To the Honorable City Council

The joint committee appointed on the 23d day of April A.D. 1872 to make arrangements for a suitable observance of Decoration Day, respectfully



report that they have attended to the duty assigned them and have expended the sum appropriated as follows,

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|---|---|
| Paid American Band for services | $ 158.00 |
| " Providence Bands " " | 132.00 |
| " Gilmore's Band " " | 110.00 |
| " A. C. Barstow for use of Music Hall | 75.00 |
| " J. W. Hurtt & for carriages | 60.00 |
| " S. Gage " " | 40.00 |
| " C. W. Billings for flags | 15.00 |
| " Page & Beverley for horses | 10.00 |
| Total | $ 600.00 |

Being the full amount of the appropriation, vouchers for which accompany this report. All of which is respectfully submitted
For the committee
E. S. Case Chairman

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Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received
Passed In Common Council July 29. 1872
In Board of Aldermen July 31. 1872.
Approved the same day
Amos W. Snow Acting Mayor.

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Report of Committee on Fourth of July

## Report

To the New City Council of the City of Providence

The joint special committee of the City Council, appointed to make arrangements for the celebration of the fourth of July 1872 have the honor to report that they have completed the duty assigned them and submit herewith a detailed account of the receipts and expenditures of the committee, accompanied by the proper vouchers

Receipts

| | |
|---|---|
| From City Treasurer amount appropriated by City Council | $ 3000.00 |

Expenditures

| | |
|---|---|
| American Bands | $ 675.00 |
| Emmet Brass Bands | 250.00 |
| Alfred Parker's Drum Bands | 96.00 |
| Edwin Baker ringing chimes | 25.00 |
| John McKenna " Church bells | 78.00 |
| Henry Custer Organist | 25.00 |

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|---|---|---|
| | Marine Corps of Artillery | 300.00 |
| | Providence Horse Guards | 125.00 |
| Fourth of July | First Light Infantry | 125.00 |
| | " " " Cadets | 50.00 |
| | United Train of Artillery | 125.00 |
| | Rhode Island Guards | 75.00 |
| | Pawtuxet National Guards | 60.00 |
| | Kearney Cadets | 60.00 |
| | Wolf Hose Guards | 60.00 |
| | Slocum Light Guard | 50.00 |
| | H. B. Vincent Esq Orator | 50.00 |
| | C. L. Shattuck | 10.00 |
| | Col C. H. Rhodes Expenses Marshal and aids | 37.00 |
| | Music Hall | 85.00 |
| | J. H. Hart & Co | 88.00 |
| | Noah D. Payne | 51.00 |
| | Howard Anthony & Daniels | 45.00 |
| | Prov. Press Co | 44.63 |
| | General Advertiser | 13.00 |
| | N. G. Greene | 83.00 |
| | Hammond Angell & Co | 2.00 |
| | J. H. Welch decorations | 25.00 |
| | Spencer P. Brady | 38.75 |
| | G. Greene | 15.00 |
| | Earl Carpenter & Son | 6.85 |
| | G & C. H. Watkins | 13.75 |
| | Balance returned to City Treasurer | 213.02 |
| | | $3000.00 |

Respectfully Submitted

Wm. Ames for the Committee

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Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received
Passed In Common Council July 29. 1872
In Board of Aldermen July 31. 1872
Approved the same day
Amos M. Snow Acting Mayor



1872.

## Report.

To the Hon. City Council

Derrick &c for Dorrance st Wharf

The Joint committee on Highways, as instructed by a resolution approved January 8. 1872 to report the cost of a derrick and bin for the landing and storage of highway materials on the property on Dorrance street owned by the city, respectfully report that a bin the whole size of the lot, with a suitable derrick, can be erected for twelve hundred dollars

For the committee

John H. Sorlen Chairman

Providence July 29. 1872

Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received
Passed In Common Council July 29. 1872
In Board of Aldermen July 31. 1872
Approved the same day
Amos M. Snow Acting Mayor

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1870

Res to Twining

Resolved: —

That the thanks of the City Council of the City of Providence be hereby tendered to the Rev. Hiingsley Twining for his voluntary services rendered at the late municipal celebration of the anniversary of American independence

Passed In Common Council July 29. 1872.
In Board of Aldermen July 31. 1872.
Approved the same day
Amos M. Snow Acting Mayor.

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1872.

Appropriation transferred

Resolved: —

That the sum of twenty four thousand and four hundred dollars be and the same is hereby transferred from the reserve fund to the appropriation for the fire department.

Passed In Common Council July 29. 1872
In Board of Aldermen July 31. 1872
Approved the same day
Amos M. Snow Acting Mayor

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No 95.

Cove

Resolved:—

That the Cove Land Commissioners be and they are hereby requested to report to the City Council what action they recommend toward abating the present nuisance arising from the cove during low tide

Passed In Common Council July 29. 1872.

In Board of Aldermen July 31. 1872.

Approved the same day

Amos W. Snow Acting Mayor

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No 96.

Flag Staff

Resolved:—

That the city accept the flag staff erected by N. W. Westcott and others, at the corner of Smith and Jefferson streets, agreeably to their petition, as city property; and that the Superintendent of Wards be and he is hereby directed to take charge of the flag so belonging to the same

Passed In Common Council July 29. 1872

In Board of Aldermen July 31. 1872.

Approved the same day

Amos W. Snow Acting Mayor

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No 97.

Citizens Gas Light Co

Resolved:—

That consent be hereby given to the Citizens Gas Light Company to lay pipes in the streets of this city; they in all cases complying with the provisions of all ordinances in relation to streets and highways, provided that nothing in this consent be construed to prevent the city from building culverts sewers, laying water pipes or otherwise improving any highway, but in all cases, when said pipes are in the way of constructing any culvert, sewer, laying water pipes or other improvement, they shall be removed by said gas company

Passed In Common Council July 29. 1872.

In Board of Aldermen July 31. 1872.

Approved the same day.

Amos W. Snow Acting Mayor

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No 98.

Japanese Embassy

Message from the Acting Mayor

Mayors Office City of Providence August 2. 1872



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Gentlemen of the City Council

I am informed that the Japanese Embassy and suite, now in Boston, intend visiting this city on Monday the 5th instant. They propose to spend a few hours with us in observing the working of some of the large manufacturing establishments of the city, and will probably be accompanied by some members of the Boston committee of reception

Deeming it to be highly proper that some action of the City Council should be had in reference thereto, I have convened you at this time, trusting that you will appoint a committee to extend to these distinguished Strangers, the civilities that their high position and the reputation of the city appear to demand

Amos W. Snow. Acting Mayor

Read. August 2. 1872

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No 99.

Japanese Embassy

Resolved:—

That his Honor the Mayor, with Aldermen Angell, Sharpe and Root, the President of the Common Council and Messrs Tucker, Ames, Case, Maynard and Phillips of the Common Council, be hereby appointed a committee to extend the hospitalities of the city to the Japanese Embassy on the occasion of their contemplated visit to this city: and said committee are hereby authorized to draw on the City treasurer for the expenses thereof

Passed August 2. 1872

Approved the same day

Amos W. Snow Acting Mayor

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No 100.

Obstructions on Lockwood st & Prairie avenue

Resolved:—

That the Highway Commissioners be and they are hereby instructed to remove all obstructions from the highway at the northwest corner of Lockwood street and Prairie avenue

Passed In Common Council July 8. 1872

In Board of Aldermen August 2. 1872

Approved the same day

Amos W. Snow Acting Mayor

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No 101.

Heirs of Wm Randall

Resolved:—

That Aldermen Sharpe, Snow and Sprague with Messrs Maynard, Paine, Place, W. G. Potter and Carpenter of the Common Council are hereby appointed a committee to confer with Edward R.

No 101

Knowles and others, heirs of William Randall, in relation to certain suits now pending in the Court of Common Pleas for the County of Providence between them and the City of Providence, and ascertain upon what terms settlement thereof can be made and report the same to the City Council.

Passed In Common Council July 29. 1872
In Board of Aldermen August 2. 1872
Approved the same day
Amos W. Snow Acting Mayor.

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No 102

Sewer in Prairie avenue

Resolved: —

That the Joint Committee on Sewers are hereby authorized to cause a culvert to be constructed in Prairie avenue, south of Hunter avenue, the expense of which shall not exceed the sum of four hundred dollars, the same to be paid out of the appropriation for sewers

Resolved: That the sum of four hundred dollars be hereby appropriated for the purpose of carrying the aforegoing resolution into effect

Passed In Common Council July 29. 1872
In Board of Aldermen August 2. 1872
Approved the same day
Amos W. Snow Acting Mayor.

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No 103

Stone on Dexter Donation Land

Resolved: —

That the Highway Commissioners be and they are hereby directed to cause the stone left on the Dexter Donation Lands on Doyle avenue by the highway department to be removed forthwith

Passed In Common Council July 29. 1872.
In Board of Aldermen August 2. 1872.
Approved the same day
Amos W. Snow. Acting Mayor.

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No 104.

Ward Rooms Ninth Ward

Resolved: —

That the Superintendents of Public Buildings, acting under the advice of the committee on city property, be and he is hereby directed to make such necessary alterations in the building, corner of Greenwich street and Potters avenue, belonging to the city, as is required to make it convenient for a ward room for the ninth ward. the cost to be charged to the appropriation for public buildings.



Passed In Common Council July 29. 1872
In Board of Aldermen August 2. 1872
Approved the same day
Amos W. Snow Acting Mayor.

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No 105

J. H. Lonsdale

Grade of N. Main st.

Resolved: —

That the Highway Commissioners be hereby directed to do the work agreed to be done on the part of the city, by the joint special committee of the City Council, appointed on the tenth day of July, 1871. to settle the claims of John A. Lonsdale for damages sustained by him in changing the grade of North Main street; the expense to be charged to the appropriation for Highways.

Passed In Common Council July 29. 1872
In Board of Aldermen August 2. 1872
Approved the same day
Amos W. Snow Acting Mayor.

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No 106.

Buildings Moved

Resolved: —

That permission be granted to Daniel Perine to move two certain wooden buildings, pursuant to his petition, provided that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby be repaired at the expense of the petitioner

Passed In Common Council July 29. 1872
In Board of Aldermen August 2. 1872
Approved the same day
Amos W. Snow Acting Mayor.

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No 107.

Appropriation transferred

Resolved: —

That the sum of five thousand dollars be and the same is hereby transferred from the appropriation for sidewalks and curbing and two thousand five hundred dollars from the appropriation for highways, making in all seven thousand five hundred dollars, to the appropriation for paving

Passed In Common Council August 12. 1872
In Board of Aldermen July 31. 1872
Approved August 12. 1872
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 108

R. I. Hospital Fence

*Resolved:* —

That the City Solicitor is hereby requested to report to the City Council, by what authority the Rhode Island Hospital maintains a close fence in front of Hospital Park, on Eockwood street.

Passed In Board of Aldermen July 31. 1872
In Common Council August 12. 1872
Approved the same day.
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 109

Unconfirmed Police

*Resolved* —

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to pay from the appropriation for police, for duty performed by policemen who have been appointed but not confirmed, as follows:—

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|---|---|
| Matthew McHeath | $ 88.00 |
| Ormund Easton | 88.00 |
| Frank M. Brayton | 77.00 |
| Stanton A. Gray | 88.00 |
| Charles D. Nichols | 82.50 |

Passed In Board of Aldermen August 6. 1872
In Common Council August 12. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 110.

Trustees of Sinking Fund N. & P. & F. R. R. Co to pay Interest coupons

*Resolved:* —

That the trustees of the sinking fund to redeem the bonds of the Hartford, Providence and Fishkill Railroad company, held by the city, are hereby directed to pay from the funds in their possession as such trustees, all interest warrants due upon the bonds of the city issued to said company which have not been paid by said company or by money furnished by said company

Passed August 12. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 111.

School House on Thurber av.

*Message from the Mayor*

Mayor's Office City of Providence Aug 12. 1872

Gentlemen of the City Council

The contract for the furniture for the school house on Thurber avenue was made for primary and intermediate scholars. If it is intended to use the building for grammar scholars, as would seem to be most expedient, the Superintendent of Public Buildings should receive immediate instructions to that effect, or he will be compelled to proceed in the execution of the present contract. I recommend the passage of a resolution directing the change in desks to be made

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

Read August 12. 1872

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No 112.

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*Resolved* —

That the Superintendent of Public Buildings be hereby directed to place desks for grammar scholars in the school house on Thurber avenue

Passed August 12. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 113.

Roger Williams' Monument.

*Report.*

Mayors Office City of Providence August 12. 1872

To the Hon the City Council of the City of Providence

The committee of the City Council appointed by resolution approved February 19. 1872, to procure plans and estimates for a monument to be erected to the memory of Roger Williams, in the Williams burying ground in Roger Williams Park, make this report.

On the 17th of April last they caused an advertisement to be published in the newspapers employed to do the city printing, a copy of which is herewith presented, marked A, calling for plans and estimates in accordance with the aforegoing resolution, stipulating that the plans should not bear the name of the artist, but instead thereof a sentence or motto, which should also be endorsed upon a sealed

envelope enclosing therein the name of the artists These envelopes to remain unopened until the City Council accept one of the designs or reject them all

In response to the advertisement the committee have received eighteen designs by fifteen different artists. All these have been placed in the Chamber of the Common Council. Two or three of the designs are unaccompanied by any estimate of their cost.

In a subsequent report, the committee will present in printed form, the descriptions of the several monuments as given by the artists, together with the estimate of cost and other particulars

Respectfully submitted

Thomas A. Doyle Chairman

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Read whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed August 12. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 11.

Sprague st

Resolved:—

That the Highway Commissioners be and they are hereby directed to cause Sprague street, from Greenwich street to Dexter street, a distance of about one thousand feet, to be curbed and paved with granite blocks.

Passed August 12. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 113.

Bridge at Elmwood av.

N.Y. Prov. & Boston Railroad

Resolved:—

That the Overseer of Bridges, acting under the direction of the advising committee on bridges, be and he is hereby directed to cause a bridge to be constructed over the old bed of the Stonington railroad at Elmwood avenue; the cost of the same to be paid out of the appropriation for bridges

Resolved —

That the Highway Commissioners be hereby directed to cause Elmwood avenue, at the approaches to the bridge across the old bed of the Stonington railroad, to be graded.

Passed August 12. 1872

Approved the same day Thomas A. Doyle Mayor



No 116.

Harbor Wall on Bitgs Lands

Resolved:—

That the joint standing committee on city property are hereby directed to cause a substantial retaining wall to be constructed at the harbor line, upon the easterly boundary of the land owned by the city on the west side of the river, south of land of the American Screw Company

Passed in Common Council July 29. 1872

In Board of Aldermen August 12. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 117.

Monthly Reports Fire Department

The Chief Engineer of the Fire Department makes his Monthly Report for the month ending July 31. 1872. Expended for salaries $ 2063.20. incidental $ 1149.61 Total $ 3212.81

Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed August 12. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 118.

Harbor Masters Report on Dredging

The Harbor Master makes his report of dredging for the month of July 1872 Amount of earth dredged 5732 cubic yards. Amount expended $ 1373.28.

Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed August 12. 1872.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 119.

Monthly Reports City Treasurer

The City Treasurer makes his Monthly Report for the months ending July 31. 1872

Read whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed August 12. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 120

Office of the Water Commissioners

Providence August 12. 1872

Grades for Public streets

To the Honorable the City Council

The undersigned respectfully submit herewith a copy of a communication from the chief engineer in relation to the establishment of grades for Public streets, which shall provide for suitable depressions for sewerage and also, in relation to putting the streets in a condition for laying thirty inch water pipes therein. His recommendations are approved by them.

Joseph J. Cooke
Charles E. Carpenter } Water Commissioners
William Corliss

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(Copy)

"Providence Water Works
Chief Engineers Office No 2 College street
Providence R.I. Aug 12. 1872

"To the Hon Water Commissioners

Gentlemen

It has come to be very desirable to have the thirty "inch main water pipe laid on Public streets. This work has been delayed for "some time in order that permanent grades might be established on the streets "so as to avoid any need for change in the location of the pipe hereafter.

"I learn from the City Engineer that the present proposed grade is liable to be "changed in three different places, but that no general plan has been devised "for the streets, because suggestions are expected from yourselves as a committee "on the drainage of the ninth ward, in regard to the effect which the grades "would have upon such drainage

"Under your direction I have considered this subject and find that two main "depressions are needed on the streets, one between Manhasset street and Austen "street, and one near the point where Sayles street, if produced would intercept "Public streets: from these depressions public highways should be laid out running "in a southerly direction and following the general valley lines to suitable "outlets for the main sewers.

"It seems desirable that these passages should be laid out as highways "rather than as lines of drainage through private property, on account of the "advantage to the city from highways in these locations

"Beyond the general depressions above indicated I have no suggestions to "make in regard to the grades of Public streets

"In addition to such action as is necessary to establish the grades, there "should be provision for bringing the present surface to the established grades "so that the pipe may be properly laid and protected."

"Yours very respectfully

J. Herbert Shedd Chief Engineer"



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Ready: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.
Passed August 12. 1872
Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 121

Water Rates for Charitable Institutions

Resolved: —

That the Water Commissioners be and they are hereby directed to reduce the rates of Pawtuxet water one half from the regular price to such of the following charitable institutions as may apply for its introduction; viz: Rhode Island Hospital, Childrens Friends Society, Colored Shelter, Old Ladies Home, Young Womens Christian Association or boarding Home, Orphans Catholic Home, Sisters of Mercy, Broad street and the Nursery.

Passed August 12. 1872
Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 122

Appropriation for Prov. Water Works

Resolved: —

That the sum of two hundred thousand dollars be and the same is hereby added to the appropriation for the Providence Water Works, and the City Treasurer, acting under the advice and direction of the Joint Committee on Finance, is authorized to hire the same

Passed August 12. 1872
Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 123.

Appropriation Transferred

Resolved —

That the sum of thirteen thousand six hundred dollars be and the same is hereby transferred from the reserved fund to the appropriation for contingencies

Passed August 12. 1872
Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 124.

Sewer in Washington St

Resolved: —

That the Board of Aldermen be hereby requested to cause a main drain or common sewer to be laid in Washington street from

a point near Jackson street, to connect with the drain in Dorrance street: in accordance with chapter 807 of the public laws.

Passed August 12. 1872.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Sewer in Waterman st

Resolved: —

That the Board of Aldermen are hereby requested to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Waterman street from Prospect street to Benefit street, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 807 of the public laws.

Passed August 12. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Rowen street

Resolved: —

That the Highway Commissioners be and they are hereby directed to cause the curb stones to be set and the roadway paved with cobble stone on Rowen street, from North Main street to Canal street.

Passed August 12. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Road street
Plenty street

Resolved —

That the Highway Commissioners be and they are hereby directed to cause curbstones to be set and gutters paved around the estates of Cyrus Davis and Daniel A. Sayward on Road and Plenty streets

Passed August 12. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Elmwood avenue

Resolved: —

That the Board of Aldermen are hereby requested to lay out Elmwood avenue as delineated in the deeds of Daniel Field, Joseph J Cooke and Elijah C. Baker, as a public highway



128. Resolved:

Elmwood avenue

That the Board of Aldermen are hereby requested to extend Elmwood avenue from its present termination, southerly across the railroad of the New York Providence and Boston Railroad Company, to connect with land of the City of Providence called Roger Williams Park

Passed August 12. 1872.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Buildings to be raised

Resolved: —

That permission be granted to the following named persons to raise certain buildings, located as follows: pursuant to their several petitions: viz:

Thomas W. Chace) west of the corner of Knight and Page streets

Geo M. Paddock No 8 Fremont street

Fennes Williams No 36 Bay street

Passed August 12. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Buildings to be moved

Resolved: —

That permission be granted to the following named persons to move certain wooden buildings, pursuant to their several petitions, provided all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby be repaired at the expense of the petitioner: viz:

Thomas W. Chace

John Keeffe

Michael Mosley

Calvin Stone.

Passed August 12. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Building to be moved

Resolved: —

That permission be granted to Conner Corrigan to move a certain wooden building, pursuant to his petition, provided, that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby be repaired at the expense of the petitioner

Resolved —

That the sum of ten dollars be the amount designated to be paid for each day or part of a day said twisting shall occupy any public street of the city.

Passed August 12. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Council Convention August 12. 1872

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A Message from the Mayor is presented and read as follows

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Mayor's Office City of Providence August 12. 1872

Gentlemen of the City Council

Trustees of Sinking Fund of 1885

I transmit herewith the resignations of Messrs Henry Anthony and Elisha Dyer of the office of trustee of the sinking fund for the redemption of the City loan due in 1885. Hon Amos D. Smith who was associated with the above gentlemen in the management of the said sinking fund resigned his office in March last, and on the 14th day of that month the City Council elected Hon William Rinney to fill the vacancy occasioned thereby. Mr Rinney has refused to accept the appointment because the trustees are required to give bond for the faithful performance of their duties and he is unwilling to place himself under obligations to other parties to enable him to accept a mere honorary appointment involving great labor and responsibility.

This sinking fund now amounts to more than three hundred thousand dollars, and it is important that the City Council take immediate action in reference to filling the vacancies in the board of trustees for the management thereof. The difficulty arising in the case of Mr Rinney has been experienced heretofore in the refusal of parties to take the appointment when requested by the City Council, alleging for their refusal the same reason given by Mr Rinney

If the present trustees would retain their places until the January Session of the general assembly, a change in the act could then be made and the objectionable feature repealed.

Thomas A. Doyle
Mayor.

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Resignation of Henry Anthony

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Providence July 29. 1872

To the Hon City Council, City of Providence

Henry Anthony

The undersigned hereby most respectfully resigns his office of Trustee of the Sinking Fund for the redemption of the bonds of the City of Providence payable in 1885. With his best wishes for the continued success of the fund which his health will not permit him longer to labor for

Yours very truly
Henry Anthony

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Resignation of Elisha Dyer

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Providence July 29. 1872

Dear Sir

Elisha Dyer

Acknowledging the courtesy of the appointment I hereby resign my position as one of the trustees of the City Sinking Fund. The constant and absorbing nature of the duties about me requiring this action.

Very respectfully yours
Elisha Dyer

Hon Thomas A. Doyle Mayor,
Providence

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Voted: That Messrs Anthony and Dyer be requested to withdraw their several resignations, temporarily

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Prov Springfield Railroad Co

A communication from the Providence and Springfield Railroad Company nominating several gentlemen as trustees to hold the mortgage to be executed by said company as security for the payment of the bonds of said company to be guaranteed by the city, is presented and read: whereupon it is —

Voted - That the election of said trustees be postponed to August 26.

The following officers are elected

Weighers of Cotton

Joseph Hanlon — Henry K. Potter

Police Constables without power to serve civil process

Moses A. Claflin — George E. Carleton.

In Convention August 26. 1872.

Trustees of Prov & Springfield Railroads

The following offices are elected

Trustees to hold the Mortgage made by the Providence and Springfield Railroad Company to secure the bonds of said company guaranteed by the city

James D. Smith  Royal C. Taft  Godfrey Brayton

Police Constable without power to serve civil process  Hugh Johnson

Weighers of Cotton  Albert S. Winsor

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Bridges:—

Bridge at Hash Lane

Voted that the Overseer of Bridges, acting under the advice of the ordaining committee on bridges, be hereby directed to cause a stone bridge to be built across the Moshassuck river at Hash Lane: the cost of the same to be paid from the appropriation for bridges

Passed August 26. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Message from the Mayor

Mayor's office City of Providence Aug 26. 1872

Gentlemen of the City Council

Fire Department

In my last annual message I called your attention to the necessity of a reorganization of the fire department in consequence of the introduction of water. On the 8th of June last Sockanosset reservoir was completed and since that time there has been an ample supply of water for the use of the fire department.

In the portion of the city protected by the fire steam fire engines located respectively on Weybosset, South Main, Dorrance, Richmond, and Summer Streets, there are now in use 221 fire hydrants, each capable of throwing six streams of water and affording ample protection to all the property which has heretofore been protected by the fire steamers referred to. I was surprised to learn as one of the estimates upon which the recent tax was ordered that the committee on the fire department had asked for $92.500 to maintain that department in the year to come, or in other words, they ask for an increased appropriation in consequence of the introduction of water.



Since the system of hydrants has been in use, several of our steamers have been retained merely for show. They are costing upwards of five thousand dollars each, per annum, a burden which should no longer be imposed upon our citizens. I deem it my duty therefore, to prevent, if possible, any further waste of the public money in this direction by informing you, that after drawing the warrants for the payments of the expenses of the departments for the current month, I shall make no other drafts upon the city treasury for the payment of the expenses of the fire department under its present organization, but shall refer all bills transmitted to me for payment to the City Council

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

Read August 26. 1872

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Recorded Plats

Message from the Mayor

Mayor's Office City of Providence August 26. 1872

Gentlemen of the City Council

I deem it necessary to invite your attention to the condition of the recorded plats in the office of the Recorder of Deeds in this city. A large number of estates in this city have been conveyed from time to time solely by reference to the number of the lot on a plat recorded in the above office. These plats by constant handling are being rapidly destroyed and obliterated, and unless prompt measures be taken for their preservation will soon be utterly worthless. I suggest the appointment of a committee to examine the subject and report some plans for protecting these valuable documents from destruction.

Recorder of Deeds

City Clerks

In this connection I would suggest that the City Clerk be removed from the occupancy of a portion of the recorder's office and the use of the entire room be given up to the land records. The City Clerk could be better accommodated in a room by himself, and the unimportant papers in his custody so arranged as to be easily accessible when wanted for reference, which they cannot be in the limited room now allowed to them. I would also suggest that an appropriation be made for printing suitable indexes to the records of land titles. The city derives a large annual income from the fees paid for recording evidences of title and certainly a portion of it at least should be expended in making the records as complete as possible

Indexes to Land records

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

Read August 26. 1872.

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Recorded Plats
Recorder of Deeds
City Clerks
Interest

Resolved: —

That the message of His Honor the Mayor this day presented, in relation to the condition of the recorded plats in the office of the Recorder of Deeds, removed of the City Clerks office, and printing suitable indexes to the land titles, be referred to a joint special committee, consisting of Messrs Fisher, Mowry and Smith of the Common Council, and Alderman Snow, to examine and report thereon

Passed August 26. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Message from the Mayor.

Sewer in Manchester & Point streets

Mayor's Office City of Providence August 26. 1872

Gentlemen of the City Council

The amount of water now turned into the Manchester street Sewer is greater than the sewer was intended to contain, and in heavy rain falls, cellars are filled and the city made liable in damages therefor.

This may be remedied by extending the main sewer on Point street westward to Parsonage street and building the Langley street branch up to Hospital street, both of which should be done before winter sets in

I ask your immediate attention to the subject

Read August 26. 1872 Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Do

Resolved: —

That the Message of His Honor the Mayor, relative to the Manchester Street Sewer, be referred to the Joint Committee on Sewers

Passed August 26. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Message from the Mayor.



Mayor's Office City of Providence August 26. 1872

Gentlemen of the City Council

Page street

Page street in this city, extending from Clifford to Broad street is forty feet in width except at its junction with Broad street, where a single estate reduces the width to twenty seven feet. Upon this estate permanent improvements are now being made, and I suggest whether it is not worthy of your consideration to endeavor to secure the portion of this estate needed to make this street of uniform width its entire length

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

Read August 26. 1872

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Resolved: —

Do

That the Message of His Honor the Mayor, this day presented relative to the widening of Page street, be referred to the joint committee on Highways

Passed August 26. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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An Ordinance permitting the Providence and Worcester Railroad

Ordinance

company to lay rails in certain streets of the City of Providence.

[See Book of Ordinances No 3. pages 107. and City Document No 20]

Passed August 26. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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An Ordinance in amendment of an ordinance entitled "An Ordi-

Ordinance

nance whereby the Union Railroad Company derive rights to lay rails in the streets of the City of Providence"

Passed August 26. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

[See Book of Ordinances No 3 pages 109. and City Document No 21]

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No 154

Appropriation transferred

Resolved:—

That the sum of one thousand dollars be and the same is hereby transferred from the appropriation for opening streets to the appropriation for the City Engineers department

Passed August 26. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 155

Buildings to be sold School lands on Point & Plane st

Resolved:—

That the committee on city property be and they are hereby directed to sell the buildings upon the land taken and purchased for school purposes, on the corner of Plane and Point streets: all the buildings upon the land purchased of Bridget O'Donnell and James Russell to be sold without leave to move the same

Passed August 26. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 156

Sewer in Raynes st

Resolved:—

That the Board of Aldermen are hereby requested to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Raynes street from Prospect to Thayer street, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 807 of the public laws

Passed August 26. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 157

Sewer in Thayer st

Resolved:—

That the Board of Aldermen be hereby requested to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Thayer street to Raynes street, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 807 of the public laws

Passed August 26. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 158

Sewer in Pine st

Resolved—

That the Board of Aldermen be hereby requested to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Pine street from Chestnut street to Torrance street, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 807 of the public laws

Passed August 26. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 159

Building raised

Resolved:—

That permission be granted to Eliza H. Potter to raise a certain building located at No 127 Seymour street, pursuant to her petition

Passed August 26. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 160

Building moved

Resolved:—

That permission be granted to Bridget O'Donnell to move a certain wooden building, pursuant to his petition, provided, that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby be repaired at the expense of the petitioner

Passed August 26. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 155.

Lippitt st

Resolved:

That in the opinion of the City Council it is desirable and necessary to lay out and extend Lippitt street from its present westerly termination to Randall street, and of a uniform width of forty five feet by the following meters and bounds: beginning for the northerly line at an angle in the northerly line of said Lippitt street, about 1027½ feet westerly from Camp street; thence westerly in a direct line about 343 feet to the easterly line of North Main street, passing through the south east corner of the main part of the dwelling house now occupied by Jesse Hopkins: thence in a direct line about 650 feet to the south easterly line of Randall street, ranging to a point forty five feet (measuring

at right angles with Lippitt street) from the present south easterly corner of Charles and Randall streets.

The southerly line of said extension to be parallel with and forty five feet from the northerly line and extending from the present termination of Lippitt street to Randall street

And whereas, certain real estate will be required for that purpose

Resolved:

Lippitt street

That the City Solicitor be hereby directed to make application to the Supreme Court of this state for the appointment of commissioners of estimate and assessment under and according to the act entitled "An act in relation to the laying out, enlarging straightening and otherwise altering streets in the City of Providence" and the City Council hereby direct that in said application, the City Solicitor shall make application that said commissioners shall apportion and assess three quarters of the loss and damage thereof upon the persons and estates benefitted thereby in the ratio of the benefits conferred

Resolved:

That the City Clerk be hereby directed to give notice of such application as soon as he shall be informed thereof by the City Solicitor, according to the direction and in the manner required by said act.

Passed In Board of Aldermen August 26. 1872.
In Common Council September 9. 1872.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Message from the Mayor

Mayor's Office City of Providence Aug 31. 1872

Gentlemen of the City Council

Henry C. Clark

The referee appointed on the part of the city in the suits of Henry C. Clark against the city is unable to accept the appointment. In order to arrange upon a suitable board of referees in the above cases Mr. Clark and his counsel met the counsel for the city in my office and it was agreed by all parties to recommend as proper referees Messrs Jesse Metcalf of North Providence, and Franklin A. Richmond and Henry L Kendall of this city

I suggest therefore that these gentlemen be approved by the City Council as referees in the suits of Mr Clark against the city.



Thomas A. Doyle Mayor
Read In Board of Aldermen September 2. 1872.
In Common Council September 9. 1872.

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Henry C. Clark

Resolved: —

That the City Council do hereby approve of the appointments of Messrs Jesse Metcalf of North Providence and Franklin A. Richmond and Henry L. Kendall of this city as referees in the law suits of Henry C. Clark against the City of Providence

Resolved —

That the Mayor and Alderman Snow with Messrs Weatherbee Penny and Ames of the Common Council be hereby appointed a joint special committee with power to fill any vacancy in said board of referees

Passed In Board of Aldermen September 2. 1872.
In Common Council September 9. 1872.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Henry C. Clark

Resolved: —

That the City Solicitor is hereby authorized to execute the annexed agreement for a reference of the suits of Henry C. Clark and Clark & Webb trustees against the city.

Passed In Board of Aldermen September 2. 1872
In Common Council September 9. 1872.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Supreme Court. Providence Se 1872

Clark & Webb Trustees
vs
Benjamin Tripp City Treasurer
} No 7513.

Henry C. Clark
vs
Benjamin Tripp City Treasurer
} No 8210.

It is agreed that the questions of the amount of damages which the plaintiffs in each of the above entitled actions have sustained and all

other claims for damages by said Henry C. Clark against the City of Providence in consequence of the Dorrance street and Ship street sewer, so called, and the discharge of said sewers into the Dorrance street dock, so called, and the adjacent waters up to the date of the referees report, be and the same hereby are referred to Henry L. Kendall, Jesse Metcalf and Franklin H. Richmond whose award or that of either two of them agreeing in the premises shall be final and conclusive between said parties. Judgments to be entered in said cases on the coming in of said report in favor of the plaintiffs therein for the amount of said awards with costs

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## Message from the Mayor

Mayor's Office City of Providence September 2. 1872

Gentlemen of the City Council

Pavel in Pearl st

The Highway Commissioners have called my attention to the fact that the Pearl street sewer is not capable of receiving the surface waters intended to flow into it in heavy storms

As the city has already been subjected to heavy damages from this cause I suggest that prompt action be taken to remedy the existing difficulty

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

Rec'd In Board of Aldermen September 2. 1872

In Common Council September 9. 1872.

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Resolved: —

Do

That the Message of his Honor the Mayor, dated September 2. 1872, in relation to the sewer in Pearl street, be referred to the joint committee on Sewers to examine and report thereon.

Passed In Board of Aldermen September 2. 1872.

In Common Council September 9. 1872.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Resolved —

Sewer in Rannes st Mayor. Power & Brook streets

That the Board of Aldermen be hereby requested to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed from Rannes street through



Thayer, Power and Brook streets to the river, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 807 of the public laws

Passed In Board of Aldermen September 2. 1872.

In Common Council September 9. 1872.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Resolved: —

Sewer in Dorrance st

That the Board of Aldermen be hereby requested to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Dorrance street from Westminster street to the river, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 807 of the public laws

Passed In Board of Aldermen September 2. 1872.

In Common Council September 9. 1872.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Resolved: —

Appropriation transferred

That three thousand dollars be and the same is hereby transferred from the appropriation for highways to the appropriation for sidewalks and curbing

Passed September 9. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Resolved: —

Waterman st

That the Board of Aldermen be and they are hereby requested to lay out and extend Waterman street of a uniform width of fifty feet from its present easterly termination to East River street.

Passed September 9. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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## Message from the Mayor

Mayor's Office City of Providence Sept 9. 1872.

Gentlemen of the City Council

Water Commissioners

The ordinance establishing a board of water commissioners provides that the commissioners shall hold office for three years from the date of their election unless the water works shall be completed prior to that time The three years of service will expire on the 27th instant. At the May session of the general assembly, authority was given to the city council to extend the term of office of the commissioners until July 1. 1873, and I forward herewith a draft of an ordinance prepared by the City Solicitor, which I recommend be passed and under which the term of office will be extended in accordance with the authority given as above.

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

Read September 9. 1872

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Ordinance

"An Ordinance in amendment of an ordinance entitled "An Ordinance in relation to Water Commissioners and Water Works."

(See Book of Ordinances No 3 page 110. and City Document No 24)

Passed September 9. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Message from the Mayor.

Mayor's Office City of Providence Sept 9. 1872.

Recorder of Deeds

Gentlemen of the City Council

The great increase of work in the office of the Recorder of Deeds in the past few months required additional assistance to prevent an accumulation of papers unrecorded, which under my advice was employed. An appropriation of one hundred and twenty five dollars will be sufficient to defray the expense of such assistance up to the close of the present fiscal year, and I therefore recommend the passage of a resolution making such an appropriation

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

Read September 9. 1872

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Resolved:-

Do

That the sum of one hundred and twenty five dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated to defray the expense of additional



assistance employed in the office of the Recorder of Deeds; to be paid from the appropriation for contingencies.

Passed September 9. 1872

Approved the same day.

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Monthly Report of Chief Engineer

The Chief Engineer of the Fire Department makes his Monthly Report for the month ending August 31. 1872. Expended for Salaries $2063. Incidental $ 1276.85. Total $ 3339.85.

Read whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed September 9. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Monthly Report of Harbor Master

The Harbor Master makes his Monthly Report of dredging for the month ending August 31. 1872

Amount of dredging done 20535 cubic yards: expended $ 4926.00

Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed September 9. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Monthly Report City Treasurer

The City Treasurer makes his Monthly Report for the month ending August 31. 1872

Read whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed September 9. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Report on Registered Bonds

The City Treasurer makes report that during the past three months no coupon bonds were surrendered to him for exchange for Registered bonds

Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed September 9. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Report on City Debt

The City Treasurer makes report of the issues ~~and payments~~ of the City Debt "since March 14. 1870 to August 31. 1872"

Amount of notes issued $ 304.000.

Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed September 9. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Recorder of Deeds City Clerk & Supt of Health

Resolved:—

That in the opinion of the city council all the room now occupied by the Recorder of Deeds and City Clerk is required by the Recorder of Deeds

Resolved—

That the office of the Superintendent of Health be removed as soon as a convenient place outside of the city building, can be procured, and that the office of the City Clerk be removed into the office now occupied by the Superintendent of Health.

Resolved,—

That Messrs Fisher, Mowry and Guild of the Common Council with Alderman Snow be and they are hereby appointed a special committee to cause the plats in the office of the Recorder of Deeds to be copied. (such as require it and mounted: the indexes of title to be printed and bound: also to procure an office for the Superintendent of Health and to put the offices of Recorder of Deeds, City Clerk and Superintendent of Health in order for convenient use, agreeably to the report of the special committee herewith submitted

Plats Indexes

Passed September 9. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Resolved—

That the Board of Aldermen be and they are hereby requested to receive Harrison street, from Warren street to Sprague street, and declare the same a public highway

Harrison Street

Passed September 9. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.



Page street

Resolved.—

That in the opinion of the City Council, it is desirable and necessary to lay out and widen Page street, by extending the present westerly line in a direct range through the estate of Thomas W. Bruce to Broad street, making said Page street of a uniform width of forty feet. And whereas, certain real estate will be required for that purpose

Resolved—

That the City Solicitor be hereby directed to make application to the Supreme Court of this state for the appointment of commissioners of estimate and assessment under and according to the act entitled. "An act in relation to the keeping out, enlarging, straightening and otherwise altering streets in the City of Providence." and the City Council hereby direct that in said application the City Solicitor shall make application that said commissioners shall apportion and assess three fourths of the loss and damage thereof upon the persons and estates benefited thereby in the ratio of the benefits conferred.

Resolved—

That the City Clerk be hereby directed to give notice of such application as soon as he shall be informed thereof by the City Solicitor according to the direction and in the manner required by said act.

Passed September 9. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Resolved—

That the Board of Aldermen are hereby requested to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Point street, from Passonage street to Eddy: and also, a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Hospital street, from a point near Duke street to Langley street and through Langley and Eddy streets to Manchester street, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 807 of the public laws

Sewer in Point st Hospital st Langley st & Eddy st

Passed September 9. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

Sewer in Eddy st

Resolved:

That the Board of Aldermen be hereby requested to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Eddy street, from Elm street to Point street, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 807 of the public laws

Passed September 9. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Sewer in Pearl st

Resolved—

That the Board of Aldermen be hereby requested to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Pearl street from Broad street to Mumford street, in accordance with chapter 807 of the public laws

Passed September 9. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Thomas W. Chace

Page street

Resolved—

That His Honor the Mayor, the President of the Common Council and the chairman of the joint committee on city property, be and they are hereby appointed a committee to agree with Thomas W. Chace upon the price of so much of his land on Broad street as may be taken by the city upon the widening of Page street, and to pledge the city to pay him the sum agreed upon, upon the taking of his land, or in the event of not taking his land, to pay him damages therefor.

Passed September 9. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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In Convention September 9, 1872.

The following officers are elected

Engineer to examine the Providence & Springfield Railroad — Samuel B. Bushing

Constable — J. Crawford Potter

Police Constable without power to serve civil process — James E. Babcock



Sewer in Williams Governor Power & Aves streets

Resolved —

That the Board of Aldermen be hereby requested to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Williams street, from the highest point east of Hope street to Governor street, and through Governor, Power and Aves streets to Smith street, and from thence across the land of the Pension Oil Company to the river, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 807 of the public laws

Passed in Common Council September 9. 1872

In Board of Aldermen September 11. 1872

Approved the same day

Amos W. Snow Acting Mayor

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Monument to Roger Williams

The Joint Special Committee appointed by resolution of the City Council approved February 19. 1872 to procure plans and estimates for a Monument to Roger Williams present their second report in print. (City Document No 33)

Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed in Common Council September 9. 1872

In Board of Aldermen September 11. 1872

Approved the same day

Amos W. Snow Acting Mayor

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Appropriation Bill

Resolved—

That the joint committee on finance be hereby instructed to report on or before the 23d day of September inst. a bill making appropriations for the support of the city government for the financial year ending September 30, 1873.

Passed in Common Council September 9. 1872

In Board of Aldermen September 11. 1872

Approved the same day

Amos W. Snow Acting Mayor.

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Allen Greene Prospect square

Resolved: —

That the joint standing committee on city property be and they are hereby directed in their discretion, to settle with Allen Greene at a cost not exceeding two hundred dollars, concerning the boundary line between his estate and the city's at the west side of Prospect park, as

will allow allow the city to prosecute the work on the wall now commenced, and that the City Treasurer be authorized to pay out of the appropriation for Prospect park such sum as may be agreed upon between the parties, when said Greene shall give such conveyance and guarantee as shall be satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

Passed In Common Council September 9. 1872
In Board of Aldermen September 11. 1872.
Approved the same day
Amos W. Snow Acting Mayor

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Buildings raised

Resolved:—

That permission be granted to the following named persons to raise certain buildings, located as follows, pursuant to their several petitions: viz:

Edwin L. Haviland rear of No 39 Wood street
Edwin M. Waldron No 33 Kenright street

Passed In Common Council September 9. 1872.
In Board of Aldermen September 11. 1872
Approved the same day
Amos W. Snow Acting Mayor.

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Buildings moved

Resolved:—

That permission be granted to the following named persons to move certain wooden buildings pursuant to their several petitions: viz:

William H. Chearnley
William V. Dabolt
Morris A. Heath

Passed In Common Council September 9. 1872.
In Common Council September 11. 1872.
Approved the same day
Amos W. Snow Acting Mayor.

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Buildings moved

Resolved:—

That permission be granted to the following named persons to move certain wooden buildings pursuant to their several petitions, provided that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby, be repaired at the expense of the petitioner: viz:

No 170. Daniel Coakley (20 feet)
171. Patrick Cuddy
172. James M. Cupit.

Resolved—

That the sum of five dollars be the amount designated to be paid for each day or part of a day each of said buildings shall occupy any public street of the city.

Passed In Common Council September 9. 1872
In Board of Aldermen September 11. 1872.
Approved the same day
Amos W. Snow Acting Mayor



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No 173.

East Avenue

Resolved

That the Board of Aldermen be and they are hereby requested to lay out and widen East Avenue, from Olney street to North Street, of a uniform width of sixty feet by lines parallel with the present lines of said avenue and adding thereto equal quantities of land from either side thereof.

Passed In Common Council September 23. 1872
In Board of Aldermen September 9. 1872
Approved September 23. 1872
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 174

Sales of Merchandise near Soldiers Monuments

Resolved:—

That the Chief of Police be and he is hereby directed to enforce that portion of the city ordinances which prohibits the use of the public streets of the city for the sale of merchandise &c, upon the grounds and portions of streets immediately adjacent to the Soldiers' and Sailors' monument.

Passed In Common Council September 23. 1872.
In Board of Aldermen September 25. 1872.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No [illegible]

School House on Potters avenue

Resolved:—

That the Superintendent of Public Buildings, acting under the advice and direction of the committee on city property, be hereby directed to cause the lot at the Potter's avenue school house to be properly brought to grade and fenced. Said work to be done forthwith and the cost of the same to be charged to the appropriation for school houses and lots.

Passed In Common Council September 23. 1872
In Board of Aldermen September 25. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No [illegible]

Jesse H. Snow

Resolved:—

That the City Treasurer be and hereby is directed to pay to Benjamin W. Snow the sum of fifty dollars in full compensation for all damages sustained by him in his yacht Meteor and boat, on the occasion of the celebration of the introduction of water, November 30, 1871: to be charged to the appropriations for contingencies, whenever he shall give a receipt therefor satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

Passed In Common Council September 23. 1872.
In Board of Aldermen September 25. 1872.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No [illegible]

Governor street

Resolved:—

That the Highway Commissioners be and they are hereby directed to cause curb stones to be set and gutters paved on Governor street from Power street to Bower streets.

Passed In Common Council September 23. 1872.
In Board of Aldermen September 25. 1872.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 193.

Messer street

Resolved:—

That the Highway Commissioners be and they are hereby directed to cause curb stones to be set and gutters paved on Messer street



from Willow street to Hudson street.

Passed In Common Council September 23. 1872
In Board of Aldermen September 25. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 199.

Building raised

Resolved—

That permission be granted to Henry F. Davis to raise a certain building located at No 9 Hudson street, pursuant to his petition

Passed In Common Council September 23. 1872
In Board of Aldermen September 25. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Buildings moved

Resolved:—

That permission be granted to the following named persons to move certain wooden buildings, pursuant to their several petitions, provided that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby, be repaired at the expense of the petitioner, viz:

No 216. Wheeler M. Blanding
201. John H. Collingwood
215. Peleg E. Sanford.

Passed In Common Council September 23. 1872.
In Board of Aldermen September 25. 1872
Approved
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Resolved:—

That permission be granted to the following named persons to move certain wooden buildings pursuant to their several petitions, provided that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby be repaired at the expense of the petitioner, viz:

No 205. Horatio N. Angell
208. Welcome A. Collins

Resolved—

That the sum of ten dollars be the amount designated to be paid for each day or part of a day each of said buildings

shall occupy any public street of the city
Passed In Common Council September 23. 1872.
In Board of Aldermen September 25. 1872.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 205

Building moved

*Resolved*: —

That permission be granted to Charles H. Atwood to move a certain wooden building pursuant to his petition, provided that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby be repaired at the expense of the petitioner, and provided that the same do not obstruct railroad or other travel.

*Resolved*: —

That the sum of ten dollars be the amount designated to be paid for each day or part of a day said building shall occupy any public street of the city

Passed In Common Council September 23. 1872.
In Board of Aldermen September 25. 1872.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 206

Point st Bridge

*Resolved*: —

That the special committee on the Point street bridge be hereby instructed to cause the shore spans of the bridge to be painted.

Passed In Common Council October 2. 1872
In Board of Aldermen September 25. 1872
Approved October 2. 1872
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 207

Brook street

*Resolved*: —

That the Highway Commissioners be hereby directed to cause Brook street, from Wickenden street to Smith street to be brought to grade.

Passed In Board of Aldermen September 25. 1872
In Common Council October 2. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 208

Schools in Eighth Wards

School House on Messer St

## Message from the Mayor

Mayors Office City of Providence October 2. 1872

Gentlemen of the City Council

The papers forwarded to the City Council by direction of the School Committee, shew the great necessity which exists for immediate action in reference to additional school buildings for the accommodation of the primary and intermediate scholars in the eighth ward. I recommend, as the best means of remedying the existing difficulty and providing for the future wants of the district, the immediate erection, upon the lot owned by the city on Messer street, of a wooden building similar to the School house on Rhuger street, and the purchase of another lot of land between Messer street and the westerly line of the city, and the erection thereon of another building like the one already referred to. Both of these buildings can be completed and ready for use before the Spring term commences.

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 209

Same

*Resolved*: —

That the Message of His Honor the Mayor, dated October 2. 1872 in relation to the school accommodations in the eighth ward with the accompanying communication from the president of the school committee, be referred to the joint committee on education to examine and report thereon.

Passed October 2. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 210

Land for School House

*Resolved*: —

That the joint committee on education be and they are hereby directed to ascertain and report upon what terms a suitable location for a primary and intermediate school can be obtained in that portion of the city lying between Messer street and the westerly line of the city.

Passed October 2. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

Oct 2.

## Message from the Mayor

Mayor's Office, City of Providence October 2. 1872

Gentlemen of the City Council

Eddy Street

The time within which the City Council are authorized to act upon the report of the commissioners on the extension of Eddy Street will expire on the fourth instant. I have therefore convened you at this time in order that you may be enabled to take action thereon

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

Read October 2. 1872

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Resolved: —

Canal in Campbell St.

That the Board of Aldermen be hereby requested to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Campbell street from Eddy Street to Sippitt street, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 807 of the public laws

Passed October 2. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Ordinance

"An Ordinance in amendment of an ordinance permitting the Union Railroad Company to lay rails in certain streets in the City of Providence"

(See Book of Ordinances No 3 page 111. and City Document No 29.)

Passed October 2. 1872

Approved October 3. 1872

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Ordinance

"An Ordinance making appropriations for the support of the government of the City of Providence for the financial year ending September 30 A.D. 1872."

(See Book of Ordinances No 3 page 110. and City Document No 28.)

Passed October 2. 1872

Approved October 2. 1872

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Oct 2.

Quarterly Report of Water Commissioners

The Water Commissioners make their Quarterly Report for the quarter ending October 1. 1872

(See City Document No 27.)

Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed October 2. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Oct 2.

Monthly Report of Chief Engineer

The Chief Engineer of the Fire Department makes his Monthly Report for the month ending September 30. 1872.

Expended for salaries $ 3039.70 incidentals $ 4916.29. Total $ 7955.70.

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

Passed October 2. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Oct 2.

Chief Engineers Office

Resolved —

That the joint standing committee on city property, be and they are hereby directed to examine and report upon the expediency of removing the office of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department to some more convenient place.

Passed October 2. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Oct 2.

Sewer in Clemence st

Resolved: —

That the Board of Aldermen be and they are hereby requested to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Clemence street, from Happy street to Washington street in accordance with the provisions of chapter 807 of the public laws.

Passed October 2. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 217.

Sewer in South street

Resolved:—

That the Board of Aldermen be and they are hereby requested to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in South street, from Richmond street to Eddy street, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 807 of the public laws

Passed October 2. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 220.

Eddy street

Whereas:—

The commissioners of estimate and assessment appointed by the Supreme Court at the March term 1870, to lay out Eddy street from Washington Street to Knox street, under and pursuant to the act entitled An act in relation to the laying out, enlarging, straightening or otherwise altering streets in the City of Providence, made their first report to said court on Monday August 5. 1872. Now therefore, within sixty days after the making of said report to said court,

Resolved, That the City Council do hereby elect to make said improvement

Passed October 21. 1872.

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No 221.

Eddy street

Message from the Mayor

Mayors Office City of Providence October 4. 1872

Gentlemen of the City Council

I have convened you at this time in order that you may take such further action in relation to the extension of Eddy Street as may be deemed expedient

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

Read October 4. 1872.

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No 222

Eddy street

Message from the Mayor

Mayors Office, City of Providence October 4. 1872.

Gentlemen of the City Council

Some of the parties who gave notice of their intention to appeal from the report of the commissioners on the extension of Eddy Street, cannot withdraw their appeals. I have therefore withheld my approval from the resolution in order that you may take further action in the premises.

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

Read October 4. 1872.

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No 223

Sewer in Benefit st

Resolved:—

That the Board of Aldermen be hereby requested to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Benefit street, from a point about one hundred feet west of Brown street, to Benefit street; also, from the aforesaid point eastward to Thayer street, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 807 of the public laws

Passed October 4. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 224

Sewer in Page street

Resolved:—

That the Board of Aldermen be hereby requested to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Page street from Broad street to Pine street, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 807 of the public laws

Passed October 4. 1872.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 225.

Sewer in Transit st.

Resolved:—

That the Board of Aldermen be hereby requested to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Transit street from Hope street to Brook street, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 807 of the public laws

Passed October 4. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No. L.

Sewer in Williams st.

Resolved:—

That the Board of Aldermen be hereby requested to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Williams street, from Hope street to Brook street, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 867 of the public laws

Passed October 4. 1872.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No. 727.

Laws of Canvassing.

Resolved:—

That the City Solicitor be hereby directed to prepare a digest of the laws relating to canvassing the several ward lists of voters and cause the same to be printed for the use of the several boards of canvassers and the city council.

Passed October 7. 1872.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No. 728.

Fire Department to be paid

Resolved:—

That the pay roll of the fire department for the month of September A.D. 1872, amounting to two thousand and sixty three 29/100 dollars be hereby allowed, and that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to pay the same when properly allowed by the committee on accounts and certified by the City Auditor

Passed In Common Council October 7. 1872
In Board of Aldermen October 9. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No. 729.

Monthly Report of Harbor Master Dredging

The Harbor Master makes his Monthly Report of Dredging for the month of September 1872

Amount of dredging 4650 cubic yards at 25¢ $ 1162.20



Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received
Passed In Common Council October 7. 1872
In Board of Aldermen October 9. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No. 730.

Monthly Report of City Treasurer

The City Treasurer makes his Monthly Report for September 1872
Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received
Passed In Common Council October 7. 1872.
In Board of Aldermen October 9. 1872.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No. 731.

Jackson street

Whereas, the commissioners of estimate and assessment appointed by the Supreme Court at the March term 1872 to lay out Jackson Street from Fountain Street northerly to Broadway, under and pursuant to the act entitled "An act in relation to the laying out, enlarging straightening and otherwise altering streets in the City of Providence" made their first report to said court on Tuesday August 13. 1872. Now therefore, within sixty days after the making of said report to said court:-

Resolved:-

That the City Council do hereby elect to make said improvement

Passed In Common Council October 7. 1872
In Board of Aldermen October 9. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle
Mayor.

[For Report see Street Book No 3. page ]

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No. 732.

Bd. of Ald. requested to procure Meeting st

Sewer in Meeting st

Resolved:—

That the Board of Aldermen are hereby requested to declare Meeting street from Prospect street to Congdon street a public highway, to cause the same to be graded, and to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in said Meeting street from its junction with Prospect street to Congdon street, and connect

the same with the common sewer already ordered to be constructed in Meeting street, between Congdon and Benefit streets, and in accordance with the provisions of chapter 807 of the public laws

Passed In Common Council October 7. 1872

In Board of Aldermen October 9. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Grove street

Resolved: —

That the Board of Aldermen be and they are hereby requested to receive Grove street, from Wenright street to Ridge street, and declare the same a public highway; said street having been actually used as a public highway for more than twenty years

Passed In Common Council October 7. 1872.

In Board of Aldermen October 9. 1872.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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King street

Resolved: —

That the Board of Aldermen be and they are hereby requested to receive King street, from Wenright street to Sobey street, and declare the same a public highway; said street having been traveled and used as a highway for more than twenty years

Passed In Common Council October 7. 1872

In Board of Aldermen October 9. 1872.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Buildings waived

Resolved: —

That permission be granted to the following named persons to raise certain buildings, located as follows, pursuant to their several petitions viz:

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|---|---|
| Philip A. Chace | No 19 West Friendship street |
| Thomas Donovan | No 7 Gaspee street |
| Robert Mevir | corner of South & Parsonage streets |
| Solon F. Parks | No 54 Olney street |

Passed In Common Council October 7. 1872



In Board of Aldermen October 9. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 239

Ledge of Stone

Cranberry Islands

Resolved:

That the joint committee on highways be and they are hereby authorized to purchase a ledge of rock in the harbor of this city for highway purposes, provided the cost thereof shall not exceed the sum of fifteen hundred dollars; to be paid from the appropriations for highways, and provided further, that the deed thereof shall be satisfactory to the City Solicitor

Passed In Board of Aldermen October 7. 1872

In Common Council October 14. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Message from the Mayor

Mayor's Office City of Providence October 14. 1872

Gentlemen of the City Council

Matters of great importance requiring your immediate attention have rendered it necessary for me to convene you at this time

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

Read October 14. 1872

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Message from the Mayor

Public street

Mayor's Office City of Providence October 14. 1872

Gentlemen of the City Council

One of the main lines of water supply for the city is to be laid from Greenwich street to Sobey street through Public street and it is necessary to complete the work the present season. That portion of the latter street extending westerly from Broad street is not in line with that portion of the street extending easterly from Broad street, and in consequence of this, heavy special castings will be required for the water pipes and a sharp angle made which in the opinion of chief engineer Shedd should be avoided. This can be done by changing the north line of the street, near Broad street, as will be seen on the plat thereof presented

herewith. The work will have to be done under what is known as the "old highway" law, the expense being paid by the city. If hereafter, the owners of land on the opposite side of the street desire to change the line of the street in front of their estates, it can be done by their re-paying to the city the cost of the present widening

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

Read October 14. 1872

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Point St Bridge

Message from the Mayor

Mayor's Office City of Providence October 14. 1872

Gentlemen of the City Council

The Point street Bridge is nearly completed, and it is necessary that regulations in relation to the use of it should be adopted by the City Council before it is thrown open for public travel. The City Solicitor, at my suggestion, has prepared an ordinance which I submit herewith for your consideration

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

Read October 14. 1872

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Ordinance

"An Ordinance in relation to the Point street Bridge."

(See Book of Ordinances No 3 page 112. and City Document No 32.)

Passed October 14. 1872

Approved October 15. 1872.

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Ordinance

"An Ordinance in relation to the Fire Department."

(See Book of Ordinances No 3 page 113 and City Document No 35.)

Passed October 14. 1872

Approved October 15. 1872

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Public street

Resolved: —

That the Board of Aldermen are hereby requested to re-lay Public street, between Prairie Avenue and Updike street

Passed October 14. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Sewer in Chapel & Weathersfield sts

Resolved —

That the Board of Aldermen be hereby requested to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Chapel street, from a point near Snow street, easterly through Chapel street to Weathersfield street, thence through Weathersfield street to Westminster street, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 807 of the public laws

Passed October 14. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Sewer in Angell street

Resolved: —

That the Board of Aldermen are hereby requested to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Angell street from a point about two hundred feet east of Prospect street to Sharon street in accordance with the provisions of chapter 807 of the public laws

Passed October 14. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Mercy A. Flagg

Bartley street

Resolved: —

That the City Solicitor be hereby authorized and directed to consent to the amendment of the report of the commissioners of estimate and assessment on Bartley street, by adding to the award to Mercy A. Flagg the sum of two hundred dollars, and also, to consent to the confirmation of said report as thus amended, upon the withdrawal by said Mercy A. Flagg of her demand for a jury trial in said matter.

Passed October 14. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Resolved —

That permission be granted to the following named persons to move certain wooden buildings pursuant to their several petitions.

provided, that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby be repaired at the expense of the petitioner. viz:

Cleveland & Brothers

Mary H. Searey

Buildings moved — Passed October 14. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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In Convention October 14. 1872.

The following officers are elected.

Police Constables without power to serve civil process

Chr. P. Schmitz — Ephraim Cole

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In Convention October 21. 1872.

The following officers are elected

Police Constables without power to serve civil process,

Harvey S. Horst — Zenas Baxter

George W. Brown — Walter S. Baxter.

William E. Barker

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Buildings moved — Resolved: —

That permission be granted to the following named persons to move certain wooden buildings pursuant to their several petitions, provided that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby be repaired at the expense of the petitioner viz

(No 251) John Bentley

252 Patrick Goodwin

253 Robert Mc Murray

Resolved —

That the sum of five dollars be the amount designated to be paid for each day or part of a day, each of said buildings shall occupy any public street of the city.

Passed In Board of Aldermen Oct 14. 1872. In Common Council Oct 21. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor



No 254. Resolved: —

Police Station on Canal streets — That the joint committee on city property be hereby instructed to cause alterations and improvements to be made in the police station on Canal street, as follows: to build an addition to the building at the easterly end, of about fourteen feet, and two stories high, making a cell room on the main floor and a lodging room on the second floor: to build a new ventilating shaft and smoke flue and necessary stair cases: to cause the roof to be newly tinned, the office of the Chief of Police to be enlarged, and the whole building to be properly repaired and drained. The expense of the work not to exceed the sum of two thousand dollars: to be paid from the appropriation for public buildings.

Passed in Board of Aldermen October 16. 1872

In Common Council October 21. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 255. Resolved: —

Go — That the joint committee on city property be hereby instructed to cause the proposed improvements at the police station on Canal street to be done at their discretion, by contract or otherwise

Passed October 21. 1872.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 256.

Drinking Fountains Water. Resolved: —

That the Water Commissioners be and they are hereby directed to establish suitable drinking fountains, to be supplied with Passaic water, for individuals, at such convenient points, not to exceed the number of thirty, as in their judgment seems to require them. The cost of the same to be charged to the water works construction account, and the supply of water to the health department.

Passed In Common Council July 29. 1872.

In Board of Aldermen October 21. 1872.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Resolved:—

Drinking places — That the Water Commissioners be and they are directed to cause the Pawtuxet river water to be connected with the various public drinking places for animals in the city: also, to cause to be placed an additional number, not exceeding fifteen, at such points as they think will best promote the public convenience, and connect the same with Pawtuxet water: also, that directions be given them to connect drinking places for individuals with those additional ones for animals. The cost of the same to be charged to water works, construction account and the supply of water to rent account.

Water

Passed in Common Council July 29. 1872
In Board of Aldermen October 21. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Resolved:—

School house on Hunter av. — That the joint committee on city property be hereby instructed to cause a fence to be built around the school house on Hunter avenue, and to grade the land about the building; and that the sum of one thousand dollars is hereby added to the amount authorized to be expended for the construction of the building: to be paid from the appropriations for school houses and lots

Passed October 21. 1872.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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## Message from the Mayor.

Mayors Office City of Providence Oct 21. 1872

Gentlemen of the City Council

Point street bridge — The committee appointed to superintend the construction of a new draw in the Point street Bridge, and the strengthening of the fixed spans, have completed the work. The bridge and draw have been tested under the direction of the committee to their satisfaction and they have accepted the work from the contractors. The superintending engineer, T. K. Cushing Esq is satisfied that the bridge is now sufficiently strong, throughout its entire length to sustain



the weight of a crowd of persons filling the bridge to its utmost capacity

The committee are not ready to submit their report at the present time, and feel that the opening of the bridge to public use should not be delayed on that account. They have therefore signified to me their wish that the bridge be opened without further delay, and they will prepare and present their report to the city council at the earliest practicable day.

The Board of Aldermen are ready to appoint a superintendent at once, and unless otherwise ordered by the City Council, the bridge will be placed in charge of the proper officer to morrow (Tuesday) morning at nine o'clock

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

Read October 21. 1872

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## Message from the Mayor.

Mayors Office City of Providence October 21. 1872

Gentlemen of the City Council

Broad Street — The commissioners of estimate and assessment on the widening and straightening of Broad street, near Snow street have assessed the Benificent Congregational Society for benefits to the lot on which their church stands, from said widening and straightening, the sum of two hundred and five dollars. Their lot is held by said society solely for purposes of religious worship and cannot be diverted therefrom. Under the ruling of the Supreme Court in a similar case, the society should have been assessed only in a nominal sum. I therefore recommend that the City Solicitor be authorized to consent to an amendment of the report reducing the said assessment to the sum of ten dollars

Benificent Cong'l Society

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

Read October 21. 1872

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Resolved:—

Do — That the City Solicitor is hereby authorized to consent to the amendment of the report of the commissioners of estimate and assessment on Broad street, near Snow street, by reducing

the assessment upon the Beneficents Congregational Society, from two hundred and five dollars, to ten dollars.

Passed October 21. 1872.
Approved the same day.
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Ordinance

An Ordinance in amendment of an ordinance entitled "An ordinance permitting the Hartford Providence and Fishkill Railroad Company to lay rails in certain streets in the City of Providence"

(See Book of Ordinances No 3 page 113. and City Document No 37.)

Passed October 21. 1872.
Approved the same day.
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Report.

To the Hon. City Council of the City of Providence

Broadway & High st

The joint special committee who were by resolution approved Dec 20. 1871 authorized to purchase a certain lot of land at the junction of Broadway and High streets for the purpose of adding the same to the street, report that they have attended to the duty assigned them, and have purchased of John O Waterman the lot referred to in the above resolution, at a cost to the city of five hundred dollars; the deed of which is on record.

Respectfully submitted, for the committee
Clinton D. Sellew

Providence October 21. 1872.

Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.
Passed October 21. 1872.
Approved the same day.
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Resolved:—

Cemeteries

That the subject of the discontinuance and removal of certain cemeteries in the compact parts of the city, be hereby referred to a joint special committee consisting of Messrs W. G. Potter, Rickard and Butterworth, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon. Aldermen Root and Sprague added.

Passed October 21. 1872.
Approved the same day.
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Potter street

Whereas, the commissioners of estimate and assessment, appointed by the Supreme Court at the October term 1871, to lay out and widen Potter street, from Pine street to Broad street, under and pursuant to the act entitled "An act in relation to the laying out, enlarging, straightening or otherwise altering streets in the City of Providence", made their first report to said court on Monday September 2. 1872: now, therefore, within sixty days after the making of said report to said court:—

Resolved: That the City Council do hereby elect to make said improvement.

Passed October 21. 1872.
Approved the same day.
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Resolved:—

Bacon street

Rebecca S. Angell

That the City Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to pay to Rebecca S. Angell two hundred and sixty two dollars and twenty cents, the same being in full compensation for a certain piece of land added to Bacon street, near Camp street, and containing 534.7/10 square feet: the same to be paid from the appropriation for highways, whenever said Angell shall execute a deed of said land to the city, which shall be satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

Passed October 21. 1872.
Approved the same day.
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Resolved:—

Camp street

That the Joint special committee, appointed under a resolution of the City Council passed April 17. 1872, with authority to settle the claims of all parties dissatisfied with the report of the commissioners of estimate and assessment on Camp street, be hereby

authorized to settle said claims in their discretion; and the City Treasurer is hereby directed to pay to the order of said committee such sums, not exceeding one thousand dollars, as may be agreed upon for that purpose; to be charged to the appropriation for opening streets.

Passed October 21. 1872.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Resolved: —

Sewer in Star Street

That the Board of Aldermen are hereby requested to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Star streets, from Benefit to North Main streets in accordance with the provisions of chapter 807 of the public laws.

Passed October 21. 1872.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Resolved: —

Sewer in Richmond & Clifford st

That the Board of Aldermen be hereby requested to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Richmond street, from Ship to Clifford streets, and thence through Cliffords to Dorrance Street, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 807 of the public laws.

Passed October 21. 1872.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Resolved: —

School House on Meeser street

That the joint committee on education be and they are instructed to build a school house of brick on the Meeser street lot, to consist of eight school rooms, at an expense not exceeding thirty thousand dollars; to be paid from the appropriation for school houses and lots

Passed in Common Council October 21. 1872.

In Board of Aldermen October 23. 1872.

(Vetoed by the Mayor November 1. 1872)

(See City Document No 38.)



1872.

Quarterly Reports Highway Comrs

The Highway Commissioners make their Quarterly Report for the quarter ending September 30. 1872 (City Document No 36)

Read whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed in Board of Aldermen October 23. 1872.

In Common Council November 1. 1872.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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1872.

Rooms to be hired of M. Woods,

Resolved: —

That the joint committee on city property be and they are hereby directed to lease of Marshall Woods Esq six rooms in his building, corner of College and South Main streets, for city offices, they being the rooms formerly occupied by the Water Commissioners and Chief Engineer of the Water Works, provided the same can be leased for three years from November 1. 1872 at not to exceed twelve hundred dollars per annum

Passed in Board of Aldermen October 23. 1872.

In Common Council November 1. 1872.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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1873.

Broad street.

Whereas —

The commissioners of estimate and assessment appointed by the Supreme Court at the October terms 1871. to lay out, widen and straighten Broad street, from Greenwich street to the line of the town of Cranston, under and pursuant to the act entitled "An act in relation to the laying out, enlarging, straightening or otherwise altering streets in the City of Providence", made their first report to said court on Monday September 2. 1872: now therefore, within sixty days after the making of said report to said court:—

Resolved —

That the City Council do hereby elect to make said improvement.

Passed in Board of Aldermen October 31. 1872.

In Common Council November 1. 1872.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

No 274

Appropriation for Water Works

Resolved: —

That the sum of two hundred thousand dollars be hereby added to the appropriations for the Providence Water Works; and the City Treasurer, acting under the advice and direction of the joint committee on finance, is authorized to have the same.

Passed November 1. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 275.

Recorder of Deeds

Resolved: —

That two hundred and fifty dollars, be and the same is hereby appropriated from the appropriation for salaries to defray the expense of additional assistance in the office of the Recorder of Deeds, the same to be paid on the approval of the Mayor.

Passed November 1. 1872.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 276.

Appropriation for Point st Bridge

Resolved: —

That the sum of twenty five hundred dollars, be and the same hereby is added to the appropriations for the Point street bridge; and the City Treasurer, acting under the advice and direction of the joint committee on finance, is authorized to have the same

Passed November 4. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 277.

Police Pay

Resolved: —

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to pay to Daniel H. Senckes, a policeman who has been appointed but not confirmed the sum of eighty five dollars and twenty five cents, for duty done in October 1872.

Passed November 4. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 278.

Ledge of Stone

Report. —

To the Hon. City Council

The joint committee on highways, who were instructed by by resolution of this City Council No 239 approved October 14. 1872 to purchase a ledge of rocks in the harbor of this city, for highway purposes, respectfully report, that they have purchased of A. B. Dike and others, a ledge situated on the east side of the harbor, just below Fields Point, known as Cranberry island, for the sum of fifteen hundred dollars.

Respectfully submitted, for the committee

John A. Joslin Chairman

Read whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed in Common Council November 4. 1872

In Board of Aldermen November 6. 1872.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 279.

Point Street Bridge

Report. —

To the Honorable City Council of the City of Providence

The joint special committee on the Point street bridge respectfully present this their final report, as follows. viz:

Referring to reports previously made by them and on file, your committee now present as documents and vouchers relating to the work entrusted to them and now completed, accepted by the city, and in course of daily use by the public, the following papers: viz:

A. The original contract between the city and Charles Macedonald for the erection of a new draw-bridge in the place of the one previously erected at the same site, executed February 22. 1872. and with the specifications which controlled it appended thereto

B. Contract between the city and said Macedonald for the erection of a new turn table for the use of said contemplated draw-bridge: executed March 22. 1872.

C. Contract between the city and J. Albert Norman for the strengthening, by cylinders and piles, the shore spans of the bridge connecting to said draw, executed March 20. 1872. with its specifications appended

D. A statement of the account of said Charles Macedonald with the

city on account of Point street bridge dated October 26. 1872

E. Certificates of Samuel R. Bushing Esq engineer Numbers 1. 2. 3. 4. 5. 6. and dated respectively June 12. 1872. July 1. 1872. July 24. 1872 July 27. 1872 Sept 24. 1872. Oct 21. 1872. all given by said Bushing to your committee, and upon which all drafts upon the city treasury by your committee for the payment of said Macdonald and Munro have been based

Point Street Bridge

F. 1. Certificate of James Reynolds weigher of weight of old iron in the old draw, dated May 9. 1872

2 Certificate of same of weight of iron in old turn table, dated May 20 1872.

3 Statement by Reinstein Iron Foundry of value of turn table as furnished by Charles Macdonald dated July 20. 1872

4 Proposals for certain old iron made by Hope Iron Works, dated April 26. 1872, and under which your committee made sale of certain useless iron to said Co

5 Receipt of City Treasurer for proceeds of above sale to Hope Iron Works, dated Oct 2. 1872. and for sum of $ 1028.78

6 Letter of Samuel R Bushing Esq engineer to your committee, approving of draw bridge and Steam Apparatus dated Oct 12. 1872

7 Report of Samuel R Bushing Esq. engineer to your committee, dated Oct 26. 1872 duly received by your committee November 2. 1872,

G. Bills as follows, duly audited and unpaid

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | Wm. Eslick for work in testing draw bridge, including use of beams and men | $ 49.90 |
| 2. | The Stearns Gas Pipe Co for iron & casting | 8.10 |
| 3. | James A. Potter for lumber | 271.42 |
| 4 | James A. Potter do for lumber | 183.34 |
| 5 | Samuel R. Bushing Esq for services as engineer | 1500.00 |
| | | $ 2016.76 |

The foregoing exhibits taken in connection with others previously reported to the City Council, and on file, constitute a detailed disclosure of all the acts of your committee under their instructions, from the date of their appointment until the present time. An extended report is therefore unnecessary, so far as supplying any desired information as to cost duration and character of the work as authorized and approved by them. A few words of explanation may however be permitted and a statement of the total cost may be desired before this report is closed.

It will be remembered by the council, that when this committee was appointed, the state of things at the Point street bridge, so called, was very unsatisfactory. An expensive structure existed which was not fit



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to any use, and was not believed to be capable of being safely used, nor of being altered or strengthened so as to be available. The public had been long waiting for the facilities of transit which it was expected to furnish, and had come to regard the cost of the structure as very great, and the structure itself as a subject of ridicule, not always good natured. It had become a necessity that the bridge should either be made available or removed at once; and the closing of either one or the other opened a prospect of great additional expense. The position of your committee was not a desirable one in view of the experience of their predecessors, but they assumed it and have used their best efforts to carry out the orders of the council faithfully, expeditiously and economically. They contracted to have the bridge finished by the 25th of June 1872, and provided for a forfeiture by contractor, of fifty dollars per day thereafterwards to the day of completion. The bridge was not completed under Oct 8, the day when it was tested; but no forfeiture has been claimed by your committee inasmuch as the engineer who was by the contract made the sole judge of its applicability under the contract, decides that none such is properly demandable by the city. Your committee cannot deny themselves the pleasure, nor ignore the obligation of expressing to the council their sense of the skill, fidelity and energy which have been exhibited by Mr Samuel R Bushing the engineer, in the planning and oversight of the work from beginning to end. His reputation needs, it is true, no endorsement in this community; at the same time he merits this distinct recognition of his valuable services at the hands of your committee. Mr Bushings full endorsement of the skill and fidelity of the contractor Mr Charles Macdonald gives an additional support to the favorable opinion of both entertained by your committee and of which, they are assured, that the bridge will continue to be an enduring witness. So soon as the final test had been made and the engineer had expressed his entire satisfaction with its results, as by his letter of Octo 12. (7) your committee without waiting for the official report of the engineer to them, notified the Mayor that the bridge was completed and upon some trifling additional work in painting &c would be ready for general use. In consequence of such notification the bridge was publicly opened for travel with results fresh in the recollection of the council

Point street Bridge

Your committee believe that the Point street Bridge is now a strong durable and perfectly safe draw bridge, capable of being used with ease and safety for all the purposes for which such a bridge is designed. It is too heavy to be moved continuously by hand power and your committee observe that the council has it in contemplation to employ either steam

water as a motor, each of which is entirely practicable and not expensive
They congratulate the city upon the possession, at however late a day, of a
bridge, which when turned by a proper motive power, and regulated by
judiciously arranged rules, will prove a great public improvement and
convenience

Point Street Bridge

The committee would state that upon Mr Macdonald's contract there
is still due the sum of $ 1878.39
Which with the amounts previously stated as due on bills 2016.76
Amounts to the sum of $ 3895.15
For which amount the committee will ask for the necessary appropria-
tion and enter for payment by a resolution accompanying this report
They state cost of bridge as follows

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Payments to Macdonald in cash | $ 13,580 | |
| | 5.280 | |
| | 4.120 | |
| | 5.000 | $ 28,200. |
| Old iron sold by him | $ 1930.50 | |
| | 32.65. | 1968.85 |
| | | $ 30.168.85 |
| Cash paid C. A. Macdonald | $ 3000. | |
| Amts due on bills as above | 3895.15 | 8.895.15 |
| | | $ 39.064.00 |
| Cr By value of old iron sold and paid into city treasury | | 1.628.78 |
| Cost | | $ 37.435.22 |

Of this amount of $ 37.435.22 there was for work on and
about land table & not contemplated when the committee was
appointed

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| | $ 8310.61 | |
| And for extra locking grad | 1019.63 | 9.330.24 |
| Leaving cost of draw bridge | | $ 28.114.98 |
| From which should be deducted | | |
| For cost of strengthening stone spans &c | $ 5000.00 | |
| Due on Bills as above | 576.76 | |
| Engineers salary not originally estimated | 1500.00 | 7.016.76 |
| Making cost of draw proper | | $ 21.098.22 |

All of which is respectfully submitted by

Wm Rooney
Chairman of Committee on Point st Bridge

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Resolved: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received
Passed In Common Council November 4. 1872



279 In Board of Aldermen November 6. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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21.238.

Point street Bridge

Resolved: —

That the City Treasurer be and he hereby is authorized and directed to pay to the following persons the following sums, respectively, and to charge the amount to the appropriation for the Point street bridge, viz:

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| To Samuel R. Bushing Esq | $ 1500.00 | |
| Charles Macdonald | 1878.39 | |
| William Ellstee | 47.90 | |
| Providence Steam Gas Pipe Co | 5.10 | |
| James A. Potter & Co | 460.76 | $ 3895.15 |

Passed in Common Council November 4. 1872.
In Board of Aldermen November 6. 1872.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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21.231.

Commissioners of Fire Limits

Resolved: —

That the Commissioners of the Fire Limits be and they hereby are requested to make report to the City Council, on or before January 1. 1873, of the conditions of affairs in their department, and also, of the amount of expense already incurred by said commissioners and for which the City of Providence has been made liable by them; and, that from and after the first day of January 1873. the said commissioners be and they hereby are directed to make a quarterly report to the City Council, in detail, of their acts and expenditures.

Passed In Common Council November 4. 1872.
In Board of Aldermen November 6. 1872.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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21.232.

School House Land on Jackson av

Resolved: —

That the joint standing committee of the City Council on city property, be and they are hereby directed to purchase of Mrs Melinda Sheldon, for school purposes, six lots of land on Jackson avenue, provided a title thereto satisfactory to the City Solicitor can be obtained, at a cost

water as a motor, each of which is entirely practicable and not expensive
They congratulate the city upon the possession, at however late a day, of a
bridge, which when turned by a proper motive power, and regulated by
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For which amount the committee will ask for the necessary appropria-
tion and order for payment by a resolution accompanying this report
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| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Payments to Macdonald in bank | $ 13,500 | |
| | 5.280 | |
| | 4.120 | |
| | 5.000 | $ 28,200. |
| Old iron used by him | $ 1736.50 | |
| | 32.05. | 1968.85 |
| | | $ 30,168.85 |
| Cash paid to D. Monroe | $ 3000. | |
| Amts due on bills as above | 3895.15 | 8.895.15 |
| | | $ 39.064.00 |
| Cr By value of old iron sold and paid into city treasury | | 1.628.78 |
| Cost | | $ 37.435.22 |

Of this amount of $ 37.435.22 there was for work on and
about item table not contemplated when the committee was
appointed $ 8310.61
And for extra cooking grate 1009.63 9.320.24
Leaving cost of draw-bridge $ 28.114.98
From which should be deducted
For cost of strengthening three spans &c $ 5000.00
Due on Bills as above 376.76
Engineers salary not originally estimated 1500.00 7.016.76
Making cost of draw, proper $ 21.098.22
All of which is respectfully submitted by

Wm Binney
Chairman of Committee on Point st Bridge

Resolved: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received
Passed In Common Council November 4. 1872



279 In Board of Aldermen November 6. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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21250. Point street Bridge

Resolved: —

That the City Treasurer be and he hereby is authorized and directed to pay to the following persons the following sums, respectively, and to charge the amount to the appropriation for the Point street bridge, viz:

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| To Samuel R. Bushing Esq | $ 1500.00 | |
| Charles Macdonald | 1878.39 | |
| William Eldred | 17.90 | |
| Providence Steam Gas Pipe Co | 5.10 | |
| James A. Potter & Co | 493.76 | $ 3895.15 |

Passed in Common Council November 4. 1872.
In Board of Aldermen November 6. 1872.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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21251. Commissioners of Providence

Resolved: —

That the Commissioners of the Cove Lands be and they hereby are requested to make report to the City Council, on or before January 1. 1873, of the condition of affairs in their department, and also, of the amount of expense already incurred by said commissioners and for which the City of Providence has been made liable by them; and, that from and after the first day of January 1873. the said commissioners be and they hereby are directed to make a quarterly report to the City Council, in detail, of their acts and expenditures.

Passed In Common Council November 4. 1872.
In Board of Aldermen November 6. 1872.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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21252. School House Land on Jackson av

Resolved: —

That the joint standing committee of the City Council on city property, be and they are hereby directed to purchase of Mort Melinda Sheldon, for school purposes, six lots of land on Jackson avenue, provided a title thereto satisfactory to the City Solicitor can be obtained, at a cost

not exceeding four hundred and seventy five dollars per lot. and a sum not exceeding twenty eight hundred and fifty dollars, from the appropriation for school houses and lots, is hereby appropriated for this purpose

Passed In Common Council November 4. 1872.

In Board of Aldermen November 6. 1872.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 283.

Fountain st

*Resolved:* —

That the Highway Commissioner be and they are hereby directed to cause new curbstones to be set and the roadway paved with granite slabs. on Hamilton street. from Washington street to Storrs street

Passed In Common Council November 4. 1872.

In Board of Aldermen November 6. 1872.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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*Resolved.* —

Bowling privil

That permission be granted to the following named persons to erect certain wooden buildings, pursuant to their several petitions, provided, that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby be repaired at the expense of the petitioners: viz:

No 284. Ira F. Baker

" 285. Thomas Cosgrove

" 286. Cyprus M. Thornton

Passed In Common Council November 4. 1872.

In Board of Aldermen November 6. 1872.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 287.

Pay of the Fire Department

*Resolved:* —

That the pay roll of the fire department, for the month of October, A. D. 1872, amounting to nineteen hundred and seventy nine dollars and eighty seven cents be hereby allowed, and the City Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to pay the same

Passed In Board of Aldermen November 6. 1872.

In Common Council November 11. 1872.



Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 288.

Monthly Report City Treasurer

The City Treasurer makes his Monthly Report for October 1872. Read whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.

Passed November 11. 1872.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 289.

Fountain at Abbott Park

*Resolved:* —

That the Water Commissioners be and they are hereby directed to cause the fountain that is to be furnished by Henry J. Steere and others, to be properly set up and put in good working order on Abbott Park. (so called) situated on Broad street; whenever said Henry J. Steere and others shall cause said fountain to be delivered on said Park free of expense to the city.

Henry J. Steere.

*Resolved:* —

That the sum of four hundred and twenty five dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the appropriations for public grounds, to carry the above resolution into effect.

Passed November 11. 1872.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 290.

Anthony street

*Resolved:* —

That the Highway Commissioners be and they are hereby directed to cause curb stones to be set and the gutters paved on Anthony street from Federal street to Atwells Avenue

Passed November 11. 1872.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 291.

Tockel street

*Whereas:* the commissioners of estimate and assessment appointed by the Supreme Court at the March term 1872 to lay out and extend Tockel street Southerly to Pine street, under and pursuant to the act entitled "An act in relation to the laying out

enlarging, straightening or otherwise altering streets in the City of Providence made their first report to said court on Wednesday October 2, 1872: now therefore, within sixty days after the making of said report to said court:

Resolved: That the City Council do hereby elect to make said improvement.

Passed November 18, 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Resolved: —

That the Highway Commissioner be and they are hereby directed to cause a Sluice to be constructed and the Street to be properly filled on Hobbs Street, opposite the estate of John D. Barber.

Passed November 18, 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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## Message from the Mayor

Mayor's Office City of Providence
November 20, 1872

Burial of Paupers

Gentlemen of the City Council

Water Works

In view of the apprehension felt by many of our citizens since the recent fire in Boston, as to the efficiency of our water supply for the extinguishments of fires, I have requested the chief engineer of the fire department to exhibit the power of the hydrants, which he will do on Saturday next, 23d inst. at three o'clock p.m. The test will be made by using the hydrants in the vicinity of the city building, and there will be a greater number of streams from them at the same time than can be thrown by the whole number of the steam fire engines belonging to the department.

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

Read November 20, 1872.

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No 294.

Invitation from National Commercial Convention

## Message from the Mayor

Mayor's Office City of Providence
November 25, 1872.

I transmit herewith the invitation of the committee of arrangements for the city to appoint delegates to the second session of the National Commercial Convention to be held at St Louis on Wednesday December 11. ensuing, and recommend a compliance therewith.

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

Read November 25, 1872

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No 296.

Ordinance

"An Ordinance designating the times and place for holding the Justice Court of the City of Providence for the transaction of civil business"

Passed November 25, 1872

Approved December 2, 1872

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

(See Book of Ordinances No 3 page 114. and City Document No 111

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No 295.

Ordinance

"An Ordinance establishing a Fire Department in the City of Providence."

Passed November 25, 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

(See Book of Ordinances No 3 page 114. and City Document No 110)

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No 297.

North Burial Ground Fund

Jas M. Cross Rosanna Carpenter

Resolved: —

That the gift of James M. Cross, administrator of the estate of Rosanna Carpenter, deceased, of the sum of three hundred dollars, to the Commissioners of the North Burying Ground, in trust, the income thereof to be applied under the provisions of chapter 367 of the public laws, to the preservation and care of the burial lot of said Rosanna Carpenter in said ground, be and the same is hereby accepted by the City Council

Passed November 25, 1872

Approved the same day Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

Flag Staff

Resolved —

That the Chief of Police be and he is hereby instructed to take charge, as city property, of the flag staff at the junction of Broad and High streets, together with any flags or bunting belonging to the same

Passed November 25. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Police Station in Canal street

Resolved: —

That the Joint Committee on City property be and they are instructed to continue the addition to the central police station to the height of three stories; provided, the additional cost does not exceed the appropriations for enlarging and altering said station

Passed November 25. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Sewer in Manchester st & Bay st

Resolved —

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to pay to Joseph E. Crandell, agent, the sum of forty eight dollars for his services superintending the construction of a culvert on Prairie avenue; to be paid out of the appropriation for sewers

Passed November 25. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Taber Kurtz & Co

Resolved —

That the City Treasurer be and hereby is directed to pay to Taber, Kurtz & Co. the sum of fifty four dollars and ninety eight cents, ($54.98) being in full compensation for services in repairing and re-laying water pipes on land of A. H. & E. B. Manchester, broken or damaged by the agents of the city in the construction of a sewer in Manchester street; to be paid from the appropriations for sewers whenever they shall give a receipt therefor satisfactory to the City Solicitor

Passed November 25. 1872

Approved the same day Thomas A. Doyle Mayor



Fanny Sprague

Pitman st

Resolved: —

That the City Treasurer be and hereby is directed to pay to Mrs. Fanny Sprague the sum of four hundred & nineteen dollars and forty five cents, in full compensation for damages to her estate fronting on Pitman street, by reason of change of grade of said street; to be paid from the appropriation for highways, whenever she shall present a receipt therefor satisfactory to the City Solicitor

Passed November 25. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Tax abated

Mary E. Carr

Resolved: —

That the City Treasurer be and hereby is directed to remit or if paid to refund to Mary E. Carr, wife of David S. Carr, the sum of thirty six dollars and forty five cents, ($36.45) the same being the amount of a tax erroneously assessed against her for bank stock owned by another person bearing the same name

Passed November 25. 1872

(Vetoed by the Mayor)

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Broad street

Resolved —

That Aldermen Sharpe and Root with Messrs Bissell, Stockard and Guild of the Common Council, are hereby appointed a committee to confer with the parties who have claimed a jury trial in the matter of the widening Broad street, near Snow street, and report upon what terms a settlement can be made with said parties

Passed November 25. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Market

A. W. Sprague et als

Resolved —

That the petition of A. W. Sprague and others for the erection of a public market over the water South of Weybosset bridge, be referred to Aldermen Sharpe and Sprague, with Messrs Matthewson, Carpenter, N. F. Potter jr Harris and Dean Sleight of the Common Council, to examine and report thereon

Passed November 25. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Ord 308.

An Ordinance in relation to the duties and compensation of the Hydrant men of hose companies.

Ordinance

Passed In Board of Aldermen December 2. 1872.
In Common Council December 3. 1872.
Approved December 4. 1872.
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.
(See Book of Ordinances No 3. page 116. and City Document No 42)

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Ord 309.

Resolved —

Police pay

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to pay from the appropriation for police for duty performed in November 1872 by policemen who have been appointed but not confirmed as follows

| | |
|---|---|
| Edgar S. Thayer | $ 82.50 |
| Bradford G. Hathaway | 82.50 |
| Israel L. Ames | 74.25 |
| Daniel H. Jenckes | 71.50 |

Passed In Board of Aldermen December 2. 1872.
In Common Council December 3. 1872.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Ord 305.

An Ordinance in relation to the Poor.

Ordinance

Passed December 3. 1872.
Approved December 4. 1872
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor
(See Book of Ordinances No 3 page 116. and City Document No 43)

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Ord 306.

An Ordinance in amendment of an ordinance entitled "An ordinance

Ordinance

fixing the salaries of the officers of the City of Providence for the year ensuing the first Monday in June A.D. 1872."

Passed December 3. 1873.



Approved December 4. 1872
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor
(See Book of Ordinances No 3 page 117. and City Document No 44)

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In Convention December 3. 1872

The following offices are elected.

Inspector of Kerosene — George N. Cole

Committee to superintend the building of chimneys and the placing of stoves and pipes

Samuel T. Bullock — Josiah Simmons

Wards

The following persons are appointed a committee to take into consideration and report upon a new revision of the wards: viz:

| | |
|---|---|
| William C. Cotter | George T. Spicer |
| Silas A Sweet | Clinton D. Sellew |
| J. B. Barnaby | Lemuel Steere |
| Samuel L. Sprague | Elisha C. Arbour |
| Nicholas Van Slyck | |

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Ord 310.

Resolved: —

Orms st

That the Highway commissioners be hereby directed to cause the curbing to be set and the gutters paved on Orms Street, from State Street to the North Providence line

Passed In Board of Aldermen November 18. 1872
In Common Council December 10. 1872.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Monthly Reports of Chief Engineer

The Chief Engineer of the Fire Department makes his Monthly Reports.

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 311. | Ord 311. | Month ending Oct 31. 1872. | Expended for Salaries | $ 2063.20. | Incidentals $1153.27 Total $ 3716.47 |
| 312. | 312. | " " Nov 30. 1872 | " " " | 1979.87 | " 365.62 " 2345.49 |

Read whereupon it is ordered that the same be received
Passed In Common Council December 10. 1872

In Board of Aldermen December 13. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

No 313

City Treasurer's Report of Registered Bonds

The City Treasurer makes report that during the past three months there have been surrendered to him four coupon bonds due Sept. 1885 for which he has issued four registered bonds of $1000. each
Read whereupon it is ordered that the same be received
Passed in Common Council December 10. 1872
In Board of Aldermen December 13. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

Semi Annual Report of Overseer of the Poor

Semi Annual Report of Overseer of Poor

The City of Providence
Office of the Overseer of the Poor Dec 9. 1872

To the Hon the City Council of the City of Providence
Gentlemen

The undersigned respectfully submits his semi-annual report as follows: In the six months ending Nov 30. 1872. 627 orders were given to 152 families as follows

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| For groceries on | 342 | amounting to $ 618.89 |
| Cash | 85 | amounting to 2757.99 |
| Amounting in the whole to | | $ 3376.88 |

Amount paid by the City Treasurer $ 2092.10.
Of the orders for supplies 90 were by order of the Board of Aldermen 186 by his Honor the Mayor and 206 by myself
Of the cash orders 41 were by order of the Board of Aldermen and amounting to $ 2299.12
414 by myself amounting to 458.87
Whole amount $ 2757.99
Respectfully submitted
Geo W. Hightman Overseer of the Poor

Read whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received,
Passed In Common Council December 10. 1872
In Board of Aldermen December 13. 1872
Approved the same day Thomas A. Doyle Mayor



No 315.

Appropriation for Sewers

Resolved:—

That the sum of fifty thousand dollars, be and the same is hereby added to the appropriation for sewers, and that the City Treasurer, acting under the advice and direction of the committee on finance, is hereby authorized to hire the same.
Passed December 10. 1872 In Common Council
December 13 1872 In Board of Aldermen
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

No 316.

Land for use of Fire Department

Resolved:—

That the joint standing committee on city property be hereby authorized and directed to purchase, for the use of the fire department, two certain lots of land containing about 7850 square feet; situated on the south west corner of Bromfield and Sprague Street in the ninth ward, at an expense not exceeding twenty nine hundred and fifty dollars ($2950); the same to be charged to the appropriation for the fire department; provided, that a deed satisfactory to the City Solicitor be first obtained
Passed In Common Council December 10. 1872.
In Board of Aldermen December 13. 1872.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

No 317.

Roger Williams Monument

Resolved:—

That the joint special committee on the Roger Williams Park be and they are hereby instructed to examine the various plans and estimates for a monument to the memory of Roger Williams, which have been presented and report upon the same at an early day.
Passed In Common Council December 10. 1872.
In Board of Aldermen December 13. 1872.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

No 318.
Conduct of Constables

Resolved: —

That the joint standing committee on police be hereby instructed to inquire into and report upon any disorderly or improper conduct on the part of any person filling the office of constable in the City of Providence, together with such actions as they may recommend in reference to the same

Passed in Common Council December 10. 1872
In Board of Aldermen December 13. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 319.

Whereas, the commissioners of estimate and assessment appointed by the Supreme Court at the March term 1872, to lay out and widen Mawney Street from Power Street to Pike Street under and pursuant to the act entitled "An act in relation to the laying out, enlarging, straightening or otherwise altering Streets in the City of Providence," have filed their report to said Court on Monday October 14. 1872: now therefore, within sixty days after the making of said report to said Court:

Mawney Street

Resolved: —

That the City Council do not elect to make said improvement.

Passed in Common Council December 10. 1872
In Board of Aldermen December 13. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 320.

Resolved: —

Lippitt street

That in the opinion of the City Council it is desirable and necessary to lay out Lippitt Street forty five feet wide, from East avenue to Randall street; commencing for the Southerly line, on East avenue in range with a line three and one half feet southerly from and parallel with the Southerly line of Lippitt street, between Dwight street and Camp Street; thence in said line to Camp street, thence following the lines of Lippitt street west of Camp street to Riley street; thence to North Main street and thence to Randall street, and marking the south easterly corner of Chester and Randall streets, the south easterly corner of Randall and Lippitt Streets; and whereas, certain real estate



320 will be required for that purpose:

Resolved:

That the City Solicitor be hereby directed to make application to the Supreme Court of this State for the appointment of commissioners of estimate and assessment under and according to the act entitled "An act in relation to the laying out, enlarging, straightening and otherwise altering streets in the City of Providence," and the City Council hereby direct, that in said application, the City Solicitor shall make application that said commissioners shall apportion and assess three fourths of the loss and damage thereof upon the persons and estates benefitted thereby, in the ratio of the benefits conferred.

Resolved:

That the City Clerk be hereby directed to give notice of such application as soon as he shall be informed thereof by the City Solicitor, according to the direction and in the manner required by said act.

Passed in Common Council December 10. 1872
In Board of Aldermen December 13. 1872
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 321.

North Main Mill & Charles streets

Resolved: —

That in the opinion of the City Council it is desirable and necessary to lay out and widen North Main, Mill and Charles streets, from Smith street to Stevens street, by the following described lines: viz:

Beginning for the westerly line of North Main and Mill streets at the south westerly corner of Smith and North Main streets; thence in direct line to the northeasterly corner of the Fletcher Manufacturing Company's office building. The easterly line of said Mill streets from Bath street to Charles street to be parallel with and fifty feet from the above described line. Then beginning for Charles street at the intersection with said easterly line and following the easterly line of Charles street to a point near the northerly side of Orms street; from thence a direct line to Stevens street being parallel with and fifty feet from the present westerly line of Charles street north of Orms street. The westerly line of Charles street to be parallel with and fifty feet from the above described easterly line from the intersection of Mill street before reopened to, northerly to Stevens street. The line from opposite said intersection southerly to be in direct range with that portion of the proposed line adjoin-

331. ing on the north and following said range to its intersection with the present westerly line of Thawles streets.

And whereas, certain real estate will be required for that purpose,

Resolved: —

That the City Solicitor be hereby directed to make application to the Supreme Court of this state for the appointment of commissioners of estimate and assessment under and according to the act entitled "An act in relation to the laying out, enlarging, straightening and otherwise altering streets in the City of Providence", and the City Council hereby direct that in said application the City Solicitor shall make application that said commissioners shall apportion and assess three fourths of the loss and damage thereof upon the persons and estates benefitted thereby in the ratio of the benefits conferred.

Resolved —

That the City Clerk be hereby directed to give notice of such application as soon as he shall be informed thereof by the City Solicitor, according to the direction and in the manner required by said act.

Passed In Common Council December 10. 1872

In Board of Aldermen December 13. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 352.

James Jefferson

Resolved: —

That the City Treasurer be and hereby is directed to pay to James Jefferson the sum of ten dollars, in full for damages sustained by him by reason of the flooding of his premises in the basement of that theer building on the occasion of the trial of Fireworks, December 23. 1872; to be paid from the appropriation for contingencies whenever he shall give a receipt therefor satisfactory to the City Solicitor

Passed In Common Council December 10. 1872.

In Board of Aldermen December 13. 1872.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 353.

Tax of Mary E Rhodes

Resolved: —

That the City Treasurer be and hereby is directed to remit or if already paid, to refund to Mary E. Rhodes of New York the sum



of one hundred forty three dollars and ten cents, being the amount of tax on personal property erroneously assessed against her.

Passed in Common Council December 10. 1872.

In Board of Aldermen December 13. 1872.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 354.

Tax of Cornelius A. Rhodes

Resolved —

That the City Treasurer be and hereby is directed to remit or if already paid to refund to Cornelius A. Rhodes of New York, the sum of one hundred forty three dollars and ten cents; being the amount of tax on personal property erroneously assessed against her

Passed In Common Council December 10. 1872.

In Board of Aldermen December 13. 1872.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 355.

Tax of Emma A. Rhodes

Resolved: —

That the City Treasurer be and hereby is directed to remit or if already paid, to refund to Emma A. Rhodes of New York, the sum of one hundred and fifty five dollars and twenty five cents, the amount of tax on personal property erroneously assessed against her.

Passed In Common Council December 10. 1872

In Board of Aldermen December 13. 1872.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 356.

Tax of Wallace E. Rhodes

Resolved: —

That the City Treasurer be and hereby is directed to remit, or if already paid to refund, to Wallace E. Rhodes of New York, the sum of one hundred sixty two dollars, the amount of tax on personal property erroneously assessed against him

Passed In Common Council December 10. 1872

In Board of Aldermen December 13. 1872.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

Buildings Moved

Resolved:-

That permission be granted to the following named persons to move certain wooden buildings pursuant to their several petitions. provided that all damage done to the telegraph wires thereby be repaired at the expense of the petitioners: viz:

Francis Brown

John Hawkins

Passed in Common Council December 10. 1872

In Board of Aldermen December 13. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

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Buildings Erected

Resolved: —

That permission be granted to the following named persons to erect certain buildings, located as follows, pursuant to their several petitions viz:

S. 3rd & 5th. Mary Conners corner of Stormont and Iver street

Daniel R. Hawes Swanne Streets

Passed in Common Council December 10. 1872.

In Board of Aldermen December 13. 1872.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 331. Tax of John R. Dean

Resolved: —

That the City Treasurer be and hereby is directed to remit or if already paid to refund, to Lucy L. Dean of Plainfield Conn. Administratrix on the estate of her husband, John R. Dean, late of said Plainfield, deceased, the sum of forty three dollars and twenty cents. ($43.20) the amount of a tax erroneously assessed against her said husband

Passed in Common Council December 10. 1872

In Board of Aldermen December 24. 1872

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle mayor.

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No 332. Roger Williams Park

Resolved:-

That the Highway commissioners be and they are hereby directed to cause the street sweepings now deposited on the cove lands to be moved to the Roger Williams Parks, the expense thereof to be charged to the appropriation for public grounds

Passed in Board of Aldermen October 2. 1872

In Common Council January 13. 1873.

Approved the same day

Thomas N. Doyle Mayor

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No 334. Market

Resolved —

That Aldermen Sharpe and Sprague with Messrs Van Slyck, Mathewson, Carpenter A. H. Fuller & Asa Sands be duly appointed a committee to ascertain and report upon what terms the R.I.C. & the several wharves upon both sides of Providence river, between Westminster bridge and a line drawn across said river in continuation of the southerly line of Crawford Street, will sell their respective wharf estates for the purpose of constructing a bridge over a public market building one story high, over the river between said points.

Passed in Board of Aldermen December 13. 1872

In Common Council January 13 1873.

Approved the same day

Thomas N. Doyle Mayor

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No 335 A. & W. Sprague Market

The joint special committee to whom on the 25th of November last was referred a petition of A. & W. Sprague and others for the erection of a public market over the water south of Weybosset bridge, make report.

Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed in Board of Aldermen December 13. 1872

In Common Council January 13. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

See printed report in "Resolutions of City Council"

No 32

Quarterly Report of Water Commissioners

The Water Commissioners present their thirteenth quarterly report for the quarter ending January 1. 1873.

(City Document No 47.)

Read whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed in Board of Aldermen January 6. 1873

In Common Council January 13. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Joint Special Committee to take into consideration & report upon the proper method of laying out & opening streets through the West Burying Ground

The joint special committee appointed January 28. 1870 to take into consideration and report upon the proper method of laying out and opening streets through the West Burying Ground present their report accompanied by a map.

(See City Document No 33.)

Read whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed in Board of Aldermen January 6. 1873

In Common Council January 13. 1873.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Ordered. —

That the Highway Commissioners be hereby directed to cause curb stone to be set and the gutters paved on Fifth Street, between Chestnut Street and Niagara Street

Passed in Board of Aldermen January 6. 1873.

In Common Council January 13. 1873.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Ordered: —

Police pay

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to pay James McCready a fireman who has been appointed but not confirmed, the sum of eighty five dollars and twenty five cents for duty performed in December last.

Passed in Board of Aldermen January 6. 1873.

In Common Council January 13. 1873.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor



Message from the Mayor.

No 339

Message

Fire Department

Hydrant Test

Water Works

Mayor's Office City of Providence

December 21. 1872

Gentlemen of the City Council

So many statements were made in the public papers of this city as to the management of the fire department at the burning of the church on Manis avenue on Sunday first instant, by which it appeared that the steam fire engines were not used when they should have been, and that in consequence thereof the church was destroyed, I deemed it proper to ascertain the facts in the case, and therefore requested the Chief Engineer of the fire department to furnish me with information on the subject. A copy of my letter to him and his answer to the same I transmit herewith.

In order that I might be able to contrast the serviceability of our water works for the extinguishment of fires with the facilities in the City of Boston, I requested the Water Commissioners to give me such facts in relation thereto as were at their command, and also such suggestions in relation to the recent experiment test, as they deemed proper to communicate. In answer to my request I have received from them their report on the subject from the City Engineer, which and as the information therein is in my judgment of sufficient importance to be spread upon the records I transmit the same herewith together with my letter to the commissioners and remain respectfully

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

Read in Board of Aldermen December 21. 1872

In Common Council January 13. 1873.

(Printed with accompanying papers in City Document No 51.)

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No 340

Monthly Reports City Treasurer

The City Treasurer makes his Monthly Report for the month ending November 30. 1872

Read whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed in Common Council January 13. 1873

In Board of Aldermen January 13. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

Monthly Report City Treasurer

The City Treasurer makes his Monthly Report for the month ending December 31. 1872

Read, whereupon it is ordered that the same be received
Passed In Common Council January 13. 1873.
In Board of Aldermen January 15. 1873.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Report of City Treasurer Issues & payments of City Debt

The City Treasurer makes his report of issues and payments of the City Debt since September 1. 1872

| | |
|---|---|
| Amount of Notes issued | $401.000 |
| Amount of Notes paid | 375.000 |

Read whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.
Passed In Common Council January 13. 1873.
In Board of Aldermen January 15. 1873.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Directors Report Highway Commrs

The Highway Commissioners present their Directors Report for the year ending December 31. 1873 (City Document No 30)
Read whereupon it is ordered that the same be received
Passed In Common Council January 13. 1873
In Board of Aldermen January 15, 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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## Report of Sinking Found of 1876.

Report of Sinking Found of 1876.

To the Honorable City Council

The Trustees of the Sinking Found to redeem city bonds due in 1876. respectfully report that the following is the statement of the funds held by the trustees of the sinking found for the redemption of the bonds of the City of Providence payable in 1876. issued to the Hartford Providence and Fishkill Railroad Company

| | |
|---|---|
| 5 Registered Bonds City of Providence 5 per cent payable 1893. | $38.000.00 |
| 7 Registered Bonds, City of Providence 6 per cent payable 1876. | 93.000.00 |
| 5 Bonds (Coupons) State of Rhode Island 6 per cent | 5.000.00 |
| Note City of Providence at 6 per cent | 7.000.00 |
| Cash in National Bank of Commerce | 11.16 |
| | $133.011.16 |

Coupons of 1858 unpaid

N. C. Barstow, Benjamin Tripp } Trustees Sinking Fund City of Providence Bonds 1876.

Providence Nov 26. 1872

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Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received
Passed In Common Council January 13. 1873.
In Board of Aldermen January 15. 1873.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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## Report of Sinking Found of 1885.

Report of Sinking Found of 1885.

To the Hon City Council of the City of Providence

The undersigned Trustees of the Sinking Found for the redemption of the city bonds payable in 1885, respectfully report that at the request of the City auditor and with him they have this day examined the bonds, securities and funds under their charge and report them as follows, viz:

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|---|---|
| Seventeen City of Providence registered six per cent bonds payable in 1885. Coupons in March & Sept. | $127.000.00 |
| Twelve City of Providence registered five per cent bonds payable in 1893 Coupons in Jan & July | 104.000.00 |
| Seven City of Providence registered six per cent bonds payable in 1876 Coupons in Jan & July | 24.000.00 |
| Twenty one State of Rhode Island six per cent bonds payable in 1893 coupons in Jan & July, Mar & Sept. April & Oct. | 21.000.00 |
| Three United States registered six per cent currency bonds payable in 1898. Coupons Jan & July | 16.000.00 |
| Ten U. S. 10.40 bonds $1000. each gold coupons March & Sept | 10.000.00 |
| City of Providence Note No 463 dated Septem 2. 1872 | |

payable March 2. 1873 at six per cent for 13.000.00
City of Providence Note No 468 dated Oct 15 1870
payable March 2. 1873 at seven per cent. 10.000.00
Cash in National Bank of Commerce Prov. 676.69
Total amount December 31. 1872 $ 325.676.69

The funds as reported in January 1872 gave an increase of $ 29.041.82. The present report gives an increase of $ 23.634.87. If the January 1873 interest had been added to this present increase, the balance would have been $28.381.56 the January interest amounting to $ 4670.00

The trustees again ask the acceptance of the resignation tendered by them in only last year which has not been withdrawn, simply deferred, at the request of your honorable body but respectfully urged at this time.

In closing their report, your trustees take pleasure in acknowledging the prompt, valuable gratuitous services of Hon. Gilbert Hagan, and the courtesy of the National Bank of Commerce in the collection and disbursements of the city and other funds

Providence December 31. 1872

Henry Anthony } Trustees of the Soldiers
Elisha Dyer } Home of 1885.

Read. whereupon it is ordered that the same be received
Passed in Common Council January 13. 1873
In Board of Aldermen January 15. 1873.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Report of Prov. Reform School

The Trustees of the Providence Reform School present their twenty second annual report.

Read: whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received and that one thousand copies thereof be printed in pamphlet form for the use of the City Council

Passed in Common Council January 13. 1873.
In Board of Aldermen January 15, 1873.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor
(See City Document No 55.)



Annual Report of City Engineer

The City Engineer makes his Annual Report for the year ending December 31. 1872

Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received and printed in pamphlet form for the use of the City Council

Passed in Common Council January 13. 1873
In Board of Aldermen January 15. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor
(City Document No 54)

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Report of Cove Land Commissioners

## Report of the Cove Land Commissioners

To the Honorable City Council of the City of Providence

The Commissioners of the Cove Lands, in accordance with a resolution of the City Council approved November 6. 1872 make this report

The commissioners have approved a plan which contemplates the concentration in the Woonasquatucket valley of all the passenger and freight business of the several railroad companies now using the cove lands for railroad purposes. The chief features of this plan are first a change in the location of the tracks of the Providence and Worcester and Boston and Providence railroads South of Branch bridge, so called so that these roads will enter the city at a point about five hundred feet east of the Rhode Island Locomotive Works. Their present location is to be abandoned as such. Second. The erection of a passenger station sufficiently commodious to furnish each railroad with two tracks for their own purposes, with ample waiting rooms and offices for all the companies. All the tracks in the building to be parallel with each other. Third. The erection of four freight stations, two on either side of the passenger station. Fourth. The preservation of the cove basin with but a slight reduction in size, made for the purpose of widening the present cove promenade. The earth dredged from the basin to be used for this enlargement; and Fifth. The abandonment by the railroad companies of all the lands and buildings now used by them.

The plan prepared for the commissioners by S. B. Cushing Esq. has been submitted to the representatives of the various railroads using the cove lands, and lithographic copies thereof will be furnished to them at an early date. As soon as this is done, the commissioners will be ready

to confer with committees from the several railroad companies in order to arrive at a definite arrangement, to be submitted to your Honorable body. The plans referred to has been placed in the chamber of the Common Council for the inspection of the members of both branches of the City Council

The whole amount expended by the commissioners up to the date of this report, has been as follows

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|---|---|
| For Salary of Engineer | $ 2500.00 |
| Salary of Clerk | 300.00 |
| Rent of Offices | 750.00 |
| Office expenses, including fuel, lights, care of rooms, furniture, stationery, lithographing and miscellaneous matters | 889.14 |
| Total expenditure | $ 4639.14 |

Respectfully submitted, by order of the commissioners

Thomas N. Doyle Chairman

Providence January 13. 1873.

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Read. Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received
Passed in Common Council January 13. 1873
In Board of Aldermen January 15. 1873.
Approved the same day
Thomas N. Doyle Mayor

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Message from the Mayor

Message of the Mayor

Mayor's Office City of Providence
January 13. 1873

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

Appropriation for Dexter Asylum

I am directed by the board of aldermen, to request that an additional appropriation of thirty five hundred dollars be made for the "Asylum walls and buildings." the appropriation of five thousand dollars made for that account for the current fiscal year, having been exhausted. The cost of introducing water into the asylum buildings and premises, having been the cause of the unusual expenditure already made.

Thomas N. Doyle Mayor

Read In Common Council January 13. 1873,
In Board of Aldermen January 15. 1873.



No 551.

Message from the Mayor

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Mayor's Office City of Providence January 13. 1873

Gentlemen of the City Council

Message of the Mayor.

Interest due by Hartford Pittsfield & Prov. R.R.

By a resolution of the City Council approved August 13. 1872, the trustees of the sinking funds to redeem the bonds of the Hartford. Providence and Fishkill Railroad company, were directed "to pay from the funds in their possession as such trustees, all interest warrants due upon the bonds of the city issued to said company, which have not been paid by said company or by money furnished by said company." No action has been taken under the resolution by the trustees, and as the balance of interest received from the railroad company on the first instant is now in the city treasury, I recommend that the City Treasurer be directed to apply the same towards the payment of the outstanding coupons upon the bonds of said company now held by the city

Thomas N. Doyle Mayor

Read in Common Council January 13. 1873.
In Board of Aldermen January 15. 1873.

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No. 552

Resolved: —

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That the city treasurer is and he is hereby directed to apply the balance of interest received by him from the trustees of the Hartford Providence and Fishkill Railroad Company on the first instant, towards the prepayment of the outstanding coupons on the bonds of said railroad company held by the city.

Passed in Common Council January 13 1873
In Board of Aldermen January 15. 1873.
Approved the same day.
Thomas N. Doyle Mayor

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No. 553

Message from the Mayor

Message from Mayor

Mayor's Office City of Providence January 13. 1873

Trustees of Sinking Funds

Gentlemen of the City Council

I have heretofore called the attention of the City Council to the vacancies existing in the several boards of trustees of the various

sinking funds belonging to the city, and to the difficulty of obtaining persons to accept positions on these boards. I now recommend that application be made to the General Assembly at its present session for authority for the City Council to create a permanent board of commissioners, who shall have the management of all sinking funds established for the redemption of any bonds issued by the city or for the payment of any note given by the city. and that this board be exempt from giving bonds for the performance of their duties

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

Read in Common Council January 13. 1873.
In Board of Aldermen January 15. 1873.

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Commissioners of Sinking Funds

Resolved:—

That the City Solicitor be hereby instructed to apply to the General Assembly, at its present session, for authority for the City Council to create a permanent board of commissioners to control and manage all sinking funds set apart for the redemption of any bonds heretofore issued by the city which have not matured, or any bonds which may hereafter be issued by the city, or for the payment of any note given by the city, and providing, that such commissioners shall not be required to give bond for the faithful performance of their duties

Passed in Common Council January 13. 1873
In Board of Aldermen January 15. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Land for Schools

Resolved —

That the City Solicitor be directed to make application to the General Assembly for the passage of an act authorizing the City Council of the City of Providence to condemn land for public school purposes; also to obtain the passage of an act regulating the storage, safe keeping and sale of fire works in the City of Providence

Passed in Common Council January 13. 1873
In Board of Aldermen January 15, 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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1350

Engine House on Squaw st

Resolved —

That the joint Standing committee on city property be hereby directed to cause to be erected upon the lot belonging to the city, corner of Riverside and Squaw streets a steam fire engine house; in accordance with the plans and specifications presented this day by the committee on the fire department.

Resolved: —

That the sum of six thousand dollars ($6000.) be hereby appropriated for the purpose of carrying the aforegoing resolution into effect: the same to be charged to the appropriation for the fire department.

Passed in Common Council January 13. 1873
In Board of Aldermen January 13. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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1355.

Tax abated
J. C. Arnold

Resolved —

That the City Treasurer be and hereby is directed to refund to Stephen C. Arnold the sum of fourteen dollars and eighty five cents ($14.85) being amount of tax erroneously assessed against him for the years 1871 and 1872.

Passed in Common Council January 13. 1873.
In Board of Aldermen January 15. 1873.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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1358.

Tax abated
Wm. Grosvenor jr.

Resolved:—

That the City Treasurer be and hereby is directed to remit, or if already paid to refund to William Grosvenor jr. the sum of twenty dollars and twenty five cents, ($20.25) being the amount of tax on personal property erroneously assessed against him

Passed in Common Council January 13. 1873
In Board of Aldermen January 15. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle
Mayor

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No 35.

Tax abated Ellen M. Glezen

Resolved —

That the City Treasurer be and hereby is directed to remit or if already paid to refund to Ellen M. Glezen the sum of one hundred sixty five dollars and thirty seven cents, ($165.37) being the amount of tax on twelve thousand two hundred and fifty dollars, ($12,250.) erroneously assessed against her

Passed In Common Council January 13. 1873.
In Board of Aldermen January 15. 1873.
Approved the same day
Thomas N. Doyle Mayor

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Tax abated Stephen Paine

Resolved —

That the City Treasurer be and hereby is directed to remit, or if already paid to refund to Stephen Paine the sum of fifty four dollars being the amount of tax on four thousand dollars ($4000.) erroneously assessed against him

Passed In Common Council January 13. 1873
In Board of Aldermen January 15. 1873.
Approved the same day
Thomas N. Doyle Mayor.

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No 36.

Nathan B. Norton

Resolved: —

That the City Treasurer be and hereby is directed to pay Nathan B. Norton the sum of eighty nine dollars and sixty seven cents ($89.67) in full for his claim for labor and materials furnished for fitting the vestry of the Valley church for an evening school; to be charged to the appropriation for public schools, whenever he shall give a receipt therefor satisfactory to the City Solicitor

Passed In Common Council January 13. 1873
In Board of Aldermen January 15. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas N. Doyle Mayor

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No 362.

Building raised Spencer Waters

Resolved:

That permission be granted to Spencer Waters to raise a certain building located at No Manning Street, pursuant to his petition



Passed In Common Council January 13. 1873
In Board of Aldermen January 15. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas N. Doyle Mayor

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No 365.

Building moved G. W. R. Rowe

Resolved: —

That permission be granted to George W. R. Rowe to move a certain wooden building pursuant to his petition, provided, that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby be repaired at the expense of the petitioner.

Resolved —

That the sum of five dollars be the amount designated to be paid for each day or part of a day said building shall occupy any public street of the city

Passed January 13. 1873 In Common Council
January 15. 1873 In Board of Aldermen
Approved the same day
Thomas N. Doyle Mayor

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In Convention January 20. 1873

The following City Officers are elected

| | |
|---|---|
| City Engineer | Chester E. Paine |
| Superintendent of Public Buildings | Charles Slade |
| Committee to Superintend the building of chimneys and placing of stove and flues - | Samuel H. Hutchins |
| Police Constables without power to serve civil process | |
| Thomas J. Waite | William H. Greene (3d) |
| Levi W. Smith | Hugh Hammill |

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Highway Commissioner

Gideon Bradford is elected by concurrent vote, on the 20th day of January 1873. Highway Commissioner for three years ensuing the first day of February A. D. 1873

No 364.

Stephen C. Arnold

*Resolved* —

That the city Treasurer be and hereby is directed to refund to Stephen C. Arnold the sum of nineteen dollars and ninety three cents ($19.93) being the amount paid by said Stephen C. Arnold for tax title to a portion of lot No 626 on assessor's plat No 48, for recording deed and for taxes on the same; said title proving defective for want of legal notice of sale

Passed In Board of Aldermen January 15, 1873.

In Common Council January 20. 1873.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 365.

Flag Staff

*Resolved*: —

That the joint committee on city property be hereby instructed to cause a vane and pointer to be placed upon the flag staff at the junction of High and Broad streets, if in their opinion the staff is sufficiently strong to support the same

Passed In Board of Aldermen January 15. 1873

In Common Council January 20. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 366.

Annual Report of Commissioners of North Burying Ground

*Annual Report of the Commissioners of the North Burying Ground*

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

The Commissioners of the North Burial Ground, make this their annual Report of the receipts and expenditures for the year ending December 31. 1872.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Balance in City Treasury Jan 1. 1872 | | 318.31 |
| *Receipts* | | |
| Received for sales 102 burial lots | $6397.85 | |
| Do " rents of buildings | 1158.00 | |
| Do " Do of tomb | 147.76 | |
| Do " interments | 877.72 | |
| Do " improvements on lots | 453.30 | 9034.83 |
| Inventory of property on hand enclosed | | 694.00 |
| | | $ 10.047.14 |



*Expenditures*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Paid labor for grading & for cleaning avenues & paths | 32.03.42 | |
| " labor on lots preparing them for sale, also for setting curbing on proprietors' lots | 1199.80 | |
| " labor for interments | 815.83 | |
| " for horse feed | 286.24 | |
| " Salaries of Superintendent & Treasurer | 1800.00 | |
| " police $25. tools &c $63.49 | 90.49 | |
| " for brick, cement &c | 271.67 | |
| " " labor, repairing buildings | 37.96 | |
| " " Surveying | 28.80 | |
| " " one lot to open avenue | 30.00 | 7784.21 |
| Balance on hand, being one quarter of gross income from sales of lots, rents &c to be applied to sinking fund North Burial Ground: viz | | |
| Income $9034.83. one quarter is | 2258.70 | |
| Balance in City Treasury | 4.23 | 2262.93 |
| | | $ 10.047.14 |

Dividend January 1873

Respectfully submitted

Wm Earle for the Commissioners

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Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be Received

Passed In Board of Aldermen January 15. 1873

In Common Council January 20. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 367.

Friends Yearly Meeting

Thayer st.

*Report*

To the Hon city Council of the City of Providence

The special committee appointed by the City Council on the 8th day of July last "with full power in their discretion, to adjust and settle the claims of the Friends' Yearly Meeting, for damages sustained by them in the extension and opening of Thayer street," ask leave to report that after repeated conferences with the committee of the Friends, your committee have effected a settlement of this claim by paying the Friends Yearly Meeting seven thousand five hundred dollars, a proper receipt

for which payment is now on file in the City Auditor's office
Respectfully submitted
Amos M. Snow for the committee

Read, whereupon it is ordered that the same be received
Passed in Board of Aldermen January 15, 1873
In Common Council January 20, 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

Message from the Mayor

Mayor's office City of Providence January 20. 1873

Gentlemen of the City Council

With the growth of a city its municipal affairs increase in importance, and demand from those connected with their management more careful consideration. Determining the sums to be raised by taxation is perhaps the most important matter brought to the attention of the city council. The subdivides of expenditures to be made during the ensuing financial year should be carefully scrutinized in order that the tax to be levied may afford ample means to properly meet the wants of the various departments, and at the same time, cover any increased demand arising from the ordinary growth of the city, while it should not be so large as to encourage unnecessary appropriations for measures of doubtful expediency, or leave a large balance in the treasury at the close of the fiscal year.

Under the present organization of our city government the annual tax ordinance cannot receive that consideration which should be bestowed upon it. The new government is inaugurated on the first Monday in June, many of its members may be entering for the first time upon the performance of any municipal duty. As soon as they have assumed their office they are called to consider the estimates for the next fiscal year, in order that the tax ordinance may be passed as early in July as possible so as to secure the collection of the tax by the first of December. The result is as I have already stated, that proper care cannot be bestowed upon it in the limited time afforded for its discussion. The tax bill is not however the only subject which suffers in consequence of this defect in our municipal organization. The evil is felt in all departments of the government. From the time of the municipal



Municipal Year

election in May until September, there is a disinclination on the part of the members of the City Council to attend its meetings. Business is hurried rapidly through to shorten the sessions, while committees are unable to obtain a quorum for the proper consideration of matters before them. The new members find it difficult to obtain any knowledge of the subjects they are called to vote upon, and so it may be said that not until after the expiration of three months does our city government fairly begin to move in proper order. The bad effects of this have long been apparent, but there has been an unwillingness to change the existing order of things. I think however, that the change should be made and cannot be done too quickly for the welfare of our city. I therefore recommend that an application be made to the general assembly, at its present session, for such an amendment to the city charter as will fix the municipal election in November and the organization of the government on the first Monday of January. If this change be made, the City Council will convene at a season of the year when the meetings will not be held irksome, when the members and their families are living in the city, and the affairs of the city will receive the care they deserve. Then the Summer vacation will work no injury to the municipality, for its affairs will have been placed in proper condition for it and may still move on without the jar in the machinery which now occurs. The government elected in May next and to be inaugurated in June may hold office until January next or the succeeding January, as may be deemed most expedient.

City Charter

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor
Read January 20. 1873

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Resolved —

That the City Solicitor be and he is hereby directed to apply to the General Assembly, at its present session, for such an amendment to the city charter as will change the date of the municipal election from the second Wednesday of May, to the third Wednesday of November annually; and the inauguration of the government from the first Monday in June to the first Monday in January of each year.

Municipal Year

City Charter

Passed January 20. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

Message from the Mayor

Message from the Mayor

Mayor's Office, City of Providence January 20. 1873

Gentlemen of the City Council

Bonds of Streets

The original papers and plats of the lay out of many of the streets in this city are badly worn and defaced and are rapidly becoming useless. I recommend that steps be immediately taken to preserve these valuable and highly important papers

In this connection, I desire to call your attention to the necessity which exists of a proper record of such streets as have been received and declared to be public highways. The completion of such a record with proper index will be of great value and increase in importance from year to year

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

Read January 20. 1873

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Resolved:—

That the special committee appointed September 9. 1872 to cause the indices of said records to be printed and the plats to be preserved, are hereby authorized and directed to cause all the records and plats of said and highways in the city to be copied into books to be prepared therefor, and said records and plats to be properly indexed.

Passed January 20. 1873.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Monthly Reports Chief of Fire Department

The Chief Engineer of the Fire Department makes his Monthly Report for the month ending December 31. 1872. Expended for Salaries $5483.37 for incidentals $2704.25 total $8187.62

Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed January 20. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Annual Report of City Treasurer

The City Treasurer makes his Annual Report for the financial year ending September 30. 1871.

(See Annual Report of City Auditor for 1871 page 37. City Document 44)



Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed January 20. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Broad Street

Resolved —

That in the opinion of the City Council, it is desirable and necessary to widen and straighten Broad Street from Public Street to Greenwich Street, of a uniform width of eighty feet by the following courses and distances: viz: beginning for the easterly line of said street, in the northerly line of Public Street at the termination of the easterly line of said Broad Street as recently widened south of Public Street thence northerly in a direct range with said easterly line about two thousand one hundred and fifty six feet (2156 ft.) to an angle near Friendship Street thence in the present easterly line of said Broad Street to the angle in said street near Greenwich Street.

And whereas certain real estate will be required for that purpose

Resolved —

That the City Solicitor be hereby directed to make application to the Supreme Court of this State for the appointment of commissioners of estimate and assessment under and according to the act entitled "An act in relation to the laying out, enlarging, straightening and otherwise altering streets in the City of Providence"; and the City Council hereby direct that in said application the City Solicitor shall make application that said commissioners shall apportion and assess three fourths of the loss and damage money upon the persons and estates benefited thereby in the ratio of the benefits conferred

Resolved —

That the City Clerk be hereby directed to give notice of such application as soon as he shall be informed thereof by the City Solicitor, according to the direction and in the manner required by said act

Passed January 20. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Resolved: —

That the City Solicitor is hereby authorized to assent to the amendment of the report of the commissioners of estimate and assess-

Stephen C Arnold

Summer street

ment upon Summer street, made to the Supreme Court at the March term A.D. 1871 by increasing the award to Stephen C Arnold from twelve hundred and sixty three dollars ($1263.) to fifteen hundred dollars ($1500) and that said amount be payable forthwith

Passed January 20. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Geo Stephenson

Resolved:—

That the City Solicitor is hereby authorized to assent to the amendment of the report of the commissioners of estimate and assessment on Summer street made to the Supreme Court at the March term A.D. 1871, by increasing the award to George Stephenson, from six hundred and six dollars, ($606.) to seven hundred and twenty five dollars, ($725.) and that said amount be payable forthwith

Passed January 20. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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John Forster

Resolved —

That the City Treasurer be and hereby is directed to refund to John Forster the sum of twenty three dollars ($23.50) and fifty cents: the same having been erroneously charged against him in bill for curbing sidewalk adjacent to his premises on the corner of Penn and Airey streets, and paid by him.

Passed January 20. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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School Houses on Point & Hope Streets

Resolved

That Eqias B. Manchester, Josiah H. Gilmore and Spencer F. Read, be and they are hereby appointed commissioners to build, and are hereby authorized and empowered to build, a grammar school building, upon the lot purchased for that purpose, on the corner of Point and Hope streets; in accordance with the plans and elevations recommended by the committee on Education and presented with their report.



Resolved —

That said commissioners shall each receive compensation at the rate of one thousand dollars per annum, payable quarterly, and shall make a quarterly report of their doings, which report shall contain a detailed statement of all receipts and disbursements by them received or disbursed during said quarter. Provided that no commission shall be paid to any architect employed by said commissioners for plans or superintendence.

Resolved:—

That said commissioners be hereby directed to report to the City Council, the best plans, in their opinion, for lighting, ventilating and heating said building

Passed January 20. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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School Houses on Point & Hope Streets

Appropriation

Resolved —

That the sum of thirty thousand dollars, ($30000) be and the same is hereby appropriated to the commissioners on building the grammar school building on the lot at the corner of Point and Hope Streets, to be by them used toward the erection of said building, and to be charged to the appropriations for school houses and lots.

Passed to a common Council January 13. 1873

In Board of Aldermen January 20. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Message from Mayor

Message from the Mayor

Mayor's Office City of Providence

January 20. 1873

Gentlemen of the City Council

Sewer in Brook st

Brook st District

Brook street is the nearest outlet for the drainage of that portion of the city between Prospect street and Hope street. The construction of the main sewer for that district, already ordered by the City Council involves the opening of Brook street as already laid out through what is known as Fox Point Hill. To accomplish this, an

excavations of twenty feet in depth will be necessary, subjecting the city to heavy damages therefor and rendering necessary a change of grades in other streets in that vicinity. It would seem advisable, under the circumstances, that the city should obtain from the General Assembly authority to re-grade the entire district lying between the harbor and Traverse street on the west, Mckenzie and Power streets on the North and Seekonk river on the east, and to lay the streets therein

With this authority power should also be obtained to purchase or take any estates which may be necessary to accomplish the purposes of the act

I recommend that a special committee be appointed by the City Council, to take this whole matter into consideration and report thereon as soon as may be

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

Read January 29, 1873.

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Resolved —

That the Message of the Mayor in relation to recently grading the Brook street district, be referred to Aldermen Foot and Ewell, with Messrs Case, A. S. Collyer jr. and Sellew of the Common Council to examine and report thereon

Passed January 29, 1873.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Message from the Mayor

Mayor's Office City of Providence
January 29, 1873.

Gentlemen of the City Council

I have received from Messrs Albert Dailey & Co a communication in relation to injury sustained by them in consequence of the filling of the Lorraine street drain by the sewage from the sewer on that street

I transmit their communication herewith and suggest its reference to a committee of the City Council to examine and report thereon

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

Read January 29, 1873.

(For communication of Messrs Dailey & Co see printed Resolutions)



1873. Resolved.

A. Dailey & Co Lorraine St Drain That the Message of the Mayor in relation to the claim of Messrs Albert Dailey & Co, for damages sustained by the filling up of the drain at Lorraine street, be referred to Aldermen Spencer and Sprague, with Messrs Fisher, Rickard and Carpenter of the Common Council, to examine and report thereon

Passed January 29, 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Message from the Mayor

Message from Mayor. Mayor's Office City of Providence
January 29, 1873

Gentlemen of the City Council

I have received notice from the executor of the will of John Train, late of Smithfield deceased that he bequeaths by his will to Providence the sum of two hundred dollars to the city, the interest income to be applied to keeping in order lot No 32 in the North Burying Ground Monument in the centre of Academy Training. I recommend that the bequest be accepted by the City Councils.

John Train No 2 rounds

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

Read January 29, 1873

(For notice of executor, see printed resolutions)

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1873.

Resolved: —

That the Message of the Mayor in relation to the bequest of John Train of $200. to the city, in trust, the income to be applied to the care of the lot of Academy Training in the North Burying, be referred to the joint committee on the North Burying Ground, to examine and report thereon.

To Passed January 29, 1873.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

Hope Street

Whereas: the commissioners of estimate and assessment appointed by the Supreme court at the March term 1872, to widen and straighten Hope street under and pursuant to the act entitled "An act in relation to the laying out enlarging straightening or otherwise altering streets in the City of Providence." made their first report to said court on Tuesday December 3. 1872: now therefor, within sixty days after the making of said report to said court;

Resolved

That the City Council do not not to make said improvement.

Passed January 29. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Resolved:—

That in the opinion of the City Council it is desirable and necessary to widen and straighten Hope Street in said city as follows: beginning for the easterly end at the northeasterly corner of the House belonging to Patrick A. Dwyer in the westerly line of said Hope Sreet as to point one hundred and five feet northerly from the northerly line of Cross Street; thence in a direct line northerly at an angle as a point in the northerly line of Power Street nine and fifty five hundredths feet easterly from the present easterly line of said Hope Street; thence in a direct line to an angle at the present southerly line of Young Orchard avenue, so called ninety four hundredths feet easterly from the present easterly line of Hope street, thence in the present easterly line of Hope Sreet to the centre line of Benevolent Street; thence in a direct line to an angle at the centre line of George Street and at the present easterly line of Hope street; thence in the present easterly line of Hope Sreet to the southerly line of Angell Street; thence across Angell Street to a point in the northerly line thereof, four and six tenths feet easterly of the present easterly line of Hope street; thence in a direct line to an angle at the range of the northerly line of Bowen Street, passing through a point four and fifty eight hundredths feet easterly of the southwesterly corner on Hope Street of the Dexter Asylum estate; thence in a direct line to a point fifty feet (measuring on said line) from the easterly line of Thayer Sreet passing through a point twenty nine and twenty four hundredths feet easterly of the angle in the present westerly line of Hope street opposite the house of Patrick O'Connor; thence to said easterly line of Thayer Sreet in a curve of the radius of two hundred and five and sixty three hundredths feet. And for the westerly line of said Hope Street a line fifty feet westerly from and parallel with the above described easterly line from said point of beginning to Warren Street. And



387 Hope Street

whereas certain real estate will be required for that purpose,

Resolved:

That the City Solicitor be hereby directed to make application to the Supreme Court of this State for the appointment of commissioners of estimate and assessment under and according to the act entitled "An act in relation to the laying out, enlarging, straightening and otherwise altering streets in the City of Providence", and the City Council hereby direct that in said application the City Solicitor shall make application that said commissioners shall apportion and assess three fourths of the loss and damage merely upon the persons and estates benefited merely in the rates of the benefits conferred.

Resolved:

That the City Clerk be hereby directed to give notice of such application as soon as he is informed thereof by the City Solicitor according to the direction and in the manner required by said act.

Passed January 29. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Resolved:—

Dennison St. That the Board of Aldermen are hereby requested to lay out Dennison Street, from Power Street to the bridge over the railroad of the Providence and Worcester Railroad Company, of a width of not less than fifty feet.

Passed January 29. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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1359

Resolved:—

North Laune That the Board of Aldermen be hereby requested to lay out North Laune, from North Main Street to Power Street.

Passed January 29 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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1360

Resolved:—

Do That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to pay to Bernard McGuinness McGuinness, ninety nine dollars and eighty cents, being the sum ad-

transfered by him for the payment of the price of land conveyed to the City on Rush Lane by the Franklin Foundry and Machine Company and Allen's Print Works: the same to be charged to the appropriation for highways

Passed January 29, 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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O.R.391.

Michael Montague

Resolved: —

That the City Treasurer be and hereby is directed to pay Michael Montague the sum of two hundred dollars, ($200) whenever he shall present a receipt therefor satisfactory to the City Solicitor, in full for damages sustained by him from overflow of the sewer in Wickenden Street: to be charged to the appropriation for contingencies

Passed in Common Council January 20, 1873

In Board of Aldermen February 3. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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O.R.392.

Appropriation transferred

Resolved: —

That the sum of twenty five hundred dollars be and the same is hereby transferred from the reserved fund to the appropriation for Asylum walls and buildings

Passed In Common Council January 29, 1873.

In Board of Aldermen February 3. 1873.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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O.R.393.

Water Water Board

Message from the Mayor

Mayor's Office City of Providence February 3. 1873

Gentlemen of the City Council

The entire expense of the introduction of water into this city prior to the issue of the water loan was defrayed from the city treasury and a large sum of money was hired to meet this expenditure, the interest on which has not been as yet paid to the treasury from the water loan. There were also expenses properly chargeable to the water loan but which were not contracted by the Water Commissioners and cannot be audited



by them.

Action on this matter is required by the City Council, and an appropriation should be made to meet the deficiency, in order that the proper transfer of the account may be made by the City Treasurer

An appropriation should also be made for the semi-annual interest due on the water loan January first last

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

Read in Board of Aldermen February 3. 1873

In Common Council February 10. 1873

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O.R.394.

Water Water Loan

Resolved: —

That the message of the Mayor in relation to the expenses of the introduction of water, be and is hereby referred to the joint committee on finance, to examine and report thereon

Passed In Board of Aldermen February 3. 1873.

In Common Council February 10. 1873.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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O.R.395.

Police pay

Resolved. —

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to pay to James McCready, a policeman who has been appointed but not confirmed, the sum of eighty five dollars and twenty five cents, for duty performed in January last.

Passed In Board of Aldermen February 3. 1873.

In Common Council February 10. 1873.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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O.R.396.

Roger Williams Park

Annexation of Cranston

Report on Roger Williams Park.

To the Hon the City Council of the City of Providence

The committee appointed by resolution of the City Council approved February 19, 1872 to procure proper plans for the lay out of Roger Williams Park, make this their report. —

The committee have been engaged in the performance of the duty assigned to them, but inasmuch as a portion of the land devised to the

city by Mrs Betsy Williams is situated in the town of Cranston, they deemed it inexpedient to complete any plans for the lay out of the park until after the General Assembly had passed upon the bills pending before them for the annexation to the city of that portion of the town of Cranston containing the lands in question, and such other estates as may be required for the proper lay out of the park

As the bills will come up for consideration at the present session of the General Assembly, your committee have thought it proper to remind your honorable body of the course pursued by the City of Providence and town of Cranston when that portion of Cranston embraced in what is now the ninth ward of this city was annexed to this city. At that time three commissioners were appointed by the city and three by the town, and these six elected a seventh commissioner as chairman of the board thus created. This board determined the lines of the territory to be annexed and all matters connected with or arising from the annexation

Your committee are of opinion that the same course should be pursued at the present time in reference to the territory now desired to be annexed to this city from the town of Cranston, and they therefore recommend that the city council request the town of Cranston to unite in the appointment of the required board of commissioners, by the passage of the resolution herewith submitted

Thomas A. Doyle Chairman

Providence February 10. 1873.

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Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received
Passed February 10. 1873.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Annexation of Cranston

Whereas, a bill is now pending before the general assembly of this State for the annexation of a portion of the town of Cranston to the City of Providence, and

Whereas, before action be had thereon by the general assembly, it is desirable and necessary that this city and said town shall fully consider the matter: therefore

Resolved: —

That three commissioners, who shall be tax payers and citizens of this city be appointed for the purpose,



1st, of preparing a map of the territory to be set off

2nd, of making a correct estimate of the value of the real estate contained therein and of the amount of taxable property of the inhabitants thereof

3rd, of the amount of public property belonging to said town in said portion and also of all public property belonging to the town in the portion not set off

4th, of the amount of indebtedness of the town justly belonging to the portion so set off, and of how much of the entire debt of the town should be assumed by said city, and

5th of examining and reporting upon all matters having upon said division of the town, which in the judgment of said commissioners it may be desirable and necessary to report upon

Resolved: —

That the town of Cranston be and they are hereby requested to appoint three citizens of said town as commissioners to confer with the commissioners appointed by this city in the matter embraced in the aforegoing resolutions

Resolved: —

That if commissioners be appointed by said town, they with those appointed by this city shall, if said town council assenting thereto, constitute a board who shall appoint an additional commissioner as chairman and the report of said board shall be submitted as soon as may be, to the city council of this city and the town council of said town

Resolved: —

That the city clerk be and he is hereby instructed to transmit an attested copy of the aforegoing resolutions, with the names of the commissioners this day appointed, to the president of the town council of the town of Cranston, with the request that he will communicate the same to the town council at an early day

Passed February 10. 1873

Approved the same day—

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Broad street

Report.

To the Hon the City Council

The undersigned who on the twenty fifth day of November 1872 were appointed a committee to confer with the parties who have claimed

a jury trial in the matter of the widening of Broad street, respectfully report, that the parties claim $ 9757.00 in additions to the amount awarded by the commissioners: viz: the Fuller heirs $ 1575.00 G.S. Owen $ 1480.00 Francis-Salsbury $ 3722.00

For the committee

L. Sharpe Chairman

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Read: whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received
Passed February 10. 1873
Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Report.

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To the Hon the City Council

The special committee appointed January 13. 1873 to ascertain upon what terms the owners of the several estates upon both sides of Providence river below Weybosset Bridge would sell their estates, beg leave to report that in pursuance to the resolution passed by the City Council they caused the owners of the estates upon South Water and Dyer Streets to be notified to appear before your committee, and that the representatives of owners and the greater part of the owners appeared when their attention was called to said resolution: that all expressed themselves in favor of the improvement but none, save two, were prepared to give figures. The assurance were however given by the others that no impediment would be placed in the way of the proposed improvement.

Your committee recommend that immediate steps be taken to condemn the lands necessary for public highways in said South Water and Dyer streets

For the committee

L. Sharpe Chairman

February 10. 1873.

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Read whereupon it is ordered that the same be received
Passed February 10. 1873
Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.



Monthly Report of Chief Engineer

The Chief Engineer of the Fire Department makes his Monthly Report for the month ending Jan 31. 1873. Expended for salaries 1963.21, incidental, including $ 15.511.48 for water rates $ 19.692.27 total $ 21.655.48

Read whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.
Passed February 10. 1873
Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Monthly Report of City Treasurer

The City Treasurer makes his monthly report for January 1873.
Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received
Passed February 10. 1873
Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Annual Report of City Treasurer

The City Treasurer makes his Annual Report for the financial year ending September 30. 1872

Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received
Passed February 10. 1873.
Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

( For Report See Annual Report of the City Auditor pages 36 &c )
( City Document No 48 )

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Annual Report of City Auditor

The City of Providence
City Auditors Office February 10. 1873

To the Hon City Council

The City Auditor in accordance with an ordinance approved Oct 12. 1868 herewith submits in print the Sixth Annual Report of the receipts and expenditures of the City of Providence for the fiscal year ending September 30. 1872. (See City Document No 48)

Respectfully submitted

James McCross City Auditor

Read whereupon it is ordered that the same be received
Passed February 10. 1873
Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

# Return of Lumber surveyed in the City of Providence

For the year ending February 3. 1873.

| | White pine boards planks & joists No 1 feet | White pine boards planks & joists No 2 feet | White pine boards planks & joists No 3 feet | White pine boards planks & joists No 4 feet | White pine boards planks & joists No 5 feet | White pine boards planks & joists No 6 feet | Spruce hemlock & hard pine boards planks & timber Merch feet | Spruce hemlock & hard pine boards planks & timber Refuse feet | Spruce boards planks joist & sawed timber Merch feet | Spruce boards planks joist & sawed timber Refuse feet | Hemlock boards planks joist & sawed timber Merch feet | Hemlock boards planks joist & sawed timber Refuse feet | White pine timber. Merch feet | White pine timber. Refuse feet |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Robert Manchester | 31.577 | 373.911 | 445.394 | 126.873 | 639.126 | 4206 | 339.106 | 124.364 | 1766.647 | 110831 | 765.087 | 89609 | | |
| Hallowell & Fletcher | 365 | 21.119 | 101.621 | 70.288 | 701.084 | 259.937 | 41336 | 41791 | 2369.328 | 517.995 | 603.521 | 117694 | | |
| Uriah Tillinghast | 915 | 3639 | 648 | 8.325 | 718.673 | 148.451 | 214.521 | 10227 | 2465.131 | 389.714 | 859.557 | 168141 | | |
| Joseph L. Robinson | 50.651 | 398.050 | 281.660 | 195.090 | 1199.756 | 103.936 | 91.355 | 22839 | 2766.34 | 571.339 | 607.043 | 116.982 | | |
| Edwards & Tree | | 211 | 292 | 8.324 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Smith Potter | | 145.869 | 168.945 | 44.784 | 236.138 | 179.777 | 374.344 | 44.214 | 1947.186 | 285.704 | 517.311 | 72.118 | | |
| Francis J. Arcaud | 6.110 | 18.345 | 26.038 | 37.756 | 263.221 | 8.314 | 3426.727 | 386.398 | 1200.215 | 192.766 | 348.629 | 95.015 | | |
| Oliver A. Mauchester | 25.733 | 118.368 | 98.126 | 30.749 | 3.8.836 | 9691 | 646.915 | 231.082 | 2458.480 | 208.888 | 454.276 | 14.391 | | |
| John F. Winchip | 21.747 | 140.547 | 141.133 | 101.464 | 439.944 | 37.802 | 795.829 | 278.260 | 2772.811 | 421.634 | 950.265 | 191.288 | | |
| Henry A. Grimwood | 24.749 | 36.287 | 100.851 | 84.944 | 308.945 | 905 | 818.344 | 89.985 | 2121.822 | 285.050 | 1154.662 | 82.784 | | |
| Ezekiel A. Jillson | 1368 | 140.329 | 90.871 | 139.52 | 66.471 | 934 | 35.793 | 306 | 158.937 | 11216 | | | | |
| Special Deputies | | | 61.005 | | 135.457 | 1457 | 239.016 | 28870 | 824.084 | 107681 | 498.052 | 35.393 | | |
| Total | 195.875 | 891.885 | 1328.715 | 691.044 | 5346.651 | 798.485 | 6943.217 | 1655.206 | 20868.956 | 3002.218 | 6307.403 | 983.415 | | |

| Ash & Chestnut boards planks & joists Merch feet | Ash & Chestnut boards planks & joists Refuse feet | Ash boards planks & joist Merch feet | Ash boards planks & joist Refuse feet | Birch & maple Boards planks & joist Merch feet | Birch & maple Boards planks & joist Refuse feet | White wood boards planks & joist Merch feet | White wood boards planks & joist Refuse feet | Cherry boards planks & joist Merch feet | Cherry boards planks & joist Refuse feet | Black Walnut boards planks & joist Merch feet | Black Walnut boards planks & joist Refuse feet | Mahogany & Rosewood boards planks & joist Merch feet | Mahogany & Rosewood boards planks & joist Refuse feet | Surveyor Generals Fees. $. cts | Deputy Surveyors Fees $. cts. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 11320 | 3311 | 1339 | 229 | 33827 | 37260 | 9926 | 1108 | 26.156 | 13.135 | 23.109 | 3121 | | | 158.36 | 1111.94 |
| | | | | | | 6421 | 1767 | 5900 | 2829 | | | | | 145.98 | 1038.44 |
| | | 16610 | | | | | | | | | | | | 143.91 | 1038.74 |
| 11610 | 5864 | 4250 | 1762 | | | 29.153 | 6745 | | | 19837 | 6580 | | | 197.18 | 1447.43 |
| 112.205 | 38089 | 246.336 | 41804 | 73991 | 72734 | 53701 | 18.397 | 68613 | 35.255 | 201.735 | 106.304 | 14257 | 3338 | 84.57 | 3301.78 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 127.21 | 9321.80 |
| 5176 | 1596 | | | | | | | | | | | | | 195.48 | 1433.12 |
| 9677 | 1453 | | | 3217 | 1721 | 3745 | | | | | | | | 137.68 | 1008.37 |
| 7118 | 1497 | | | 12088 | 18.810 | 3794 | 35 | 6283 | 1870 | | | | | 190.24 | 1391.85 |
| 1737 | 1536 | | | 18391 | 17646 | | | | | | | | | 140.18 | 1026.10 |
| 11119 | 7015 | 7991 | 2574 | | | 21235 | 358 | | | 14000 | 3392 | | | 134.20 | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 27.90 | 434.58 |
| 181.199 | 60351 | 276436 | 46369 | 210.414 | 113.088 | 614985 | 95.610 | 106.952 | 72.789 | 318898 | 119.384 | 14257 | 3338 | 1701.89 | 11.418.10 |

Grand total feet 51.2621.059

To the Honorable City Council of the City of Providence

The undersigned Surveyor General of Lumber presents the above report which contains the accounts of all the lumber surveyed under his direction during the past year

Respectfully submitted

Ezek A Jillson

Surveyor General of Lumber

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Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed February 10. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

Sewer in Bowne & other streets

Resolved: —

That the Board of Aldermen be hereby requested to cause a main drain or common sewer to be laid from Atwells avenue through Bowen street Broadway, Carpenter, Sachem, High, Chestnut and Elm streets to the river, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 807 of the public laws.

Passed February 10. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

Isle towers

Resolved —

That the Superintendent of Public Buildings, acting under the orders of the committee on city property is hereby directed to finish the five octagon bell towers by erecting a suitable vane with the cardinal points of the compass to be placed upon each of said towers: the expense thereof, not to exceed the sum of three hundred dollars, said to be paid out of the appropriations for public buildings.

Passed February 10. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

Superior street

Resolved: —

That Messrs Cass, A. J. Remaly and Sellew with Aldermen Street be hereby appointed a committee to confer with such parties as have given notice of appeal from the report of the commissioners of estimate and assessment upon the lay out of Superior street, and to report to the City Council upon what terms said parties will withdraw their appeals

Passed February 10. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

Tax abated J. Botham, trustee

Resolved —

That the city treasurer is hereby directed to remit, or if already paid, to refund to John Botham, trustee for Amanda G. Harris, the sum of one hundred and twenty one dollars and fifty cents ($121.50) the amount of tax erroneously assessed against him as such trustee



Passed February 10. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

Tax abated C. & H. McTaber

Resolved: —

That the city treasurer is hereby directed to remit, or if already paid, to refund to Charles C. and Henry McTaber the sum of one hundred and fifty seven dollars and ninety five cents ($157.95) the amount of tax erroneously assessed against them

Passed February 10. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

In Convention February 10. 1873.

Division

The following officers are elected

Commissioners to confer with the Town of Cranston in relation to the annexation of a portion of said town.

James G. Smith — Geo. Peck

Joseph R. Weathersbee

Surveyor of Lumber — John F. Winship

Public Works

The Mayor presents a proposed act for the establishment of a board of public works. Read whereupon it is voted that the city solicitor be hereby directed to apply to the general assembly for the passage of said act

Taxation

Resolved: —

That the City Solicitor is hereby directed to make application to the General Assembly, at its present session, for the passage of an act limiting the amount of land to be held free of taxation for religious or educational purposes, to five acres.

Passed In Board of Aldermen January 15, 1873

In Common Council February 24. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

C to H11.

John Brain

A. R. Greene & Sons

Resolved:—

That the bequest of John Brain deceased, be and is hereby accepted in accordance with his will dated September 1872, and the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to receive from Lewis Pearce executor of the will of John Brain the amount named in said bequest, and apply the same to the object named in said will.

Passed In Common Council February 10. 1873

In Board of Aldermen February 24. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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C to H11.

Sidewalk moved

James Gleason

Resolved —

That permission be granted to James Gleason to move a certain sidewalk bounding pursuant to his petition, provided that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby, be repaired at the expense of the petitioner.

Passed In Common Council February 10. 1873

In Board of Aldermen February 24. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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C to H13.

Report —

Providence February 10. 1873

To the Honorable the City Council

Sewer in Benefit Exchange place

Tidal drain

The undersigned who together with Moses R. Lockwood, were by resolution approved October 9. 1871 "appointed a committee to cause in their discretion the tidal drains, so called, in Cove Street and Exchange Place to be enlarged by deepening, and the direction of the inlets to be changed, substantially in accordance with the recommendation of the Water Commissioners" respectfully report

Moses R Lockwood died on the thirteenth day of May last.

The directions of the inlet at Exchange street and of that in front of the Phenix building has been changed.

In consequence of the proposition which has been favorably received for an intercepting sewer at Jackson street, further work upon the drains was suspended.

The cost of the work is four hundred and sixteen dollars and seventy four cents ($416.74)

A detailed statement of bills etc agreeing in total amount with the cost as above stated, is herewith appended and is made a part of this report.

Chas E. Carpenter
Joseph J. Cooke } Committee

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H13.

Schedule of bills approved by the committee to cause in their discretion the tidal drains, so called, in Cove street and Exchange place to be enlarged by deepening, and the direction of the inlets to be changed

| Date of Approval | No | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1871 Dec | 8 | 1 | A. Mowndell | Labor & materials | $ 296.49 |
| | 16 | 2 | Richard Kenner | Stone | 23.00 |
| | " | 3 | George W. Hall & Co | cement & bricks | 13.35 |
| | 23 | 4 | Thomas O Hara | Labor | 14.00 |
| | " | 5 | Patrick Sheridan | Labor & oil | 14.16 |
| 1872 Oct | 29 | 6 | Charles H. Pierce | Sundry small bills as follows, | |
| | | | | Bowdell Greene Lumber 6.10 | |
| | | | | Fuller Iron Works turning rods 2.60 | |
| | | | | J. A Sherman Cartage .50 | |
| | | | | Josiah Simmons Labor 6.33 | 15.53 |
| | | | 12 Rods (even) from Inspection at Sewer 100 lbs @ 1½ ¢ | | 11.71 |
| 1873 Jan | 7 | 7 | Providence Water Works | Services of engineers | 37.50 |
| | | | | Cost of work | $ 416.74 |

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Voted: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed February 24. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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C to H14.

Taxation

Resolved: —

That the assessors of taxes be and they are hereby directed to report to the City Council, as soon as practicable, a schedule of all property in the city now by law exempted from taxation with its valuation, and the names of the owners thereof.

Passed February 24. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle

Mayor.

No 415.

Land for School house on Doyle avenue

Resolved: —

That the committee on city property, acting under the advice of the City Solicitor, be and they are hereby authorized and directed to purchase of William Schroeder and Amos M. Beckwith, at a price not exceeding nine thousand two hundred dollars, ($9200.) two lots of land with the buildings thereon, situated on Raven street; for the purpose of enlarging the grammar school lot on Doyle avenue

Resolved: —

That the City Treasurer, acting under the advice and direction of the committee on finance, be and he is hereby authorized to hire the sum aforesaid

Passed February 24. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 416

Whereas: the commissioners of estimate and assessment, appointed by the Supreme court at the October term, 1872, to lay out Superior street from

Superior street

Evans street to Dexter street render and pursuant to an act entitled "An act in relation to the laying out enlarging straightening or otherwise altering streets in the City of Providence," made their first report to said court in January December 31. 1872: now therefore, within sixty days after the making of said report to said court: —

Resolved —

That the City Council do hereby elect to make said improvements

Passed February 24. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 417.

Resolved: —

That in the opinion of the City Council, it is desirable and necessary to widen Dyer street, on the easterly side, by including therein all the land lying between said street and the harbor, from Weybosset bridge to a line drawn in continuation of the southerly line of Pine street to the easterly side of Dyer street, thence to a line ranging across the river with the south easterly corner of South Water and Crawford streets.

Dyer street

S. Water street

Also, to widen South Water street, on the westerly side by including therein



(417) all the land lying between said street and the harbor, between Weybosset bridge and Crawford street: and whereas, certain real estate will be required for that purpose,

Resolved:

That the City Solicitor be hereby directed to make application to the Supreme court of this state for the appointment of commissioners of estimate and assessment, under and according to the act entitled "An act in relation to the laying out, enlarging, straightening and otherwise altering streets in the City of Providence", and the City Council hereby direct, that in said application the City Solicitor shall make application that said commissioners shall apportion and assess one half of the loss and damages thereof, upon the persons and estates benefitted thereby, in the ratio of the benefits conferred

Resolved:

That the City Clerk be hereby directed to give notice of such application as soon as he shall be informed thereof by the City Solicitor according to the directions and in the manner required by said act

Passed February 24. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 418.

Report. —

Brook street District

To the Honorable the City Council

The joint special committee who were, by resolution approved January 29. 1873 appointed to examine and report upon the message of the Mayor in relation to newly grading the Brook street district, report.

That after a thorough examination of the case, your committee came to the conclusion that the grading of Brook street between Pike and Indian streets, as already laid out, would if nothing further was done subject the city to heavy damages, many of the estates being nearly thirty feet above the established grade of said street, besides rendering necessary a change of grades for other streets leading out of or crossing Brook street. They therefore requested J. Herbert Shedd Esq chief engineer of the Providence water works, under whose direction the plans for the drainage of the district were prepared and under whose immediate supervision all portions already ordered, have been or are being constructed, to prepare a plan for re-grading the district and a re-lay of the streets therein: also, to have two models of the district made one showing the present condition of

(418.) the hill, and the other the condition when re-graded and the streets re-laid. An examination of these models, will we think, convince any one of the necessity of changing the grades as proposed by your committee, in order that a district now useless for business purposes, fronting on the deepest water of our harbor, may be made available for the shipping and transportation business now being rapidly developed at this point.

The plan of Mr Shedd was unanimously adopted by the committee and together with the models, are herewith presented for your consideration.

To carry this plan into effect would necessarily involve a heavy expense to the owners of the estates to be graded, many of whom are unable to bear the burden thus imposed: it would therefore seem to be but just that the city should take these estates at their present valuation, looking to the sale of the property after the district has been graded to reimburse it for the expenditure made. This course has been adopted in other cities where similar work has had to be done.

A draft of an act prepared by the city solicitor authorizing the city to take so much of the district as will be necessary for the purpose of carrying out the plan, accompanies this report, and your committee recommend that the city solicitor be directed to make application to the general assembly for its enactment.

Your committee believe that the increase in the value of the property to be taken by the re-grading of the district, would enable the city to cover the expense necessary to do the work.

Your committee also recommend that the grade of Wickenden street be changed so as to make one grade from Benefit street to Brook street, thereby doing away with the depression in Wickenden street, opposite the police Station.

Respectfully submitted, for the committee

Geo. P. Eaele Chairman

Providence February 24. 1873.

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

Passed February 24. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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[For Draft of Act above referred to See City Document No 57.]

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No 419. Annual Report of Chief of Police

The Chief of Police makes his Annual Report for the year 1872

Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received and printed

Passed In Common Council February 24. 1873

In Board of Aldermen March 3. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

(City Document No 59.)

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No 420 Appropriation for Interest on Water Loan

Resolved: —

That the sum of fifty thousand dollars be and the same is added to the appropriation for interest on the water loan, and the city treasurer, acting under the advice and direction of the joint committee on finance, is hereby authorized to hire the same

Passed In Common Council February 24. 1873

In Board of Aldermen March 3. 1873.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 421. Appropriation Water & Interest

Resolved: —

That the sum of one hundred and two thousand dollars, be and the same is hereby appropriated for the payment of interest on money hired to defray the cost of the introduction of water, prior to the issue of the water bonds; also, other expenses incurred for said introduction of water, but not contracted by the water commissioners; and the city treasurer, acting under the advice and direction of the joint committee on finance, is hereby authorized to hire the same.

Passed In Common Council February 24. 1873

In Board of Aldermen March 3. 1873.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 422. Taxes abated

Resolved: —

That the city treasurer be and he is hereby directed to abate the several taxes assessed in the years 1869 and 1870, reported by the city treasurer as uncollectable, and amounting to forty eight hundred and fifty dollars and ninety nine cents.

Passed In Common Council February 24. 1873
In Board of Aldermen March 3. 1873.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 433.

Washington st

Resolved:-
That the Highway commissioners be and they are hereby directed to cause new curb stones to be set and the street re paved with granite blocks, on Washington street, from Dorrance street to Walker street
Passed In Common Council February 24. 1873
In Board of Aldermen March 3. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 434.

Lester street

Resolved:-
That the Highway commissioners be and they are hereby directed to cause curb stones to be set and gutters paved on Lester street, from Knightsville street to Dikeman street
Passed In Common Council February 24. 1873
In Board of Aldermen March 3. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 435.

Exempt property Taxation

The Board of Assessors, in response to resolution of February 24. report a schedule of real estate which is by law exempt from taxation
Read whereupon it is ordered that the same be received and printed.
Passed March 3. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.
(See City Document No 60)

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No 436.

Annual Report of Highway Comrs

The Highway Commissioners make their Annual Report for the year 1872.
Read whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received
Passed March 3. 1873.



Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.
(See City Document No 56)

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No 437.

Blackstone Park

Message from the Mayor.

Mayor's Office City of Providence
March 3. 1873.

Gentlemen of the City Council

On the 10th of December 1866. Moses Weeden P. Vaughan and Moses R. Jenkins conveyed to the city by deed a tract of land containing nearly four acres situated near the Seekonk river and designated as "Blackstone Park."

On the 16th of January, following, the City Council accepted the gift on the conditions fixed by the donors. Since that time no steps have been taken to improve that property as a public park. It would seem to be a wise policy to take some measures to lay out this land as public park, and not continue the unwise policy of accepting gifts of real estate to be set apart as public grounds and allowing them to remain simply waste lands. I therefore recommend that the joint committee on city property be directed to report a plan for the proper improvement of Blackstone Park.

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

Read March 3. 1873.

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No 438

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Resolved —
That the joint committee on city property, be hereby instructed to cause a plan to be prepared for the laying out and improving of Blackstone parks
Passed March 3. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 439.

Transfer of Appropriation

Resolved: —
That the sum of thirty thousand dollars, be and the same is hereby transferred from the appropriation for school houses and lots, to the appropriation for the Point and Plane street school

estate

Passed March 3. 1873.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 430.

Resolved —

Roger street District

That the city Solicitor be hereby directed to make application to the general assembly for the passage of an act authorizing the City of Providence to take so much of the real estate, bounded by Traverse street on the west, Wickenden and Power streets on the north, and on the east and South by the river, as may be necessary for the purpose of re-grading the district

Passed March 3. 1873.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 431.

Resolved: —

Thomas Street

That the city treasurer be hereby directed to pay Thomas Street the sum of twenty five dollars, in compensation for his services in attending upon Moses Shepard who was injured by falling upon the ice on Thanksgiving day 1871, on the occasion of the water celebration.

Passed March 3. 1873.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 432.

Resolved: —

Police pay.

That the city treasurer be hereby directed to pay James McCready, a policeman who has been appointed but not confirmed, the sum of seventy seven dollars, for duty performed in February last.

Passed March 3. 1873.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 433.

Committees

Joint Standing Committees

In Common Council March 3. 1873



Mr Horatio Borges having been appointed by ballot a member of the committee on accounts, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of the late Thomas C. Steere; and also a member of the joint standing committee on police: and Mr Henry L. Powers having been appointed a member of the joint standing committee on claims; it is ordered that the aforegoing appointments be communicated to the Board of Aldermen

Attest J. M. Addeman Clerk

In Board of Aldermen March 10. 1873
Read Samuel W. Brown Clerk.

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No 434.

Cranston

City Clerks Office March 3. 1873

To the Hon City Council

The undersigned respectfully makes report that he has received a communications from the Town Council of the Town of Cranston announcing the appointment of Messrs Almeran Harris, William Elsbree and William H. Dyer to be a committee to confer with the commissioners appointed by the City Council in relation to the annexation of a portion of said town to the city of Providence. Said communication is hereto appended

Samuel W. Brown City Clerk

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At a meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Cranston held Feb 22d 1873

Almeran Harris, William Elsbree and William H. Dyer, were appointed a committee to confer with the commissioners appointed by the City of Providence in relation to the matter of annexing a portion of the town of Cranston to the City of Providence for parks purposes.

J. M. Wheeler Council Clerk

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Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received
Passed In Common Council March 3. 1873
In Board of Aldermen March 10. 1873.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 435

Appropriation for Prov. Water Works

Resolved: —

That the sum of two hundred thousand dollars be and

the same is hereby added to the appropriation for the Providence Water Works, and the City Treasurer, acting under the advice and direction of the joint committee on finance, is authorized to hire the same

Passed In Common Council March 3. 1873

In Board of Aldermen March 12. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 436

Police telegraph

Resolved: —

That so much of the annual report of the Chief of Police received by this body Feb 24. as refers to the subject of a police telegraph, be and hereby is referred to the joint committee on police, with instructions to examine and report thereon

Passed In Common Council March 3. 1873

In Board of Aldermen March 12. 1873.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 437

Page Street

Whereas: —

The commissioners of estimate and assessment appointed by the Supreme court at the October term 1872, to lay out and widen Page Street, under and pursuant to an act entitled "An act in relation to the laying out, enlarging, straightening or otherwise altering streets in the city of Providence", made their first report to said court on Saturday January 25. 1873. now therefore, within sixty days after the making of said report to said court: -

Resolved: —

That the City Council do hereby elect to make said improvement

Passed In Common Council March 3. 1873

In Board of Aldermen March 12. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 438.

Tax abated D. Champlin

Resolved —

That the city treasurer is hereby directed to remit, or if already paid to refund to Daniel Champlin the sum of eighty one dollars ($81.) the amount of tax erroneously assessed against him for the year 1872

Passed In Common Council March 3. 1873

In Board of Aldermen March 12. 1873.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor



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No 439.

Tax abated D. W. Gardiner

Resolved —

That the city treasurer is hereby directed to remit, or if already paid to refund to Daleg W. Gardiner the sum of eighty six dollars and forty cents ($86.40) being the amount of tax erroneously assessed against him for the year 1872.

Passed In Common Council March 3. 1873

In Board of Aldermen March 12. 1873.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 440.

Tax abated Mary W. Pond

Resolved: —

That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to remit to Mary W. Pond the sum of seventy seven dollars ($77.) the amount of a tax erroneously assessed against her for the year 1872.

Passed In Common Council March 3. 1873

In Board of Aldermen March 12. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 441, 442, 443, 444

Buildings to be raised

Resolved: —

That permission be granted to the following named persons to raise certain buildings located as follows: pursuant to their several petitions viz: -

441. Orin I. Gardiner No 97 Bowdoin street

442. Daniel Mc Manus No Harris avenue

443. Francis M. Smith corner of Union and Westminster street

444. Cyrus Williams No 30 Public street

Passed In Common Council March 3. 1873

In Board of Aldermen March 12. 1873.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

Buildings to be moved

Resolved:—

That permission be granted to the following named persons to move certain wooden buildings, permanent to their several petitions, provided, that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby be repaired at the expense of the petitioner, viz:

Thomas F. Cafferty

Amos D. Smith 3d

Passed In Common Council March 3, 1873

In Board of Aldermen March 12, 1873.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Building to be moved

Resolved:—

That permission be granted to Thomas Cosgrove to move two certain wooden buildings, permanent to his petition, provided that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby, be repaired at the expense of the petitioner.

Resolved:—

That the sum of ten dollars be the amount designated to be paid for each day or part of a day said buildings shall occupy any public street of the city

Passed In Common Council March 3. 1873.

In Board of Aldermen March 12. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Iron gutter covers

Resolved:

That the highway commissioners be and they are hereby directed to cause the iron gutter covers at street crossings, that have become much worn by long use, to be removed and new ones put in their places; the expense thereof to be charged to the appropriations for highways.

Passed In Common Council March 18. 1873

In Board of Aldermen March 3. 1873

Approved March 18. 1873

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor



Surveyor of Lumber

Resolved —

That the joint committee on city property be hereby instructed to settle with the late Surveyor [of Lumber] for the expenses paid by him in procuring a set of books which he has transferred to his successor in office

Passed In Common Council March 18. 1873

In Board of Aldermen March 20. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Monthly Reports Chief of Fire Dept

The Chief Engineer of the Fire Department makes his Monthly Report for the month ending February 28. 1873. Expended for Salaries $2648; Incidental $ 911.84. Total $ 3006.71

Read whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed In Common Council March 18. 1873

In Board of Aldermen March 20. 1873.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Monthly Reports City Treasurer

The City Treasurer makes his Monthly Report for the month of February 1873. Read whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed In Common Council March 18. 1873.

In Board of Aldermen March 20 1873.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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City Treasurer Report of issue of Registered Bonds

The City Treasurer makes report that during the past three months he has exchanged coupon bonds for registered bonds as follows

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 28 Coupon Bonds payable Sept 1. 1875. | $ 1000. | $ 28.000 | |
| 25 " " " July 1. 1900. | 1000. | 25.000 | $ 53.000. |
| Exchanged for | | | |
| 3 Registered Bonds | $ 1000. | 3000. | |
| 6 " " | 5000. | 30.000. | |
| 2 " " | 10.000 | 20.000 | $ 53.000 |

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

Passed In Common Council March 18. in Board of Aldermen March 20. 1873.

Approved the same day Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

## Message from the Mayor

Mayor's Office City of Providence March 18. 1873

Gentlemen of the City Council

School House on Point & Plane st

I am informed by the commissioners appointed to superintend the erection of the school house on the corner of Point and Plane Streets, that all the partitions in said building are to be built of wood. It seems to me that those on either side of the halls and around the stair cases should be built of brick, and I therefor invite your attention to the matter

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

Read In Common Council March 18. 1873
In Board of Aldermen March 20. 1873.

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Resolved: —

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That the message of the Mayor dated March 18. 1873 relative to the partitions walls of the school house on the corner of Point and Plane Streets be referred to the joint committee on education to examine and report thereon

Passed March 18. 1873 In Common Council
March 20. 1873 In Board of Aldermen
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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## Message from the Mayor.

Mayor's office City of Providence March 18. 1873.

Gentlemen of the City Councils

City Engineer C. E. Paine

Chief Engineer of Prov. Water Works J. H. Shedd

I have received from the Chief Engineer of the water works a copy of a letter addressed to him by the city engineer, in reference to the examinations by the officers of the water works of the maps and plans of streets in the office of the city engineer.

I transmit the copy of the letter from the city engineer and also the letter from the chief engineer of the water works in relation thereto, deeming the matter to be of sufficient importance to demand action thereon by the City Council

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.



Read In Common Council March 18. 1873.
In Board of Aldermen March 20. 1873.

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Providence Water Works
Chief Engineers office March 13. 1873

" Hon Thomas A Doyle Mayor and Chairman of Committee on City Engineers Department.

J. H. Shedd

Dear Sir. I enclose a copy of a letter just received from the City Engineer. It is necessary for those who execute work for the Water Commissioners and Sewer Committee to have information in reference to the streets such as we have heretofore been unable to obtain in season for our use except in the city engineer's office. We have endeavored to give the City Engineer as little trouble as possible and have intended only to send to his office after failing to get the desired information elsewhere. I write for your information in the matter and to say that if we are cut off from such information as has heretofore been obtained at the city engineers office, the city, will in my opinion suffer damage in consequence

Yours very respectfully
J. Herbert Shedd Chief Eng Prov Water Works

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City Engineers Office Providence March 17. 1873

" J. Herbert Shedd Esq Chief Engineer of the Prov. Water Works

C. E. Paine

Dear Sir

Your assistants frequently call at this office to consult maps and plans of streets, particularly in regard to street lines. As I mentioned to you some time ago, the proper place of record for all matters relating to street lines is the City Clerk's office. All records relating to grades are under the care of the highway commissions. In consequence of the great pressure of work on this department, it will be necessary in future to refer all inquiries to the officers in whose charge the various records are placed by ordinance, and thus all mistakes will be prevented occasioned by using incomplete plans

Yours respectfully
(Signed) Charles E. Paine City Engineer

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Resolved.

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Resolved. —

That the Message of the Mayor dated March 18. 1873

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transmitting correspondence between the City Engineer and the Chief Engineer of the water works be referred to the joint committee on the city engineers department

Passed In Common Council March 18. 1873
In Board of Aldermen March 20. 1873.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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1 CHS

Appropriation for opening streets

Resolved: —

That the sum of one hundred thousand dollars, be and the same is hereby added to the appropriation for opening streets, and the city treasurer acting under the advice and direction of the committee on finance, is hereby authorized to hire the same.

Passed In Common Council March 18. 1873.
In Board of Aldermen March 20. 1873.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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1 CHSS

Appropriation transferred

Resolved: —

That the sum of five thousand dollars be and the same is hereby transferred from the reserved fund to the appropriation for public grounds

Passed In Common Council March 18. 1873
In Board of Aldermen March 20. 1873.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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1 CHS

An Report of Chief of Police

Resolved: —

That so much of the annual report of the chief of police as relates to the police arrangements for the second and fifth districts be referred to the joint standing committee on police, to examine and report what action thereon may be advisable

Passed In Common Council March 18. 1873.
In Board of Aldermen March 20. 1873.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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1 CHES

Cove

Resolved: —

That the cove land commissioners are hereby directed to ascertain and report upon the expediency and expense of dredging the cove basin, or so much thereof as may be necessary to cause the whole of it to be covered with water at all times, in order to relieve the vicinity from the offensive smells arising therefrom in warm weather

Passed In Common Council March 18. 1873
In Board of Aldermen March 20. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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1 CHG

Dudley st

Resolved: —

That the Board of Aldermen be and they are hereby requested to receive Dudley street, from Friendship street to Prairie avenue, and declare the same a public highway: said street having been used as a highway for more than twenty years.

Passed In Common Council March 18. 1873
In Board of Aldermen March 20. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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2 CHG 2

Tax abated

L. B. Kendall

Resolved: —

That the city treasurer is hereby directed to remit or if already paid to refund to Lucian B. Kendall the sum of thirteen dollars and fifty cents ($13.50) the amount of a tax erroneously assessed against him for the year 1872

Passed In Common Council March 18. 1873
In Board of Aldermen March 20. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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1 CH 163 etc

Buildings to be raised

Resolved: —

That permission be granted to the following named persons to raise certain buildings, located as follows, pursuant to their several petitions; viz:

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John Baxter No 33 Lippitt street

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Roger O'Gorman No 106 Prairie Avenue
Margaret Mc Kenna No 11 Cargill street
Passed In Common Council March 18. 1873
In Board of Aldermen March 20. 1873.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Buildings to be moved

Resolved: —

That permission be granted to the following named persons to move certain wooden buildings, pursuant to their several petitions, provided that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby, be repaired at the expense of the petitioners viz:

Elisha Mc Brown
Catherine Meenan
Albert H. Thornton
Frederick A. Wightman

Passed In Common Council March 18. 1873
In Board of Aldermen March 20. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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1872

Heirs of Wm Randall

E. P. Knowles
A. B. Grounds.

The Joint Special Committee appointed August 2. 1871 to confer with Edward P. Knowles and others, heirs of William Randall in relation to certain suits pending between them and the city, make report Read: whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received
Passed In Board of Aldermen March 20. 1873
In Common Council March 24. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor
(See City Document No 61)

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1871

City Scales

Resolved: —

That the joint committee on city property be hereby instructed to exchange the city scales on Canal street for new scales of larger size; provided, the expense thereof shall not exceed the sum of three hundred and fifty dollars; to be paid from the appropriation for contingencies Passed In Bd of Ald March 20. in Com Council March 24. 1873.
Approved the same day Thomas A. Doyle Mayor



1872.

Canal street

Resolved —

That in the opinion of the City Council, it is desirable and necessary to lay out and widen Canal street, in the easterly side from Allen's lane to Smith street, as follows, viz: beginning in the northerly line of Allen's lane at a point about 5 7/10 feet easterly from the present easterly line of Canal street, thence in a line parallel with and 10 feet easterly from the easterly curb line of said street to the southerly line of Smith street at a point two feet easterly from the present easterly line of Canal street: and whereas; certain real estate will be required for that purpose.

Resolved —

That the City Solicitor be hereby directed to make application to the Supreme Court of this State for the appointment of commissioners of estimate and assessment, under and according to the act entitled "An act in relation to the laying out enlarging straightening and otherwise altering streets in the City of Providence," and the City Council hereby direct, that in said application, the City Solicitor shall make application that said commissioners shall apportion and assess three fourths of the loss and damage thereof upon the persons and estates benefited thereby in the ratio of the benefits conferred.

Resolved —

That the City Clerk be hereby directed to give notice of such application as soon as he shall be informed thereof by the City Solicitor, according to the direction and in the manner required by said act
Passed In Common Council March 3. 1873
In Board of Aldermen March 24. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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1872 1873.

Tax of Amanda E. Peirce

Resolved —

That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to remit to Amanda E. Peirce of New Bedford, the sum of thirteen dollars and fifty cents ($13.50) the amount of taxes erroneously assessed against her for the years 1871 and 1872.
Passed In Common Council March 18. 1873
In Board of Aldermen March 24. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

No 474.

Street Railroads

*Resolved* —

That the joint standing committee on railroads be hereby instructed to consider and report what if any additional legislation may be necessary to protect the interest of the city in the matter of street railroads

Passed In Common Council March 24. 1873

In Board of Aldermen March 27. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 475

Horse Station Potters avenue

*Resolved* —

That the joint standing committee on city property be hereby directed to cause to be erected upon the east end of the Greenwich Street school house lot, on Potters avenue a horse carriage house in accordance with plans presented by the committee on the fire department

*Resolved* —

That the sum of thirty five hundred dollars is hereby appropriated for the purpose of carrying the aforegoing resolutions into effect: the same to be charged to the appropriation for the fire department.

Passed In Common Council March 24. 1873

In Board of Aldermen March 27. 1873

(Vetoed by the Mayor. See City Document No 64.)

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No 476.

*Resolved*: —

That the Superintendent of Public Buildings, acting under the direction of the committee on city property, be and he is hereby authorized to fit up and furnish the station on Pallas street, seventh ward, for Hose Company No 1. at an expense not exceeding one thousand dollars ($1000.) to be paid out of the appropriation for public buildings

Hose Station Pallas street

Passed In Common Council March 24. 1873

In Board of Aldermen March 27. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 477.

*Resolved*: —

That the Superintendent of Public Buildings, acting under the direction of the committee on city property, be and he is hereby authorized to fit up and furnish the station on Pallas street, seventh ward, for Hose Company No 1. at an expense not exceeding one thousand dollars ($1000.) to be paid out of the appropriation for public buildings

Passed In Common Council March 24. 1873

In Board of Aldermen March 27. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 477.

*Resolved*: —

That the Highway Commissioners be and they are hereby di-



No 477.

Atom street

rected to cause new curb stones to be set and the roadway paved with granite blocks on Atom street from Westminster street to Washington street whenever the rails of the Union Railroads Company shall be laid in said Atom street.

Passed In Common Council March 24. 1873

In Board of Aldermen March 28. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 478.

Sewer in Cady st

*Resolved*: —

That the Board of Aldermen be hereby requested to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Cady street from Pine st street to North Main street, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 207 of the public laws

Passed In Common Council March 24. 1873

In Board of Aldermen March 27. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 479.

Sewer in Olive & Prospect sts

*Resolved*: —

That the Board of Aldermen be hereby requested to cause a main drain or common sewer to be laid in Olive street from a point about one hundred and sixty feet east from Prospect street to Prospect street and through Prospect street to Angell street; the same to connect with the sewer in said Angell street: in accordance with the provisions of chapter 207 of the public laws

Passed In Common Council March 24. 1873

In Board of Aldermen March 27. 1873.

Approved the same

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 480.

Freeborn Johnson

*Resolved* —

That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to pay to Freeborn Johnson five hundred and seventy three dollars and seventy four cents for building a house and platform for the stone crusher and engine located in the city yard: the same to be paid out of the appropriation for highways.

Passed In Common Council March 31. 1873.
In Board of Aldermen March 31. 1873.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 1481

East avenue

Resolved:—

That the highway commissioners are hereby instructed to cause East avenue to be put in a condition safe and convenient for travel, forthwith.

Passed In Board of Aldermen March 27. 1873
In Common Council March 31. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 1482.

Resolved:

That the City Solicitor be and he is hereby directed to give notice in writing to Russell Mc Learned and Charles A. Harrington, to vacate and surrender up possession to the City of Providence in the State of Rhode Island, in twelve months from the date of the passage of this resolution, the lot of land leased by them in writing, of the City of Providence, bounded easterly on Exchange place, Northerly on Harrington street westerly on Eddy street, and southerly on Fulton street: and the City Solicitor is also, hereby directed, to give notice in writing, to the above named R. Mc. Learned and C. A. Harrington, that the City of Providence wants the above described lot of land for the purpose of erecting a city hall thereon.

City Hall Lot

Learned & Harrington

Passed In Common Council March 24 & 31. 1873.
In Board of Aldermen March 31. 1873.
Returned by the Mayor with his objections April 14. 1873 (See Document No 65)
Passed notwithstanding said objections, in Common Council April 14. 1873 in Board of Aldermen May 5. 1873. more than three fifths voting in affirmative

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No 1483.

Resolved:

That His Honor the Mayor with Alderman Snow, with Messrs Case, Carpenter and A. F. Potter Jr of the Common Council, be and they are hereby appointed a committee to advertise for plans and approximate estimates of the cost of a city hall, to be built upon the lot belonging

City Hall



1873. to the city, known as the City Hall Lot. bounded by Dorrance. Washington, Eddy and Fulton streets; said plans to be presented to the committee on or before the first day of October, 1873, upon the following conditions:- that the city shall pay to the person or persons whose plans shall be selected by the committee and adopted by the City Council, the sum of five hundred dollars; and that no compensation shall be allowed to any person or persons presenting such plans, unless the same shall have been selected by the committee and adopted by the city council.

And the committee are hereby directed to reserve the right to reject any or all plans that may be presented to them, as aforesaid

Passed In Board of Aldermen March 31. 1873
In Common Council March 31. 1873.
(Vetoed by the Mayor, See City Document No 65.)
Passed notwithstanding the objections of the Mayor; May 5. 1873. more than three fifths of all the members of each board voting in the affirmative.

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No 1484.

Resolved:—

Commissioners of Sinking Funds

That the committee on the city debt be and they are hereby instructed to prepare and present to the City Council, for their action, an ordinance appointing a permanent board of commissioners on sinking funds, in accordance with the act of the general assembly passed at the January session 1873.

Passed March 31. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 1485.

Resolved:—

Dorrance street

That the Board of Aldermen be and they are hereby requested to receive Dorrance street, from Bridgham street to Dexter street, and declare the same a public highway: said street having been used as a highway for more than twenty years

Passed March 31. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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## Report.—

To the Hon the City Council

The joint committee on education, to whom was referred the message of his honor the Mayor of March 18. a.d. 1873 in reference to partitions of the school building on the corner of Point and Plane streets, beg leave to report:—

School House on Point & Plane streets

That the commissioners appointed to superintend the erection of said building do not feel at liberty to vary materially from the plans adopted, either in the form of the building or the materials thereof

The plans call for one brick partition but do not call for brick partition walls on each side of the halls nor around the stair cases

It is thought by many that the increased expense of brick over the kind adopted will not warrant the adoption of the former in lieu of the latter, because of the very slight difference of value of the one over the other that brick, when the mortar is well set, renders a building more firm, can scarcely be denied: but in the present case, either will render it sufficiently firm: nor is it believed that his honor the Mayor called our attention to this matter in this view, but that he deemed such a building would be more safe in case of fire, as undoubtedly it would be. The difference in expense between the two, that is brick over the other is estimated to be $ 7.750 or in round numbers $ 8000. Shall it be done? Your committee feel that the city council is adequate to the decision of this question without a recommendation from your committee, and therefore report the accompanying resolution without recommendation

For the committee

N. Van Slyck Chairman

Read, whereupon it is ordered that the same be received
Passed March 31. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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0 70 487.

Resolved:—

Market

That the joint special committee on the public market appointed pursuant to resolutions approved July 13. 1870 be hereby discharged from further consideration of the subject
Passed in Common Council March 31. 1873
In Board of Aldermen April 3. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor



0 70 488.

Resolved:—

Market & Bridge

That in the opinion of the City Council it is desirable that a bridge and public market be built over Providence river, between Weybosset bridge and Crawford street, and that Messrs Van Slyck, Weatherson, Carpenter, N. H. Potter Jr and Harris of the Common Council, with Aldermen Sharpe and Sprague, are hereby appointed a committee to advertise for plans and proposals for the erection of said bridge, and for the erection of a building thereon, of one story in height, for a public market.
Passed in Common Council March 31. 1873
In Board of Aldermen April 3. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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1 70 489.

Resolved:—

Dexter st.

That the Board of Aldermen be and they are hereby requested to receive Dexter street from Bridgham street to Hexamer st. and declare the same a public highway, said street having been graded and used as a highway for more than twenty years
Passed in Common Council March 31. 1873
In Board of Aldermen April 3. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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0 70 490.

Resolved:—

Buildings to be moved

That permission be granted to the following named persons to move certain wooden buildings pursuant to their several petitions, provided that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby, be repaired at the expense of the petitioners, viz:

490. Amos C. Paulston
491 Samuel Lewis
492. Owen Mc. Williams

Passed in Common Council March 31. in Board of Aldermen April 3. 1873
Approved the same day Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

No 1194.

Building to be moved

Resolved:—

That permission be granted to Henry G. Norris to move a certain wooden building, pursuant to his petition, provided, that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby, be repaired at the expense of the petitioner

Resolved:—

That the sum of five dollars be the amount designated to be paid for each day or part of a day, said building shall occupy any public street of the city

Passed In Common Council March 31. 1873

In Board of Aldermen April 3. 1873.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 1195.

Building to be moved

Resolved:—

That permission be granted to Willard F. Sherman to move a certain wooden building, pursuant to his petition, provided, that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby, be repaired at the expense of the petitioner

Resolved:—

That the sum of six dollars be the amount designated to be paid for each day or part of a day said building shall occupy any public street of the city

Passed In Common Council March 31. 1873.

In Board of Aldermen April 3. 1873.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 1195.

Ventilation of School houses

Resolved:—

That the sum of two hundred dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose of ventilating the school houses on Arnold, East and Spruce streets, to be charged to the account of appropriations for the public schools: the same to be expended under direction of the school committee

Passed In Common Council March 31. & April 14. 1873

In Board of Aldermen April 3. 1873.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor



No 1196.

Report of Water Commissioners

The Water Commissioners present their Fourteenth Quarterly Report for the quarter ending April 1. 1873 (City Document No 1196.)

Read whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed In Board of Aldermen April 3. 1873.

In Common Council April 14. 1873.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 1197.

City Auditor

Resolved:—

That one hundred and sixty seven dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated from the appropriation for salaries, to defray the expense of assistance in the office of the City Auditor from January 1st to June 1873, the same to be paid on the approval of the Mayor.

Passed In Board of Aldermen April 7 1873.

In Common Council April 14. 1873.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 1198.

Recorder of Deeds

Resolved:—

That one hundred and twenty five dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated from the appropriation for salaries, to defray the expense of additional assistance in the office of the Recorder of Deeds: the same to be paid on the approval of the Mayor.

Passed In Board of Aldermen April 7. 1873

In Common Council April 14. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 1199.

Police pay

Resolved:—

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to pay James McCready, a policeman who has been appointed but not confirmed, the sum of eighty five dollars and twenty five cents, for duty performed in March last.

Passed In Board of Aldermen April 7. 1873

In Common Council April 14. 1873

Approved the same day Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

No 500

South street

Resolved:—

That the Board of Aldermen be hereby requested to lay out and declare South street, from Eddy street easterly to the harbor line, as a public highway

Passed In Board of Aldermen January 20. 1873

In Common Council April 14. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 501.

Elm street

Resolved:—

That the Board of Aldermen be hereby requested to lay out Elm Street, from Eddy street to the harbor

Passed In Board of Aldermen March 31. 1873

In Common Council April 14. 1873.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 502.

Williams Rattey street

Resolved —

That Aldermen Angell and Spicer, with Messrs Paine, Rutterworth and Penney, be and they are hereby appointed a Special committee, with full power in their discretion, to adjust and to report the amount required to settle the claim of Gardner Williams and wife, for an abatement of the assessment on their estate for widening Rattey street, from Fountain street to High street, now pending in the Supreme court.

Passed April 14. 1873.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 503.

Hartford Prov & Fishkill Railroad

Sewer in Dorrance st

Resolved:—

That the trustees of the Hartford Providence and Fishkill Railroad be and are hereby granted permission to remove their track in Dorrance street to the east side of said street during the time it shall be necessary for said track to be removed for the building of the sewer in said street: provided, however, that no expense shall accrue to the City of Providence therefor: and provided that the laying of said rails and the use thereof shall, in the opinion of Joseph J. Burke, Charles E. Carpenter



503. and William Corliss, the committee appointed to construct a sewer in said street, be feasible, and that all the work done shall be under their direction and to their satisfaction, and provided also that said street shall be restored to its present condition to the satisfaction of said Burke, Carpenter and Corliss.

Passed April 14. 1873.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 504.

Monthly Report Chief of Fire Dept

The Chief Engineer of the Fire Department renders his Monthly Report for the month ending March 31. 1873 Expended for Salaries $5764.50 Incid. Stat $1482.27 Total $7246.97.

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

Passed April 14. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 505.

Monthly Report of City Treasurer

The City Treasurer renders his Monthly Report for March 1873.

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

Passed April 14. 1873.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 506.

Cove basin

Report.

To the Hon the City Council of the City of Providence

The Commissioners of the Cove Lands, who by resolution No 460, approved on the 20th ultimo were directed "to ascertain and report upon the expediency and expense of dredging the cove basin or so much thereof as may be necessary to cause the whole of it to be covered with water at all times" make this report. That as a preliminary step in the investigation of the subject committed to the commissioners in the resolution above referred to, they caused an analysis of the earth to be dredged from the cove basin to be made by the state assayer, for the purpose of ascertaining its value as a fertilizer. The report of that officer shows it to be nearly worthless for that purpose. The earth to be removed could therefore only be used to fill low lands

or must be removed to the place where the earth taken from the harbor is deposited. Fortunately for the city, it has in the immediate vicinity of the cove basin, lands flowed by tide water, which it is desirable should be filled to the grade of the surrounding streets, where the earth excavated from the cove basin may be removed without danger to the public health. Under the directions of the commissioners, J. B. Barbour Esq their chief engineer has prepared a careful estimate of dredging the cove basin to the depth of six inches lower than the level of the lowest tides, and he reports that the quantity of earth to be removed will be about 150,000 cubic yards and the cost of excavation and removal will be about $60,000.

The commissioners therefore report that it is not only expedient, but very desirable that the cove basin should be dredged to the depth above referred to and that the work should be commenced at once.

Respectfully submitted

by order of the commissioners

Thomas A. Doyle Chairman

Providence April 14. 1873.

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Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed April 14. 1873.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Resolved: —

That sum not exceeding twenty thousand dollars is hereby appropriated for the payment for the gore of land between the present easterly line of Broad street as established by the report of the commissioners of 2. Rivate made to the supreme court, and the westerly line of Broad street as formerly located between Plumbo avenue and Prairie avenue; and the city treasurer is hereby directed under the advice and direction of the joint standing committee on finance to hire the same

Resolved —

That the city treasurer is hereby directed to pay the persons owning said land at the rate of fifty cents per foot for such land, whenever deeds of the same and a title satisfactory to the city solicitor shall be presented to him.

Passed April 14. 1873.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor



No 503. Broad street

Resolved: —

That Messrs Carr, Maynard and E. A. Smith, with Aldermen Snow, be and they are hereby appointed a special committee to confer with all parties who have claimed a jury trial in the matter of the widening and straightening of Broad street, from Public street southerly to the Cranston line, and report upon what terms a settlement can be made with such parties.

Passed April 14. 1873. Approved the same day Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 504. Sewer in Haymarket st

Resolved: —

That the Board of Aldermen be hereby requested to cause a main drain or common sewer to be laid in Haymarket street from near Canal street to North Main street, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 807 of the public laws

Passed April 14. 1873.

Approved the same day.

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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In Common Council April 14. 1873

The Surveyor of Lumber presents the names of the following persons as Deputy Surveyors; whereupon it is voted: that the City Council approve of their appointment, viz:

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| Robert Manchester | Charles A Manchester |
| Nathaniel C. Burlee | Henry A. Grimwood |
| Joseph H. Robinson | Robert Carlisle |
| Charles C. Lee | Frank S. Roberts |
| Frank R Chedel | |

Charles C. Lee for mahogany and other ornamented lumber

Robert Manchester for oak and other hard wood used in ship building

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No 570.

Report.

To the Hon the City Council.

No 510

School House on Doyle ave.

The joint committee on city property who were directed by resolution approved February 24. 1873 to purchase of William Schroeder and Amos A. Beckwith two lots of land situated on Bacon street, at a price not exceeding ninety two hundred dollars ($9200) for the purpose of enlarging the grammar school lot on Doyle avenue, report that they are unable to purchase these lots at the limit named in the resolution.

For the committee on City Property

Addison D. Archer Chairman

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Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed In Common Council April 14. 1873

In Board of Aldermen April 16. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 511.

Resolved: —

That in the judgment of the City Council of the City of Providence it is necessary that the school house lot on the corner of Point and Plane

School House on Point & Plane sts

streets be enlarged, and it is hereby determined to enlarge the same by

Land

adding to the same the following described land, to wit: all that certain piece or parcel of land situate in the City of Providence and described as follows: commencing at a point made by the intersection of the southerly line of Point street with the easterly line of the school house lot on the corner of Point and Plane streets, and running thence easterly on the southerly line of said Point street 20.41 feet: thence running southerly at an angle of 111.33' and parallel with the said easterly line of said school house lot one hundred feet thereon 246.01 feet to the northerly line of the proposed extension of Langley street, thence forming an angle of 76°46' running westerly on the northerly line of the proposed extension of Langley street 20.55 feet to the said easterly line of said school house lot, thence running with said easterly line of said school house lot 245.39 feet to the point or place of beginning,- and the same is hereby fixed upon to enlarge the said school house lot.

Resolved: —

That the joint committee on education are hereby authorized to negotiate with the owner or owners of the above described land and to obtain the terms upon which said owners will convey the same to the city.

Passed In Common Council April 14 1873.

In Board of Aldermen April 16. 1873.



Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 512.

Resolved: —

Brook street District.

That the resolution to take certain land for the purpose of draining and grading the same, being the Brook street district so called, be and the same is hereby referred to a joint special committee consisting of Messrs Carr, A. L. Potter jr, Sellew, Rogers and Harris, on the part of the Common Council, with Aldermen Earle and Root, to examine and report thereon.

Passed In Common Council April 14. 1873

In Board of Aldermen April 16. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 513.

Resolved: —

South Main street

That in the opinion of the City Council, it is desirable and necessary to lay out and widen South Main street from College street to Transit street of a uniform width of sixty feet as follows: beginning for the easterly line of said widening at the present south westerly corner of South Main and College streets, thence running in a direct line to the centre of Hopkins street touching the outermost corner of the building now standing at the north east corner of said Hopkins and South Main street; thence in a direct line touching the outermost corner of the Isaac Brown house, opposite Benefit street, to one angle in said South Main street; thence in a direct range with the present easterly line of said South Main street, between Planet street and Hardings alley, and in continuation of said line to Transit street the westerly line of said South Main street to be parallel with and sixty feet from said easterly line; and whereas, certain real estate will be required for that purpose,

Resolved. —

That the City Solicitor be hereby directed to make application to the Supreme Court of this state for the appointment of commissioners of estimate and assessment under and according to the act entitled "An act in relation to the laying out, enlarging straightening and otherwise altering streets in the City of Providence," and the City Council hereby direct that in said application the City Solicitor shall make application that said commissioners shall apportion and assess three fourths of the loss and damage thereof upon the persons and

estates benefitted thereby, in the ratio of the benefits conferred

Resolved: —

That the City Clerk be hereby directed to give notice of such appropriation as soon as he shall be informed thereof by the City Solicitor, according to the direction and in the manner required by said act

Passed In Common Council April 14. 1873.
In Board of Aldermen April 16. 1873.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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College street

Resolved: —

That in the opinion of the City Council it is desirable and necessary to lay out and extend College street from South Main street to the Hunter line as follows: viz: the South line to commence at the present south easterly corner of College and South Main streets, thence in continuation of the present Southerly line of College street, adjoining said corner till it intersects the South line of the estate belonging to Mountain Woods and others, thence by said Southerly line to the easterly line of the river: and whereas, certain real estate will be required for that purpose,

Resolved: —

That the City Solicitor be hereby directed to make application to the Supreme Court of this State for the appointment of commissioners of estimate and assessment under and according to the act entitled "An act in relation to the laying out, enlarging, straightening and otherwise altering Streets in the City of Providence", and the City Council hereby direct that in said application the City Solicitor shall make application, that said commissioners shall apportion and assess three fourths of the loss and damage thereof upon the persons and estates benefitted thereby, in the ratio of the benefits conferred.

Resolved: —

That the City Clerk be hereby directed to give notice of such application as soon as he shall be informed thereof by the City Solicitor, according to the direction and in the manner required by said act

Passed In Common Council April 14. 1873.
In Board of Aldermen April 16. 1873.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 515.

Transit street

Resolved —

That the Board of Aldermen be and they are hereby requested to receive Transit street, from East street to Governor street, and declare the same a public highway.

Passed In Common Council April 14. 1873
In Board of Aldermen April 16. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 516.

James Lynch

Resolved: —

That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to pay to James Lynch the sum of one hundred dollars, ($100.) in full for all damage sustained on his premises situate at the South west corner of Courtland and Power streets, by reason of water accumulating at said corner and overflowing said premises, on his presenting a receipt therefor satisfactory to the City Solicitor: to be charged to the appropriation for contingencies.

Passed April 14. 1873 In Common Council
April 16. 1873 In Board of Aldermen
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 517.

Michael Martin

Resolved: —

That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to pay to Michael Martin the sum of one hundred and twenty five dollars ($125) in full for damage sustained by him from the overflow of his store and basement between Ives street and the Reform School garden lot, by water from said garden lot, whenever he shall present a receipt therefor satisfactory to the City Solicitor: - to be charged to the appropriations for contingencies

Passed In Common Council April 14. 1873
In Board of Aldermen April 16. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 518.

Joanna Doyle

Resolved: —

That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to pay to Joanna Doyle, the sum of three hundred dollars ($300) in full for

damages heretofore sustained by her by reason of the overflow of the Wickenden Street sewer, whenever she shall present a receipt therefor satisfactory to the City Solicitor;- to be charged to the appropriation for contingencies.

Passed In Common Council April 14. 1873
In Board of Aldermen April 16. 1873.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 529

Mary Smith
Neil Harvey

Resolved: —

That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to pay to Mary Smith and Neil Harvey, each, the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars ($150) in full for all damages heretofore sustained by them from overflowing of the sewer on Wickenden Street; on their presenting receipts therefor satisfactory to the City Solicitor;- to be charged to the appropriations for contingencies.

Passed In Common Council April 14. 1873
In Board of Aldermen April 16. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 530

Buildings to be raised

Resolved: —

That permission be granted to the following named persons to raise certain buildings, located as follows, pursuant to their several petitions, viz:

520. Lucet B Rainey No 47 Doyle avenue
521. John Hackett rear of No 19 Shove st
522. William R. Wilbur, Gummer st.

Passed In Common Council April 14. 1873
In Board of Aldermen April 16. 1873.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 523

Buildings to be moved

Resolved —

That permission be granted to the following named persons to move certain wooden buildings, pursuant to their several petitions, provided that all damage done to the telegraph wires thereby be repaired at the expense of the petitioners: viz:



533 John Aldrich
534 Jonathan S. Angell
535 Asahel P. Blanke
536 Henry M. Horton
537 Providence & Springfield Railroad Co
538 Stephen Simmons
539 Samuel M. Sillinghast

Passed In Common Council April 14. 1873
In Board of Aldermen April 16. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 530.

Building to be moved

Resolved: —

That permission be granted to Patrick Maguire to move a certain wooden building pursuant to his petition, provided, that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby be repaired at the expense of the petitioner.

Resolved:-

That the sum of five dollars be the amount designated to be paid for each day or part of a day said building shall occupy any public street of the city.

Passed In Common Council April 14. 1873
In Board of Aldermen April 16. 1873.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 531.

Do

Resolved: —

That permission be granted to Stephen Chace to move two certain wooden buildings, pursuant to his petition, provided that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby be repaired at the expense of the petitioner.

Resolved: —

That the sum of eight dollars be the amount designated to be paid for each day or part of a day said buildings shall occupy any public street of the city.

Passed In Common Council April 14. 1873
In Board of Aldermen April 16. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

No 532

Building to be moved

Resolved —

That permission be granted to Alonzo Williams to move a certain wooden building pursuant to his petition, provided that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby be repaired at the expense of the petitioner.

Resolved. —

That the sum of ten dollars be the amount designated to be paid for each day or part of a day said building shall occupy any public street of the city

Passed In Common Council April 14. 1873.
In Board of Aldermen April 16. 1873.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 533

Do

Resolved. —

That permission be granted to William Mc Elroy to move two certain wooden buildings pursuant to his petition, provided that all damages done to the telegraph wires and all bridges to be crossed, be repaired at the expense of the petitioner

Resolved: —

That the sum of five dollars be the amount designated to be paid for each day or part of a day each building shall occupy any public street of the city

Passed In Common Council April 14. 1873
In Board of Aldermen April 16. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 534.

Do

Resolved: —

That permission be granted to John Morris to move two certain wooden buildings pursuant to his petition, provided that all damages done to the telegraph wires, and all bridges to be crossed thereby, be repaired at the expense of the petitioner.

Resolved: —

That the sum of ten dollars be the amount designated to be paid for each day or part of a day each building shall occupy any public street of the city

Passed In Common Council April 14. 1873.



In Board of Aldermen April 16. 1873.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 535.

Boston & Prov Railroad Co

Sewer in Iron St

Resolved: —

That the Mayor is hereby authorized on behalf of the City of Providence to execute an agreement with the Boston & Providence Railroad Company binding the City to cause to be removed from Providence river all matter discharged from the contemplated sewer through Iron street and the land of said company to said river, which shall interfere with the use of said land and the wharves thereon by said railroad company; and also to agree to extend said sewer to the harbor line whenever said railroad company or their assigns shall fill out to said line upon the condition that said railroad company shall grant to said city the right to construct and forever maintain a sewer from Aruba street opposite Iron street in said city through said railroad company's land to said river without any claim for damages therefor by said railroad company and without any assessment upon said railroad company for the cost of said sewer.

Passed In Board of Aldermen April 14. 1873
In Common Council April 28. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 536.

Broad St & S. & S. Owen

Resolved: —

That the joint special committee appointed November 25. 1872 to confer with the parties who had claimed a jury trial in the widening of Broad street, near Snow street, are hereby authorized to settle with Messrs S. & S. Owen by adding to the award made to said Owens by the commissioners on said street, the sum of two thousand dollars.

Passed In Board of Aldermen April 16. 1873
In Common Council April 28. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Ord 537.

North Burying Ground Trust

John Crain

Resolved —

That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to pay to the commissioners of the North Burying Ground the sum of two hundred dollars: the same being the amount bequeathed to the City of Providence by John Crain, late of Pawtucket, deceased: the said amount to be held by said commissioners in trust, under and according to the provisions of the will of said John Crain and chapter 367 of the statutes of this state.

Passed In Board of Aldermen April 16. 1873
In Common Council April 28. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Ord 538.

## Report.

To the Hon the City Council

The joint committee on education respectfully report that they have discharged the duty imposed upon them by the resolution approved April 16. 1873, and are unable to obtain any terms from the owner of said lot that are deemed desirable to recommend to the City Council for which said owner will convey said land

And they further report, that said committee is unable to agree with the owner of said land upon any terms of conveyance of the same to the city.

For the committee
N. Dana Sleeper Chairman

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Read whereupon it is ordered that the same be received
Passed In Common Council April 28 1873
In Board of Aldermen May 1. 1873.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Ord 539.

Decoration Day

Resolved: —

That Messrs Carr, Rogers and Pomroy, with Alderman Angell, be and they are hereby appointed a committee to make arrangements for a suitable observance of Decoration Day

Resolved: That the sum of six hundred dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose of defraying the expenses of that day: to be paid by the city treasurer upon the order of said committee from the appropriation for contingencies.

Passed In Common Council April 28. 1873
In Board of Aldermen May 1. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor



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Ord 540.

Land for use of Fire Department

Resolved: —

That the joint Standing committee on city property be hereby authorized and directed to purchase for the use of the fire department, a certain lot of land containing about 6200. feet, situated on the north west corner of Bennett and Public streets, ninth ward, at an expense not exceeding fifty eight hundred dollars: ($5800.) the same to be charged to the appropriation for the fire department; provided, a deed satisfactory to the City Solicitor be first obtained

Passed In Common Council April 28. 1873
In Board of Aldermen May 1. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Ord 541.

Andrews st

Resolved —

That the Board of Aldermen be and they are hereby requested to access Andrews street, from Broadway to Grove street and declare the same a public highway

Passed In Common Council April 28. 1873
In Board of Aldermen May 1. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Ord 542.

Sewer in Atwood street

Resolved: —

That the Board of Aldermen be hereby requested to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Atwood street from Washington to Westminster streets, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 807 of the public laws

Passed in Common Council April 28 in Board of Aldermen May 1. 1873
Approved the same day Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

No 543.

Resolved:—

Drain in Clifford st

That the Board of Aldermen are hereby requested to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Clifford street, from Chestnut to Richmond streets, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 807 of the public laws

Passed In Common Council April 28. 1873

In Board of Aldermen May 1. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 544.

Resolved:—

Drain in George st

That the Board of Aldermen be hereby requested to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in George street, from Brook to Thayer streets, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 807 of the public laws

Passed In Common Council April 28. 1873

In Board of Aldermen May 1. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 545.

Resolved:—

Drain in Vine st

That the Board of Aldermen be hereby requested to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Vine street, from Portland to Pearl streets, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 807 of the public laws

Passed In Common Council April 28. 1873

In Board of Aldermen May 1. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 546.

Smoots Ave District

Resolved:—

That the City of Providence in accordance with the provisions of an act entitled "An act to authorize the City of Providence to take certain land for the purpose of draining and grading the same," hereby takes all the land in said City of Providence lying within the district bounded by Traverse street on the west, Wickenden street and Power street on the north,



546. Seekonk river on the east, and India street on the south

Resolved:—

That the City Solicitor is hereby directed to prepare forthwith a description of all the lands taken under the provisions of the preceding resolution, as required by said act, and the Mayor is hereby directed to sign the same and file the same together with a statement that said lands are taken pursuant to the provisions of said act, in the office of the recorder of deeds.

Resolved:—

That the water commissioners are hereby instructed to report as soon as may be, a proper grade for the lands described in the first preceding resolution, and the proper manner of draining the same and such other parts of the city as are connected with said lands, together with an estimate of the cost of such grading

Passed In Common Council April 28. 1873.

In Board of Aldermen May 1. 1873.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 547.

Wm Rankin & Co.

Resolved:—.

That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to pay William Rankin & Co the sum of fifty one dollars and ninety five cents ($51.95 in full for his bill for carpets for the office of the Inspector of Milks: to be charged to the appropriation for contingencies

Passed In Common Council April 28. 1873

In Board of Aldermen May 1. 1873.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 548.

Jos. G. Johnson

Resolved:—

That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to pay to Joseph G. Johnson the sum of fifteen dollars and sixty eight cents, being the amount paid by said Joseph G. Johnson for lot number 641 on assessors plat No 43 sold at tax sale for non payment of a tax thereon assessed against Mannasch S. Cobb for the year 1869: said lot being at the time of the assessment of said tax the property of Philip Denby, and for recording deed of same, provided said Joseph G. Johnson quitclaim all his

right. title and interest in and to said lot without additional compensation to said Philip Denby

Passed In Common Council April 28. 1873
In Board of Aldermen May 1. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Tax abated

Resolved: —

That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to remit, or if already paid to repond to Charles Anthony administrator on the estate of Charles P. Clarke the sum of two hundred and two dollars and fifty cents ($202.50) the amount of a tax erroneously assessed against hemo as such administrator for the year 1872.

Passed In Common Council April 28. 1873
In Board of Aldermen May 1. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Buildings to be moved

Resolved: —

That permission be granted to the following named persons to raise certain buildings located as follows, pursuant to their several petitions viz.

No 230. George Sansom No 93 Spruce street
231. James McAlord 277 Atwells avenue
232. Thomas McCarty 51 Tracy street
233. Patrick Monaghan 61 Watkins street
234. William A. Monroe 135 Transit street

Passed In Common Council April 28. 1873.
In Board of Aldermen May 1. 1873.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Buildings to be moved

Resolved: —

That permission be granted to the following named persons to move certain wooden buildings pursuant to their several petitions, provided that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby be repaired at the expense of the petitioner: viz:

No. 235. Amos A. Beckwith



No 556. Joseph J. Cooke
557. James Doris
558. Thomas H. Eddy
559. William McLaughlin

Passed In Common Council April 28. 1873
In Board of Aldermen May 1. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 560.

Hammond Street

Resolved. —

That in the opinion of the City Council, it is desirable and necessary to lay out and extend Hammond Street, of a uniform width of fifty feet, from High street Southerly, as follows: viz: beginning for the easterly line of said extension in the southerly line of High street at the northwesterly corner of the estate of Edward W. Billings thence Southerly in a direct line, making the westerly line of the estates of Edward W. Billings and John Andrews the easterly line of Hammond Street, under said line intersects with the easterly line of Hammond Street as now laid out: and whereas, certain real estate will be required for that purpose:

Resolved: —

That the City Solicitor be hereby directed to make application to the Supreme court of this State, for the appointment of commissioners of estimate and assessment under and according to the act entitled "An act in relation to the laying out, enlarging, straightening and otherwise altering Streets in the City of Providence." and the City Council hereby direct, that in said application, the City Solicitor shall make application that said commissioners shall apportion and assess three fourths of the loss and damage thereof upon the persons and estates benefited thereby, in the ratio of the benefits conferred

Resolved —

That the City Clerk be hereby directed to give notice of such application as soon as he shall be informed thereof by the City Solicitor according to the directions and in the manner required by said act.

Passed In Board of Aldermen May 1. 1873
In Common Council May 5. 1873.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Dec 501.

School House and Point & Plane st

The Commissioners appointed to build a new grammar school house on Point and Plane streets present their first quarterly report.

Amount expended $ 2081.72: balance on hand $ 27,918.28.

(For Report see printed resolutions.)

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

Passed In Board of Aldermen May 1. 1873.

In Common Council May 5. 1873.

Approved the same day.

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Dec 502

Thomas Davis

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Resolved: —

That the communication from Mr Thomas Davis in relation to laying out a street from Hunter avenue to Autumn street, adjoining the second Power lot, be referred to Aldermen Root and Messrs W. H. Jones, Stiles and Brown of the Common Council, to examine and report thereon.

Passed In Board of Aldermen May 1. 1873.

In Common Council May 5. 1873.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Bridge and Market

Resolved —

That the City Council of the City of Providence, hereby accept the provisions of chapter 900 of the Statutes, entitled "an act to authorize the City of Providence to construct and maintain a bridge over Providence river, for the purpose of erecting a public market thereon."

Passed In Board of Aldermen May 1. 1873.

In Common Council May 5. 1873.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Dec 503.

Report. —

Albert Dailey & Co

To the Hon. City Council of the City of Providence

The Joint Special Committee appointed by resolution approved January 20. 1873 to whom was referred the message of his honor the Mayor



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in relation to the claim of Messrs Albert Dailey & Co for damages sustained by the filling up of the docks at Dorrance and Ship streets, to examine and report thereon, respectfully report that they have given attention to the subject, having viewed the premises and the party interested came before the committee and presented their claims for damages sustained in consequence of the filling of the dock from the Dorrance and Ship street sewers.

Dorrance street Docks

Ship street is one of the public highways to the tide water, having been laid and accepted by the Town Council in 1793. and at the east end of this street the sewer terminates.

Ship street docks

Your committee have no power to settle this claim, and failing to agree to recommend a sum for damages satisfactory to the claimants, we do recommend that the question of damage be settled by three referees appointed in the usual manner, and we likewise recommend that the joint standing committee on the harbor attend to the dredging of Ship street dock at once, as parties on the North side are about to improve their wharf estate, and it can be more easily done before they commence.

William Spencer for the committee

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Read whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.

Passed May 5. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Resolved: —

That the City Clerk and the Clerk of the Common Council are hereby directed to ascertain if the Clerk of the District Court of the City of Providence has faithfully and seasonably recorded the judgments and proceedings of said court, and in case they shall find such to be the fact the City Clerk is hereby directed to give said clerk a certificate that he has furnished to the City Council satisfactory evidence thereof, and that the provisions of section 24 of chapter 185 of the general Statutes have been complied with

Clerk of District Court

Passed May 5. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Resolved: —

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to pay James

Police pay

Mc Cready, a policeman who has been appointed but not confirmed, the sume of eighty two dollars and fifty cents, for duty preformed in April last.

Passed May 5. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Ord 567.

Ordinance

"An Ordinance fixing the Salaries of the Officers of the City of Providence for the year ensuing the first Monday in June 1873."

(See Book of Ordinances No 3 page 117, and City Document No 62.)

Passed In Common Council April 28. 1873.
In Board of Aldermen May 5. 1873.

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Monthly Report of Chief Engineer

The Chief Engineer of the Fire Department makes his Monthly Report for the month ending April 30. 1873 Expended for salaries $2104.87. Incidental $ 1179.55. total $3284.42.

Read whereupon it is ordered that the same be received
Passed In Common Council May 5. 1873.
In Board of Aldermen May 8. 1873.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 569.

Monthly Report of City Treasurer

The City Treasurer makes his Monthly Report for the month ending April 30. 1873.

Read: whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received
Passed In Common Council May 5. 1873
In Board of Aldermen May 8. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 570.

Annual Report of N. B. Ground Fund

## Report of North Burial Ground Funds

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

The Commissioners of the North Burial Ground, make this their



annual report of the trust funds, for the year ending April 30. 1873.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Zachariah Allen Jr. | deposited in Prov. Inst for Savings | 43.66 |
| Phebe Whipple | " " " " " " | 100.00 |
| Joseph Brigs | " 10 Shares Stock Boston & Prov. Railroad Co | 1000.00 |
| Rebecca M. Gladding | " deposited in Prov. Inst for Savings | 100.00 |
| John Rawlins | " " " " " " | 100.00 |
| Ferdinand Ralcom | " " " " " " | 100.00 |
| Stephen Randall | " " " " " " | 100.00 |
| Alexander Duncan | " " " " " " | 1000.00 |
| Elizabeth Cowell | " 8 Shares Stock Pinchstone Common National Bank | 200.00 |
| Sabey Gorham | " deposited in Prov. Inst for Savings | 600.00 |
| Almon D. Hodges | " " " " | 100.00 |
| James Wheaton | " " " " | 80.00 |
| George Earle | " " " " | 100.00 |
| Anna Whipple | " " " " | 200.00 |
| Benjamin Carpenter | " " " " | 300.00 |
| | | $4123.66 |

Respectfully submitted
Wm Earle for Commissioners

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

The Commissioners of the North Burial Ground make this their annual report of receipts and expenditures of the income from the trust funds, for the year ending April 30. 1873.

| Owners' names | Am't of Funds | Income not rec'd | Income rec'd | Am't Income not Expended Apl 30. 1873 | Am't Income not Expended Apl 30. 1873 | Remarks |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Zachariah Allen | 43.66 | 16.87 | 3.07 | .00 | 19.94 | Appropriated |
| Phebe Whipple | 100. | 17.97 | 7.10 | 3.50 | 21.57 | " |
| Joseph Briggs | 1000. | 139.01 | 100.00 | 214.50 | 24.51 | " |
| Rebecca M. Gladding | 100. | 6.27 | 7.10 | 6.00 | 7.37 | " |
| John Rawlins | 100. | 15.41 | 7.10 | 5.25 | 17.26 | " |
| Ferdinand Ralcom | 100. | 19.41 | 7.10 | 3.50 | 23.01 | " |
| Stephen Randall | 100. | 23.58 | 7.10 | 3.00 | 26.68 | " |
| Alexander Duncan | 1000. | 263.80 | 71.20 | 88.00 | 247.00 | Accumulating for repairs |
| Elizabeth Cowell | 200 | 63.50 | 16.00 | 3.00 | 75.50 | " " grading |
| Sabey Gorham | 600. | 113.50 | 42.73 | 14.00 | 142.23 | " Do |
| Almon D. Hodges | 100. | 15.00 | 7.10 | 00 | 22.10 | Appropriated |
| James Wheaton | 80. | 3.50 | 5.67 | 5.25 | 3.97 | " |
| George Earle | 100. | 5.25 | 7.10 | 00 | 12.35 | " |
| Anna Whipple | 200. | 10.50 | 14.24 | 00 | 24.74 | " |
| Benjamin Carpenter | 300. | 00 | 00 | 00 | 00 | |
| | $4123.66 | 711.57 | 302.63 | 346.00 | 668.15 | |

Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received
Passed In Common Council May 5. 1873
In Board of Aldermen May 8. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

No 514.

Albert Dailey &c

Resolved:
That the City Solicitor is hereby authorized to agree to the reference of the claims of Albert Dailey &c against the city, for injuries sustained by the discharge of the sewers in Dorrance street and Ship street, into the waters of the Harbor, under a rule of court.
Passed In Common Council May 5. 1873
In Board of Aldermen May 8. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

No 515.

Resolved:—
That the City Council do hereby approve of the appointment of Messrs Henry L. Kendall and Franklin H. Richmond of this city and Jesse Metcalf of North Providence, as referees in the claims of Albert Dailey &c. against the City of Providence
Resolved:—
That the Mayor and Aldermen Spencer and Sprague, with Messrs Richard, Paine and Nayrand of the Common Council, be hereby appointed a joint special committee with power to fill any vacancy in said board of referees.
Passed In Common Council, May 5. 1873.
In Board of Aldermen, May 8. 1873.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

No 516.

Hose Station

Resolved:—
That the Superintendents of Public Buildings, acting under the advice and directions of the Joint Standing Committee on City Property be hereby directed to cause the dwelling house situated on the lot lately purchased for the use of the fire department on the corner of Burnett and Public streets, to be removed to the rear, on the same lot, the expense to be charged to the appropriations for the fire department.
Resolved:—
That the Joint Committee on City Property, be hereby directed to cause to be erected upon the lot recently purchased by the city at the corner of Burnett and Power streets, a hose carriage house, in accordance with plans and specifications to be presented by the chief engineer of the fire department, and that the sum of thirty five hundred dollars ($3500) is hereby appropriated for the purpose of carrying the same into effect: the same to be charged to the appropriations for the fire department
Passed In Common Council May 5. 1873
In Board of Aldermen May 8. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor



No 517.

Sewer in Benefit and Wickenden st

Resolved:—
That the Board of Aldermen be hereby requested to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Benefit and Wickenden street, from Power street to Brook street, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 807 of the public laws
Passed In Common Council May 5. 1873
In Board of Aldermen May 8. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

No 518.

Ward Room 7th Ward

Resolved:—
That the Highway Commissioners be and they are hereby directed to cause a concrete walk to be laid on the sidewalk in front of the seventh ward room on Pallas street: the work to be done forthwith.
Passed In Common Council May 5. 1873
In Board of Aldermen May 8. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

No 576

L. Lynch

Resolved:—
That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to pay to Laurence Lynch the sum of two hundred dollars ($200) in full

compensation for all damages sustained by him by reason of the overflow of the Wickenden street sewer, on his presenting a receipt therefor satisfactory to the City Solicitor: to be charged to the appropriation for contingencies

Passed In Common Council May 5, 1873
In Board of Aldermen May 8, 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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c/n 577.

Hugh Frazier

Resolved: —

That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to pay to Hugh Frazier the sum of fifty dollars, ($50) in full compensation for all damages sustained by him by reason of the overflow of the Wickenden street sewer; on his presenting a receipt therefor satisfactory to the city solicitor: to be charged to the appropriation for contingencies

Passed In Common Council May 5, 1873
In Board of Aldermen May 8, 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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c/n 578.

Building to be raised

Resolved: —

That permission be granted to Ellen Mc Keown to raise a certain building, located at No 13 Everbring street, pursuant to her petition

Passed In Common Council May 5, 1873
In Board of Aldermen May 8, 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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c/n 579.

Building to be moved

Resolved: —

That permission be granted to Newell Smith to move a certain wooden building, pursuant to his petition, provided that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby, be repaired at the expense of the petitioner.

Passed In Common Council May 5, 1873
In Board of Aldermen May 8, 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor



c/n 580.

Spring Street

Resolved —

That in the opinion of the City Council it is desirable and necessary to lay out and extend Spring street of a uniform width of forty feet, from Broad street to Lockwood street by the following described lines: beginning for the easterly line, in the southerly line of Broad street at the south east corner of said Spring street as now occupied, thence in the present easterly line of said street thirty and one half feet to an angle: thence in said easterly line and in direct continuation thereof to Lockwood street. The westerly line of said street to be parallel with and forty feet from the above described easterly line. And whereas certain real estate will be required for that purpose;

Resolved: —

That the City Solicitor be hereby directed to make applications to the Supreme court of this State for the appointment of commissioners to estimate and assessment damages and according to the act entitled "An act in relation to the laying out enlarging, straightening and other wise altering streets in the City of Providence" and the City Council hereby direct, that in said applications the City Solicitor shall make applications that said commissioners shall apportion and assess three quarters of the loss and damage thereof upon the persons and estates benefitted thereby, in the ratio of the benefits conferred.

Resolved: —

That the City Clerk be hereby directed to give notice of such applications as soon as he shall be informed thereof by the City Solicitor, according to the directions and in the manner required by said act.

Passed In Board of Aldermen January 29, 1873
In Common Council May 19, 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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c/n 581.

Heirs of Wm Randall

E. B. Knowles et al.

Resolved: —

That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to pay the plaintiffs costs in the two cases of Lucius Meiner and others against the City of Providence, and Lucius Meiner and others against Nathan Smalley, now pending in the Court of Common Pleas for the County of Providence, whenever he shall receive from the City Solicitor a certificate that said suits have been discontinued and that said plaintiffs have

North Burying Ground

released to the city all claims to that portion of the North Burying Ground estate lying between North Main street and the easterly line of Sexton street as formerly laid out.

Passed In Board of Aldermen March 20. 1873
In Common Council May 19. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Water for Sprinkling

Resolved: —

That Pawtuxet water be furnished by the city for sprinkling streets, whenever the abutters on any street shall pay the expense of such sprinkling: the cost thereof to be charged to the appropriation for contingencies.

Passed In Board of Aldermen May 1. 1873.
In Common Council May 19. 1873.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Sewer in Clifford St

Resolved: —

That the Board of Aldermen are hereby requested to lay a main drain or common sewer in Clifford street from Plane street to Chestnut street, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 807 of the statutes

Passed In Board of Aldermen May 1. 1873.
In Common Council May 19. 1873.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Eddy St

Boston Hartford & Erie R.R. Co.

Resolved: —

That the City Solicitor is hereby authorized to assent to an amendment of the report of the commissioners of estimate and assessment on the extension of Eddy street from Washington street to Cove street, by reducing the assessment upon the Boston, Hartford and Erie Railroad Company, from three thousand dollars to twenty five hundred dollars

Passed In Board of Aldermen May 8. 1873.
In Common Council May 19. 1873.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor



No 585.

North Main Street.

Resolved: —

That in the opinion of the City Council, it is desirable and necessary to widen North Main street in said city as follows: beginning for the westerly line, at a point in the easterly line of Branch avenue, ninety nine feet westerly from the present easterly line of said North Main street, thence in a direct line northerly to a point ninety nine feet westerly from the stone bound now standing at the northeasterly corner of North street and said North Main street, thence northerly in a direct line to a stone bound in the North Providence line, being the termination of the westerly line of a highway laid out by ... said Town of North Providence. said street to be ninety nine feet wide from Branch avenue to the north line of said North street, and from thence to be widened wholly on the westerly side thereof: and whereas, certain real estate will be required for that purpose.

Resolved: —

That the City Solicitor be hereby directed to make application to the Supreme Court of this state for the appointment of Commissioners of estimate and assessment under and according to the act entitled "An act in relation to the laying out, enlarging, straightening and otherwise altering streets in the City of Providence" and the City Council hereby direct that in said application the City Solicitor shall make application that said commissioners shall apportion and assess three fourths of the loss and damage thereof upon the persons and estates benefited thereby in the ratio of the benefits conferred.

Resolved: —

That the City Clerk be hereby directed to give notice of such application as soon as he shall be informed thereof by the City Solicitor, according to the directions and in the manner required by said act.

Passed In Board of Aldermen May 8. 1873
In Common Council May 19. 1873

(not returned by mayor)

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No 586.

City Auditor. City Treasurer

## Report.

To the Hon. City Council

The joint standing committee on finance to whom was referred the annual reports of the City Auditor and City Treasurer for the fiscal year ending September 30. 1872, report that they have examined the same and compared them with the vouchers and find

the same concur. For the committee
P. M. Matheuson Chairman

Resd: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received
Passed In Common Council May 19. 1873
In Board of Aldermen May 21. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 587

Appropriation for Sewerage

Resolved:—

That the sum of one hundred thousand dollars, be and the same is hereby added to the appropriations for sewerage, and the City Treasurer, acting under the advice of the committee on finance, is hereby authorized to hire the same
Passed In Common Council May 19. 1873.
In Board of Aldermen May 21. 1873.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 588.

Drawing

Resolved:—

That the sum of fifteen hundred dollars, be and the same hereby is appropriated out of the appropriations for public schools, for the purpose of defraying the expenses of introducing drawing into the public schools: the said sum to include the amount to be paid for a teacher of drawing. This appropriation to be for one year from September 1873.
Passed In Common Council May 19. 1873
In Board of Aldermen May 21. 1873.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 589.

School House on Bridgham st

Resolved

That the Superintendent of Public Buildings, under the direction of the joint committee on city property, build an iron fence with granite base around so much of the Bridgham school as fronts on Dodge street, and also, properly paint the school building: the expense thereof to be charged to the appropriation for school houses and lots.
Passed In Common Council May 19. 1873.



In Board of Aldermen May 21. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 590

School House on Richmond st & Federal st

Resolved:—

That the commissioners on highways, under the direction of the joint committee on Highways, concrete the sidewalks in front of the Richmond Street school house lot, and also the sidewalks adjoining the school estate on Federal Street; the same to be charged to the appropriation for sidewalks and curbing
Passed In Common Council May 19. 1873
In Board of Aldermen May 21. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 591.

Water for Holly Tree Inn Temperance Society

Resolved:—

That the Water Commissioners are hereby directed to make a reduction of one half of the usual rates for Pawtuxet Water to the following charitable institutions, viz: the Holly Tree Inn and the Temperance Society
Passed In Common Council May 19. 1873.
In Board of Aldermen May 21. 1873.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 592.

Jackson Street

Resolved:—

That Messrs Borges, Fished, A. J. Barnaby, Brown, Angell Raymond, Mowray, Hopkins and Arden of the Common Council, with Aldermen Angell, Shafer, Earle, Spicer, Spencer, Sprague, Snow, Street and Root are hereby appointed a committee with full power to settle the claims of all persons who have claimed jury trials in the matter of the extension of Jackson Street
Passed In Common Council May 19. 1873
In Board of Aldermen May 21. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

No 373.

Rattey street

D. Williams wife

Resolved:—

That the City Solicitor is hereby authorized to assent to an amendment of the report of the commissioners of estimate and assessment on Rattey street, made to the Supreme Court at the October term A.D. 1871 by reducing the assessment upon Governor Williams and wife, from seven hundred and fifteen dollars to five hundred dollars.

Passed In Common Council May 19. 1873

In Board of Aldermen May 21. 1873.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 374.

Weybosset street

Resolved—

That the Highway Commissioners be and they are hereby directed to cause Weybosset street from Custom House street to Dorrance street, to be paved with granite blocks.

Passed In Common Council May 19. 1873

In Board of Aldermen May 21. 1873.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 375.

Eddy street

Resolved—

That the Highway Commissioners be and they are hereby directed to cause new curb stones to be set in place of the old, and the roadway on Eddy street, from Ship street to Point street, to be paved with granite blocks.

Passed In Common Council May 19. 1873

In Board of Aldermen May 21. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 376.

Sewer in Weybosset & Westminster sts

Resolved:—

That the Board of Aldermen be hereby requested to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Weybosset and Westminster streets, from Dorrance street to the river, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 807 of the Statutes.

Recorded Jan 15 1874 } See Book 8, page 88 }

Passed In Common Council May 19. 1873.



In Board of Aldermen May 21. 1873.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 377.

Sewer in Benevolent and Governor Streets

Resolved—

That that the Board of Aldermen be hereby requested to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Benevolent street from Cooke street to Governor street, and thence through Governor street to Williams street, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 807 of the Statutes

Passed In Common Council May 19. 1873.

In Board of Aldermen May 21. 1873.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 378.

Sewer in Hospital st

Resolved:—

That the Board of Aldermen be hereby requested to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Hospital street from Langley street to Olney street, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 807 of the public laws

Passed In Common Council May 19. 1873.

In Board of Aldermen May 21. 1873.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 379

Sewer in North Main sts

Resolved:—

That the Board of Aldermen be hereby requested to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in North Main street, from a point near the foot of Olney street, to connect with the sewer already constructed in said North Main street, at the foot of Constitution Hill; in accordance with the provisions of chapter 807 of the Statutes.

Passed In Common Council May 19. 1873

In Board of Aldermen May 21. 1873.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 600.

Thomas Moiller

Resolved —

That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to pay to Thomas Moiller the sum of six hundred and twenty eight dollars and fifty one cents ($628.51) in full for all damages sustained by him by reason of the overflow of his premises on Langley street, on his presenting a receipt therefor satisfactory to the City Solicitor; to be charged to the appropriation for contingencies

Passed In Common Council May 19. 1873

In Board of Aldermen May 21. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 601

Mrs. Salisbury

Building to be raised

Resolved: —

That permission be granted to Sabra Salisbury to raise a certain building located at 56 to South street; pursuant to his petition.

Passed In Common Council May 19. 1873.

In Board of Aldermen May 21. 1873.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Buildings to be moved

Resolved: —

That permission be granted to the following named persons to move certain wooden buildings, pursuant to their several petitions, provided that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby, be repaired at the expense of the petitioners

No 602. Wheeler & Reynolds

603. David Hopkins

604. Edwin Farmer

Passed In Common Council May 19. 1873

In Board of Aldermen May 21. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Resolved: —

That permission be granted to the following named persons to move certain wooden buildings, pursuant to their several petitions, provided that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby, be repaired at



the expense of the petitioners

No 605. John Bradley

606. Michael Conway

607. George R. Watterson

608. Prince A. Potter

609. Richard B. Smith

Resolved: —

That the sum of five dollars be the amount designated to be paid for each day or part of a day each of said buildings shall occupy any public street of the city

Passed In Common Council May 19. 1873

In Board of Aldermen May 21. 1873.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 610.

Buildings to be moved

Resolved: —

That permission be granted to John Keegan, to move a certain wooden building, pursuant to his petition, provided, that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby, be repaired at the expense of the petitioner.

Resolved: —

That the sum of ten dollars be the amount designated to be paid for each day or part of a day said building shall occupy any public street of the city.

Passed In Common Council May 19. 1873

In Board of Aldermen May 21. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 611.

Police Telegraph

Resolved:

That the Chief of Police, acting under the advice and direction of the Joint Committee on Police, shall cause to be constructed a police telegraph; and the sum of fifteen hundred dollars $1500. be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose, from the appropriation for police

Passed In Common Council May 19. 1873

In Board of Aldermen June 2. 1873.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

1873

Tax abated
S. C. Arnold

*Resolved:*

That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to refund to Stephen C. Arnold the sum of four dollars and ninety nine cents ($4.99) being the amount of tax paid by him for the year 1872 on a defective tax title.

Passed In Common Council May 19. 1873.
In Board of Aldermen June 2. 1873.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

1873.

Ordinance

"An Ordinance in amendment of an ordinance entitled "An Ordinance permitting the Union Railroad Company to lay rails in certain streets of the City of Providence."

Passed In Common Council May 19. 1873.
In Board of Aldermen June 2. 1873.

( See Book of Ordinances No 3 page and City Document No 70 )



*In Convention June 2. 1873.*

This being the day fixed by law for the annual organization of the municipal government of the City of Providence the Mayor Aldermen and members of the Common Council elect are assembled in the Common Council chamber at three o'clock p.m.

The certificate of the election of Hon Thomas A. Doyle Mayor of the City of Providence from the first Monday in June A.D. 1873 until the first Monday in January 1875 is read, and the oath of office is administered to him by Hon Amasa S. Westcott Judge of the Municipal Court.

The roll of the City Council is called, as follows, and all the members being present except Messrs William Rimney and Nelson W. Daniels, the oath of office is administered by the Mayor to the members present: viz:

Aldermen -

| | | | |
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| Ward 1 | Henry J. Angell | Ward 5. | Albert N. Manchester |
| 2. | Addison D. Fisher | 6. | Nathaniel F. Potter jr. |
| 3 | George R. Earle | 7. | John N. Austin |
| 4 | George T. Spicer | 8. | Silas A. Sweet |
| | | Ward 9. | William C. Dalton |

Common Council -

Ward 1

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| Allen J. Brown | Allen Greene |
| Elisha C. Kenney | Charles N. Nichols |

Ward 2.

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| William Rimney | Henry L. Parsons |
| Parley McMathewson | William W. Douglas |

Ward 3.

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| Clinton D. Sellew | Sturges P. Carpenter |
| Horatio Rogers | James C. Rutterworth |

Ward 4.

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| Moses J. Ramsdell | William W. Paine |
| William H. Hennes | Charles F. Phillips |

Ward 5

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| Nicholas Van Slyck | Gerhard P. Pomroy |
| William W. Rickard | Freeborn Johnson |

Ward 6.

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| Nelson W. Harris | Archibald B. Rice |
| William J. Rayment | Henry C. Bradford |

Ward 7.

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| Samuel S. Harris | James J. Mowray |
| Jeremiah B. Ramsdell | Rensselaer A. Whitcomb |

Ward 8.

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| Raymond G. Rice | Israel M. Hopkins |
| Edwin A. Smith | Benjamin Hunt Jr. |

Ward 9.

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| James Arden | George A. Johnson |
| George H. Potter | Henry R. Parker |

Samuel W. Brown is elected City Clerk and the oath of office is administered to him by the Mayor.

Prayer is offered by Rev. Kinsley Twining

The Mayor delivers his inaugural address

The following City Officers are elected for the municipal term, commencing on the first Monday in June a.d. 1873 and ending on the first Monday in January a.d. 1875 viz:

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| Chief of Police | John M. Knowles |



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| Judge of the Municipal Court | Amasa J. Westcott |
| Clerk of the " " | George R. Nichols |
| Recorder of Deeds | Gustavus A. Williamson |
| City Auditor | James McCrea |
| Register of Transfers | Joseph W. Taylor |
| Clerk in the Transfer Office | Henry L. Holmes |
| Chief Engineer of the Fire Department | Oliver E. Greene |

Assistant Engineers

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| 1. Matthew M. Ingraham | 3. James McBaker |
| 2. Jno Winsor | 4. William A. Sabin |

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| Clerk of the Highway Department | George E. Thompson |
| City Sergeant | Edward S. Rhodes |
| City Messenger | Do |
| Clerk of the Market | Do |

Coroners

George M. Wightman  William W. Knowles  Roger M. Potter

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| Assessor of Taxes for three years | Henry A. Webb |

Presidents of the Fire Departments

Charles E. Carpenter  Sturges P. Carpenter,  Oliver E. Greene

Trustees of the Providence Reform School

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| Edwin W. Snow | Henry J. Angell |
| William J. King | Amasa R. Pinkham |
| Charles Anthony | J. Lewis Dimon |
| Inspector of Provisions | George A. Cole |

Commissioners of the North Burying Ground

Zachariah Allen  William Earle  Joseph A. Gilmore

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| Superintendent of the North Burying Ground | Nathan Smalley |
| Pound Keeper at the asylum | Thomas E. Payne |
| " " at N B Ground | Nathan Smalley |
| " " in Ninth Wards | William W. Austin |
| Sealer of Weights and Measures | Franklin Otis |
| Advising Committee on Bridges | Mayor and Aldermen |
| Overseer of Bridges | Obadiah Slade |
| Overseers of the Hospital | Mayor and Aldermen |
| Overseer of the City Pumps | Oliver E. Greene |
| Fence Viewer | Seymour Arnold |

Committee to Superintend the building of Chimneys and placing of Stoves and pipes

Samuel R. Butterick  Josiah Simmons

Samuel W. Hartshorn

Port Wardens

Samuel A. Cooley — Nathaniel Connell — Philander Cooley

City Auctioneers

Francis J. Sheldon — George H. Burnham

Undertakers

Michael J. Rawson — Thomas McDonough
Thomas E. Rawson — Merrie Nichols
James Royce — Everett Ridgood
William O Riggs — Thomas E. Payson
Peter L. Clarke — Patrick Devine
George W. Hopkins — Nathan Smalley
Horace R. Knowles — Benj F. Swasey
Henry Lynch — Gardner J. Swasey
Thomas R. Matthews — Orrin Street
John G. Hopkins — William Wallace

Constables

Silas J. Allen — Thomas W. Haywood
Lucian J. Arnold — John Laughlin
Charles Barnes — George Bowles
William Batchelder — Samuel Mooney Jr
John H. Cobleigh — Isaac C. Potter
John A. Creighton — William H. Pullen
John H. Gould — George E. Thompson

Randall R Wiley

Police constables without power to serve civil process

Reuben A. Arnold — Barak Evans
William C. Arnold — William H. Gale
William Batchelder — Philip C. Gray
Richard Barrett — Daniel Hill
Alonzo C. Bennett — Nathaniel F. Hallett
George Benford — James N. Holmes
John R. Benson — Otis P. Hopkins
James W. Brainard — Benjamin W. Hubbard
Daniel G. Briggs — Daniel Joslin
Alden M. Brown — William Lewis
Pardon H. Brown — Gothrop Lewis
Wellman G. Comstock — William R Matthews
Amos M. Clark — Henry J. McElroy
Samuel T. Curry — Hector McKenzie
Merrick N. Davison — David C. Moore



Frank F. Mercur — John H. White
John Nicholson — William H. Wicker
Joseph Nutting — Moses A. Claflin
Thomas E. Payson — George C. Carleton
Henry A L. Potter — Hugh Johnson
John R. Oakes — James C. Ratcroby
Fitz James Rice — Otis P. Cotrew
George G. Richmond — Sylvanus Coe
John Stevens — Harvey P. Kent
Stephen T. Salisbury — George W. Brown
Nathan Smalley — William C. Tucker
Richard R Smith — Lemas Baxter
Thomas Sim — Walter S. Baxter
Nathan J. Shepley — Levi W. Smith
John Short — Thomas J. Waite
Orrin Street — William H. Greene 2d
Reuben Thatcher — Hugh Timmis
Silas G. Tripp — Charles H. Chester
Thomas Wilson — Horace L. Brown
Thomas W. Wolcott — Simeon P. Hotchkiss
J. Marshall Washburn

Packers and Inspectors of Pork

Peleg S. Sherman — Albert S. Sutter — William A. Austin

Inspectors of Pot and Pearl ashes

William R. Standing — Samuel A. Hilton

Inspector of Saleratus and Bi-carbonate of Soda — Samuel A Hilton

Inspector of Chain Cables — Herman Wyatt

Inspector of Beef and Pork — Henry W. Holmstead

Sealer of Leather — Hiram R Aylesworth

Viewer of Horses — Peleg S. Sherman

Surveyors and Corders of Wood

Lyman Arnold — Robert Manchester
William H. Arnold — Darwin R Mowry
Charles H. Bartlett — Jabez C. Olney
Stephen Brooks — Ezek A. Pierce
Samuel P. Bullock — Lucian W. Palmer
Nelson Chace — Robert E. Smith
James S Hudson — Sherman E. White

Surveyors and Measurers of Stone

Clifton A. Hall — Alfred Stone

William Andrews — George W. Cady
Leonard Blodgett — Charles F. Wilcox

Inspectors and Measurers of Carpenters Masons and Painters Work

Jonathan S. Angell — Isaac N. Hallett
Stephen C. Arnold — Clifton A. Hall
Leonard Blodgett — Edwin S. Jones
John Buckley — Robert Manchester
George W. Cady — Alfred Sims
Russell Greene — Niles R. Schustack
Charles S. Griffin — John A. Simmons
Henry A. Grimwood — Thomas E. White

Charles F. Wilcox

Measurers of Brick, Board, Salt and Sea Coal

Theodore R. Crowell — George W. S. Potter
Stephen Tinsley — Frank C. Hawkins

Weighers of Hay

George A. Whipple — Albert B. M. Pike
Isaac C. Gray — Samuel W. Hartshorn

Weigher of Hay in Scales — Robert Freeman

Inspectors of Anthracite Coal

Albert B. M. Pike — Charles G. Morgan
Samuel W. Peirce — Eugene D. Rust

Weighers of Cotton

Charles S. Matthewson — Frank Barlow
Samuel R. Simmons — Francis H. Brown
Samuel C. Davenport — Oliver A. Beckwith Jr
Stephen Tripp — Morris R. Deming
Francis L. Sheffield — Theodore B. Pierce
Charles Dyer — Charles G. Morgan
Nathaniel W. Pierce — John S. Kellogg
Charles H. Carroll — Joseph Hanford

William P. Morton

Appraisers of damage under the Dog Law

Richard Ward Greene — Benjamin S. Thurston — Benjamin S. Earned
Gerard — Edward G. Harmon

Trustees of Sinking Fund to redeem City of Providence Bonds, five per cent. due in 1893.

James G. Smith — Amos C. Barlow

The two boards separate.



No. 1. Joint Standing Committees

In Common Council June 2. 1873

Resolved: That, the following named gentlemen, having been appointed members of the Joint Standing Committees of the City Council on the part of the Common Council, that the same be communicated to the Board of Aldermen, that our Aldermen may be added to each

S. M. Addeman Clerk

Committees

In Board of Aldermen June 2 1873

Read and the following named Aldermen added

Samuel W. Brown Clerk.

Finance

Messrs Parley M. Matheuson
James C. Butterworth — Alderman William V. Dalton
Jonathan R. Ramsay
Graham P. Pomroy

Highways

Messrs Graham P. Pomroy
Horatio Rogers — Alderman Nathaniel F. Potter Jr
Allen J. Brown
Benjamin Hunt Jr

Education

Messrs Nelson W. Aldrich
Raymond G. Place — Alderman Addison B. Fisher
Henry R. Rocker
Allen Greene

Fire Department

Messrs William H. Penner
Lemuel S. Harris — Alderman George A. Spicer
Clinton D. Sellew
William G. Haymond

City Property

Messrs James Arden
Stanger P. Carpenter — Alderman George A. Carle
Israel M. Hopkins
Henry L. Parsons

Police

Messrs Abner J. Ramsay

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George A. Johnson
Archibald B. Rice — Alderman Henry J. Angell
Edwin A. Smith

Ordinances

Messrs William Rimney
Elisha C. Merry — Alderman Addison D. Fisher
William H. Rickard
William W. Douglas

Claims

Messrs Elisha C. Merry
William W. Paine — Alderman John H. Sollins
Henry L. Parris
Henry C. Bradford

Printing

Messrs Northmead B. Barnaby
Charles S. Phillips — Alderman William V. Dabell
Preston Johnson
George H. Potter

North Burying Ground

Messrs Charles S. Phillips
George H. Potter — Alderman George B. Carle
Allen Greene

Harbor

Messrs William H. Rickard
James I. Mowray — Alderman Albert H. Manchester
Rainbridge A. Whitcomb

Railroads

Messrs Charles A. Nichols
James I. Mowray — Alderman William V. Dabell
Israel M. Hopkins

Sewers

Messrs Samuel S. Harris
William W. Paine — Alderman Silas A. Sweet
Clinton D. Sellew

City Debt

Mor Nelson W. Aldrich

City Engineers Department

Mor. William Rimney

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Committee on Accounts.

In Board of Aldermen June 2. 1873

Whereas —

Aldermen Angell and Potter, having been elected on the part of the Board of Aldermen, members of the Joint Committee on Accounts; Resolved that their names be communicated to the Common Council

Samuel W. Brown Clerk

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In Common Council June 2. 1873

Whereas: —

Messrs William H. Paine, Clinton D. Sellew, Elisha C. Merry, Henry R. Rucker and Rainbridge A. Whitcomb, have been elected by ballot, members of the Joint Committee on Accounts on the part of the Common Council: Resolved, That the same be communicated to the Board of Aldermen.

J. M. Addeman Clerk.

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1873.

Committee on Harbor.

Resolved: —

That Messrs William H. Rickard, James I. Mowray and R. A. Whitcomb of the Common Council, with Alderman Manchester, be and they are hereby appointed a committee for the purpose of expending the money received from the Harbor Master, as already appropriated by ordinance

Passed June 2. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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1874.

In Board of Aldermen June 2. 1873

Police Court

Resolved: —

That from the Justices assigned to keep the peace within the City of Providence, Elias M. Sanches and Lewis M. Brooks be and they are hereby selected to compose the Police Court during the present municipal term

Samuel W. Brown Clerk

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In Common Council June 2. 1873

Resolved: —

That from the Justices assigned to keep the peace within

the City of Providence, Elias McSenches and Louis McBrok be and they are hereby selected to compose the Police Court during the present municipal term

J. M. Adderman Clerk

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No 5.

Annual Report of School Committee

Resolved:—

That the annual report of the School committee, and the accompanying documents, this day presented, be received, and that one thousand copies thereof be printed under the direction of the joint standing committee on printing.

Passed June 2. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 6.

Annual Report of Fire Department

The Board of Engineers of the Fire Department, present their annual report for the year ending May 31. 1873. (City Document No 3)

Read whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed June 2. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 7.

Annual Report of Overseer of the Poor

The Overseer of the Poor presents his annual report for the year ending May 31. 1873

Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed June 2. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 8.

Annual Report of Gauger General

The Gauger General presents his annual report for the year ending June 1. 1873. Number of casks gauged 33920. Fees $ 3390.00

Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed June 2. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 9.

Annual Report of Inspector of Kerosene

## Annual Report of Inspector of Kerosene

To the Hon City Council

Gentlemen. Agreeably to section 10 of an ordinance in relation to inflammable and explosive articles, herewith please find my report for the year ending June 1. 1873

I have inspected and branded 8600 barrels of Kerosene oil. the fees received amount to $ 1290. and deducting $ 210. expences leaves a net income of $ 1080.

Respectfully submitted

Geo A. Cole Inspector of Kerosene

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Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed June 2. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 10.

Annual Report of Sinking Funds of 1893.

## Annual Report of the Trustees of the Sinking Fund to redeem bonds due 1893.

To the Hon City Council of the City of Providence

The undersigned trustees of the Sinking Fund for the redemption of the five per cent city bonds, payable in 1893 report as follows viz

| | |
|---|---|
| 10 Five per cent registered bonds of the City of Providence due in 1893 | $ 103.000.00 |
| 1 Six per cent registered bond of the City of Providence due in 1876 | 10.000.00 |
| 1 Six per cent coupon bond of the City of Providence due in 1876 | 1.000.00 |
| 1 Six per cent registered bond of the City of Providence due in 1885 | 5.000.00 |
| Cash on deposit in Union Bank Providence | 3427.85 |
| | $ 122,427.85 |

Increase $ 21.747.16

James G. Smith
A. C. Barstow } Trustees

Providence May 16. 1873.

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Read whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed June 2. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

No 11.

Monthly Report of Chief Engineer

The Chief Engineer of the Fire Department makes his Monthly Report for the month ending May 31. 1873. Expended for salaries $2104. Incidentals $3546.71- Total $5651.58

Read whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received

Passed June 2. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 12.

Harbor Masters Report of Dredging

The Harbor Masters makes his report of dredging for the month of May

Amount of dredging done 16.241 cubic yards. Expended $4385.07.

Read whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed June 3. 1873.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 13.

Mayors Address

Resolved:—

That the several subjects mentioned in the inaugural address of his honor the Mayor, delivered this day, be and the same is hereby referred to the proper Standing committees, unless otherwise ordered, to examine and report thereon

Passed June 2. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 14.

City Printing

Resolved:—

That Messrs J. R. Ramsay, C. F. Phillips, F. Johnson, and George N. Pettit of the Common Council, with Alderman Dalton, be and they are hereby appointed a committee to contract for the city printing for the present municipal term

Passed June 2. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 15.

Stationery

Resolved:—

That the joint standing committee on printing be and they are



hereby authorized to contract for stationery for the use of the various city offices for the present municipal term

Passed June 2. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 16.

Mayors Address

Resolved:—

That Messrs J. R. Ramsay, C. F. Phillips, F. Johnson and George N. Pettit of the Common Council, with Alderman Dalton, 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 shall deem expedient.

Resolved:—

That the above named committee be and they are hereby directed to cause the Standing rules of the city council, the standing rules of order of the common council, a list of the standing committees of the city council, a list of the city officers, and such portions of the record of the organization of the city government as they may deem expedient to be printed in pamphlet form for the use of the city council, under the general title of the "City Manual".

City Manual

Passed June 2. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 17.

Reports to be printed

Resolved:—

That the joint committee who were appointed to cause the Mayors address to be printed, be and they are hereby authorized to cause the following reports to be printed in pamphlet form for the use of the city council. viz:

The annual report of the Engineer

The annual report of the Commissioners of the North Burying Ground

The annual report of the Superintendent of the North Burying Ground

The annual report of the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department

The semi-annual report of the Coroner of the Port.

Passed June 2. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

No 19.

Number of City Documents

Resolved—

That the number of city documents to be printed under the several resolutions passed this day, shall not, except when otherwise specially ordered, exceed in each case, seven hundred and fifty copies.

Passed June 2. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 19.

Bond of the City Treasurer

Resolved: —

That the board of aldermen be and they are hereby appointed a committee to take a bond of the city treasurer for the faithful discharge of the duties of his office. Said bond to be in the sum of thirty thousand dollars.

Passed June 2. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 20.

Mounted Police

Resolved: —

That the joint standing committee on police be requested to inquire into the expediency of putting a portion of the police force upon horse back

Passed June 2. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 21.

Engine House

Resolved: —

That the Superintendent of Public buildings, acting under the advice of the joint standing committee on City Property, is hereby directed to cause a suitable vane, with the cardinal points of the compass, to be placed upon the tower of the new engine house at the corner of Runnels and Square streets; the expense thereof not to exceed the sum of ninety dollars, and to be paid out of the appropriation for public buildings

Passed June 2. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 22.

Sewer in Westminster st.

Resolved: —

That the Board of Aldermen be hereby requested to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Westminster street, from Jackson street to Dorrance street, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 807 of the Statutes.

Passed June 2. 1873.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 23.

Appropriation Transferred

Resolved: —

That the sum of fifteen thousand dollars be and the same is hereby transferred from the reserved funds, to the appropriation for repairs of public buildings

Passed June 2. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 24.

W. S. Burges

Superior street

Resolved: —

That the City Solicitor be and he is hereby instructed to assent to the amendment of the report of the commissioners of estimate and assessment on Superior street, by adding to the award of Walter S. Burges, the sum of eight hundred and twenty four dollars; and that the amount due said Burges by the said report as thus amended, be paid forthwith.

Passed June 2. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 25.

Police pay

Resolved: —

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to pay James McCready a policeman who has been appointed but not confirmed, the sum of eighty five dollars and twenty five cents, for duty performed in May last.

Passed June 2. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 26.

Market

In Common Council June 9. 1873

Resolved:-

That the President (Mr Van Slyck,) be hereby excused from further service on the joint special committee on the public market

Resolved-

That Mr Nelson W. Aldrich be appointed to fill the vacancy thereby caused in said committee

Read and passed

J. H. Alderman Clerk

In Board of Aldermen June 11. 1873

Read

Samuel W. Brown Clerk

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No 25.

Monthly Report of City Treasurer

The City Treasurer makes his Monthly Report for May 1873

Read whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed In Common Council June 9. 1873.

In Board of Aldermen June 11. 1873.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 27.

Report of Notes issued City Debt

The City Treasurer makes his report of notes issued by the city since January 2. 1873 Total amount $332.500.

Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received

Passed In Common Council June 9. 1873

In Board of Aldermen June 11. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 28.

Appropriation

Resolved: —

That the sum of sixty thousand dollars be and the same is added to the appropriation for interest on the water bond; and the city treasurer, acting under the advice and direction of the joint committee on finance, is hereby authorized to hire the same.

Passed In Common Council June 9. 1873.

In Board of Aldermen June 11. 1873.

Approved the same day Thomas A. Doyle Mayor



No 30

Washington bridge

Resolved: —

That so much of the Mayor's message as relates to the repair of Washington Bridge, or the construction of a new bridge at or near the site thereof, be referred to Messrs Carpenter, Penny and J. R. Ramsay and Aldermen Earle and Street, to examine and report thereon.

Passed In Common Council June 9. 1873.

In Board of Aldermen June 11. 1873.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 31.

Sewer in High street

Resolved: —

That the Board of Aldermen be hereby requested to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in High street from Battery street easterly to the intercepting sewer at the head of Westminster street, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 807 of the statutes

Passed In Common Council June 9. 1873

In Board of Aldermen June 9. 1873.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 32

John Monaghan

Resolved: —

That the city treasurer is hereby directed to refund to John Monaghan, the sum of six dollars, ($6.) being the amount paid by him into the city treasury on account of cutting stone erroneously charged against him

Passed In Common Council June 9. 1873

In Board of Aldermen June 11. 1873.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 33

Daniel Kelcher

Resolved: —

That the city treasurer is hereby directed to pay to Daniel Kelcher the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars, ($250) in full for all damages sustained by him by reason of the overflow of the sewer in Hicksen street, whenever he shall present a receipt therefor satisfactory to the city solicitor: to be charged to the appropriation for contingencies.

Passed In Common Council June 9. 1873
In Board of Aldermen June 11. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

No 31.

Tax of Arthur A. Dexter

Resolved:—
That the city treasurer is hereby directed to refund to Arthur A. Dexter the sum of twenty nine dollars and seventy cents ($29.70) being the amount of tax assessed and paid by him for the year 1872 for the Jenks estate on Williams street.
Passed In Common Council June 9. 1873
In Board of Aldermen June 11. 1873.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

No 35

Building to be raised

Resolved:—
That permission be granted to John H. McKeim to raise a certain building located at No 77 Dahlia street, pursuant to his petition.
Passed In Common Council June 9. 1873
In Board of Aldermen June 11. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

Buildings to be moved

Resolved:—
That permission be granted to the following named persons to move certain wooden buildings pursuant to their several petitions, provided, that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby be repaired at the expense of the petitioner, viz:

No 36 William F. Andrews
37 Patrick Conley
38 George D. Flagg
39 John Mc Busker
40 Olive G. Pettis

Passed In Common Council June 9. 1873
In Board of Aldermen June 11. 1873.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor



No 41. Resolved:—

Building to be moved

That permission be granted to Perry Davis Son to move a certain wooden building pursuant to their petition, provided, that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby, be repaired at the expense of the petitioners.

Resolved:—

That the sum of five dollars be the amount designated to be paid for each day or part of a day said building shall occupy any public street of the city

Passed In Common Council June 9. 1873.
In Board of Aldermen June 11. 1873.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

No 42

Communication from Town Council of East Providence

East Providence

Town Clerk's Office East Providence
June 10. 1873

To his Honor the Mayor of the City of Providence

Dear Sir At a meeting of the Town Council held on Saturday 7th instant it was ordered "that the town clerk be directed to notify the City of Providence that they will not be permitted to dump any material for filling on their premises in this town until a new wall is built to prevent such materials from washing into the channel of the river".

By order of the Town Council
Chas L. Hazard Town Clerk

Read in Board of Aldermen June 11. 1873
In Common Council June 16. 1873.

No 43

Resolved:—

Land to be purchased

That the joint standing committee of the city council on city property be and they are hereby directed to purchase of Hon Thomas Davis that parcel of land lying northerly of and adjoining the Thurber avenue school estate, and extending through to Auburn street of a uniform width of one hundred and 30/100 feet provided that the same can be purchased at a price not exceeding fifty cents per square foot, and that the title is satisfactory to the city solicitor. And said committee are hereby further di-

School house on Thurber av

vested to purchase of said Hon Thomas Davis a strip of land on the easterly side and adjoining the Humber avenue school estate, sixteen and 50/100 feet wide, and extending from Humber avenue to Autumn street, at a price not exceeding thirty five cents per square foot; the title to the same to be approved by the city solicitor: and the sum of eight thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated for the above purchases, to be charge to the reserve fund

Passed June 16. 1873.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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(Message from the Mayor

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Mayor's Office June 16. 1873
City of Providence

Gentlemen of the City Council

Water Commissioners

On Tuesday July 1 ensuing the terms of office of the present water commissioners will expire, and the great work with which they have been entrusted, and which they have so successfully carried on, will be left without any one specified to direct further operations. I have therefore convened both branches of the city council, at this time in order that action may be taken in reference to the very important matter I have referred to.

In my address at the inauguration of the city government on the second instant, I stated the fact that the general assembly at its last session had empowered the city council to extend the official term of the water commissioners for such time, not exceeding two years, as the city council might desire. This action of the general assembly was secured at my suggestion.

Having ascertained that the gentlemen composing the board of water commissioners were unwilling to be members of the board under a re-organization, but that they would continue in office for a further term if the city council so desired, I deemed it proper to obtain for the city council the power to extend their term, and I therefore requested the city solicitor to make application for that purpose which he did with the result I have stated.

It has been suggested that the management of the water works should be placed in the board of public works when it is established. It seems to me that this can be better done when the works are completed and that



for some time to come, the water department should remain in the control of the present commissioners.

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

Read June 16. 1873.

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Ordinance

An Ordinance in amendment of an ordinance entitled "An ordinance in amendment of an ordinance entitled an ordinance in relation to Water Commissioners and Water Works" (See Book of Ordinances No 3. page 120.)

Passed June 16. 1873.

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Resignation

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To the Hon the City Council of the City of Providence

Rogers Williams Park.

The special committee appointed by resolutions of the City Council approved February 19. 1873 in relation to the lay out of Rogers Wms Elms Park, and to whom have been assigned other work in connection therewith by resolutions of the City Council approved from time to time, finding that there is at this time, but one member of the present common council upon the committee and that one of the members appointed by the board of aldermen has also ceased to be a member of the city government, deem it proper and do hereby tender their resignations as members of said committee.

Providence June 15. 1873

Thomas A. Doyle — Mayor
Amos W Snow
Henry J. Angell — } Appointed by the Board of Aldermen
Wm V. Dutton

Nelson W. Aldrich
Henry J. Root
Fred C. Keep — } Appointed by the Common Council
Lewis Dexter

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In Common Council June 16. 1873

Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received and that the resignations of the members of said committee appointed on the part of the Common Council be accepted. J. M. Addeman Clerk

In Board of Aldermen same day

Read whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received and that the resignations of the members of said committee appointed on the part of the Board of Aldermen be accepted

Samuel W. Brown Clerk

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Roger Williams Monument

## Resignation

To the Hon the City Council of the City of Providence

The special committee appointed by resolution No 395 approved February 19, 1870 "to procure plans and estimates for a monument to be erected to the memory of Roger Williams, in the Williams burying ground," having completed the work for which they were appointed hereby tender their resignations as members of said committee

Providence June 13. 1873.

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.
Amos M. Snow
Henry J. Angell
Wm. V. Dutton
Nelson W. Aldrich
Henry J. Root
Fred. E. Keep
Louis Dexter

Appointed by the Board of Aldermen

Appointed by the Common Council

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In Common Council June 16. 1873

Read: whereupon it is ordered that the same be received and the resignation of the members of said committee appointed on the part of the Common Council be accepted.

S. M. Addeman Clerk

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In Board of Aldermen same day

Read: whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received, and that the resignation of the members of said committee appointed on the part of the Board of Aldermen be accepted

Samuel W. Brown Clerk

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1048

Headquarters Dept of Rhode Island. Grand Army of the Republic
Providence June 10. 1873.



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To his Honor the Mayor and Council of the City of Providence

Gentlemen

In behalf of the Grand Army of the Republic of this city I wish to thanks you for the liberal appropriation made to assist us in decorating the graves of our fallen comrades on the 30th of May. We assure you that the interest which the city government takes in our welfare, is appreciated by the veteran soldiers and sailors of Providence

Grand Army

Decoration Day

I have the honor to be, very respectfully your obedient servant

E. K. Rhodes Dept Com dr.

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Read whereupon it is ordered that the same be received
Passed June 16. 1873
Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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May

Resolved: —

That the sum of three thousand dollars be hereby appropriated from the appropriations for bridges for the purpose of uniting with the town of North Providence in building a new iron bridge over the Woonasquatucket river at Mineral avenue

Bridges at Mineral ave

N. Providence

Passed June 16. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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1050

Resolved: —

That the Superintendent of Public Buildings, be hereby directed to sell at public auction the building upon the lot purchased for a fire station at the corner of Bennett and Public streets: said building to be taken down

Building to be sold

Hope Station

Passed June 16. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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1051

Resolved: —

That the sum of five hundred dollars be hereby appropriated in addition to the amount appropriated November 11. 1872 for the purpose of carrying into effect the resolution of the City Council approved November

Fountain in Abbott Park

11. 1873 directing the water commissioners to cause the fountain to be furnished by Henry J. Steere and others, to be properly set up and put in working order on Abbott Park, so called; to be charged to the appropriation for public grounds.

Passed June 16. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 52.

Sewer in Young Orchard Avenue

Resolved:—

That the board of aldermen be hereby requested to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Young Orchard avenue from Brooke street to Governor street, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 307 of the public laws

Passed June 16 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 53.

Buildings to be moved

Resolved —

That permissions be granted to the following named persons to move certain wooden buildings pursuant to their several petitions, provided that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby, be repaired at the expence of the petitioner, viz:

53 Michael Lyons
54 L. R. Mowry
55 Mrs Rennie Sprague.

Passed June 16. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Resolved:—

That permission be granted to the following named persons to move certain wooden buildings pursuant to their several petitions, provided that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby be repaired at the expence of the petitioner: viz:

No 56. John A. Luther
57. John McGovern
58 Ann Trainor



59. John R. White Son

Resolved—

That the sum of five dollars be the amount designated to be paid for each day or part of a day each of said buildings shall occupy any public street of the city

Passed June 16. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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In Common June 16. 1873

The Gauger makes report that he has appointed as Deputy Gaugers, Messrs Amos Potter and Robert Sherman, whereupon it is voted, that said appointments be approved

The following City officers are elected viz:

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|---|---|
| Weighers of Cotton | Henry W. Potter |
| Police Constables without power to serve civil process | |
| Daniel Potter | William N. Shepard |
| Thomas Austin | Henry Austin. |

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No 60.

Public St.

Resolved—

That the highway commissioners be and they are hereby directed to cause curb stones to be set and the gutters paved on Public Street, from Eddy street to Prairie avenue

Passed in Common Council June 16. 1873
In Board of Aldermen June 30. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 61

Ordinanced

An Ordinance conferring certain powers upon the Water Commissioners.

[See Book of Ordinances No 3 page 121. and City Document No 8.)

Passed in Common Council June 23. 1873
In Board of Aldermen June 30. 1873.
Approved July 3. 1873. Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

Market Bridge

*Resolved*: —

That the special committee to procure plans for a public market and bridge across the river below Weybosset bridge, are hereby authorized, in their discretion, to procure such plans without advertisement.

Passed in Common Council June 23. 1873
In Board of Aldermen June 30. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Vacation Schools

*Resolved*: —

That the sum of twelve hundred dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the establishment of vacation schools: the same to be expended under the direction of the School committee, and paid from the appropriation for public schools

Passed in Common Council June 23. 1873
In Board of Aldermen June 30. 1873.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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School House on Jackson av.

*Resolved*: —

That the Standing committee on education are hereby directed to cause to be erected on the lot owned by the city on Jackson avenue, a four room brick building, to be used for primary and intermediate school purposes, provided that the cost of the same shall not exceed the sum of twenty thousand dollars

*Resolved*:—

That the sum of twenty thousand dollars is hereby appropriated to carry the above resolution into effect: the same to be paid from the appropriation for school houses and lots.

Passed in Common Council June 23. 1873
In Board of Aldermen June 30. 1873.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Eddy st

*Whereas*: —

The commissioners of estimate and assessment, appointed



65 Supreme Court at the October term 1871 to lay out Eddy street from Pine street to Broad street, under and pursuant to the act entitled "An act in relation to the laying out, enlarging, straightening or otherwise altering streets in the City of Providence", made their first report to said court on the twelfth day of May 1873; now therefore, within sixty days after the enrolling of said report to said court:

*Resolved* —

That the City Council do hereby elect not to make said improvement

Passed in Common Council June 23. 1873
In Board of Aldermen June 30. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Sewer in Elm st.

*Resolved*: —

That the Water Commissioners, acting under the provisions of an ordinance conferring certain powers upon the Water Commissioners, are hereby directed to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Elm street, from Plane street to Chestnut street, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 313 of the public laws

Passed in Common Council June 23. 1873
In Board of Aldermen June 30. 1873
Approved July 3. 1873
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Sewer in Broadway

*Resolved*: —

That the Water Commissioners, acting under the provisions of an ordinance conferring certain powers upon the water commissioners, are hereby directed to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Broadway, from Stony street to Jackson street in accordance with the provisions of chapter 313 of the public laws

Passed in Common Council June 23. 1873
In Board of Aldermen June 30. 1873
Approved July 3. 1873
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

1873.

Resolved:—

That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to pay to Charles H. Russell, Elias M. Sanches, Charles Selden, John C. Robinson, Albert C. Wincor Augustus V. Payton, William E. Whiting, Henry V. A. Sorlin and Samuel Young, each the sum of sixteen dollars and sixty seven cents, in full for services rendered by them as clerks of the boards of canvassers during the months of April and May 1873: to be charged to the appropriation for elections

Ward Clerks

Passed In Common Council June 23. 1873.
In Board of Aldermen June 30. 1873.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Resolved:—

That the City of Providence hereby agrees to pay to Abby E. Peck interest semi-annually at the rate of six per cent per annum from the thirtieth day of July A.D. 1872, for and during her life, upon the sum of five thousand two hundred and thirty nine dollars, the said sum being the award made to said Abby E. Peck as life tenant and to D. S. Owen as owners of the estate numbered Lot 422 on assessors plat 24. for damages to said lot by the commissioners of estimate and assessment appointed by the Supreme court for the widening of Broad street, near Snow street, in the City of Providence, and that the city treasurer is hereby directed to pay said semi-annual interest already accrued whenever he shall receive from said Abby E. Peck a release of all claims for damages resulting from the said widening of Broad Street, and a certificate from the city solicitor, that the demand of the said Abby E. Peck for a jury trial in said matter, has been withdrawn

Abby E. Peck

D. S. Owen

Broad St.

Passed In Common Council June 23. 1873
In Board of Aldermen June 30. 1873.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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1870.

Resolved:—

That the city treasurer is hereby directed to pay to Catharine Barry the sum of three hundred dollars ($300.) in full settlement of

Catharine Barry



her claim for injuries received by her by reason of a defect in a cross walk at or near the intersection of South Main and James streets, whenever she shall present a receipt therefor satisfactory to the city solicitor.

Passed In Common Council June 23. 1873.
In Board of Aldermen June 30. 1873.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Buildings to be raised

Resolved:—

That permission be granted to the following named persons to raise certain buildings, located as follows, pursuant to their several petitions, viz:

1873. 71.

Daniel Carlin No 163 Mountain street
Albert G. Sprague No 339 Prairie avenue

Passed In Common Council June 23 1873
In Board of Aldermen June 30. 1873.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Buildings to be moved

Resolved:—

That permission be granted to the following named persons to move certain wooden buildings pursuant to their several petitions provided that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby, be repaired at the expense of the petitioners: viz:

1873. 74.

Frederic Fuller
James Devirks

Passed In Common Council June 23. 1873
In Board of Aldermen June 30. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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1873.

Resolved:—

That permission be granted to John Burns to move a certain

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wooden building pursuant to his petition, provided that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby be repaired at the expense of the petitioner.

Resolved—

That the sum of five dollars be the amount designated

to be paid for each day or part of a day said building shall occupy any public street of the city

Passed In Common Council June 23. 1873.
In Board of Aldermen June 30. 1873.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Buildings to be moved

Resolved: —

That permission be granted to the following named persons to move certain wooden buildings pursuant to their several petitions, provided, that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby, be repaired at the expense of the petitioners, viz:

Charles H. Richmond
Joseph N. Welch

Resolved —

That the sum of eight dollars, be the amount designated to be paid for each day or part of a day, each of said buildings shall occupy any public street of the city.

Passed In Common Council June 23. 1873
In Board of Aldermen June 30. 1873.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 78.

Appropriation transfered

Resolved:

That the sum of twenty five hundred dollars be and the same is hereby transferred from the reserved fund to the city engineers department

Passed In Board of Aldermen June 30. 1873.
In Common Council July 8. 1873.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 79.

Wm G. Dearth

North Burial Ground Fund

Resolved —

That the gift of William G. Dearth of the sum of two hundred dollars to the commissioners of the North Burying Ground, in trust, the income thereof to be applied under the provisions of chapter 367 of the public laws to the preservation and care of the burial lots of said Wil-



liam G. Dearth and of Abby T. Dearth in said ground, be and the same is hereby accepted by the City Council

Passed In Board of Aldermen June 30. 1873
In Common Council July 8. 1873.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 80

Police pay

Resolved: —

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to pay from the appropriation for police for duty performed in June last by policemen who have been appointed but not confirmed, as follows:

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| Robert E. Murphy | $71.50 |
| George A. Lee | 89.50 |
| Leonard Cole | 89.50 |
| James McCready | 89.50 |
| Alexander Russell | 89.50 |
| William A. Monroe | 89.50 |
| George W. Rose | 89.50 |
| Lewis W. Jones | 89.50 |

Passed In Board of Aldermen July 3. 1873
In Common Council July 8. 1873.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 81.

Water Commissioners Reports

The Water Commissioners present their Fifteenth Quarterly Report.
(City Document No 7.)
Read whereupon it is ordered that the same be received
Passed In Board of Aldermen July 3. 1873.
In Common Council July 8. 1873.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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No 82.

Message from the Mayor

Mayors Office City of Providence July 8. 1873

Gentlemen of the City Council

On the ninth day of September last the city

Council requested the board of aldermen to lay a main drain and common sewer from Westminster street through Dorrance street to the river under the provisions of chapter 807 of the statutes authorizing the city to lay drains in the streets of the city, and on the twenty fifth day of September last the board of aldermen appointed Joseph J. Cooke, Charles E. Carpenter and William Curtis a committee to construct such sewer in accordance with plans presented to the board by J. Herbert Shedd chief engineer of the water works. The committee proceeded to make contracts and entered upon the work of constructing the sewer upon the understanding that the supreme court had expressly decided that the owners of the lots of land upon the plat of the Dorrance street Association lands had no property in any portion of the space designated on said plat as Dorrance street

Sewer in Dorrance Street

Henry B. Chace

James C. Bucklin

A. C. Greyston

On the twenty seventh day of June last Henry B. Chace, James C. Bucklin and Albert Dailey & Co, claiming to be owners of the land on both sides of that portion of Dorrance street between Dyer street and the head of Dorrance street dock filed a bill in equity in the supreme court against the city, the committee and the contractor, and also a petition to injoin the city, the committee and the contractor from proceeding to construct the proposed sewer, on the ground that the strip of land called Dorrance street which lies below Dyer street and extends to the head of the Dorrance street dock, was their private property

Dorrance st

A hearing was had on the second and third instants upon the petition for an injunction, and yesterday Hon Seabrie Potter delivered the opinion of the court granting the injunction, restraining the city from constructing the proposed sewer through this strip of land upon the ground as I am informed that the court considered it doubtful whether this strip of land was private property or a public highway, though as the city understood, the same court had, three years before, decided that the complainants had no rights of property therein, and also upon the ground that the city could not proceed with the sewer through this strip of land under the provisions of chapter 807 until the question was determined whether this land was a public highway or private property.

Subsequently, as I am informed, a message was sent to the city solicitor in the hand writing of Judge Potter to the effect that the injunction would be granted upon the condition that the complainants should in no way interfere with the old sewer, and also, that the court would hear the parties on Thursday next upon the question of whether an injunction should be granted, provided the city would



give bond to pay such damages as the complainants might sustain by the construction of the proposed sewer, in case this strip of land should be ultimately determined to be private property.

It was urged by the city at the hearing that inasmuch as by ch. 807 sec. 993 of the statutes, the general assembly had authorized the city to lay drains through private lands conforming to the provisions of that chapter and that it was a mere question of money damages between the complainants and the city if it should be finally decided that this land was private property, and that the question whether it was a highway or private property was doubtful, the city should not be injoined from completing a public work of great necessity when the city was amply responsible and could be compelled to pay damages in case it should be ultimately determined that this piece of land was the property of the complainants

The council will plainly see, therefore, that if the city is permitted to give bond and proceed with the work that the position claimed by the at the hearing will be substantially maintained, as the giving of the bond imposes upon the city no new liability, but is simply an agreement in writing to pay damages in case this bond should be ultimately decided to be the property of the complainants.

It is a matter of vital importance to the health of the city that the proposed sewer should be completed with the least possible delay, and I have therefore convened you that you may take such action as you may deem advisable to protect the interests of the city

There are two courses plainly open to the city. One is to proceed under the provisions of chapter 993 to lay this sewer through this land as claimed to be private property and thus annul all questions arising under the present bill, and the other in case the court should reconsider its opinion and allow the city to give bond and proceed with the proposed sewer, to authorize some officer of the city to execute such a bond as the court shall require. I have caused resolutions to be prepared in reference to these matters, which I present for your action

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

Read In Common Council July 8. 1873
In Board of Aldermen July 8. 1873.

Ord 83.

Sewer in Dorrance st

Resolved.

That the city council adjudge it to be necessary for the public convenience and the public health that a main drain and common sewer should be laid and maintained through the strip of land in the City of Providence, extending from Dyer street in continuation of Dorrance street, sixty four feet in width to the Dorrance street dock, so called, which strip of land is claimed by the City of Providence to be a public highway and is also claimed by Henry C. Clark, James C. Rucklin and Albert Dailey & Co. to be private property.

Resolved —

That the City Council adjudge it to be necessary for the public convenience and public health, that such main drain and common sewer shall be constructed not less than sixty six inches in diameter

Resolved:—

That the board of aldermen are hereby requested to cause such main drain and common sewer to be constructed forthwith through said strip of land, under the provisions of chapter 993 of the public laws

Resolved —

That the mayor is hereby authorized to execute such a bond in behalf of the city, in such an amount, and with such conditions as the supreme court of this state shall require, in the pending litigation between Henry C. Clark, James C. Rucklin and Albert Dailey & Co. complainants, and the City of Providence, Joseph J. Cooke, Charles E. Carpenter William Carlin and Thomas Pearce respondents.

Passed July 8. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Henry C. Clark &c. vs C. Rucklin & A. Dailey & Co

Ord 84.

Tax ordinance

Resolved:—

That the joint committee on finance be instructed to report an ordinance providing for the assessment and collection of a tax upon the real and personal estate in the city of Providence

Passed July 8. 1873

Approved the same day

Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Ord 85.

Lloyd st

Resolved:

That in the opinion of the city council, it is desirable and necessary to lay out Lloyd street, of a width of not less than sixty feet from Hope street to Arlington avenue, by the following metes and bounds, viz: beginning for the southerly line in the easterly line of Hope street, at the north west corner of the Dexter asylum estate, thence northeasterly about twenty (20) feet to an angle; thence easterly in the northerly line of said estate and in range thereof (735. 13/100) seven hundred thirty five and 13/100 feet to an angle; thence easterly about five hundred twelve and 45/100 feet (512. 45/100) to an angle at a point forty nine (49) feet southerly from an angle in the northerly line of said asylum estate; thence easterly to the westerly line of Arlington avenue at a point in line with the southerly line of Lloyd avenue as now laid out east of Arlington avenue. The northerly line will be sixty feet from and parallel with the southerly line from the terminations of the first described line to Arlington avenue.

And whereas, certain real estate will be required for that purpose,

Resolved

That the City Solicitor be hereby directed to make application to the Supreme court of this state for the appointment of commissioners of estimate and assessment under and according to the act entitled "an act in relation to the laying out, enlarging, straightening and otherwise altering streets in the City of Providence," and the city council hereby direct that in said application the city solicitor shall make application that said commissioners shall apportion and assess three fourths of the loss and damage thereof upon the persons and estates benefitted thereby, in the ratio of the benefits conferred.

Resolved:

That the City Clerk be hereby directed to give notice of such application as soon as he shall be informed thereof by the City Solicitor according to the direction and in the manner required by said act

Passed In Board of Aldermen June 30. 1873

In Common Council July 14. 1873

Ord 86.

Appropriation transferred

Resolved:—

That the sum of twenty eight hundred dollars be and the same is hereby transferred from the reserve fund to the appropriation for the health department

Passed In Board of Aldermen July 10. 1873.
In Common Council July 14. 1873.
Approved the same day
Thomas A Doyle Mayor

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Ord 87.

Monthly Report of Chief of the Fire Department

The Chief Engineer of the Fire Department makes his Monthly Report for the month ending June 30. 1873. Expended for Salaries $5848.37 - Incidentals $1580.38. Total $5848.37

Read whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received
Passed In Common Council July 14. 1873
In Board of Aldermen July 17. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Monthly Report of City Treasurer

The City Treasurer makes his Monthly Report for June 1873.
Read whereupon it is ordered that the same be received
Passed In Common Council July 14. 1873
In Board of Aldermen July 17. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Decoration Days

Report—

To the Hon City Council of the City of Providence

The joint special committee of the city council appointed April [May 1] 1873 to make preparations for the suitable observance of Decoration Day report that they have attended to the duties assigned them and expended the appropriation of six hundred dollars, as follows

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| To paid | American Band | $ 164.00 |
| " " | Battalion " | 125.00 |
| " " | National " | 120.00 |
| " " | A. B. Rowton for use of Music Hall | 75.00 |



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| To paid | G. H. Copeland & Co for carriages | 69.00 |
| | Daniel Smith for use of wagon | 20.00 |
| | Albert H. Abbott " " " | 15.00 |
| | John I. Walsh " " " | 12.00 |
| | Total | $ 600.00 |

Vouchers for which accompany this report
All of which is respectfully submitted. For the committee
E. F. Carr Chairman

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Read whereupon it is ordered that the same be received
Passed In Common Council July 14. 1873.
In Board of Aldermen July 17. 1873.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor.

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Ord 90.

Broad street

Report—

To the Hon City Council of the City of Providence

The joint special committee of the city council who were appointed on the 14th day of April A.D. 1873 to confer with all parties who have claimed a jury trial in the matter of the widening and straightening of Broad street, from Public street to the Cranston line, and report upon what terms a settlement can be made with such parties; report that they have held several meetings to which all parties interested were invited; that only a portion of the parties claiming a jury trial were represented at said meetings, and only a portion of those represented have stated to your committee upon what terms they would settle; and that the demands of those who have made proposals are deemed by your committee so exorbitant that the committee recommend that no action be taken with reference to the settlement of the same.

Several of the parties appearing have expressed a willingness to submit the matter to arbitration, and your committee would suggest the propriety of adopting this course.

All of which is respectfully submitted. For the committee
E. F. Carr Chairman

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Read whereupon it is ordered that the same be received
Passed In Common Council July 14. In Board of Aldermen July 17. 1873
Approved the same day Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

1873.

Ordinance

"An Ordinance in amendment of an ordinance entitled "An ordinance establishing certain joint rules and joint standing committees of the city council", and of the several ordinances in amendment thereof."

Passed in Common Council July 14. 1873
In Board of Aldermen July 17. 1873.
Approved July 19. 1873
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

(See Book of Ordinances No 3 page 120 and City Document No 14)

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1873

Ordinance

"An Ordinance an amendment of an ordinance permitting the Union Railroad Company to lay rails in certain streets in the City of Providence"

Passed in Common Council July 14. 1873
In Board of Aldermen July 17. 1873
Approved July 17. 1873
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

(See Book of Ordinances No 3 page 121. and City Document No 13)

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1873

Appropriation for Prov. Water Works

Resolved —

That the sum of two hundred thousand dollars, be and the same is hereby added to the appropriation for the Providence Water Works: and the City Treasurer, acting under the advice and direction of the joint committee on finance, is authorized to hire the same

Passed in Common Council July 14. 1873.
In Board of Aldermen July 17. 1873.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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1873

Appropriation for opening streets

Resolved —

That the sum of fifty thousand dollars, be and the same is hereby added to the appropriation for opening streets, and that the City Treasurer, acting under the advice and direction of the committee on finance, be and he is hereby authorized to hire the same.

Passed in Common Council July 14. 1873
In Board of Aldermen July 17. 1873.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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1873

Appropriation for Fire Department

Resolved —

That the sum of thirty thousand dollars be and the same is hereby added to the appropriation for the fire department; and the city treasurer, acting under the advice of the committee on finance, is hereby authorized to hire the same

Passed in Common Council July 14. 1873.
In Board of Aldermen July 17. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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1873.

Appropriation for Prospect Square

Resolved —

That the sum of three thousand dollars, ($3000) is hereby appropriated for the completion of Prospect Square, and to be charged to the appropriation for public grounds

Passed in Common Council July 14. 1873
In Board of Aldermen July 17. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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1873

Appropriation for School House on Point & Plane Street

Resolved: —

That the sum of thirty thousand dollars, be and the same is hereby added to the appropriation for the School House on Point and Plane Streets, and the city treasurer, acting under the advice of the committee on finance, be authorized to hire the same.

Passed in Common Council July 14. 1873
In Board of Aldermen July 17. 1873.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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1873.

Land to be purchased

Resolved —

That the joint standing committee on city property are hereby directed to purchase of Thomas Davis, a lot of land adjoining the Hunter Avenue School estate on the north, and bounding westerly on Plane street, and containing about four thousand square feet; provided the same can be purchased at a price not exceeding fifty cents per square foot, and that the title of said land shall be satisfactory to the city solicitor

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Resolved:-

That the sum of two thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated for the purpose aforesaid: the same to be charged to the reserved fund

Passed In Common Council July 14. 1873
In Board of Aldermen July 17. 1873

Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Council for school house on Doyle Avenue

Resolved —

That the joint standing committee on city property are hereby authorized and directed to purchase of Paris Winter, his lot of land on Beech street, adjacent to the Doyle avenue school house lot containing three square feet more or less, at a price not to exceed $300. whenever he shall present a title thereto satisfactory to the city solicitor

Passed In Common Council July 14. 1873.
In Board of Aldermen July 17. 1873.

Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Second Ward Second Wards

Resolved. —

That the Superintendent of Public Buildings, acting under the advice and direction of the standing committee on education is hereby directed to cause the ward room in the second ward, to be fitted up as an additional room for high school purposes

Resolved: —

That the sum of eight hundred dollars is hereby appropriated for the purpose of carrying the above resolution into effect: the same to be paid from the appropriation for school houses and lots.

Passed In Common Council July 14 1873
In Board of Aldermen July 17. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 101.

Bishop street

Resolved —.

That the Board of Aldermen be and they are hereby requested to receive Bishop street from Plane street to Willard street and declare



the same a public highway

Passed In Common Council July 14. 1873
In Board of Aldermen July 17. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 102

Willard st

Resolved —

That the Board of Aldermen be and they are hereby requested to receive Willard street, from Bishop street to Eddy street, and declare the same a public highway

Passed In Common Council July 14. 1873
In Board of Aldermen July 17. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 103

Eddy st

Resolved —

That the highway commissioners be and they are hereby directed to cause new curb stones to be set in place of the old narrow curbing where needed, and pave the roadway with granite blocks on Eddy street, from Point street to Henderson street

Passed In Common Council July 14. 1873
In Board of Aldermen July 17. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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No 104.

Ives st

Resolved. —

That the highway commissioners be and they are hereby directed to cause curb stones to be set and gutters paved on Ives street, from Power street to Front streets.

Passed In Common Council July 14. 1873
In Board of Aldermen July 17. 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Resolved —

That permission be granted to the following named persons

Buildings to be raised

to raise certain buildings, located as follows, pursuant to their several petitions viz:

C.H.I. Amanda F. Brown, 50 Doyle av.
II. Jeremiah R. Gardiner, corner of Hope & Fountain st
IV. Wingate Hayes 344 Benefit & Samuel J. Howard cor Thayer & Hawking st
V. Josias Jackson 113 Meeting streets
VI. Thomas Remington 131 Bond st. streets

Passed In Common Council July 14. 1873
In Board of Aldermen July 17, 1873
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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Buildings to be moved

Resolved —

That permission be granted to the following named persons to move certain wooden buildings, pursuant to their several petitions, provided that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby, be repaired at the expense of the petitioners viz:

C.H. III. Amanda F. Brown
II. John J. Burns
IV. John Mc Grugan
V. F. A. Peckham
VI. Matthew Vance
VII. John S Williams

Passed In common Council July 14. 1873.
In Board of Aldermen July 17. 1873.
Approved the same day
Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

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C.H. II.

Building to be moved

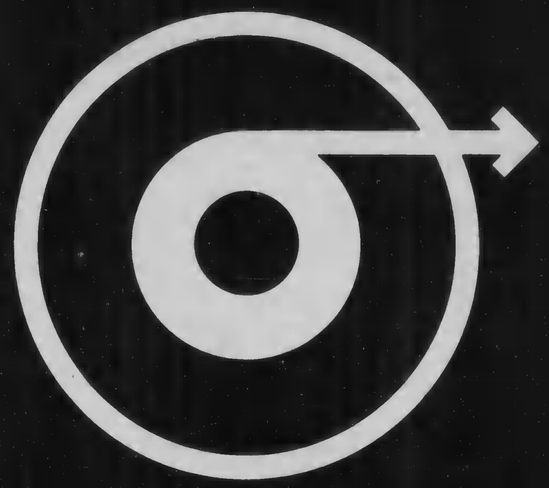
Resolved:—

That permission be granted to John Morrow to move a certain wooden building pursuant to his petition, provided that all damages done to the telegraph wires thereby be repaired at the expense of the petitioner. to be moved night and day while on the railroad track

Resolved:- That the sum of eight dollars be the amount designated to be paid for each day or part of a day said building shall occupy any public street of the city

Passed In common Council July 14, 1873
In Board of Aldermen July 17, 1873.
Approved the same day Thomas A. Doyle Mayor

END OF ITEM



LOCALITY OF RECORD

PROVIDENCE COUNTY

RHODE ISLAND

TITLE OF RECORD

CITY COUNCIL RECORDS

PROJECT NUMBER

R-I 04020

ROLL NUMBER

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ITEM 2