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Common Council, August 13th 1855.

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

Fin. M. ^{Statement} The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council of October 20th 1854, is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

Surveyor ^{Report} The Surveyor of Highways presents his Monthly Report: which is read and received.
(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Ch. Engineer ^{Report} The Chief Engineer of the Tide Department presents his Monthly Report: which is read and received.
(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Salaries ^{of Teachers} The Resolutions to authorize the School Committee to increase the Salaries of Teachers in the Public Schools: which passed the Common Council, on the 23rd of July last, and was then sent up, for concurrence: is now returned by the Board of Aldermen; who concur therein, - with the following Amendment: viz: that the following words be added: viz: "provided, that no increase of salary be made, to commence before the next quarter." - which Amendment is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein.

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Remission of Taxes. The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom on the 24th of July last, was referred the petition of William Bowen: report the following Resolution: which is read and passed: viz:

Resolved, that the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to William Bowen, seven, sixteen dollars and ninety five cents; the said sum being in remission of tax improperly assessed upon him, in the year 1854: provided, it shall appear to the Treasurer, upon the Certificate of the Collector of Taxes, that the same has been paid into the City Treasury. If it shall appear to the City Treasurer, that the same has not been paid into the Treasury: - then he shall credit the Collector of Taxes with the amount so unpaid, - and the Collector of Taxes shall deduct the amount hereby remitted, from the Tax of said William Bowen.

(Carried.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Do. The Standing Committee of Finance, to whom on the 23rd of July last, was referred the petition of the Friends Yearly Meeting Boarding School, for remission and remission of Taxes: make Report; which is read and received: and it is thereupon ordered, that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Do. The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 24th of July last, was referred the petition of John McHally, for remission of Tax: - make Report: which is received: and it is thereupon ordered, that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Do. Petitions of Agnes Barnes, and of Charles Lippitt and wife, for remission of Taxes: are presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and

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report thereon.

During the meeting of the Board of Aldermen, a Resolution granting liberty to William Dinning, to move a certain wooden building, upon the usual conditions, - having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council, do concur therein (Approved by the Mayor.)

Do Petitions of Thomas Newwether, Daniel E. Carpenter, John P. Connesey, James Carter, Quincy Parker, and Lewis Turner, for leave to remove certain wooden buildings; are severally presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Civil Department, to examine and report thereon: which Committee make Reports thereon respectively: - And Resolutions granting the prayers thereof, severally, on the usual conditions, - are read and severally passed.

(Carried.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

W.P. Dean. The Standing Committee on Police, to whom, on the 23rd of July last, was referred the Resolution for the removal of William P. Dean from his office of City Constable; present a Report, recommending a postponement of action thereon: And Mr. Barstow, a minority of said Committee presents a Report, adverse to said recommendation: - which Reports are severally received, and laid upon the Table.

Assessors of Taxes. A Memorial from the Board of Assessors of Taxes,

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requesting authority to employ such assistance as they may deem necessary: is presented, and read.

Do. Upon the Memorial of the Board of Assessors of Taxes, this day presented to the City Council, -
Resolved, That the same be received, and referred to Messrs E. A. Green, Winson and Waterman, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add; with power to employ such assistance as in their opinion, the Board of Assessors may need.

(Carried; & Alderman Northland add'd.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Do. A Resolution to direct the Standing Committee on City Property, to alter the Municipal Court Room in the office of the Clerk of said Court, in order to secure a proper place for the Board of Assessors of Taxes: is presented and read; and it is moved that the same pass: - which motion is put, and lost.

Resolved, That the Standing Committee on City Property be, and they are hereby, directed to report to this Council, the appraised amount of property owned by the City, and also the amount owned by Religious and Literary Corporations and individuals, which is by Law, exempt from taxation; Designating the amount held in each Ward.

(Carried.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Oppos. Resolved that the sum of Nineteen Thousand Dollars be added to former Appropriations: as follows
viz
Ten Thousand Dollars to Highways;

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Three Thousand Dollars to Public Works;
Two Thousand Dollars to Fire Department;
One Thousand Dollars to Salaries;
One Thousand Dollars to Gas Fountains;
One Thousand Dollars to Bridges;
& One Thousand Dollars to Contingencies.

(Carried.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Resolved The Standing Committee on Finance report a Resolution to appropriate \$1500. for each stone & iron fence around the new Park and Exchange Place; which is read, and is referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, for further examination and report.

Canal Street Walls, &c. The Standing Committee on Finance report the following Resolution, which is read and passed:
Resolved, That the sum of five thousand dollars be and is hereby appropriated for the stone wall and removal of mud on Canal Street, ordered in May, 1853.
(Carried.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Donance Street Dock. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 28th of July last, was referred the petition of the owners of Donance Street Dock, make the report: which is received.

Do. Resolved, That Messrs Lexter, Cornwell, Angell and Will, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to cause the deposit of mud in the Dock at the foot of Donance Street to be removed, forthwith, and the bulk-head to be repaired.

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Market Square & Watkinson Street, The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 18 of June last, was referred the Resolution for the repairing of Market Square and a portion of Watkinson Street; report by Resolution, which is read, amended, read as amended, and passed, as follows: viz.

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed, to pave that portion of Watkinson Street below the junction of Broad Street; and also, Market Square, with small pebble stones; - the work to be proceeded with immediately.

(Concurred.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Clarence Street, Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause Clarence Street to be paved, instead of gravelled as previously ordered.

(Concurred.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Chestnut Street, The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 9 of July last was referred the Resolution for repairs on Chestnut Street; make Report in favour thereof; which Report is received; and said Resolution is read and passed; as follows:

viz: Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways, acting under the advice of the Standing Committee on Highways, be and he is hereby authorized to repair that portion of Chestnut Street lying between Elm and Elbow Streets, at any early day.

(Concurred.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Broadway, The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on

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the 9th of April last, was referred the petition of Randow M. Stone and others, for the widening & straightening the Western end of Broadway, and for the widening of the Bridge over the Railroad; request to be discharged from further consideration of the same. Whereupon, it is agreed, that said Committee be discharged.

Dominey Street, The joint Committee appointed on the 9th of July last, to confer with, and settle with the parties interested in the extension of Dominey Street, for the lands and improvements required for such extension, or for benefits offered; - report the following Resolution; which is read and passed: viz:

Resolved, That the City Treasurer, be, and he is hereby empowered and directed to pay to such of the parties who have sustained loss and damage in the extension of Dominey Street, as the Committee appointed July 9th 1853, for that purpose, shall agree to settle with; - in such a manner, and such an amount as said Committee shall direct; and he is hereby authorized and empowered to receive the estimates and assessments made against any of the parties with regard to said Committee shall settle, - and give receipts therefor; - for such amount, and upon such conditions as he shall be directed to do by said Committee.

(Concurred. Aug 27. 1853.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

do. The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 18 of June last, was referred the petition from F. E. Carter, as E. Carter; - report the following Resolution;

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which is read and passed: viz:

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to Francis E. Carter from the appropriation for Highways, - the sum of fifty dollars; upon receiving from him, a full discharge for all claims against the City, relating to the opening of Duranoe Street,
(Concurred Sept 3. 1855.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

West Water Street.

Resolved, That Messrs Pike, Tingler and Snow, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to confer with the parties directly interested in the widening of West Water Street, who have appealed from the Report of the Commissioners of Assessments and Rewards, on said Street; And that said Committee be, and they are hereby empowered to settle with said parties, for the land or improvements received for the widening of said Street, or for benefits refused; upon such terms as shall be satisfactory to said Committee.

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(Concurred August 27. 1855.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Point Street.

A Petition of P. W. Gardiner, requesting that the Surveyor of Highways may be directed immediately to proceed to set the curb stones and pave the gutters in Point Street, as Westford ordered; - is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

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A Resolution in the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and is read: viz:
"Resolved, That Aldermen Hodson and Manches-

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test, with such as the Common Council may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to determine the height to which the Dam on - der the bridge at the crossing on the east - way of the old Canal Basin, shall be carried; and to contract for the establishment of said dam, at such place, and of such height, as they shall deem expedient; - not to exceed its present height; - or to cause the same to be removed, at their discretion; and to arrange and settle the case now pending before the Blackstone Canal Commissioners, between Charles Lippitt and the owners of the Howell Mill estate, and the City of Providence."

Whereupon, it is ordered, that the Common Council do concur therein,
Messrs Salisbury, Webb and Canell, added to the Committee.
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Washington Street.

The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 23^d of July last, was referred the Memorial of William E. Richmond and others, report the following Reso-

W. E. Richmond et al.

lution, which is read and passed: viz:
Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to bring Washington Street to the grade, from the North East Corner of Jeremiah Knight's brick store, to Bally Street, from Washington Street to Fountain Street, and use the gravel for the filling of said Fountain Street.
(Concurred.)

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A & C. Street.
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The Standing Committee on Highways report the following Resolutions: which are read and passed: viz:
Resolved, by the City Council of the City of

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Resolved; That the Board of Aldermen of said City be and they are hereby requested to lay out, as a highway in said City, under an Act entitled "An Act for the laying out of Highways," from Bond Street to Central Street, in said City; the said highway to be a continuation of, and in a line with A. Street, in a southerly direction, about one hundred feet and of the same width as A. Street.

And further Resolved, by the City Council of the City of Providence, That the Board of Aldermen of said City be and they are hereby requested to lay out, as a Highway, in said City, under an Act entitled "An Act for the laying out of Highways," from Bond Street to Central Street, in said City; the same Highway to be a continuation of, and in a line with C. Street, in a southerly direction, about one hundred feet, and of the same width as C. Street.

streets, A Bill entitled "An Ordinance in addition to an Ordinance relating to Streets and Highways," and entitled "An Ordinance in relation to Streets and Highways;" Having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down, for concurrence, and is read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be referred to the Standing Committee to enquire Ordinance, to examine and report thereon.

Passed in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

The resignation of Rev. Edward B. Hall as a member of the School Committee, is presented & read: and said resignation is accepted. Rev. Thomas M. Clark is elected a member of the School Committee.

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The two Boards separate.

In Common Council.

Fourth of July. The City Treasurer presents the following Accounts, being claims for expenses incurred by the Committee of Arrangements for the next Celebration of the anniversary of American Independence; which Accounts have been certified by said Committee, viz:

- 13. Charlotte Baptist Society for \$500.
- Tanderson & Lanegan (for Fireworks) 500.
- Services of 3 Military Companies (each \$50) 150.

Whereupon, it is moved, that the City Treasurer have leave to withdraw said Accounts, upon which motion, the question is taken by Ayes and Nays; and it is ordered that the same be entered upon the Journals, as follows, viz:

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| <p><u>Ayes.</u>
 Messrs. Angell,
 Bantam,
 Canell,
 Hill,
 Lister,
 Pike,
 Spear,
 Taft,
 Tucker,
 Winsor, 10.</p> | <p><u>Nays.</u>
 Mr. President,
 Beckwith,
 E. A. Greene,
 R. Greene,
 Mr. Knight,
 Miller,
 Rhodes,
 Rider,
 Salisbury,
 Simmons,
 Snow,
 Taylor,
 Dingley,
 Waterman 14.</p> |
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Said motion is therefore lost. A Resolution to direct the payment of said Accounts by the City Treasurer, is presented and read: and it is moved that the same pass. Pending which motion, the Common Council adjourns, to meet

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on Monday the 27th day of August instant, at 8 o'clock P.M.

<u>Members present.</u>	
W. President	" Rhodes,
Argell,	Rider,
Bartow,	Talbot,
Beckwith,	Simmons,
Cannell,	Lynn,
E. Greene,	Spicer,
R. Greene,	Taft,
Will,	Taylor,
Lester,	Tingley,
W. Knight,	Tucker,
Miller,	Waterman,
Pike,	Winst. 24

Abot G. Green, Clerk

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

Dorand The Resolution to direct the removal of the mud
Street from the dock at the foot of Dorand Street;
Dock which passed the Common Council, on the 13th of August instant, and was then sent up for
 5. concurrence, is now returned by the Board of Aldermen: who concur therein, with the following amendment: viz: that the words "in the dock" in the 3rd line, be stricken out; and the words "within the Bulk Head," be inserted in their place.

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(Admiration ~~shall~~ ^{added} added.)
 The above amendment is read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the Common Council do not concur therein.

From
 1 July, } The Resolution for the payment of salary
 bills for auditors for the recent Mexi-
 can Celebration of the Anniversary of Amer-
 ican Independence; which was pending at the adjournment of the Common Council on the 13th of August instant; is taken up and read, and is amended as follows: viz

Resolved, that the sum of eight thousand Dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated, in addition to the sum already appropriated, - to defray the expenses of the celebration of the Cent Anniversary of American Independence.

Whereupon it is moved, that said Reso-
 lution, so amended, pass. After which
 motion, the question is taken by ayes
 and nays; and it is added, that the same
 be entered upon the Journal; as follows:

<u>Ayes.</u>		<u>Nays.</u>
W. President,	" Simmons,	Sept. Bartow,
Argell,	Stew	Cannell,
Beckwith,	Taylor,	Will,
E. Greene,	Tingley,	Lester,
R. Greene,	Waterman 17.	Pike,
Lincoln,		Spicer,
Lyon,		Taft,
W. Knight,		Tucker,
Miller,		Winst. 9.
Rhodes,		
Rider,		
Talbot,		

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Said Resolution is, therefore, passed.
(Carried)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

J. C. Sheridan A Communication from the School Committee, enclosing an Account of James C. Sheridan, for notifying & attending 5 meetings of that Committee (\$15.00) and requesting the City Council to furnish them with a Response; is presented read and received. Also a Memorial of James C. Sheridan, City Sargeant, in relation thereto, is presented, read and received. And it is ordered, that said Communication and Memorial be referred to the Standing Committee to enquire & report thereon.

Washington Street A Communication from the Mayor, returning to the Common Council, not approved by him, the Resolution passed on the 13th of August instant, directing the Surveyor of Highways to bring a portion of Washington Street, to the established grade: - with full objections thereto: - is presented and read.

Park in Exchange Place A Resolution in the words following. Having passed the Board of Aldermen: is sent down for execution, and is read: viz.
"Resolved, that the Mayor and Aldermen be and they are hereby authorized to lay out a small Park, on the West end of Exchange Place, opposite the City Lot on Dorchester Street, of such size as they may deem expedient, and enclose the same with an iron fence."
Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be referred to Messrs. Dexter, Post and Rider, to examine and report thereon.

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C. B. Peirce The Standing Committee on City Property, to whom, on the 23rd of July last, was referred the petition of C. B. Peirce, report the following Resolution:

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Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby is directed to pay to Mr. C. B. Peirce, the sum of three hundred and seventy nine, ⁶⁰/₁₀₀ Dollars, out of any fund not otherwise appropriated: - the same being a remuneration for labor of wharf, & claimed by Deposit from Brook-Street Drain."
Whereupon, it is moved, that said Resolution pass: - which motion is put and lost.

Cross Walks & Board of Aldermen A Resolution in the words following. Having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for execution; and is read: viz.
"Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways do, and he is hereby directed to proceed immediately to the laying of cross walks, where they have been previously ordered by the Council."
Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Council be and do consent therein.
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Somerset Street Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways do, and he is hereby directed to cause the curb stones set and gutters paved in Somerset Street, from Broad to Pine Street; And also, to cause the curb-stone set and gutters paved on Pine Street, from Friendship to Point Street: - the above work to be done immediately following the work now being done on Point Street.
(Carried). Sept 3rd 1833.
(Approved by the Mayor.)

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The following Petitions are presented, read, received, and severally referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

- 107. Petition of James Humphreys & others, for emp. work on Wether Street.
- 108. Petition of Henry B. Lyman and others, for repairs on Wether Street.

108. C. E. Gurney The Standing Committee on City Property, to whom, on the 18th of June last, was referred the Petition of Albert G. Barton and Charles E. Gurney, for the payment of \$150 for an expenditure made by them on Engine House No. 4; - make Report in favor of granting the prayer thereof, by Resolution: - which Report is read and received: and a motion that said Resolution pass: - is put and lost.

Whereupon, it is ordered, that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

109. A Petition of Abraham Alexander, for remission of Tax, is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

Resolved, That the School Committee be and they are hereby authorized to pay the following teachers of the Boys' Department of the High School, viz: the Principals of the Classical and English Departments, each, an annual salary, in equal quarterly payments, a sum not exceeding twelve hundred and fifty Dollars.

(Continued. Sept 3rd 1855.)
Approved by the Mayor

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Streets & Highways. The Standing Committee to enquire Ordinances, to whom, on the 13th of August instant, was referred the Bill from the Board of Aldermen entitled "An Ordinance in addition to an Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance in relation to Streets and Highways,'" make Report recommending a concurrence therein, - with certain Amendments: - which Report is read and received.

Whereupon, it is ordered, that the Common Council do concur in the passage of said Bill, with the following Amendments: viz.

1. That the first Section be struck out: -
2. That the second Section be struck out: -
3. That the word "across" in the 4th line of the 3rd Section be struck out: and the word "in" inserted in its place: -
4. That the word "passenger" be inserted before the word "cars," in the 6th line of the 3rd Section.

City Bonds, Sinking Fund. The Standing Committee on Finance report a Bill entitled "An Ordinance in addition to an Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance in relation to the issue and sale of the Bonds of the City of Providence, and the establishment of a Sinking Fund for the satisfaction and payment thereof,'" which Bill is read, amended; read as amended, and passed.

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18. (The Board of Aldermen having concurred in the passage of said Bill, with the following amendments: viz: 1. That the words "two per cent premium on," in the 5th line of Section 1, be struck out: and the words "at the discretion of said Committee" be inserted after the word "thereof," in the 6th line of said

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Section 1 -

And the Amendments of the Board of Aldermen having been read: -

It is agreed, that the consideration of the same be postponed to the next meeting of the Common Council; and that said Board and proposed Amendments be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing.

20. A Resolution to empower the Committee appointed to negotiate the Loan of \$600,000, to raise \$75,000 of the City Bonds with the Prudential Institution for Savings, as collateral security for the Notes of the City held by that Institution; - is presented & read; and it is moved that the same pass. - which motion is put and lost.

James in Convention of the City Council.

To Convention.

20. Trustees of Sinking Funds. Amos D. Smith, Amos Manton, and Henry Anthony, as elected Trustees of the Sinking Funds, under the Act of the General Assembly, passed at their May Session, 1833, entitled "An Act authorizing the City of Providence, to issue Bonds, and to establish a Sinking Fund."

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday the 10th day of September next, at 8 o'clock P.M.

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August 27th September 10. 1855.

Members present.

Mr. President,
Ayell,
Bristol,
Beckwith,
Canell
E. Greene,
H. Greene,
Kegill,
Lester,
Lincoln,
Lyons,
McKnight,
Miller.

" Rhé,
Rhodes,
Ridgely,
Salisbury,
Simmons,
Snow,
Spicer,
Taft,
Taylor,
Tracy,
Tucker,
Waterman,
Windsor. 26.

Abner G. Greene Clerk.

Common Council September 10. 1855.

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

Mr. All Statement The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20. 1834, is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

Treasurer's Report The Quarterly Report of the City Treasurer, of the Quarters ending the 30th day of August, is presented, read, and received.

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Moving A Petition of John Huron, for liberty to remove a Building (certain wooden building; is presented, received and referred to the Standing Committee on the 9. Huron's Fire Department, to examine and report thereon 125.

Charles A Petition of Charles F. Amington, a minor, by his Guardian Matthew W. Amington, for compensation for injuries sustained in Watminster Street, (amounting to \$574.) is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon, 65.

The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 23rd of July last, was referred the Report of the Standing Committee of Finance of the last Common Council upon the Memorial of the Hartford, Paris and Fishkill Railroad Company, for the issuing of the remaining \$30,000 of the City, in aid of the construction of their Railroad; - make Report, by Resolutions, providing for such issue; - which Report is read and received: And it is ordered that the same be referred to Messrs Bastin, Bell and Salisbury, to examine, and report thereon, at the next meeting of the Common Council, 35.

The Bill entitled "An Ordinance in addition to an Ordinance entitled An Ordinance in relation to the issue and sale of the Bonds of the City of Providence and the establishment of a Sinking Fund for the satisfaction and payment thereof;" with the Amendments of the Board of Aldermen thereto; - which were on the 27 of August last, passed to this meeting, with an order that the same be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing; - having been so printed; - are taken up, and 18. 57.

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read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do not concur in said Amendments, (The Board of Aldermen insist upon their Amendments; and request a Conference; I appoint Aldermen Thurber and Ketchum, conferees.)

Whereupon, Resolved, that the Common Council will unite in a Conference; and do appoint Messrs Bastin, R. Greene Jr. & Taft, Conferees on their part.

The Standing Committee on Finance report a Bill for the appointment and collection of a City Tax; - which Bill is read and amended; and entitled "An Ordinance providing for the Appointment and Collection of a Tax of not less than Four Hundred Thousand Dollars; nor more than Four Hundred and Ten Thousand Dollars;" - And, as amended, is read and passed, 34.

Resolved, that the sum of three hundred dollars be added to former Appropriations, for lighting Streets, (Commenced Sept 17. 1855) (Approved by the Mayor)

A Memorial of William Grosvenor and others, relating to the relaying of the railroad track in West Water Street, occasioned by the repaving of a section of said Street; - is presented and read, 18.

Upon the Memorial of William Grosvenor & others, Resolved, that Messrs Lester, Bigell and Lincoln with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee, under whose direction, the Surveyor of Highways is author-

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is directed to relay the rails of the Providence and Worcester Railroad Company, upon West Water Street, from Westminster Street, to the present termination of said rails.

Resolved, That the terms and conditions upon which said rails, (when relaid,) shall remain and be used, - shall be, in all respects, the same as those under which, said rails are now used by the existing grant from the City Council.

(Concurred, Sept 17, 1853, & Aldermen Bowen & Manlius 233)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Old Town Board } Resolved, That the City Clerk and Clerk of the Common Council, acting under the advice of this Honorable Board, the Mayor, he and they are hereby authorized to procure some suitable person to transcribe, arrange, and bind, such of the original Deeds from the Indians, to our Ancestors, and such of the early Records of the Town, as are still in such a state of preservation as to admit thereof; - and draw upon the Treasurer, for the cost thereof; - to be paid out of any money not otherwise appropriated.
(Concurred.)

The following petitions are presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon: viz:

Waterman Street } Petition of William J. Harris & others; for the extension of Waterman Street through land of the City: -

Broadway } Petition of J. G. Bantshorn & others; for the extension of Broadway, over Valley Street, to High Street: under the "Act for laying out Highways".

Maple Street } A Resolution in the words following, having passed

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

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause the curb-stones to be set, and gutters paved, on Maple Street; whenever the corners of the adjoining streets shall furnish suitable curb-stones.

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

Order of the Board of Aldermen } A Memorial of Joseph L. Peterson and others, requesting that the Dexter Training Ground may be put in proper order for the use of the ~~use of~~ military troops of the City; is presented and read.

Do. Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby authorized, acting under the advice of the Commissioners of the Dexter Donation Fund, - to level off the heaps of dirt and carriage paths, so far as is necessary to fit the Dexter Training Grounds for the use to which they were devoted.
(Concurred.)

Albion School } An Ordinance authorizing the School Committee to establish two schools of a class different from any in existence; to be called "Albion Schools," and reported by the Standing Committee on Education; and is read and passed.
(Concurred.)

School House } A Communication from the School Committee, requesting that a Grammar School House may be

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erected on the City's Lot on Burgess and Knights Streets: is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Education, to examine and report thereon.

Remission of Taxes. The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom on the 13th of August last, was referred the petition of Charles Lippitt and wife, for remission of Tax; make Report, recommending that the same be referred to the Assessor of Taxes for the year 1854, which Report is received; and it is advised, that said petition be referred to said Assessor, to report thereon.

Do. The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 13th of August last, was referred the petition of Lyman Barnes, for reduction of Tax; make Report recommending that the petitioner have leave to withdraw: - which Report is received; and it is, thereupon, advised, that said petitioner have leave to withdraw.

Do. Resolved, That the Mayor is hereby authorized to refer all matters in controversy between the Friends of Providence and the Friends' School, in relation to the taxation of their property situated in said Providence; to the Judges of the Supreme Court, or to said Court.

A Resolution in the words aforesaid having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein.

Do. A Communication from the Assessor of Taxes, for the year 1853, recommending the remission of certain

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taxes assessed in that year: is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

Do. A Communication from the Assessor of Taxes for the year 1854, recommending the remission of certain taxes assessed in that year: is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

City Hall. Resolved, That the subject of the erection of a City Hall, and the adoption of a plan for the same, be made the special order for the next meeting of the Common Council.

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

Members present.

Mr President,

Angell,

Bartow,

Beckwith

Cornell

Francis

E. Greene

H. Greene

Hill

Lester

Lincoln.

McKnight.

Miller.

Pike.

Rhodes.

Rider,

Salisbury

Simmons,

Trow.

Spicer?

Stone

Taft,

Taylor?

Tingley

Tucker

Waterman

Winsor?

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Abot G. Greene,
Clerk

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

Surgeon The Monthly Report of the Surgeon of Highways is presented, read, and received.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Ch. Eng'g The Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer of the Dept. of Sewer Department, is presented, read and received

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Pauperism The joint Committee to whom on the 18th of June last was referred so much of the Mayor's Address as relates to the subject of Pauperism: make Report by the following Resolution: which is read and passed: viz.

Resolved, That Messrs. Sew, Bell and Winsor, with such as the Board of Alder may add, be a Committee to examine the subject of the location of a House of Correction in this City; and that they be directed to report by Ordinance.

(Concurred Sept 24. 1853; of Aldermen H. Brewster & B. men added.)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Remission The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom on the 27th of August last, was referred the petition of Abraham Alexander: report the following Resolution: which is read and passed: viz:

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to pay to Abraham Alexander, the sum of seven Dollars and twenty eight cents; - the said sum being in remission of tax improperly assessed against him in the year 1854: provided

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It shall appear to the Treasurer, upon the certification of the Collector of Taxes, that the said sum has been paid into the City Treasury: -

If it shall appear to the City Treasurer, that said tax has not been paid into the Treasury: then he shall credit the Collector of Taxes with the amount so unpaid; and the Collector of Taxes shall deduct the amount hereby remitted, from the tax of said Abraham Alexander.

(Concurred. Sept 24, 1853.)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Do. The Standing Committee on Finance to whom, on the 10th of September instant, were referred the communications from the Assessor of Taxes for the years 1853 and 1854, recommending the remission of certain Taxes assessed in those years, report a Resolution remitting said Taxes, amounting to \$1138. 11/100; which Report is received; and said Resolution is read and passed.

Taxes referred to
1853
+
1854.
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(Concurred Sept 24, 1853)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Do. A Petition of Albert Hopkins, for remission of tax, is presented, read and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon: - which Committee thereupon report the following Resolution: which is read and passed: viz:

Resolved, that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to pay to Albert Hopkins the sum of seven Dollars, the said sum being in remission of tax improperly assessed against him in the year 1854; provided, it shall appear to the Treasurer, upon the certificate of the Collector of Taxes, that the said sum has

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been paid into the City Treasury. If it shall appear to the City Treasurer, that said sum has not been paid into the Treasury: - then he shall send it the Collector of Taxes with the amount so unpaid; and the Collector of Taxes shall deduct the amount here-by remitted, from the tax of said Albert Hopkins (Continued, Sept 24. 1855.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

80 The Report of Taxes for the year 1854, to whom, on the 14 of May last, was referred the Petition of Samuel Warner, for reduction of tax: make Report, recommending that said petitioner have leave to withdraw: - which Report is received: and it is thereupon ordered, that said petitioner have leave to withdraw.

80 The Report of Taxes for the year 1854, to whom, on the 10 of September inst., was referred the petition of Charles Lippitt & wife, for remission of tax: - make Report, recommending that said petitioners have leave to withdraw: - which Report is received: and it is thereupon ordered, that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

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

"Resolved, that the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to Zebina W. Brown, the sum of twelve Dollars: - the same being the amount of his bill for Damages done to his land, in the survey for the Water Works, and to be paid out of the Appropriation for Contingent expenses."

Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein. (Approved by the Mayor.)

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E. Dyer } A Communication from the Mayor, enclosing
- } a Communication made to him by Gen. Eliza
Lippitt } Dyer, accompanied by a portrait of Washington
Washington } woven in silk, at Lyons in France, presented
- } by him to the City: - together with the copy
of the Mayor's letter: - is presented and read.

Whereupon, it is ordered, that said Communication from the Mayor, together with the accompanying papers, be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing. (Continued)

H. P. } Petition of Henry P. Snow, Constable, for repay-
Snow. } ment of \$14 ⁵⁰/₁₀₀ paid by him on fines and costs
80. } upon sentences in Court of Mayor's Court: is present-
ed, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Police, to examine and report thereon.

C. B. } A Memorial of C. B. Pease and Jonathan Pike,
Pease. } praying that said Pease may be remunerated for
15. } expenses sustained by him, as keeper of the wharf
133. } owned by said Pike, - occasioned by said wharf
in the River, from the Brook Street Colvert: - is
presented, received, and referred to the Standing Com-
mittee on City Property, to examine and report thereon.

Approved } Resolved, that the sum of thirty five hundred Dollars
be added to former Appropriations for School Houses
and Lots.

(Continued Sept 24. 1855.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Sixth } Resolved, that the School Committee be, and they
School } are hereby authorized to make temporary arrange-
District } ments for the accommodation of such scholars in
the Sixth School District, as cannot now be
accommodated in the Grammar School; and are

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also authorized to use the Ward Room, if deemed suitable for that purpose.

(Concurred, Sept 24, 1855.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Nath Main } A Resolution in the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for emanence, and Street, is read: viz:

42. "Whereas, the Commissioners of streets and app. ment, in the matter of widening Nath Main Street, at the Adams Brick Estate, in the City of Providence, appointed by the Supreme Court at the September Term thereof, in the County of Providence, under an Act entitled "An Act in relation to the laying out, enlarging, straightening, or otherwise altering, Streets in the City of Providence," have made their final Report to said Court: -

Now, therefore, within thirty days after the making of said Report: -

Resolved, That the City Council elect to make said improvement."

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

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Highway } A Memorial of Samuel Havens and others, relative Works, to the mode of doing the work on the Streets and Highways in the City, is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

S. Havens and others.

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The following petitions are presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon: viz:

Petition of Joseph Belcher and others, for the paving of gutters, and setting of curb stones, and laying of cross walks, in Lockwood Street, from Friendship to Windmill Street: -

Lockwood Street

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Washington Street } Petition of Pardon Angell and others, for the opening of Washington Street, from Dean to Knight Street: -

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" "

Petition of Whetson A. Hamington & others, for the same.

Petition of Joseph Whiner and others, for the same.

High Street } The Standing Committee on Highways report the following Resolution, which is read and passed: viz:

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to proceed immediately, to reset the curb stones in High Street, North side, from Stewart to Dean Street; - South side, from Stewart to Summer Street.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

India Street } The Standing Committee on Highways report the following Resolution, which is read and passed:

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is directed to proceed immediately, to the grading of, and setting curbing, and paving gutters in India Street.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Brook Street } The Standing Committee on Highways report the following Resolution, which is read and passed: viz:

Sewer.

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to construct, or cause to be constructed, a sewer in Brook Street, from Power Street to John Street, a distance of three hundred and seventy five feet.

(Concurred, Oct 15, 1855.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

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Walker Street. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 27th of August last, was referred the Petition of Henry B. Lyman and others, for repairs on Walker Street: report the following Resolution, which is read and passed: viz:

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby instructed to grade and pave gutters in Walker Street, between Westminster and Washington Streets; and that he cause said work to be done forthwith.

Broadway. The Standing Committee on Highways to whom, on the 10th of September instant, was referred the petition of J. C. Bartschorn and others, for the extension of Broadway: report the following Resolution, which is read and passed: viz:

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Providence: That the Board of Aldermen be, and they are requested, to lay out a Highway, under an Act entitled "An Act for laying out Highways," from Broadway to High Street; said Highway to be a continuation of, and in a line with, Broadway, in a Westerly direction, and of the same width as Broadway.

(Commenced August 11th 1856)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Croft Walks. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 27th of August last, was referred the petition of James Wainwright and others; report the following Resolution, which is read and passed: viz:

Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to cause cross walks to be laid, as follows: viz:

- One across Angell Street, opposite Congdon Street.
- One across Benefit Street, in range with the

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South side walk in Angell Street, on the North side of the High School Building.

(Commenced, Oct 15. 1855.)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Park in Exchange Place. The Committee to whom, on the 27th of August last, was referred the Resolution from the Board of Aldermen, to authorize "the Mayor and Aldermen to lay out a small Park at the West end of Exchange Place, opposite the City Lot on Scovene Street, of such size as they may deem expedient; and to enclose the same with an iron fence;" - make Report by Resolution to authorize the enclosure of a portion of the Western end of Exchange Place, not exceeding 20 feet in diameter, with curbing and outer walls: - which Report is received; and a motion that said Resolution pass, - is put and lost.

Mr. Taft, a minority of said Committee makes Report, by Resolution, for direct the enclosure of a triangular space not exceeding 120 feet on each side; - which Report is received; and a motion that said Resolution pass, is put and lost.

Whereupon, the Resolution from the Board of Aldermen, is again read: and it is resolved, that the Council do not concur thereon.

Waterman Street. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 10th of September instant, was referred the Petition of William J. Harris & others, for the extension of Waterman Street through land of the City, - make Report, that they do not recommend the same: - which Report is received; and it is there-

upon ordered, that said petitioners have leave to

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withdraw.

Point of the Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on
Sept 13th of August last, was referred the petition of
P. W. Gardner, relative to curb stones and gut-
ters, in Point Street; make Report, that they
do not recommend the granting of the prayer
thereof: - which Report is received; and it is
thereupon, ordered, that said petitioner have
leave to withdraw.

Tax. The Bill entitled "An Ordinance providing for the
assessment and collection of a Tax of not less
than Four Hundred Thousand Dollars, nor more
than Four Hundred and Ten Thousand Dollars"
which passed the Common Council on the 10th of
September instant, and was then sent up, for con-
sideration: - is now returned by the Board of
Aldermen, who concur therein, with the follow-
ing Amendments: viz:

1. That the words "Four Hundred Thousand
Dollars, nor more than Four Hundred
& Ten Thousand Dollars", in the Title of
the Bill, & also in the 1st Section thereof,
be struck out: and the words "Three
Hundred and Seventy five Thousand Dol-
lars; nor more than Three Hundred and
Eighty Thousand Dollars," be inserted in
their place: -
2. That the word "third" in the 7th line of the
1st Section, be struck out; and the word
"fourth" be inserted in its place: -
3. That the word "second", in the 9th line of
the 1st Section, be struck out; and the word
"third" be inserted in its place. -

And said Amendments of the Board of Aldermen
having been read: - it is resolved, that the Com-
mon Council do not concur in said Amendments.

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The Board of Aldermen insist upon their Amend-
ments.
Whereupon, Resolved, that the Common Coun-
cil do insist upon their new concurrence
in said Amendments; and request a Con-
ference upon the disagreement between
the two Boards; and do appoint Messrs
Bartow, Waterman and Cornell, Con-
ferrees on their part.

Appropriation. The Standing Committee on Finance report "Resolving making
43. Appropriations for the year ensuing the last
Monday in September, A.D. one thousand, eight
hundred and fifty five;" which Resolutions
are read, and amended; and, as amended, are
read and passed.

V.P. & F. R.R. Co. The Committee to whom on the 10th of September in-
stant, was referred the Resolutions reported by the
Standing Committee on Finance upon the alle-
gations of the Hartford, Providence and Fishkill
Railroad Company, - for the issuing of the re-
mainder, \$30,000 of the Bonds of the City in
aid of the construction of their Railroad; - now
report the following Resolutions; which is
read and passed: viz:

Upon the Petition of the Hartford, Providence
and Fishkill Rail Road Company, praying
for the immediate issue by the City of Provi-
dence, of the remaining \$30,000 of the Bonds
of said City; which Bonds were and are re-
-tained as security for the completion of certain
Buildings, and the filling of certain lands,
in conformity with the Contract of said Rail-
Road Company with the City: Resolved,

That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby au-
thorized to exchange the Bonds of the City of
Providence, for the Mortgage Bonds of the Wash-
ford, Providence and Fishkill Rail Road
Company, to the amount of Thirty Thousand Dol-
lars; - upon the conditions following: - viz,

That the said Rail Road Company give
written assurance to the City Treasurer, that they
will, within the present year, construct a Build-
ing, after plans that shall be approved by the
City Council, - for the accommodation of the
freight passing over the Road; and that they
will also deposit with the City Treasurer, Six
Thousand Dollars of their Mortgage Bonds,
as collateral security for the fulfilment of this
their agreement, which Bonds shall also
be held as collateral security for the fulfil-
ment of a former contract to fill certain
lands prior to the year eighteen hundred
and fifty seven: - said Bonds shall not
draw interest until Jan. 1st 1857: - at which
time, interest shall commence to accrue, and shall
be paid to the City, in case of the non-ful-
filment of the contract and agreement above-
named.

If the Freight Station should be
erected, and the earth-filling completed, within
the times respectively specified; - then the
said Bonds shall be returned to the Rail
Road Company; - it being expressly un-
derstood, that the delivery of these Bonds
to the City, shall not release the said Com-
pany from their obligation under former
contracts in reference to earth-fillings and
"suitable Railroad accommodations".

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Resolved, That Messrs Roblins, Taylor, E. B. Greene,
Deput. 40.

Solisbury, R. Greene Jr, Vail, Lester and Barstow,
with such as the Board of Aldermen may add,
be a Committee, to confer with the Directors
of the Hartford, Providence and Fishkill Rail-
road Company; in reference to the erection of a
certain stone or brick building, upon the Cove
lands, to be used, at present, as a freight de-
pot; with full power to approve the same.

(Concurred: & the Mayor and
Aldermen Knight & Bowen assent.)
(Approved by the Mayor)

The following named architects having presented
designs and plans for a City Hall, under
the Resolutions passed on the 23rd (26th) of July
last: viz.

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- Thomas A. Tappan (2)
- Henry Hall
- Rufell Wama
- Richard Upjohn Esq.

and the same having been this day laid before
the Common Council: - It is Resolved, that the
same be received.

Whereupon, it is moved, "That the several
plans and designs for a City Hall, now
lying before the Common Council, be re-
ferred to Messrs
with such as the Board of Aldermen may add; -
to examine the same, and to report a
plan for a City Hall; - which motion
is put and lost.

Whereupon, a Resolution in the words
following: is presented and read: viz.
"Resolved That the Council deem it expe-
dient to proceed to the erection of a City Hall,
upon some plan hereafter to be adopted."
It is moved that said Resolution pass.
Upon which motion the question is taken

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by ayes and nays: and it is ordered that the same be entered upon the journal, as follows: viz:

<u>Ayes.</u>	<u>Nays.</u>
Asst. Barstow.	Angell,
Beckwith,	E. H. Greene,
Cornell,	H. Greene,
Francis,	Lyon,
Hill,	Salisbury,
Lester,	Truitt,
Lincoln,	Toft,
Pike,	Taylor,
Rhodes,	
Rider,	
Simmons,	
Spier,	
Stow,	
Tingley,	
Tuckey,	
Waterman,	
Winsor,	

Said Resolution is therefore passed.
(Unconcerned, February 4, 1856)

Do. The Resolution reported by the joint Committee appointed on the 16 of April last, to procure plans for a City Hall; which was laid upon the Table, on the 23^d of July last; is called up and read.

Whereupon, it is ordered, that the whole subject be put upon to the next regular meeting of the Common Council, and made the special order for the day.

Do. Resolved, that all architects who have presented unfinished plans for a City Hall, have permission to finish them, (out of office hours,) before the next regular meeting of the City Council.
(Unconcerned.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

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The Common Council adjourns: to meet on Monday the 8th Day of October next, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr. President,	Rhodes,
Angell,	Rider,
Barstow,	Salisbury,
Beckwith,	Simmons,
Cornell,	Truitt,
Francis,	Spier,
E. H. Greene,	Stow,
H. Greene,	Toft,
Hill,	Taylor,
Lester,	Tingley,
Lincoln,	Tuckey,
Lyon,	Waterman,
Pike,	Winsor,

Abat Greene,
Clerk

Common Council, September 26 1855.

Special Meeting.

Copy. "City of Providence."

To the Members of the Common Council, City of Providence, Meeting.
Whereas, in my opinion, it is advisable for the Common Council to meet at an earlier day than that to which said Council stands

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adjourned; - you, and each of you are there
for hereby requested and required to meet,
in the Council Chamber, on the 26th day
September, at 7 1/2 o'clock, to transact
such business as may legally come before
you.

Given, under my hand, and seal
of said City, this 24th day of September
1853.

James Y. Smith,
Mayor.

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"Puissance p. r. September 25, 1853
I certify, that I have notified the members of the
Common Council, that a meeting of that Body
will be held on Wednesday evening the 26th inst,
at 7 1/2 o'clock, to transact such business
as may come before them; as commanded,
James C. Hendon, City Sergeant."

Pursuant to the requisition contained in the afore-
going Warrant, the Common Council are now
assembled, at half past 7 o'clock P.M.; a quor-
rum present.

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

84. 44. Top. A communication from the Mayor, relative
to the Bill providing for the assessment and collec-
tion of a City Tax; upon which conference was
appointed by the two Boards, at the last meet-
ing, - is presented and read.

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The joint Committee appointed on the 17th of Sep-
tember instant, to confer with the Directors of the

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Hartford, Providence and Fishkill Rail Road
Company, relative to a stone or brick build-
ing to be erected upon the Cove Canal,
the end, at present, as a Freight Depot;
make report, that a plan for such build-
ing and the location therefor, have been
submitted to, and approved by them: -

And said Committee report the following
Resolution; which is read and passed:

Resolved, That the plan of Building, pre-
sented by the Hartford, Providence, and
Fishkill Rail Road Company, thirty
feet wide, and not less than two hundred
feet long; to be built of brick or
stone, with slate roof and granite con-
-sisting; - to be used, at present, for a
Merchandise Depot; - be approved.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

83. A Petition of Augustus E. Field, for remunera-
-tion for damages and costs paid by him;
is presented, received, and referred to the
Standing Committee on Finance, to exam-
-ine and report thereon.

Resolved, That the By Laws adopted by the
School Trustees of the Reform School, and this
day presented to the Council; be, and they
are hereby sanctioned and approved as
Rules for the government of that Insti-
-tution and the Officers thereof.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Resolved, That the Trustees of the Reform

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School he, and they are hereby authorized to pay to the Matron of said Institution, a salary not exceeding the sum of Two Hundred Dollars per annum,

(Concurred.)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Engine Houses. Resolved, That the Mayor be, and he is hereby authorized to make such arrangements in the Engine Houses in South, Wickenden and Waymarket Streets, as is necessary to secure the heating of the School Rooms above them, by furnaces; - and that he have liberty to partition off a small room, in each of said Engine Houses, for the said furnaces, - if he deem it expedient.

(Concurred.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

North Main Street. Resolved, That Messrs Miller, Sigell and Stone, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to confer, and advise, with the Surveyor of Highways, relative to the widening of North Main Street; the disposition of the buildings standing on the same, and all matters connected therewith.

(Concurred, and Alderman Bowen added.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Dexter Training Ground. Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to proceed forthwith, with the work ordered by the City Council, on the 18th of April, 1853, to be done at and around the Dexter Training Ground.

Waterman Street. Ordered, That the Petition of William J. Hamist

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35. 277. others, for the extension of Waterman Street through land belonging to the City; upon which leave was given to the petitioners to withdraw, on the 17th of September instant; - be re-committed to the Standing Committee on Highways, for further examination and report thereon.

5th Ward. A Petition of George H. Cahoon and others, for the use of the Ward Room in the Fifth Ward, for the reception of a Fire Company who propose visiting this City; - is presented and received; - and it is thereupon ordered, that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Appropriation. The Resolutions making Appropriations for the year ending the last Monday in September 1853, amounting to the sum of "thousand eight hundred and fifty five"; - which passed the Common Council, on the 17th of September instant, and were then sent up, for concurrence; are now returned by the Board of Aldermen; who concurred therein, with the following Amendments: viz

1. That in the Appropriation "for School Houses and Lots," - the words "Twenty five thousand" be stricken out, and the words "fifteen thousand" be inserted in their place; -
 2. That in the Appropriation for the removing of the Obstructions from Providence River," the words "Seven thousand" be stricken out;
- Which Amendments are read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein.

(Approved by the Mayor)

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Tax.

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The Bill entitled "An Ordinance providing for the apportionment and collection of a Tax of not less than Four Hundred Thousand Dollars, nor more than Five Hundred and Ten Thousand Dollars;" which was on the 17th of September instant, sent to the Board of Aldermen, with a Request for a Conference upon the disagreement of the two Boards; is now returned by the Board of Aldermen; with a Resolution to unite in a Conference, and appointing Aldermen Barstow and Manchester Conference on their part.

Whereupon, Resolved that the Common Council recede from their vote insisting upon their non-concurrence and requesting a Conference; and do concur in the Amendments of the Board of Aldermen, with the following Amendment to the first of said Amendments; viz: That the words "Three Hundred and Seventy five Thousand Dollars;" nor more than Three Hundred and Eighty Thousand Dollars, in the 6th 7th & 8th lines, be stricken out; and the words "Three Hundred and Eighty Thousand Dollars, nor more than Three Hundred and Ninety Thousand Dollars;" be inserted in their place

(The Board of Aldermen now concur in the Amendment of the Common Council, to their Amendments.)

Whereupon, it is moved, that the Common Council do insist upon their Amendment to the Amendments of the Board of Aldermen;

Upon which motion, the question is taken by Ayes and Nays; and it is ordered that the same be entered upon the Journals as follows.

viz:

Ayes.

Messrs Barstow,
Cornell
Hill.

.. Lincoln
Pike
Rhodes.

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.. Rider
Spicer.
Stone
Tingley
Tucker,
Waterman
Winsor. 13.

Nays.

Messrs Angell,
E. H. Greene,
R. Greene,
Lester,
Lyon,
Miller,
Salisbury,
Simmons,
Trav,
Tapp,
Taylor 11.

The Common Council do therefore insist upon their Amendment. To the Amendments of the Board of Aldermen.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet pursuant to the vote of adjournment passed on the 17th of September instant; to wit, to meet on Monday the 8th Day of October next, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

.. Mr. President,
Angell
Barstow,
Cornell,
E. H. Greene
R. Greene
Hill,
Lester
Lincoln,
Lyon,
Miller
Pike
Rhodes
Rider.

.. Salisbury
Simmons,
Trav,
Spicer,
Stone,
Tapp,
Taylor,
Tingley,
Tucker,
Waterman
Winsor.

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Albert H. Greene, Clerk

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Common Council, October 8' 1855.

The Common Council met, pursuant to adjournment; a quorum present.

Prs 16. The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer under the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20 1854, is presented, read and received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

Surveyor The Monthly Report of the Surveyor of Highways is presented, read and received. (Concurred) (Approved by the Mayor.)

Ed March The Account of Ezek Aldrich late City Treasurer with the City, to the 30th of June last, is presented and read: - and the same having been audited and certified by the City Auditor, - it is Resolved, that the same be received and recorded. (Concurred.) (Approved by the Mayor)

Treasurer The Account of the City Treasurer with the City, from the 2^d of July last, to the last Monday in September last, - is presented and read: - and the same having been audited and certified by the City Auditor, - it is Resolved, that the same be received and recorded. (Concurred.) (Approved by the Mayor.)

Building Petition of George Washhill, for liberty to mend a certain wooden building, is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon. G. Washhill 725.

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Do 3 Petition of William and Thomas Breck, for liberty to mend a certain wooden building, is presented, read and received: - And a Resolution granting the prayer thereof: - is read and passed.

Tax Committee A Petition of Martha W. Walker, for remission of Tax, is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon: - which Committee report the following Resolution, which is read and passed: - viz:

Resolved, that the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to Martha W. Walker, the amount of Tax improperly assessed against her, in the year 1854: - the said amount having been assessed upon \$4000 over and above the valuation of her real estate; arising from an error in transcribing said valuation upon the Tax Books: - provided, it shall appear to the Treasurer, upon the Certificate of the Collector of Taxes, that the said tax has been paid into the City Treasury. If it shall appear to the City Treasurer that said tax has not been paid into the Treasury: - then he shall credit the Collector of Taxes, with the amount so unpaid; and the Collector of Taxes shall deduct the amount hereby remitted, from the tax of said Martha W. Walker. (Concurred.) (Approved by the Mayor.)

James The Standing Committee to copy Ordinances, to P. Stanton whom on the 24th of August last, was referred the communication from the School Committee,

enclosing an Account of James C. Sheridan for attending and attending 5 meetings of that Committee (\$15.) make Report, by Resolution; which Report is received.

Do Resolved, that the Account of James C. Sheridan, for fifteen dollars, for attending & carrying 5 meetings of the School Committee, be paid, from the Appropriation for "Contingencies."
(Concurred.)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Wacker, The Standing Committee to enquire Ordinances, to Annals, when on the 11th of December last, was offered to. The Bill passed on the 13th of December last, entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance for the regulation of Wacker, Annals, Drays, Trucks, &c." - (which Bill was, on said 11th of December, returned by the late Mayor, to the Common Council, not approved by him, - with his objections thereto;) - make Report, by Bill, with the same title; - which Report is read and received; and said Bill is read and passed.

The following Petitions are presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon: viz:
S. Court St. 71. Petition of Amasa Parin and others, for repairs on South Court Street: -
Wapitat St. 72. Petition of John J. Stinson, for the immediate completion of repairs ordered and commenced on Wapitat Street, South of Point Street: -
Sectt St. 72. Petition of Edwin T. Sectt and others, for a Drain in Sectt Street (so called) and across North Main Street, to Rowall Street.

Carp Walker Resolution for the laying of curbs walks in North Main and Benefit Streets: - is presented, read and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Dexter Resolved, That the Saverys of Highways be Training and he is fully authorized and directed, acting under the advice of the ^{Board of Supervisors of the} Dexter Donation fund, - to grade the Dexter Training Grounds, so far as is necessary to fit the same for the use to which they were devoted.
(Concurred, Oct 14 1855.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Pond Street Resolved, That the Saverys of Highways be, and he is fully directed to proceed forthwith, to set the curb-stone and pave the gutters, in that portion of Pond Street lying between Fenner and Stewart Streets.
(Concurred, October 15, 1855.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Bacon Street Resolved by the City Council of the City of Portland; - That the Board of Aldermen of said City, are hereby requested to lay out a Highway in said City, under, and according to the Act entitled "An Act for laying out Highways;" - said Highway to commence on North Main Street, between the land of the City and land of Frank W. Cheney and Knight D. Cheney, formerly held in common between said City and Frank W. and Knight D. Cheney; - said Highway to run from said place of commencement, of the uniform width of thirty three feet, until it meets and joins, Bacon Street.
(Concurred.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

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Do. Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed, to proceed, forthwith to setting the curb stone and paving the gutters on Bacon Street, (Continued.) (Approved by the Mayor.)

Point Street. A Resolution to direct the Surveyor of Highways, to proceed forthwith, to set the curb stone, in - 279. Point Street, opposite the house of Pleyth, P.W. Gardner; is presented and read. - And it is ordered, that the same be referred to the Standing Committee on Highways: - to report, whether that portion of the Street has been received by the City; and if it has been brought to the established grade.

West Harbor Line. The joint Committee who were on the 14/25th of May last, directed to cause a suitable stone bound to be erected at the point of the Monument, angle in the West Harbor Line then established between Denman Street Wharf and Sopapas Point; - make Report, that they have caused piles to be driven in the mud at said point; but that no sufficient foundation can be made for a stone monument at that place; and recommend that the Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance establishing the West Harbor Line," be so amended, as to permit the erection of such monument, upon the shore, at a point where a line drawn from the South-East corner of Denman Street Wharf, over the centre of the piles driven, would strike the land at the West of Sopapas Point; -

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90. Which Report is read, and received. And it is resolved, that the said Recommendation of said Committee be adopted; - and that said Report be referred to Messrs Foster, Francis and Beckwith, to report a Bill so to amend said Ordinance.

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City Bonds. A Resolution in the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence; and is read, viz: "Resolved, That the Committee to advertise and receive bids for the Loan of 500,000 Dollars, be and they are hereby authorized to issue to the Trustees of the Sinking Fund, Bonds, at par, for the amount of premium and appropriation for said Funds." Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein. (Approved by the Mayor.)

Loan of \$500,000.

St. of Sinking Fund.

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City Hall. A Memorial from B. E. & J. W. Buckman Jr. of New York, proposing to furnish a plan for a City Hall, is presented, read, received, and laid upon the Table.

B. E. & J. W. Buckman Jr.

Do. The subject of the adoption of a plan for a City Hall, which was, on the 17 of September last, postponed to this meeting, and made the special order for the day, is taken up. Whereupon, the Resolution which was reported by the joint Committee appointed on the 16 of April last, to procure plans for: (which was, on the 23rd of July last, laid upon the Table:) is now read, - and is amended as follows, viz: "Whereas, on the 23rd of July last, certain Resolutions passed the City Council, inviting Architects to present plans for a City Hall: - And whereas, for several plans, from as many different Architects, have been presented, viz: - for that Resolution; - from which the City Council, are now called upon, to make selection; - therefore Resolved, that the plan presented by T. A. Peff by, be, and the same is hereby approved and accepted." And it is moved, that said Resolution, so

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amended:) pass: Upon which motion, the question is taken by ayes and noys: and it is ordered, that the same be entered upon the Journal: as follows: viz:

Ayes.
Messrs Angell,
Barstow,
Hill,
Lyon,
McKnight,
Pike,
Saw,
Stow,
Taft,
Tingley,
Wheat. 11

Noys.
Messrs Bechwith,
Cornell,
Francis,
Lester,
Lincoln,
Miller,
Rhodes,
Rider,
Salisbury,
Simmons,
Spicer,
Taylor,
Tucker,
Waterman. 14

Said motion is therefore lost.
Whereupon, a Resolution in the words following, is presented and read: viz:

"Resolved, that the plans for a City Hall, offered to this Council by Maj. Warren, be adopted, with such internal alterations as may be decided upon by a Committee appointed for that purpose."

And it is moved that said Resolution pass.
Upon which motion, the question is taken by ayes and noys: and it is ordered that the same be entered upon the Journal: as follows: viz:

Ayes.
Messrs Angell,
Bechwith,
Cornell,
Lester,
Miller,
Rhodes,

" Rider,
Simmons,
Spicer,
Tucker. 10

Noys.
Messrs Barstow,
Francis,
Hill,
Lincoln,
Lyon,
McKnight,
Pike,
Salisbury,

" Shaw,
Stow,
Taft,
Taylor,
Tingley,
Waterman,
Wheat. 15.

Said motion is therefore, lost.
Whereupon, a Resolution, in the words following, is presented and read: viz:

"Resolved, that the plans for a City Hall, offered by Messrs Stow and Hill, be and the same are hereby adopted."

And it is moved, that said Resolution pass.
Upon which motion, the question is taken by ayes and noys: and it is ordered that the same be entered upon the Journal: as follows: viz:

Ayes.
Mr President,
" Francis,
Waterman, 3.

Noys.
Messrs Angell,
Barstow,
Bechwith,
Cornell,
Hill,
Lester,
Lincoln,
Lyon,
McKnight,
Miller,
Pike,
Rhodes,
Rider,
Salisbury,
Simmons,
Saw,
Spicer,

Stone,
Toft,
Tayler,
Tingley,
Tucker.

Winsor? 23.

Said motion is therefore, lost.

Whereupon, it is moved that the whole subject be postponed to the first Monday in January next. Upon which motion, the question is taken by ayes and noys: and it is ordered, that the same be entered upon the Journal, as follows: viz;

Ayes.
Mesa Ayell,
Lalibury,
Toft,
Tayler. 4.

Noys.
Mr. Sawdout,
Bartow,
Beckwith,
Cornell,
Francis,
Hill,
Lester,
Lincoln,
Lyon,
McKnight,
Miller,
Pike,
Rhodes,
Rider,
Simmons,
Saw,
Spicer,
Stone,
Tingley,
Tucker,
Waterman,
Winsor? 22.

Said motion is therefore, lost.

Whereupon, it is resolved that the vote the day taken, upon the motion to approve and adopt the plan for a City Hall, offered by Thomas A. Toft, - be reconsidered.

Whereupon, it is moved, that the Resolution offering and adopting said plan of Thomas A. Toft, pass:

Upon which motion, the question is taken by ayes and noys: and it is ordered, that the same be entered upon the Journal, as follows: viz.

Ayes
Mesa Ayell,
Bartow,
Francis,
Hill,
Lester,
Lincoln,
Lyon,
McKnight,
Pike,
Shaw,
Stone,
Toft,
Tingley,
Waterman,

Noys.
Mr. Sawdout,
Beckwith,
Cornell,
Miller,
Rhodes,
Rider,
Talisbury,
Simmons,
Spicer,
Tayler,
Tucker. 11.

Winsor? 15.

Said Resolution is therefore passed.
(Now concurred, February 4th 1856)

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A Bill entitled "An Ordinance providing for the assessment and collection of a Tax of twenty five cents on each one hundred Dollars in value, of the Rateable Property in the City of Providence," having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence: and is read.
Whereupon, it is moved, that the Common Council

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it do amend therein with the following Amendment thereto: viz: that the words "seventy five" in the Title and in the first section, be struck out, and the word "eighty" inserted in their place.

Upon which motion, the question is taken by ayes and noys: and it is ordered that the same be entered upon the Journal, as follows: viz:

Ayes.

- Messrs Angell,
- Barstow,
- Beckwith,
- Canell,
- Hill,
- Lincoln,
- Hilton,
- Pike,
- Spicer,
- Stone,
- Tingley,
- Tucker,
- Waterman,
- Winsor.

14.

Noys.

- Messrs Francis,
- Lester,
- Lyon,
- Whitaker,
- Wilder,
- Salisbury,
- Trimmins,
- Trow,
- Doft,
- Taylor.

10.

Said motion is therefore carried.

(The Board of Aldermen concur in the Amendments of the Common Council, with the following Amendments thereto: viz: -

That all the words other the word "viz" in in the 3^d line, be struck out, and the following words inserted, viz: "That a Tax of not less than three hundred and seventy-five thousand; nor more than three hundred and eighty thousand Dollars, be assessed, as provided in the 1st Sect. of the foregoing Ordinance.")

The Amendments of the Board of Aldermen are read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be laid upon the Table.

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30.

A Bill entitled "An Ordinance providing for the Assessment and collection of a Tax of not less than three hundred and seventy five thousand Dollars; nor more than three hundred and eighty thousand Dollars," having passed the Board of Aldermen; is sent down for concurrence, and is read.

Whereupon, it is moved, that the Common Council do concur therein. Upon which motion, the question is taken by ayes and noys: and it is ordered that the same be entered upon the Journal: as follows: viz

Ayes.

- Messrs Angell,
- Beckwith,
- Lester,
- Lyon,
- Hill,
- Whitaker,
- Wilder,
- Salisbury,
- Trimmins,
- Trow,
- Doft,
- Taylor
- Waterman.

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Noys.

- The President,
- Barstow,
- Canell,
- Francis,
- Hill,
- Pike,
- Spicer,
- Stone,
- Tingley,
- Tucker,
- Winsor.

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The Common Council do therefore concur in the passage of said Bill.

(Approved by the Mayor.)

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday the 12th Day of November next, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

- Mr. President,
- Angell
- Barstow.

- Beckwith,
- Canell,
- Francis.

October 8th October 25, 1853.

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| " Hill, | " Simmons, |
| Leiter, | Tam, |
| Leitch, | Spicer, |
| Lynn, | Stone, |
| McKnight, | Toff, |
| Miller, | Taylor, |
| Pike, | Tugby, |
| Roberts, | Tucker, |
| Shaw, | Waterman, |
| Salisbury, | Wissler, |

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Abner Greene, Clerk.

Common Council, October 25, 1853.

Special Meeting.

Copy.

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

Whereas, in my opinion, it is advisable for the
 Common Council to meet, at an earlier day
 than that to which said Council stands
 adjourned; and each of you are there-
 fore hereby requested and required to meet,
 in the Council Chamber, on the 25th day
 of October, at 7 1/2 o'clock P.M.; - for
 the purpose of voting upon the question
 of raising such sums of money, by taxation
 as may be needed for paying the necessary
 expenses of the City, and to have all such
 business as may legally come before you
 given under my hand, and seal of

October 25th 1853.

L.S.

said City, the 25 day of October, 1853.
James G. Smith
Mayor.

Providence Co. October 25, 1853.
 Certify, that I have notified all the
 members of the City Council, except Thomas
 J. Hill and Edward N. Greene, of a
 meeting of that body, this evening, at 7 1/2
 o'clock; - said Greene and Hill
 being absent from the City.
 James C. Sheridan,
 City Sergeant.

Pursuant to the requisition contained in the
 opening Warrant, - the Common Council are
 now assembled, at half past 7 o'clock, P.M.; -
 a quorum present. The President being absent, Mr.
 Waterman is elected President pro tempore.
 The Warrant of the Mayor, calling the present
 meeting, - is read.

55. A communication from the Mayor, enclosing the
 written opinion of the City Solicitor, "that the
 Tax imposed by the Ordinance passed Oct 8, 1853,
 and entitled "An Ordinance providing for the assess-
 ment and collection of a Tax of not less
 than Three hundred and seventy five thousand,
 nor more than Three hundred and eighty thou-
 sand Dollars", - is illegal;" - is presented; &
 together with said opinion of the City Solicitor,
 is read.

Do. A Bill entitled "An Ordinance repealing the Ordinance
 and entitled "An Ordinance providing for the as-

report and collection of a Tax of not less than Three Hundred and seventy five Dollars and Dollars, nor more than Three Hundred and Eighty Thousand Dollars;" Having passed the Board of Aldermen, - is sent down for examination, and is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do censure therein.

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Do. A Bill entitled "An Ordinance providing for the raising, assessment and collection of the sum of Three Hundred and Eighty Thousand Dollars, by a Tax on Real and Personal Estate, - having passed the Board of Aldermen, - is sent down for examination; and is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do censure therein.

(Approved by the Mayor.)

City Bonds. A Communication from the Mayor, recommending the issuing of the remaining Bonds of the City, under the Ordinance "in relation to the issue and sale of the Bonds of the City of Providence, and the establishment of a Sinking Fund for the satisfaction and payment thereof;" - or such portion of them as may be required to satisfy the indebtedness of the City; - is presented and read.

57. Sinking Fund

Do. A Bill entitled "An Ordinance in addition to an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the issue and sale of the Bonds of the City of Providence, and the establishment of a Sinking Fund for the satisfaction and payment thereof;" - Having passed the Board of Aldermen; is sent down for examination; and is read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the

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same be referred to Messrs. Barstow, R. Green Jr. and Taft, to examine the same, and to report at the next meeting of the Common Council,

Walker Street. The Resolution on repairs on Walker Street; which passed the Common Council on the 17th of September last, and was then sent up, for consideration; - is now returned by the Board of Aldermen; who censure therein, with the following

32. Amendment: viz: That the following words be added after the word "and" in the 4th line; viz: "whenever the owner of the adjoining estates shall furnish curb stones;" -

which Amendment is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do censure therein.

(Approved by the Mayor.)

West Water Street. A Petition of Elizabeth Dyer, Merchant, requesting payment of certain bills incurred, by the widening of West Water Street, amounting to

Edgewood Street. \$1402.⁶⁵/₁₀₀; is presented and read. And a Resolution receiving and referring said Petition to the joint Committee appointed

74. to settle claims arising from the widening said Street; - Having passed the Board of Aldermen, - is sent down for examination; and is read. Whereupon, it is resolved that the Common Council do censure in the foregoing said Resolution.

Hoyle Street. A Resolution to direct the setting of curb-stones and the pairing of gutters in Hoyle Street, in connection with the work now being done in Bond Street; - is presented and read, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, - to examine and report thereon.

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The Shelter } Resolved in the words following, having
passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down. In
consequence; and is read: viz:

"Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways
be, and he is hereby directed to furnish
the curb stones and repair the front of the
Block belonging to the "Shelter, situate in the
Eastern part of Providence, at the expense of
said City of Providence; provided the cost shall
not exceed the sum of one hundred Dollars."

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

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Ward } Resolved, That the Standing Committee in City
Room } Report make Report at the next meeting of
7th Ward } the Common Council, upon the Petition of Wil-
liam P. Hammond & others, for the sale of the
Engine House & Lot in the Seventh Ward, and
for the erection of a new building, for an Engine
146. House and Ward Room, - which petition
was opened on the 13th of November last.

Ordinan- } Resolved, That the City Clerk be directed to cause
ces } to be printed, in pamphlet form, and in uni-
Printing of } form style with the Revised Ordinances, - five
hundred copies of all Ordinances which have
been passed since the passage of the Revised
Ordinances; excepting those which may have
been repealed prior to the passage of this Res-
olution.

(Continued.)

The Common Council adjourn, to meet pursuant
to the vote of adjournment passed on the 8th day of
October instant, to wit: to meet on Monday the
12th day of November next, at 7 o'clock P.M.,

October 25, November 12, 1835.

Members present.

- Mr. Angell,
- Bartow,
- Beaumont
- Canell
- Francis
- R. Greene
- Lester,
- Lincoln,
- Lyon,
- Miller,
- Pike,

- " Bladen,
- Rice,
- Talbot,
- Timmons,
- Traw,
- Spicer,
- Toft,
- Tucker,
- Wolliwren,
- Winds?

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Albott Greene,
City Clerk.

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The Common Council met, pursuant to
adjournment; a quorum present.

By the } The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer con-
Statement } sider the Resolutions of the Common Council, of
October 20th 1834, is presented, read, received
and referred to the Standing Committee on Fi-
nance.

Surveyor's } The Monthly Report of the Surveyor of High-
Reports } ways, is presented, read and received.
(Continued.)
Approved by the Mayor

Chief Engineer's } The Monthly Reports of the Chief Engineer
Reports } of the Fire Department, for the months of
September and October last, are presented, read

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and received.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Auditor's Report The Annual Report of the City Auditor, for the year ending on the first Monday in September last, is presented and read.

Do Upon the Report of the City Auditor this Day, presented to the City Council. It is Resolved that the same be received.

Resolved, that the Standing Committee on Finance be, and they are hereby directed to cause said Report, as much thereof, as is required to be published by the first section of the City Charter, - with a Schedule of the Property of the City, - to be published in the newspapers employed to do the City printing; - and also, to cause not exceeding five hundred copies of said Report and Schedule to be printed in pamphlet form, for the use of the City Council.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Resolving of Francis Smith, for repayment of of his tax for the year 1854, is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

Building Resolutions of Michael Mulvey & of William Parsons and A.C. Parsons, for liberty to move certain wooden buildings; are presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon; - which Committee make reports in favor of granting the prayer thereof; and Resolutions, granting the prayer thereof.

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respectively, are read and passed.

(Concurred.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Teste } The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 27th of April last, was referred the Memorial of J.B.G. Plourdel Gervand, Vice Consul of the French Empire, for the ports of New York and Providence, in the State of Rhode Island, to demand to be put in possession of the Real Estate of the heirs at law of Alexis Teste, deceased; - make Report, recommending that the memorialist have leave to withdraw; which Report is received; and it is thereupon, ordered, that said memorialist have leave to withdraw.

Charles F. Arrington } The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom on the 1st of September last, was referred the Petition of Charles F. Arrington, a miner, by his Guardian, Matthew W. Arrington, for compensation for injuries sustained in Westminster Street. (Amounting to \$574.) having this Day, recommended that said petitioner have leave to withdraw; - it is thereupon, ordered, that said petitioner have leave to withdraw.

The Standing Committee on Education report the following Resolutions; which is read and passed:

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby authorized to contract, under the advice and direction of Messrs Lyen, Francis, Winsor, and Snow, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, for the erection of a Grammar School building; in accordance with the plan adopted by the School Com-

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mill; in the estate on Burgess and Howight
Streets, belonging to the City: at a cost not
exceeding seventeen thousand five hundred
dollars; and pay for the same out of the
Appropriation for "School Houses and Lots."
(Carried, Dec 10, 1855. + Alderman Bright added)

Public Schools } The Standing Committee on Education report a Bill
entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of an
Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance in relation
to Public Schools"; - which Bill is read:
Evening Schools } and passed. (the same relating to the subject
of Evening Schools.)

Privy } A Bill entitled "An Ordinance in addition to
an Ordinance in relation to the removal of the
contents of Privy Vaults;" - having passed the Board
of Aldermen; is sent down for concurrence; and
is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Com-
mon Council do concur therein.

Engine House } A communication from the Board of Engineers
recommending the sale of the old Engine House
situated near Clayville; - is presented, read and carried.

Do. } Resolved, that the City Treasurer, acting under
the advice of the Board of Engineers, he, and he
is fully authorized to sell the old Engine
House, situated near Clayville.
(Carried.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Iron Pipe } A Petition of Albert Daily and others, requesting
that new sections and delivery pipes may be laid
at the

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connecting with the steam pump at the Mill
of the Steam Cotton Manufacturing Company;
is presented, read, and received.

Resolved, that the iron pipe
ordered by the City Council, and which has
been purchased, to be laid in Charles
Street, to connect with the steam-pump
at the Franklin Foundry; may be laid
to connect with the pump at the Steam
Mill, in accordance with said petition; -
is presented, read, and received.

Do. } Resolved, that the Chief Engineer, acting
under the advice of the Standing Committee
Franklin } the Fire Department; he, and he is full-
ly authorized to cause the iron pipes hereto-
fore purchased, and ordered to be used in
connection with a pump at the Franklin
Foundry and Machine Company; Works; - to
be laid, in exchange for the present section
and discharge pipes connected with the pump
at the Steam Mill on Eddy Street; - pro-
viding, the cost do not exceed the sum of One
Thousand dollars; to be paid out of the ap-
propriation for the "Fire Department."

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(Carried; with the following Amendment;
viz: that the following words be added;
viz: "provided that the pump shall be
kept ready for use at every fire, with-
out expense to the City; and be en-
tirely under the control of the Board
of Engineers.")
The Common Council concurs in the
Amendment.

(Approved by the Mayor)

A communication from the Board of Engineers,

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From Pipes } recommending that iron pipes be laid, to connect,
High Street, } near the Bayle Tavern, with the pipes already
laid to the Butt Company's pump; and to
pass through High and Fenner, to Broad
Street; is presented, read, and received.

Do. Resolved, That the Chief Engineer, acting on-
der the advice of the Standing Committee on
the Fire Department, be and he is hereby au-
thorized to contract for the continuation of the
line of iron pipes connecting with the pump
at the New England Butt Company's Works,
at its present termination near the junction
of High and Beantia Streets, - from High,
to Fenner, and through Fenner, to Broad
Street; - with proper hydrants attached thereto,
- providing the same can be done at a
cost not exceeding thirty five hundred dollars,
to be paid out of the Appropriation for the Fire
Department.

(Concurred.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

City } Messrs Greene and Tapp, a majority of the Committee
Doubt. } see to whom on the 25th of October last, was re-
ferred the Bill from the Board of Aldermen, en-
titled "An Ordinance in addition to an Ordi-
nance entitled 'An Ordinance in relation to the
issue and sale of the Bonds of the City of Provi-
dence; and the establishment of a Sinking Fund
for the satisfaction and payment thereof.'" make
Report recommending that the Common Council
concur in the passage of said Bill; which Re-
port is read and received.

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And it is thereupon Resolved, that the Common
Council do concur in the passage of said Bill, with
the following amendment thereto; - to wit: that the
following words be added, after the word "Ordinance"

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in the 18th line, viz: "Resolved, however, that
one hundred and fifty of said Bonds of one
thousand Dollars each, and the proceeds arising
from the sales thereof, (excepting any amount
of premium which may be received therefor,) be
reserved, for the purpose of defraying the
cost of a City Hall, whenever the erection of
such a building shall be ordered."

The Board of Aldermen concur in the
Amendment of the Common Council,
with the following Amendment thereto:
viz: that the words "for the purpose
of defraying the cost of a City Hall,
whenever the erection of such a build-
ing shall be ordered," - be stricken
out.

The Amendment of the Board of Aldermen
is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that
the Common Council do concur therein.

(Approved by the Mayor)

Gas } A Resolution to direct the City Treasurer to
contract with the Providence Gas Company,
for such further supply of Gas, for such
periods, and whenever, and upon such terms,
as the Board of Aldermen shall direct; - is
presented and read; And a motion that
the same pass, is put, and lost.

Highways } The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom
referred on the 17th of September last, was referred the
Memorial of Samuel Hovens and others, con-
taining a petition to the ends of bringing the work on the
streets and Highways of the City; - make
Report, recommending sundry alterations in the
manner of doing said work; - which Report
is read and received; and it is ordered that the
same be printed in the newspapers employed

to do the City printing.

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

84. Resolved, that the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay, Orlando Smith, five hundred and forty seven ²⁰/₁₀₀ Dollars, out of any money in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated."

Whereupon, it is advised, that the same be referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine the same, and to report at the next meeting of the Common Council.

Benefit } Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to construct a cross
Street. } walk in Benefit Street, between Tenches and Volney Streets, in connexion with the cross walk advised to be made on Benefit Street.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

High } Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be, and
Street. } he is hereby directed to cause the curb stones to be set, on the corners of High and Knight Streets, opposite the Roger Willcocks Church, and also, a cross-walk to be laid across High Street, opposite said Church; - the work to be done forthwith.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

The Standing Committee on Highways report the following Resolutions; which are read and passed, viz: -

Lockwood Street. }

(Upon the Petition of Joseph Beecher and others; referred Sept 17, 1853.)
Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to set the curb-stones, and pave the gutters on that portion of Lockwood Street, lying between Friendship and Windmill Streets; when ever the owners of the adjoining estates shall furnish suitable curb-stones for the same.

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(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

(Upon the proposed Resolution, referred Oct 8 1853)

Grass Walks. }

Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to lay cross walks across the following Streets: -
One across Volney Street, on the East side of Benefit St.
One across Benefit Street at its junction with North Main Street; -
One across North Main Street, at its junction with Benefit Street; -
One across North Main Street, opposite Short Alley; -
One across North Main Street, opposite the steps in the Tharles Estate; -
and also, to remove the one in front of the Grammar School on Benefit Street, to the North side of Volney Street.

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(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

(Upon the Petition of Amos Paine & others, referred Oct 8, 1853.)

South Court Street. }

Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to set the curb-stones and pave the gutters on that portion of

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South Court Street, lying between Benefit and Concord Streets, and otherwise repair the same; whenever the owners of the adjoining estates furnish suitable curbstones for the same.

(Concurred.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Pine Street.

Upon the Petition of G. W. Placard & others, signed by the Board of Aldermen; Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to let the curbstones and pave the gutters on that portion of Pine Street (lying) between Chestnut and Richmond Streets; - and also, that portion of Richmond Street lying between Pine and Friendship Streets; whenever the owners of the adjoining estates shall furnish seven-inch curbstones for the same.

Richmond Street.

(Concurred.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

(Upon the Petition of John J. Stearns & others, signed Oct 8, 1855.)

Hospital Street.

Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause that portion of Hospital Street lying between South and Lockwood Streets, to be brought to the grade established by the Street Commissioners.

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(Concurred.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

(Upon the Petition of Edwin T. Scott and others, signed Oct 8, 1855.)

Drain in Scott Street.

Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause a sewer to be constructed, from the foot of Scott Street, from the East end of North Main Street; and

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to connect the same with the sewer on Randall Street

(Concurred.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

The following Petitions are presented, and are severally received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon; viz: -

Clifford Street, 193.

Petition of Ward Cowing and others; for a crop walk in Clifford Street.

Concord Street, 193.

Petition of George A. Taylor and others; for crop-walks in Concord and Cushing Streets; -

Smith Street, 92.

Petition of Henry H. Gardner & others; for crop walks in Smith Street; -

Perfect Street, 92.

Petition of George C. Nightingale and others; for crop walks in Perfect Street; -

Calcutta or Fountain Street, 240.

Petition of Alva Woods and others; for the construction of a Colvert "through Fountain Street, from Dean Street; to empty into the one already made, now ending at a near Aborn Street."

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

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"Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby empowered and directed to pay to such of the parties who have sustained loss and damage in the widening of that Water Street, as the Committee appointed August 27, 1855, for that purpose, shall agree to settle with, in such manner, and

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such an amount as said Committee shall direct; and he is hereby authorized and empowered to receive the estimates and assessments made against any of the parties with whom said Committee shall settle; and give receipts therefor, for such amount and upon such conditions as he shall be directed to do by said Committee."

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

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Do.
E. Dyer,
Trustee

The joint Committee appointed to settle claims arising from the widening of West Water Street, to whom on the 25th of October last, was referred the petition of Elisha Dyer, Trustee, having made Report; and a Resolution in the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen, thereupon; - the same is sent

61. down, for concurrence, and is read: viz: -
"Resolved, That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to pay Elisha Dyer, Trustee, on the first of January, 1856, the sum of fourteen hundred and two ⁶⁵/₁₀₀ Dollars; in full for damage sustained in opening West Water Street; - out of any money in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated."

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

(Approved by the Mayor.)

60. Tax, & 76. A Petition of William P. Ballock and others, praying that the Ordinance passed on the 25th of October last, directing the assessment and collection of a Tax of \$380,000, may be repealed; and that the assessment and collection of a City Tax may be postponed until after the next meeting of the General Assembly; is presented, read and

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received; and is referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine the same, and to report thereon, at the next meeting of the Common Council.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet, on Thursday the 15th day of November instant, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present,

The President,

- Angell,
- Bartow,
- Beckwith
- Canell,
- Francis,
- E. A. Green,
- H. Greene Jr.
- Wells
- Lester,
- Linton,
- Lyon,
- McKnight,
- Miller,

- Pike,
- Rhodes,
- Rider,
- Sabinary,
- Simmons,
- Shaw,
- Spear,
- Stone,
- Taft,
- Taylor,
- Tringler,
- Walker,
- Watman
- Winn.

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Abat J. Green,
Clerk.

Common Council, November 15. 1855.

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

The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, and

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Part. The 12th of November instant, was signed the Petition of William P. Ballou and others, praying that the Ordinance passed on the 25 of October last,

74. directing the assessment and collection of a Tax of \$380,000, may be repealed; and that the assessment and collection of a City Tax may be postponed until after the next session of the General Assembly: - make Report, recommending that said petitioners have leave to withdraw: - which Report is read and received: and it is ordered, that the same be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing: - and that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Primary School. Resolved, That the Standing Committee on Education report the following Resolution, which is read and passed: viz. Resolved, That the School Committee be, and they are hereby authorized to establish a Primary School, in the Engine House in Transit Street. (Concurred.) (Approved by the Mayor.)

Mining Building. A Petition of Stephen C. Kingon, for liberty to remove a certain wooden building; is presented and read, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon, which Committee make Report, in favor of granting the prayer thereof: which Report is received; and a Resolution granting the prayer of said petition, (on condition that said petitioners give bond as required by Ordinance,) is read and passed. (Concurred.) (Approved by the Mayor.)

Police. A motion in writing, that the Ordinance in relation to Police be so amended as to allow the Watchmen to leave their beats, for the purposes of arrest, &c. is

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presented, read, and referred to the Standing Committee on Police, to examine and report thereon.

Pump. Resolved, That the Overseer of the City Pumps be, and he is hereby directed to cause the City Pump at the junction of North Main and Benefit Streets, to be put in perfect order, forthwith. (Concurred.) (Approved by the Mayor.)

Oliver Street. The Standing Committee on Highways report the following Resolution: which is read and passed: viz. Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed, to set the curb stones, and pave the gutters, in Oliver Street, opposite Seth Adams's Store; when ever the Street shall have been brought to the grade established by the Street Commissioners. (Concurred.) (Approved by the Mayor.)

Canal. A Resolution to direct the Surveyor of Highways to bring to a grade, the section of Canal Street between Baymarket Square and Smith Street, & to lay the coping on the Wall and pave the Street, &c. - is presented, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

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

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Members present.

Mr Bowdoin
" Angell,
Baxter,
Bertrick,
Canell
Francis,
E. A. Greene,
G. Greene,
Hill,
Luce,
Lynch,
Lyons,
McKnight
Miller,

" Pike,
Rhodes,
Rider,
Salisbury,
Simmons,
Snow,
Spicer,
Stone,
Toft,
Taylor,
Tinsley,
Tucker,
Waterman,
Winnor.

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Wm. G. Greene,
Clerk

Common Council. December 10, 1833.

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

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

The Quarterly Report of the City Treasurer, of the Issues and Payments of the City Debt, is presented and read; and it is ordered that the same be received.

(Concurred.)

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The Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer of the Report. Fire Department is presented, read and received (Concurred.)

The Monthly Report of the Surgeon of High Report. Surgery is presented, read and received. (Concurred.)

The Semi-Annual Report of the Overseer of Report. the Poor, is presented and read. Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received. (Concurred.)

A Memorial of Amos C. Bartow, Keller Chaffin and Thomas W. Hart, requesting that the amount of a judgment of Court against them, in favor of Barret Tappan, may be paid by the City; is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

A Stat of the proposed location of Buildings and Rails of the Hartford, Providence, and Fishkill Rail Road Company, upon the land filled into the Cove, together with a Resolution for the approval of the same; and presented; and said Resolution is read. Whereupon it is ordered that the same be referred to the joint Committee appointed on the 17th Day of September last, to confer with the Directors of the Hartford Providence and Fishkill Rail Road Company, in relation to the erection of a Freight Depot; - to examine and report thereon.

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New Primary School. Resolved, That a new Primary School be, and the same is hereby established in the Third Ward.

Engine House. Resolved, That the School Committee be, and they are hereby authorized to use the 76 Engine House in Transit Street, as a location for said School.

Resolved, That the Resolution passed on the 15th day of November last, authorizing the School Committee to establish such School, be and the same is hereby repealed. (Continued.)

Engine House No 3. Resolved, That the City Treasurer be authorized to let the Hall of No 3 Engine House, on Page Street, to the Mechanic's Rifle Company, for a nominal rent, during the pleasure of the Board of Aldermen; and said Treasurer is hereby authorized to let the Hall of Engine House No 6, to the Providence Aid Society, for such time, and for such rent as the Board of Aldermen shall determine. (Continued.)

H. P. Snow. The Standing Committee on Police, to whom, on the 17 of September last, was referred the petition of Henry P. Snow: report the following Resolutions; which is read and passed: viz:

"Upon the Petition of Henry P. Snow:

Resolved, That the City Treasurer pay to Henry P. Snow, printed bills and eight cents; being the amount of fine and costs paid by him under a judgment of the Court of Magistrates in the City of Providence; and that the same be paid

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from the Appropriation for "Contingencies". (Continued.)

Police. The Standing Committee on Police, to whom, on the 24 day of February 1854, was referred the Bill from the Board of Aldermen, entitled An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance in relation to Police." make Report recommending that the Common Council concur therein: - which Report is received; and it is thereupon resolved, that the Common Council do concur in the passage of said Bill: (said Bill repealing so much of the "Ordinance in relation to Police as requiring the Captain of the Watch to visit the several Watch Stations, as often as once in each night.)

Police. The Standing Committee on Police, to whom, on the 15 of November last, was referred the motion in writing, that the Ordinance in relation to Police be so amended as to allow the Watchmen to leave their beats for the purpose of arrest, &c. - make Report recommending such amendment: - which Report is received; and is recommended to said Committee, with instruction to report a Bill.

Rail Road. The Standing Committee on Police, to whom on the 14 of May last, was referred the Petition of John B. Whitlow, Superintendent of the Providence and Worcester Rail Road, and of Isaac H. Brooks, Superintendent of the Boston and Providence Rail Road; for the passage of an Ordinance to enable them to maintain good order at the

Papering Stations of said Roads: - make Report in favor thereof: which Report is read, received and committed to said Committee, for further examination and report.

T. Aldrich & S. Leagrow's The Standing Committee on Police to whom, on the 16th of April last, was referred the petitions of Thomas Aldrich and Scott Leagrow, both of Northbridge, Mass., severally claiming the reward offered by the Board of Aldermen, for the apprehension of Charles B. Scott: - make Reports thereon: recommending that said petitions be allowed to withdraw: - which Reports are severally received: - and it is thereupon, ordered that said petitioners severally have leave to withdraw.

E. Dolan's The Standing Committee on Police, to whom, on the 10th of April, 1854, was referred the petition of Edward Dolan, relative to his sign, in Westminster Street: - make Report in favor of granting the prayer thereof: - which Report is received: - and it is advised that said petitioner have leave to withdraw.

Under the name of A Bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to Undertakers, and to the Interment of the Dead" is presented and read. Whereupon, it is advised, that the same be referred to Messrs Snow, Barlow and Francis, to examine the same, and to report thereon at the next meeting of the Common Council.

Moving Petitions of Tillinghast Along Buildings and Martin A. Snow, for liberty to move certain wooden buildings; are presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the

Fire Department, to examine and report thereon: which Committee make Reports, in favor of granting the prayer thereof, and Resolutions, granting the prayer thereof respectively, (on the conditions therein respectively contained,) are read and passed. (Continued.)

A. B. Field's The Standing Committee on Finance to whom, on the 26th of September last, was referred the petition of Augustus C. Field, for remuneration for damages and costs paid by him under a judgment of Court: report the following Resolution: which is read and passed: viz: Resolved, that the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to Augustus C. Field, the sum of sixty seven Dollars, and 50 cents. (\$67.⁵⁰/₁₀₀) (Continued.)

Francis Smith's The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 17th of November last, was referred the petition of Francis Smith, report the following Resolution, which is read and passed: viz: Resolved, that the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to Francis Smith, the sum of five Dollars and five cents, (\$5.⁰⁵/₁₀₀) - the said amount having been assessed, in the year 1854, upon an excise of lands in his lot No 29, Benefit Street, and also upon the number of square feet contained in said lot: - provided, it shall appear to the Treasurer, upon the Certificate of the Collector of Taxes, that the said tax has been paid into the City Treasury. - If it shall appear to the City Treasurer, that the tax of

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said Francis Smith has not been paid into the City Treasury: - then he shall credit the Collector, with the amount hereby remitted; - and the Collector shall deduct the said amount from the tax of said Francis Smith.

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Rolls A Bill in relation to the use of the rails in certain streets: is presented, read, and referred to Messrs. Beckwith, Salisbury and Rhodes to ex-

amine the same; and to report thereon, at the next meeting of the Common Council.

On Monday the Standing Committee on Highways, to whom Smith on the 12th of November last, was referred the Resolution from the Board of Aldermen directing the City Treasurer to pay to Orlando Smith, the sum of \$54.20 out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated: - made Report recommending that the Common Council concur therein: - which Report is received: - and it is thereupon resolved, that the Common Council do concur in the passage of said Resolution,

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to remove the curb and base stone around the proposed Park in Exchange Place, - and pave the same.

Real Estate A Resolution in the words following, is presented and read: -

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Resolved, That a Special Committee consisting of Messrs. Bartow, Beckwith and Hill, be di-

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rected to report, at an early day, upon the expediency of selling certain Real Estate belonging to the City: as follows: viz. the Town House Lot; the Work House Lot; - the Town House; - the Lots near; first Lots on Ridge and Swift Streets; - one Lot on Peter's Avenue; - one Lot on Valley Street; - one Lot on Richmonds Street; such of the Hospital Lands as lie East of the Post and Turnpike; - the Field's Point Farm, or any portion thereof: - the proceeds to be devoted to the erection of a City Hall: -

Also, upon the expediency of selling certain Real Estate belonging to the City, under the Deeds of Donation: viz. - the Tavern Lot on North Main Street; and the house and lot on said Street, next South of the same; - the house and lot on Abetting Street; - fifty lots on Braconer, Barnum, and Cooper Streets; - one lot on High Street; and the "Night Lands" (so called) in the North part of the City; - the proceeds to be invested in the 6 per Cent Bonds of the City; and the income therefrom devoted as is required by the Will of the late E. K. Dexter, to the support of the Poor."

City Hall Lot.

Whereupon, it is moved, that the same be amended, by inserting the words "the City Hall Lot" after the word "thereof" in the 11th line. Upon which motion, the question is taken by Ayes and Nays; and it is added that the same be entered upon the Journal; as follows: viz.:

Ayes.
Messrs. Angell,
Beckwith,
Lincoln
Miller,

" Salisbury,
Simment,
Snow,
Toff.

Taylor. 9

Nays.

- Step. Barton,
- Canell,
- Francis
- Bill,
- Leiter
- Lynn,
- McKnight,
- Pike,
- Rider,
- Rider,
- Spicer,
- Steele,
- Singley,
- Tucker,
- Waterman,
- Winnot. 16.

Said motion is therefore lost.
Whereupon, said Resolution is again read, and is passed.

Unaltered ^{also} ~~copy~~ A communication from the Messrs of Taxes, for the year 1854, recommending the remission of certain taxes imposed in that year; by reason of error in the apportionment thereof, &c: is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

Trustees
Sinking
Fund
H.P.H.F.
N.H.C.

Henry B. Anthony,
Ansel D. Smith,
and Mariner W. Gardner are elected Trustees of the Sinking Fund, for the redemption of the City Bonds issued in aid of the Hartford, Providence and Fishkill

Railroad Company.

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

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the 17th day of December instant, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

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| Mr. President, | Rider, |
| Angell, | Rider, |
| Barton, | Salisbury, |
| Bechick, | Timmons, |
| Canell, | Shaw, |
| Francis | Spicer, |
| Bill, | Steele, |
| Leiter, | Tott, |
| Lincoln, | Taylor, |
| Lynn, | Singley, |
| McKnight, | Tucker, |
| Miller | Waterman |
| Pike, | Winnot. 26. |

Albert J. Greene, Clerk

Common Council, December 17, 1855.

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

December 17, 1855.

Meeting
Building.

Petitioners of Anthony W. Greene
William H. Law
and Nathaniel F. Potter, for liberty to
more certain ardden buildings: are presented,
received, and severally referred to the Standing Committee
written in the Fire Department, to examine and
report thereon; - which Committee make
Report in favor thereof: which Reports are
received; and Resolutions granting the prayers
of said petitioners respectively are read and passed
(Concurred. Dec 21, 1855.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

City
Hall
Lt.
in
Exchange
Place.

A communication from the Mayor in the words
following: is presented and read: viz: -
"Mayor's Office, Providence Dec 17 1855.
Gentlemen of the City Council.
It has come to my knowledge, that the
title to the Lot on Exchange Place, purchased
by the City, is imperfect and incomplete.
I recommend that a Committee be ap-
pointed to examine the title to the property;
and that they employ the City Solicitor, to
investigate the same, and report what
action is necessary to secure a perfect title.
Respectfully, James G. Smith, Mayor."
Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be referred
to Messrs Waterman, Barston and Bechewitz
with such as the Board of Aldermen may add,
to examine the title to the property; and that
they apply for the services of the City Solicitor,
to investigate the same; and that they re-
port what action of the City is necessary in
order to secure a perfect title.
(Concurred. Jan'y 7, 1856. & the Mayor & Ald. Bechewitz add'd.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on

December 17, 1855.

Anna C.
Barston
et al.
-
Sufficiency
of
Case.

The 10th of December instant, was opened the Mi-
nisterial of Anna C. Barston, Hollis Chaffin and
Thomas W. Hart, regarding payment by the City
of the amount of a judgment of Court against
them, in favor of Darius Sepius; - make
79. Report without recommending any particular
action of the City Council thereon: - which
Report is read and received.

Do. Upon the Petition of A. C. Barston, Hollis
Chaffin and Thomas W. Hart, to be relieved
from the amount of a judgment against them,
in the suit of Darius Sepius, for false
imprisonment: Resolved, that the City
Treasurer be, and he is hereby authorized to
pay an Execution issued from the U.S. Cir-
cuit Court for this District, against the said
Barston, Chaffin and Hart, amounting to
nine hundred five $\frac{64}{100}$ dollars, and to debit
thereon from Nov 22^d last; and charge the
same to the Appropriation for "Police."
(Concurred. February 11, 1856.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Do. A motion for the appointment of a special Com-
mittee to ascertain the amount of counsel
fees charged the City, in the case, Darius Sep-
sius, vs Anna C. Barston & others, - is made,
put, and lost.

Resolving
Cases

96. Petitioners of George Mason,
Mary M. Clinch,
98. and Misses of Carlo Mearns; for payment
of taxes opened in the year 1854: are presented,
received, and referred to the Standing Committee on
Finance, to examine and report thereon.

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Moving Buildings.

Petitions of Anthony W. Greene
William H. Law
and Nathaniel F. Potter, for liberty to
move certain arden buildings: and petitions
received, and severally referred to the Standing Com-
mittee on the Fire Department, to examine and
report thereon; - which Committee make
Reports in favour thereof: which Reports are
received; and Resolutions granting the prayers
of said petitions respectively are read and passed.
(Concurred. Dec 21, 1855.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

City Hall
Lib.
or
Exchange
Place.

A communication from the Mayor in the words
following: is presented and read: viz: -
"Mayor's Office, Providence Dec 17 1855.
Gentlemen of the City Council.
It has come to my knowledge, that the
title to the Lot on Exchange Place, purchased
by the City, is imperfect and incomplete.
I recommend that a Committee be ap-
pointed to examine the title to the property;
and that they employ the City Solicitor, to
investigate the same, and report what
action is necessary to secure a perfect title.
Respectfully, James G. Smith, Mayor."
Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be referred
to Messrs Waterman, Barston and Bechwith
and such as the Board of Aldermen may add
to examine the title to the property; and that
they apply for the services of the City Solicitor,
to investigate the same; and that they re-
port what action of the City is necessary in
order to secure a perfect title.
(Concurred. Jan 7 1856. & the Mayor & Alder Northland addd.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on

December 17, 1855.

Anna C. Bartow
et al.
-
Sequestrated
Case.
The 10th of December instant, was opened the Me-
morial of Anna C. Bartow, Hollis Choppin and
Thomas W. Hart, regarding payment by the City
of the amount of a judgment of Court against
them, in favour of Darius Sepious; - make
79. Report without recommending any particular
action of the City Council thereon: - which
Report is read and received.

Do. Upon the Petition of A. C. Bartow, Hollis
Choppin and Thomas W. Hart, to be relieved
from the amount of a judgment against them,
in the suit of Darius Sepious, for false
imprisonment: Resolved, that the City
Treasurer be, and he is hereby authorized to
pay an Execution issued from the U.S. Cir-
cuit Court for this District, against the said
Bartow, Choppin and Hart, amounting to
nine hundred five $\frac{64}{100}$ dollars, and to debit
thereon from Nov 22^d last; and charge the
same to the Appropriation for "Police."
(Concurred. February 11, 1856.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Do. A motion for the appointment of a special Com-
mittee to ascertain the amount of counsel
fees charged the City, in the case, Darius Sep-
sius, vs Anna C. Bartow & others, - is made,
put, and lost.

Remission
of
Taxes.
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Petitions of George Mason,
Mary M. Clinch,
and Helen J. Barto Alwood; for payment
of taxes opened in the year 1854: and presented,
received, and referred to the Standing Committee on
Finance, to examine and report thereon.

Margaret A. Pease } Memorial of Margaret A. Pease, representing that on the 1st of December instant, she was removed by the School Committee, from her

115. Office of Principal Teacher in the Carpenter Street Intermediate School; and requesting an enquiry by the City Council into the facts of the case; - is presented and read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be received, and referred to Messrs Miller, Berkhith, Fingley, Mr. Knight, Rider, Lister and Spicer, to examine and report thereon.

West Harbor Line } The Committee to whom on the 8th of October last, was referred the Report of the joint Committee appointed to cause a suitable stone band to be erected at the point of the angle in the West Harbor Line, established between Bonaventure Street Wharf and Lapapas Point; - to report a Bill, -
50. now report the following Resolution; which is
103. read and passed: viz:

Resolved, That the Committee appointed to cause a suitable stone band to be erected at the point of the angle in the West Harbor Line, - be and they are hereby authorized to cause such stone band to be erected upon the shore, at a point where a line drawn from the South West corner of Bonaventure Street Wharf, over the centre of the piers driven at said angle, would strike the land at the West of Lapapas Point.

Alarm Bell } A Petition of William Sheldon and others respecting the Alarm Bell in Knight Street; is presented and read; and it is ordered that the same be received,

50. Resolved, That the Chief Engineer be and he is

herely directed to remove the Alarm Bell from its present location in Knight Street, to the tower of the Roger Williams Church on the corner of High and Knight Streets; - the expense arising therefrom, to be paid by the said Roger Williams Church and Society.

(Carried, December 21, 1855.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Undertaker } The Committee to whom on the 10th of December last, was referred the Bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to Undertakers and to the Interment of the Dead"; make Report recommending

82. the passage of said Bill; - which Report is received; and said Bill is read and passed

(Carried, December 21, 1855.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Scavenger } A Resolution to authorize the Board of Aldermen to employ a Scavenger for the removal of ashes; is presented and read; and it is ordered, that the same pass; - which motion is put, and lost.

City Charter } A Resolution for the appointment of a joint Committee to apply to the General Assembly, at the next January Session thereof, for certain amendments of the City Charter, in relation to the election of Aldermen and of members of the Common Council; - is presented, read, and laid upon the Table.

Consent of Suburbs } A Resolution for the appointment of a joint Committee to employ some suitable person to ascertain the number of Dwelling Houses, Families and Inhabitants outside of the City, and within half a mile thereof; - is presented and read; and it is ordered, that the same pass; - which

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action is pat. and lost.

Uncollected. The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom on the 10th day of December instant, was referred the communication from the Officers of Taxes, for the year 1854 recommending the remission of certain Taxes assessed in that year; now report a Resolution remitting said Taxes, amounting to \$182 31/100; - which Report is received; and said Resolution is read and passed.

(Concurred, Dec 21, 1855.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

The Standing Committee on Highways report the following Resolutions: which are severally read and passed: -

(Upon the Petition of Henry R. Congdon and others, referred Nov. 12, 1855.)

Smith Street.

"Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed, to cause cross-walks to be laid across Smith Street, at the following named places: -

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One, across said Street, at the junction of Back Street; -
One, at the junction of Francis Street; -
and One, at the junction of Park Street; -
and that said work be done as soon as practicable.

(Concurred, Dec 21, 1855.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

(Upon the Petition of George C. Asplund and others, referred Nov. 12, 1855.)

Respect Street

"Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to construct cross walks across the following places:

One across Respect Street, on the North side of Angell Street; -
Also, one across Respect Street, on the North side of Shaw Street.

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(Concurred, Dec 21, 1855.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Sewer in Benefit Street. The Standing Committee on Highways report the following Resolution; which is read and passed:

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed, to construct a suitable Sewer in Benefit Street; commencing opposite the Angell lot, and connecting the same with the end in Shepley or Klettering Street; a distance of about two hundred feet; - the work to be done forthwith.

(Concurred, Dec 21, 1855.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Highway Works. The Standing Committee on Highways report the following Resolutions; to provide: -

1. For the erection of a Barn on the land filled into the Cove, West of the State Prison; -
2. In relation to the employment of American Foremen for the various gangs of men employed on the Highways; -
3. In relation to the supplying of carb stone to owners of lands; -
4. To direct the Surveyor of Highways to let, by contract, the work of excavating & filling to grade, the construction of Sewers, &c; -

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Which Resolutions are read; and it is ordered that the same be laid upon the Table.

Streets. A Bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the repairing and mending of Streets;" - Having passed the Board of Aldermen; is sent down for concurrence, and is read. Whereupon, it is resolved,

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that the Common Council do concur therein.
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Rails in Streets } The Committee to whom on the 10th of December in
last, was referred the Bill in relation to the use
of the rails in certain streets: report, by Bill
entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the use
of the Rails in the Streets of the City of New-
84. York;" - and recommend the passage thereof:
which Report is read and received.

The Bill, so reported, - is read: and it is ordered
that the same be indefinitely postponed.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday
the 14th day of January next, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

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| Mr. President, | " Rhodes, |
| Angell, | " Rider, |
| Bantow, | Tollberg, |
| Beckwith, | Timmons, |
| Canell, | Trow, |
| Francis, | Lewis, |
| W. Green Jr., | Stone, |
| Hill, | Toff, |
| Leifer, | Taylor, |
| Lincott, | Trigley, |
| Lynd, | Tucker, |
| McKnight, | Waterman, |
| Miller, | Winsor, |
| Pike, | |

Mark J. Greene
Clerk

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Common Council, January 14, 1856.

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

The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, and a
Statement of the Resolution of the Common Council, of October
20 1854, is presented read, received, and referred
to the Standing Committee on Finance

The Monthly Report of the Surveyor of Highways is
presented, read, and received.
(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

The Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer of the
Fire Department, is presented, read and received
(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

A communication from the Board of Assessors, ac-
knowledging the receipt of taxes assessed upon cer-
tain persons in the year 1855, on account of
errors in assessments; &c. is presented, read, re-
ceived, and referred to the Standing Committee on
Finance, to examine and report thereon.

The following Petitions for the remission of Taxes
are presented, read, received, and severally referred
to the Standing Committee on Finance, to exam-
ine and report thereon; viz:

- 112. Petition of Samuel N. Amstrong;
- 131. " " Gordon M. Burgess;

- 114 " " Abatly and Anus W. Abney;
- 112. " " Sylvester R. Jackson,
- 114. " " Joseph C. Peter and wife,
- 335. " " Mechanic's Bank,
- 114 " " Orlando W. Pince,
- 114. " " Richmond Brunell,
- 129. " " John Oldfield,
- 114. " " Humphrey Bliny,

Tax
remitted &
G. Mason?

The Standing Committee on Finance report the follow-
ing Resolutions, which are read and passed: viz:

(Upon the Petition of George Mason, opened Dec 17 1855)
Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is
89. hereby directed to pay to George Mason, the sum
of five dollars and three cents; the said sum
being in remission of tax improperly assessed
against him in the year 1854; provided,
It shall appear to the Treasurer, upon the cer-
tificate of the Collector of Taxes, that the said
sum has been paid into the City Treasury. If
it shall appear to the City Treasurer, that the
said tax has not been paid into the Treasury,
then he shall credit the Collector of Taxes, with
the amount so unpaid; and the Collector of
Taxes shall deduct the amount hereby remitted,
from the tax of said George Mason.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Do. &
W. Caldwell

(Upon the Petition of William Caldwell, referred by
the Board of Aldermen.)
Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he
is hereby directed to pay to William Caldwell, the
sum of six dollars and thirty eight cents; - the
said sum being in remission of tax improperly
assessed against him, in the year 1854: pro-
vided it shall appear to the Treasurer, upon the
certificate of the Collector of Taxes, that the said

sum has been paid into the City Treasury; If
it shall appear to the City Treasurer, that the said
sum has not been paid into the Treasury, then
he shall credit the Collector of Taxes with
the amount so unpaid; and the Collector
of Taxes shall deduct the amount hereby
remitted, from the tax of said William
Caldwell.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Do. &
W. S. Barges

(Upon the Petition of Walter S. Barges, referred
by the Board of Aldermen.)
Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and
he is hereby directed to pay to Walter S. Bar-
ges, the sum of twenty-two Dollars and forty
cents; the said sum being in remission of
tax improperly assessed against him, in the year
1854; provided it shall appear to the Treas-
urer, upon the certificate of the Collector of
Taxes, that the said sum has been paid
into the City Treasury; If it shall appear
to the City Treasurer, that the said tax has
not been paid into the Treasury, then he
shall credit the Collector of Taxes with the
amount so unpaid; and the Collector of
Taxes shall deduct the amount hereby
remitted, from the tax of said Walter
S. Barges.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Taxes & } The Standing Committee on Finance, at a meeting on
the 17th of December last, was referred the Petition
of the Board of Barto Mauron, for remission of
Tax; make Report recommending that said petition
have been withdrawn; which Report is re-
89 ceived; and it is therefore, ordered, that said

petitioners have leave to withdraw.

do. The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 17th of December last, was referred the Petition of

89. Mary M. Clintock, for remission of tax, - make Report, without recommendation of action; - which Report is received; and it is thereupon, ordered, that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Census. The joint Committee appointed on the 11th of April last, to cause a census of the City to be taken, present their Report.

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do. Resolved, that the Report of the Committee to cause a census of the City to be taken, be received;

122. and that said Committee be authorized to print one thousand copies of the same, in pamphlet form, for the use of the City Council, (conceded.) (Approved by the Mayor.)

President of the Providence Reform School has presented their Annual Report; and a Resolution in the words following having passed the Board of Aldermen, and been this day sent down, for concurrence; - the same is read; - viz:

"Resolved, that the Reports of the Trustees of the Reform School be received, and five hundred copies printed in pamphlet form, under the direction of the Superintendent of the Providence Reform School."

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

City Marshal's Report. The Annual Report of the City Marshal, of the business of the Police Department, for the year 1855, - is presented and read. Whereupon, it is ordered that

the same be received; and that the same be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing.

(Conceded, February 14, 1856)

Central Bridge } A Communication from the Mayor, respecting a Petition of J. S. Thurston and others, now pending before the General Assembly, praying that the use of the Central Bridge over the Seekonk River may be discontinued; - is presented and read.

do. Upon the Communication from the Mayor, this day, made to the City Council; -

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Resolved that Messrs E. W. Tingley, J. N. Francis and T. J. Hill, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, - be and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to appear before the Hon. the General Assembly, and to remonstrate, in behalf of the City, against the granting of the prayer of the Petition of J. S. Thurston and others, for the discontinuance of the Central, or Upper, Bridge across Seekonk River.

(Conceded; & the Mayor and Aldermen thought added.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

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

"Resolved, by the City Council of the City of Providence, that the Mayor be, and he is hereby authorized to lay out a Park at the West end or side of Exchange Place, of the size, and according to the Plat made by the order of the Board of Aldermen, passed September 3rd 1855. Hereafter

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annexed; and to finish and complete the same, at an expense not exceeding nine hundred and fifty Dollars."

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

(Approved by the Mayor.)

City Ball Lot. Resolved, that the Committee appointed by the City Council, to investigate the title to the City Ball Lot, in the hands of Waterman, Barlow and Rockwold, the Mayor and Alderman Ricketts, be, and they are hereby authorized and empowered to negotiate and settle with any party or parties having any claim to any portion of said Lot; or to direct such proceedings to be commenced, as they shall deem expedient, in behalf of the City.

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(Approved by the Mayor)

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

Resolved, that the Mayor and Alderman Bowen, with such others as the Common Council shall add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to confer with the parties interested in the widening of North Main Street, from a point at the North West corner of the brick building on the estate owned by Anna E. Arnold, to a point at the South West corner of the building on the estate owned by Richard and Elizabeth Waterman; as to the loss and damage, benefit and advantage, appropriation and expense to each; And the said Committee are hereby authorized to agree with and settle with said parties, for the lands and improvements required for such widening, or for benefits aforesaid, upon such terms as may be deemed satisfactory to said

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Committee,

Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein, and that Messrs R. Greene, Spicer and Salisbury be added to the Committee,

(Approved by the Mayor)

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

Resolved, that the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby empowered and directed to pay to such of the parties who have sustained loss and damage in the widening of North Main Street, from a point at the North West corner of the brick building on the estate owned by Anna E. Arnold, to a point at the South West corner of the building on the estate owned by Richard and Elizabeth Waterman, as the Committee appointed January 14 1856, for that purpose shall agree to settle with; in such manner and such an amount as said Committee shall direct; and he is hereby authorized and empowered to receive the return and disbursements made against any of the parties with whom said Committee shall settle, and give receipts therefor, for such amounts, and upon such conditions as he shall be directed to do by said Committee."

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

(Approved by the Mayor.)

South Water Street. Whereas, the Commissioners of Estimate and Apportionment in the matter of widening South Water Street, beginning at the North West corner of the brick block occupied by W. B. Lippitt, on said Street, and proceeding Northwesterly, or as near as may be, on a line with the Water's front of said

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store, to Market Square, of a width of forty feet, - as
passed by the Supreme Court, at the September Term
thereof, A.D. 1855, within and for the County of Providence,
under an Act entitled "An Act in relation to the
laying out, enlarging, straightening, or otherwise
altering, Streets, in the City of Providence"; - have
made their first Report to said Court; -

Now, therefore, within thirty Days after the ma-
king of said Report; -

Resolved, that the City Council elect to make
said improvement,

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

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

"On the Petition of Messrs. George W. Chopin, Abel
Sampson and Miles B. Lawson; it is Resolved,
that the Sawyers of Highways be, and he is
hereby directed, as or before the first day of June
next, to cause B Street, bordering on the land
of Messrs. Chopin, Sampson and Lawson, to be
graded, the curbing set, and the gutters paved,
and put in as complete condition as Central
Street now is; and that said portion of B
Street be so improved at the expense of the
City."

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

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Locomotive } A Bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the running
in of Locomotives on the rails laid in India Street,"
India } having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down
Street } for concurrence, and is read. Whereupon, it is
advised, that the same be laid upon the Table.

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

Resolved, that the Committee appointed to
build a monument at the angle of the West
Harbor Lane, - be and they are hereby directed
to report the amount by them expended on
said work."

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

(Approved by the Mayor.)

D. W. Pettey } A Resolution in the words following, having passed
the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concu-
rence, and is read; viz:

School } "Resolved, that the Treasurer be, and he is
Haver } hereby directed to pay to David W. Pettey,
or } eight hundred and two ³⁰/₁₀₀ Dollars; it
Petter's } being the amount of his bill against the
Manuel } City, for work done and materials furnished,
and the alterations and repairs done on the School
House on Petter's Avenue; also, grading the
lot, building the fence around the School
House Lot and painting the same; also,
building privy and vault; - said work
was done under the Superintendent of the Pub-
lic Schools, and the select Committee ap-
pointed in June last; - Said Treasurer to
pay the same, whenever the Superintendent
and the select Committee shall certify the
same to be correct."

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

(Approved by the Mayor.)

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

"Resolved, that the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby authorized, acting under the advice and direction of Alderman Manchester and such as the Common Council may add, to contract with the Portland Gas Company, for a supply of Gas, for such period, and upon such terms, as said Committee may deem expedient, for the purpose of lighting the Streets and Public Buildings."

Whereupon, it is ordered, that the Common Council do concur therein, with the following amendment: viz: That the following words be inserted after the word "period" in the 6th line: viz: "not exceeding one year."

Messrs. Linton, Mc Knight and Taylor added to the Committee.

(The Board of Aldermen concur in the Amendment.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Oppn & The Standing Committee on Finance report the following Resolution, which is read and passed:

Resolved, That the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars be appropriated for lighting Streets, in addition to the former Appropriations, (Continued.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Read: A Resolution in the words following, is presented and read: viz:

"Resolved, that the Portland Daily Tribune be authorized to do the City Advertising, for the remainder of the municipal year, on the same conditions as the other papers in the City now do it."

It is moved that said Resolution pass: Upon which motion, the question is taken by yeas and nays; and it is ordered, that the same be entered

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upon the Journal, as follows: -

Yeas. Messrs. Angell, Bartlett, Canell, R. Green, Hill, Linton, Lyon, Pike, Shaw, Spicer, Stone, Taylor, Tingley, Tucker, Wason.

Nays. Messrs. Beckwith, E. A. Green, Miller, Rhodes, Rider, Salisbury, Timmons, Toft, Wason, J.

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Said Resolution is therefore passed.

Resolved in the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen, are sent back, in concurrence; and are read: viz:

"Resolved, that Alderman Manchester and such as the Common Council may add, be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to superintend the removal of the Mud from Donover Street Dock

Resolved, that said Dock be deepened to the depth of not less than thirteen feet, at common high tides; to be as deep at the head, as at the South end of the Dock; and that Seven Thousand Dollars be appropriated, for said work; provided, the Donover Street Corporation and others interested, shall pay the balance of the expense."

Resolved in Donover Street Dock

January 14, 1856.

Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do not concur therein

Do. Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby authorized to pay to the Dorrans Street Association, the sum of Seven Hundred Dollars; whenever said Association shall cause Dorrans Street Dock to be deepened to the depth of thirteen feet, at common high tides, from the head to the South end of said Dock.
(Commenced, February 4, 1856)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the 11th day of February next, at half past 7 o'clock.

Members present.

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| Mr. President | " Parker, |
| " Angell, | " Pender, |
| " Bastin, | " Salisbury, |
| " Beckwith, | " Timmons, |
| " Canell, | " Trow, |
| " E. A. Greene | " Spicer, |
| " R. Greene Jr. | " Stone, |
| " Hill, | " Traft, |
| " Lester, | " Taylor, |
| " Lincoln, | " Tingley, |
| " Lyon, | " Tucker, |
| " McWhight, | " Waterman, |
| " Miller, | " Wrenn, |
| " Pike, | |

Albert Greene,
Clerk

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Common Council, February 11, 1856.

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

The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20, 1854, is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

The Monthly Report of the Surveyor of the Highways, is presented, read and received.
(Commenced)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

The Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, is presented, read and received.
(Commenced)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

The Surveyor General of Lumber presents his Annual Report, of Lumber sawed & Baring) this year ending on the 31st day of February instant: which Report is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received and recorded.
(Commenced, with the following Amendment: viz: that the following words be added, viz: "and authorized in the papers employed to do the City Printing.")
The Common Council concur in the amendment.

Resolved the Board of Aldermen, is sent 3 and for School.

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insurance; and is read: viz
Resolved, that the Superintendent of the President's Refuge School be, and he is hereby authorized to have five hundred copies of the Annual Report of that Institution printed in pamphlet form; in addition to those already ordered.

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

(Approved by the Mayor)

John Tilton. A Memorial of John Tilton, claiming damages for injuries sustained by him by falling into an opening in South Water Street, is presented, read, received and referred to the Standing Committee in Finance, to examine and report thereon.

Water. A communication from the Mayor, recommending the appointment of a Committee to report some plan for supplying the City with a sufficient quantity of pure Water, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be referred to Messrs White, Taft, and Wolman, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon.

(Concurred; Alderman Postland added.)

(Approved by the Mayor)

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

16. Resolved, that the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay Albert G. Bartow, the sum of seventy seven dollars, in full for his claims for the amount expended by him in Engine House No 4.

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

(Approved by the Mayor)

Engine House No 4.

February 11th 1856.

Appr. The Standing Committee in Finance report the following Resolution, which is read and passed: viz:

Resolved, that the sum of Seven Thousand Dollars be appropriated for "Police"; in addition to former Appropriations.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor)

Overseer of the Poor. A Petition of Stephen A. Phillips, Overseer of the Poor, for an increase of the Salary of his Office, is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee in Finance, to examine and report thereon.

Portrait. The joint Committee appointed on the 4th of June last, to wait upon the Mayor, and request him to sit for his portrait, for the City, make Report that they have discharged that duty, and have caused a portrait to be painted by James S. Lincoln, of the City; - which Report is read and received.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor)

Portrait of Samuel W. Bridgman. Resolved, that Messrs Brewster, Angell and Stone, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby authorized to cause the Portrait of the late Hon. Samuel W. Bridgman, first Mayor of the City, to be repaired; & to obtain a copy of the same, of larger size; at their Discretion; and draw upon the Treasurer, for the cost thereof; - to be paid out of the Appropriation for "Contingencies".

(Concurred; and Alderman Manchester added.)

(Approved by the Mayor)

Sliding
and the
Streets. } A communication from the Mayor enclosing sundry
Petitions requesting that some of the Streets in the City
may be designated in which sliding on sleds &c,
may be permitted; and that the "Ordinance in re-
lation to Streets and Highways," may be amended for
that purpose: - is presented and read; together with
the following petitions accompanying the same; viz.

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Petition of William H. Hoffman & others;

Petition of Adoniram Gilbert & others;

Petition of Nathaniel W. Burned & others;

Petition of Morris Deming & others;

Petition of John Whipple & others;

Whereupon, a Bill entitled "An Ordinance amend-
ment of an Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance in re-
lation to Streets and Highways,'" is presented and
read: (said Bill providing for the repeal of so much
of the 4th Section of said Ordinance as prohibits the
sliding on any sled or machine, for amusement, in
any of the Streets or Highways of the City.)

Whereupon, it is moved that the subject
be indefinitely postponed. Upon which mo-
tion, the question is taken by Ayes and Nays,
and it is adjudged that the same be entered
upon the Journal; as follows: viz

- Ayes.
Messrs Angell
Barstow
Canell
E. A. Greene
R. Greene,
Hill,
Lester
Limmest,
Snow,
Stow,
Taylor
Tucker.
Waterman
Winsor.

- Nays.
Messrs Beckwith
Francis
Lincoln
Lyon,
The Wright
Miller,
Pike,
Rhodes,
Tollisburg,
Spick,
Toft
Tingley.

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School
House
on
Burgess
Whight
Streets.

Said subject is therefore, indefinitely postponed.

The Standing Committee on Education report
the following Resolutions; which are read and
passed; viz;

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and
he is hereby authorized to contract for the
erection of a Grammar School building on
the lot on Burgess and Whight Streets,
belonging to the City; acting under the ad-
vice and direction of Messrs Lyon, Francis,
Winsor and Snow, of the Common Council,
and Alderman Knight; in accordance
with a plan prepared by Messrs Morse and
Hall; instead of the plan adopted by the
School Committee, as provided by Resolu-
tion passed by the Common Council November
12 1855, and concurred in by the Board of
Aldermen, December 10 1855; - said con-
tract to be made by the City Treasurer, at
a cost not exceeding seven thousand
Five Hundred Dollars, (\$7,500;) And
the City Treasurer is hereby directed to pay for
the same, out of the Appropriation for "School
House and Lots."

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Resolved, That the Resolution aforesaid,
passed by the Common Council, November 12
1855, and concurred in by the Board of
Aldermen, December 10 1855; be, and the
same is hereby repealed.

(Concurred.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on
the 14th of January last, was referred the Com-
munication from the Board of Assessors of Taxes,
recommending the remission of certain taxes: - re-
port the following Resolution; which is read

and paid; viz:
 Resolved, That the City Treasurer, and he is, hereby directed to pay to the persons named below, the sums set against their respective names; - the said sums being in remission of taxes improperly assessed against them, in the year eighteen hundred and fifty five: - provided it shall appear to the Treasurer, upon the certificate of the Collector of Taxes, that said sums have been paid into the City Treasury. If it shall not appear to the City Treasurer, that said taxes have been paid into the Treasury; - then he shall credit the Collector of Taxes, with the amounts so unpaid; and the Collector of Taxes shall deduct the amounts hereby remitted, from the taxes of said persons.

95.	To Susan Aborn	\$ 6.75
	Samuel N. Amory	27 "
	Benjamin B. Bobbit	4 05
	Freston Burgess	40.50
	Walter S. Burgess	27 "
	Christopher Barr	13.50
	May B. Gladding (Jy. Smith, Tenant)	14.17 5
	William S. Haines	3.37 5
96.	Lester W. Jackson	68.07 5
	Virginia Kendall	93.82 5
	William J. Kirk	56.02 5
	Lake Henry	2.02 5
	Mariana A. Kyd	16.87 5
	Abner Gland Episcopal Convention	17 55
	James T. Rhodes	33.75
	Poley A. Rhodes's Heirs	33.75
	James A. Robinson	2.02 5
	John C. Robinson	2.02 5
	Thomas R. Robinson	2.02 5
	Weymouth Sabin's Heirs	50.62 5
	Parson Clarke	27 "
	Walter R. Danforth, Deceased	13.50

Wiley B. Schuberts	4.05
Tolly Thompson's Heirs	19.57 5
Oliver P. Turner's Heirs	33.75
Robert Waitatt	2.02 5
Elizabeth Waterman	6.75
Total amount to remit	<u>621.67 5</u>

(Continued)
 (Approved by the Mayor)

Resolved The following Petitions, for the remission of taxes, are presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon; viz:

129	Petition of E. W. Winship, and wife,
129	" " Theodore Taylor,
129	" " Georg. N. Gillmore,
129	" " Jesse S. Botley & others;
130	" " Mr. Barlow,
129	" " Abariah Carter,
131	" " Benjamin B. Wood,
129	" " James P. Fisher,
130	" " Hannah W. Atley,
130	" " Hector A. Ayell,
130	" " Henry Parkhurst,
131	" " William Douglas,
141	" " Leah Padelford,
130	" " Sarah M. & Amelod M. Fanner,
131	" " R. W. Booth
129	" " Allen Brown.

Do. Petition of Heirs of Jon^{as} Salisbury, for remission of taxes is presented, read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon; which Committee make Report, in favor thereof. Whereupon said Report is received; and is recommended, for further Report,

The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom on the

14th of January last, were opened the petitions of
 96. Albert G. and Anne U. Olney,
 96. Joseph C. Potter and wife,
 96. (Blondo U. Pine,
 128. 96. Richmond Brownell,
 96. and Banphay Almy, for the remission of
 taxes, make Reports, recommending that said petitions
 be laid on the table; which Reports are
 read and received; and it is, thereupon, ordered,
 that said petitioners, severally, have leave
to withdraw.

Hospital The joint Committee, to whom, on the 18th of June
 last, was referred so much of the Mayor's Address to
 the City Council, as relates to the subject of a City
 Hospital; make Report recommending an appro-
 priation of "land sufficient for the purposes of a Hos-
 pital, on the present Hospital Lot," and that
 \$15,000 be appropriated for the erection of a Hospital,
 whenever a like sum shall be subscribed by the
 citizens, for that purpose; - which Report is read,
 received, and laid upon the table.

Prud. Co. The joint Committee appointed on the 14th of Janu-
 ary last, to advise and direct the City Treasurer, in
 relation to a contract with the Prudential Gas Com-
 pany, for one year; make Report, accompanied by
 a draft of a Resolution, to authorize the making
 of such contract for a term not exceeding five
 years; and recommend the passage thereof. There-
 upon, it is moved, that said Resolution pass; -
 which motion is put, and lost.

Central Bridge The joint Committee, who were, on the 14th of January
 last, appointed to appear before the General Assembly,
 and remonstrate against the granting of the prayer of
 the petition of J. G. Thurston & others, for the discontinu-
 -ance of the Central or Upper Bridge over Lake.

and River; make Report that said petition
 has been withdrawn; - which Report is
 read and received.

(Concurred in by the Mayor)

Police A Bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment
 of an Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance in re-
 -lating to Police,'" is presented, read, and
 passed.
 (Concurred March 3^d 1856.)
 (Approved by the Mayor.)

Margaret A. Pease The Committee to whom, on the 17th of December
 last, was referred the petition of Margaret A. Pease,
 requesting an enquiry into the facts connected with
 her removal, by the School Committee, from
 her office of Principal Teacher in the Casper-
 -ter Street Intermidial School; - make Re-
 -port, recommending that said petitioner have leave
 to withdraw; - which Report is read and
 received; and it is, thereupon, ordered, that
 said petitioner have leave to withdraw.

Heartford Id. The Standing Committee on Finance report the
 following Resolution; which is read and passed:
 Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and
 he is hereby directed to pay to Heartford Id.,
 upon his giving a discharge in full for all
 claims against the City of Providence, - the
 sum of fifteen Dollars; - the same being
 his damages sustained by him in the same
 for the introduction of Water into said City.
 (Concurred, March 3^d 1856.)
 (Approved by the Mayor.)

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

"Whereas the Board of Aldermen on the 14th ult. decreed to widen Derrance Street, between Broad and Pine Streets, and relay the East-
-only line of said Street: - and whereas, it
will be necessary to cut off a portion of the
House on the "Pestle House", to carry out
said decree: - Therefore, -

Resolved, That the Board of Aldermen be
authorized to sell said house, at public or
private sale, and lease the remaining portion
of said lot, for a term not exceeding five
years."

Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common
Council do concur therein
(Approved by the Mayor)

Fire Department, respecting the election of
certain officers of the Engine Companies: is
presented, read and received. And a Bill
entitled "An Ordinance in Amendment of an
Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance establishing
a Fire Department,'" is presented and read.

Whereupon, it is advised that said Commu-
-nication and Bill be referred to the Standing
Committee on the Fire Department, to examine
and report thereon.

Reservoir in North Main St. A communication from the Board of Engineers of
the Fire Department, in relation to the subject of
a Reservoir in North Main Street: is presented
read, and received.

In Resolved, That the Chief Engineer be, and
he is hereby ordered, under the advice and Di-
-rection of the Committee on the Fire Department,
to cause a Reservoir to be constructed in North

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Main Street, near the junction of Sargent
Street: and that the cost of the same,
not exceeding the sum of five hundred Dollars,
be paid out of the Appropriation for the
Fire Department.

(Commenced, March 3rd 1856.)
(Approved by the Mayor)

The following petitions are presented, read, re-
-ceived, and referred to the Standing Committee on
Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Pond St. 210. Petition of Doty Green & others, for setting
curbstones and paving gutters, in Pond
Street, from Pearl to Spring Street: -

Brown St. 193. Petition of Sanford Darbee and others, for
setting curbstones and paving gutters, in
Brown Street, from Myrtle to Olive Street: -

Whipple St. 237. Petition of Joseph Belcher and others, for
setting curbstones and paving gutters in
Whipple Street, from Pearl to Bopelt
Street.

D. H. Mearns & Sons. 237. A Memorial of Daniel A. Mearns and Associates,
claiming payment for a strip of land, about 8 feet
wide, between Canal Street and North Main
River: - is presented, read, received, and referred
to the Standing Committee on Highways, to ex-
-amine and report thereon.

Park in Exchange Place. A Resolution in the words following, is presented, and
read: viz: Resolved, That the Standing Committee on
Highways, be directed to inform the Common
Council, whether a portion of the triangular
Park, in Exchange Place, does not occupy a
portion of land that was formerly a part of

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Case Street; - and if so, if the City is not liable to indictment for obstructing a public highway. It is moved, that the same be laid upon the Table, unless which motion, the question is taken by Ayes and Nays: and it is added that the same be entered upon the Journal; as follows.

Ayes.

- Messrs Angell,
- Beckwith,
- Cornell,
- E. A. Greene,
- R. Greene,
- Lynn,
- Abiller,
- Talbot,
- Simmons,
- Stow,
- Spicer,
- Taft,
- Taylor,
- Pingley,
- Watson.

Nays.

- Messrs Barstow,
- Francis
- Hill,
- Lester,
- Lincoln,
- Pike,
- Rhodes,
- Tucker,
- Winsor.

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Said Resolution is therefore laid upon the Table.

Fountain in Exchange Place.

A Resolution to direct the Standing Committee on Highways, to communicate to the Common Council, information respecting a public Fountain recently placed in Exchange Place; - is presented, and read; and it is added that the same be laid upon the Table.

Jointed in Convention of the City Council.

The Convention.

Robert Manchester is elected Surgeon General of the City.

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Ordinances of City Officers are made for the remainder of the present municipal year.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the 10th Day of March next, at half past 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

- Mr President,
- Angell
- Barstow,
- Beckwith
- Cornell,
- Francis
- E. A. Greene,
- R. Greene,
- Hill
- Lester,
- Lincoln,
- Lynn,
- Mr Knight,
- Abiller,

- .. Pike,
- Rhodes,
- Talbot,
- Lincoln,
- Stow,
- Spicer,
- Stow,
- Taft,
- Taylor
- Pingley,
- Tucker,
- Watson,
- Winsor.

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Matthew Green, Clerk.

Common Council, March 10 1856.

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

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

The Quarterly Report of the City Treasurer, of the Issues and Payments of the City Debt, is presented, read and received.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

The Monthly Report of the Surveyor of Highways is presented, read and received.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

The Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer of the Engine & Fire Department, is presented, read and received.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

A Resolution in the words following is read and adopted: and put up, by concurrence: viz:

135.

Resolved, that the Salary of the Mayor, for the year ensuing the first Monday in June next, shall be Fifteen Thousand Dollars, payable quarterly (The Board of Aldermen having concurred, - with the following Amendment: viz: that the words "Fifteen Thousand" be stricken out, and the words "Two Thousand" inserted in their place; - and the rate of the Board of Aldermen changing be read: - It is moved that the Common Council do concur in said Amendment: -

Upon which motion, the question is taken by yeas and nays, and it is ordered that the same be entered upon the Journal: as follows: viz:

Yeas,
Messrs Beakwith,
Francis,
E. A. Greene,
Lyon,
McKnight,
Miller, 6.

Nays,
Messrs Angell,
Barston,
Canell,
R. Greene, Jr.,
Lester,
Lincoln,
Pitt,
Rhodes,
Ryder,
Talbott,
Timmons,
Trow,
Spicer,
Stone,
Tappin,
Troyer,
Dingley,
Tucker,
Watson 19.

Said motion is therefore lost, and the Common Council do not concur in said Amendment.

Overseer of the Poor, } The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 11th of February last, was referred the petition of Stephen A. Phillips, Overseer of the Poor, for an increase of the Salary of his Office: report the following Resolution: viz:

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134.

Resolved, that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to pay to Stephen A. Phillips, Overseer of the Poor, for the City of Providence, the sum of thirty seven Dollars, in addition to his salary for the quarter commencing on the first of March, eighteen hundred and thirty six: - which Report is received: and a motion that said Resolution pass, is put, and lost.

President } A Resolution in the said petition is presented
 Gas Co. } and reads, viz.
 "Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and
 he is hereby authorized, under the advice of Messrs
 Taylor, Lester and Mr. Knight, and Aldermen
 Manchester, to contract with the Providence
 Gas Company, for a supply of Gas for the
 year ending ^{the public buildings at the} ~~the~~ ^{at the} ~~the~~ ^{at the}
 term of five years; if they deem it for the
 interest of the City so to do.

114.

It is moved, that said Resolution pass. Upon
 which motion the question is taken by yeas
 and nays; and it is ordered that the same
 be entered upon the Journal; as follows:

Yeas	Nays
Messrs Beckwith.	Messrs Angell,
E. A. Greene,	Barton
Lester,	Canell,
Mr. Knight,	Francis,
Rider,	R. Green Jr,
Stone,	Lincoln,
Taylor,	Lyon,
Waterman, 8.	Miller,
	Pete,
	Roberts,
	Salisbury,
	Timmons,
	Trout,
	Spicer,
	Toft,
	Tingley,
	Tracy, 17.

Said motion is thereupon lost.

Archibald } A Petition of Archibald N. Comstock, of Scituate,
 N. Comstock } claiming compensation for injuries sustained by a
 197. fall in Washington Street; is presented, read, re-
 ceived, and referred to the Standing Committee on

Finance, to examine and report thereon.

City Clerk } A Motion of Ebenezer G. Chubb, for compensation
 132. for injuries sustained by him, by a fall in
 Washington Street; is presented, read, and re-
 ceived; and it is ordered that the same be
 referred to the Standing Committee on Finance,
 to examine the same; and to report there-
 on at the next meeting of the Common Coun-
 cil.

Registrar } A Communication from the City Registrar,
 Report. } relating to the Report required by Ordinance
 to be made by him of Births, Marriages and
 Deaths during the year 1855; is presented, read
 and received.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Do. } Resolved, That the City Registrar be, and he
 is hereby authorized to cause to be printed,
 in pamphlet form, for the use of the City
 Council, five hundred copies of his Report
 for the past year.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Census } Resolved, That the Clerk of the Council be, and
 Report. } he is hereby directed to cause a thousand
 additional copies of the Census of the City of
 98. Providence, of 1855, to be printed, for the use
 183. of the Council.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

School No. } The Standing Committee on Education report the following
 Motion } Resolutions, which is read and passed: viz:
 Spink & }
 Salisbury }

124.

March 10th 1836.

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby authorized to pay the bill of John Spink and Salisbury, of seven hundred and ninety three Dollars and thirty five cents; for building the fences & sundries on the School House Lot on Graham Street.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Primary School House. The Standing Committee on Education report the following Resolutions; which is read and passed: viz:

Resolved, That the City Treasurer, under the advice and direction of the Committee on the erection of a Grammar School building, be and he is hereby authorized to cause the Primary School building on the lot on Knight and Burgess Streets to be removed to the North West corner of said lot, and made suitable for the temporary use of the School; and pay for the same, out of the Appropriation for "School Houses and Lots."

M. 141.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

John Street. Petition of William C. Davenport & others, for the grading of John Street, from Hope to Governor Street, 193. and the setting of curb stones therein: is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Market Square & Canal St. Resolved That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed, to take up the cross walks and pavement, at the junction of Canal Street and Market Square; and to re-lay the same, so that the water from the Square, may be turned into the culvert in front of the building upon the corner of said Street.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

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Abbot's Lot. Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to place a watering trough upon the Abbot's Lot, in the Southern part of the City, fronting on India Street; and to conduct the water into such trough; and to put said Lot into such condition as to continue it a convenient watering place for the public.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Mining Building. The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, as when on the 10th of September last, was referred the Petition of John Moran, for liberty to move a certain wooden building; - and to whom, on the 8th of October last, was referred the petition of George Washell, for liberty to move a certain wooden building; - make Reports, in favour of granting the prayers of said petitions: - which Reports are received; and Resolutions granting the prayers of said petitions respectively, are read and passed.

J. Moran 20

Geo. Washell 46.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Do. Petitions of Abner B. Boyell & Co. 809 1/2 Street Iron Foundry, J. G. Johnson, George Miller, and William Sheldon and Dennis Sawyer; for liberty to move certain wooden buildings, are presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon: which Committee make Reports, in favour of granting the prayers thereof, respectively: - which Reports are received; and Resolutions granting the prayers of said petitions, respectively, are read and passed.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

March 10th 1856.

Do. & A Petition of Francis Salmon, for liberty to move a certain wooden building: is presented, read, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon.

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

101. 145. Resolved, That Alderman Bowen, with such as the Common Council may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to confer with the parties interested in the widening of South Water Street, from the North Westerly corner of the brick block occupied by H. H. Lippitt, on said Street, and proceeding North-erly, or as near as may be, on a line with the Westerly part of said Street, to Market Square, of a width of forty feet; - as to the loss and damage, benefit and advantage, appertaining and apperment to each; And the said Committee are hereby authorized to agree with, and settle with, said parties, for the lands and improvements required for such widening, or for benefits apperred; upon such terms as may be deemed satisfactory to said Committee.

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

Messrs. Beckwith, N. Green Jr. and Parker added to the Committee, (Approved by the Mayor)

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

Resolved That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby empowered and directed to pay to such of the parties who have sustained loss and

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damage, in the widening of South Water Street, from the North Westerly corner of the brick block occupied by H. H. Lippitt, on said Street, and proceeding North-erly, or as near as may be, on a line with the Westerly part of said Street, to Market Square, of a width of forty feet; - as the Committee appointed March 10th 1856, for that purpose, shall agree to settle with; in such manner and in such amount as said Committee shall direct; - and he is hereby authorized and empowered to receive the estimates and apperments, made against any of the parties with whom said Committee shall settle; and give receipts therefor, for such amounts, and upon such conditions as he shall be directed to do by said Committee. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do not concur therein.

Ships & Taxes. A communication from the Mayor, enclosing the Resignation by Thomas A. Doyle, of his office of Chairman of the Board of Assessors & Taxes, is presented and read.

137. Rejoined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention,

Do. The Resignation by Thomas A. Doyle of his Office of Chairman of the Board of Assessors & Taxes, is read, and laid upon the Table.

Samuel Bond of Lumber. Robert Manchester Surveyor General of Lumber, having nominated standing persons as his

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deputies; - the same are now approved by the City Council.

The two Boards separate.

In Common Council.

Resolving, The following Petitions, for the remission, &c. of taxes & Taxes. are presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

- 149 Petition of Jeremiah Baggett,
- 149. " " Sarah Walsey,
- 131. " " Horace W. Perry,
- 149 " " Isaac Green,
- 149. " " Elisha J. Winsor,
- 156. " " John B. Palmer,
- 149 " " Hanson Weeks,
- 149 " " William Clarke,
- 149 " " Paschal Carpenter,
- 149. " " Nathan W. Parker,
- 149 " " Israel Walker,
- 149. " " Danforth Lyon, for Chickering & Sons.
- 156. " " Pine Street Baptist Society,
- 156. " " Joseph Thomas,
- 156. " " Joseph B. Burrows,

Do } A. Resolution to direct the City Treasurer to pay to Richmond Brownell the sum of \$10, ¹²/₁₀₀, being the amount assessed upon him in the year 1855, for a horse and cart on Pond Street; provided the same has been paid by him; - is presented and read; and it is moved, that the same pass: - which motion is put, and lost.

Do. The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom on the 11th of February last, were referred the petitions of George

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g. N. Gillmore, and N. Gillmore and Allen Brown: - report the following Resolution; which is read and passed: viz

113.

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to the persons whose names are annexed; the sums set against their respective names: - the said sums being in remission of Taxes improperly assessed against them, in the year eighteen hundred and fifty four: - provided it shall appear to the Treasurer, upon the certificate of the Collector of Taxes, that the said sums have been paid into the City Treasury. If it shall appear to the City Treasurer, that the said taxes have not been paid into the Treasury, then he shall credit the Collector of Taxes, with the amounts so unpaid; and the Collector of Taxes shall deduct the amounts hereby omitted, from the taxes of said persons.

To Allen Brown	\$ 6:72. "
George N. Gillmore	12:32. "
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	\$ 19:04

(Commenced, March 24, 1856)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Do } The Standing Committee on Finance to whom, on the 14th of January last, was referred the petition of John P. Field for remission of tax: return said petition, without Report thereon. And said petition having been again read: - it is ordered, that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

- Do. The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 11th of February last, were referred the petitions
- 113 of Edgewell Winship & wife,
- 113. James P. Fisher,
- 113. Theodore Taylor
- 113. Isaac S. Bally & others,
- 113. Abodiah Easter,

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113. Olin Woodhull.
 113. Sarah M. and Amelia M. Fenner,
 113. Verotis W. Angell,
 113. Hannah W. Utley,
 113. and Henry Parkhurst. As remission of taxes,
 make Reports recommending that said petitioners severally have leave to withdraw: - which Reports are read and severally received: - and it is thereupon, ordered, that said petitioners severally have leave to withdraw.

The Standing Committee on Finance report a Resolution for the remission of certain taxes: - (pending) the consideration of which, - the Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the 24th Day of March instant, at half past 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

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| Mr. President, | Pick, |
| Angell, | Rhodes, |
| Bartow, | Rider, |
| Beckwith, | Salisbury, |
| Cornell, | Simmons, |
| Francis, | Snow, |
| E. A. Greene, | Spicer, |
| R. Greene Jr. | Stone, |
| Lester, | Toff, |
| Lincoln, | Taylor, |
| Lyon, | Tingley, |
| De Knight, | Tucker, |
| Miller, | Watson, |

Abel J. Greene,
 Clerk.

March 24, 1836.

Common Council, March 24, 1836

The Common Council met, pursuant to adjournment: a quorum present.

Taxes remitterd. } The Resolution for the remission of certain taxes: which was pending at the adjournment of the Common Council, on the 10th of March instant: - is taken up, read, and passed: as follows: Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay, to the persons whose names are annexed, - the sums placed against their respective names: - the said sums being in remission of taxes improperly assessed against them, in the year eight hundred and fifty five; provided it shall appear to the Treasurer, upon the oath of the Collector of Taxes, that said sums have been paid into the City Treasury: - If it shall appear to the City Treasurer, that the said taxes have not been paid into the Treasury, - then he shall credit the Collector of Taxes, with the amount so unpaid; and the Collector of Taxes shall deduct the amount hereby remitted, from the taxes of said persons, viz:

113.	To the heirs of Jonathan Salisbury	\$22. 92
113.	B. W. Abbot,	67. 50
128.	Ursula W. Remond,	4. 05
	Samuel Chobers,	6. 75
113.	William Douglas,	20. 25.
95.	Guides M. Burgess,	13. 50.
113.	Benjamin B. Wood,	10. 12.

(Continued)
 (Approved by the Mayor.)

The following petitioners for remission of taxes,

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and perused, received, and opened to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

- 156. Petition of William W. Batley,
- 149. " Olney Wendicks,
- 149. " William R. Andrews,

Board of Assessors of Taxes, } A Bill entitled "An Ordinance in repeal of an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the appointment of a permanent Board of Assessors of Taxes," - is presented read, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon,

739. Resolved, That the City Treasurer be directed to inquire from the Common Council, at its next meeting, the amount paid by him for the shipment of the last Treasury City Tax: specifying the various items, under the heads of books, desks, services of Surveyors, assessors, &c. &c. and also, state what other bills there are within his knowledge, which have not yet reached his office.

739. The Report of the Overseer of the Poor, of the Incurable Poor at the Butler Hospital, at the expense of the City, during the year 1855, is presented and read, whereupon it is added that the same be received, (Concurred) (Approved by the Mayor)

147. An Account of Abraham Payne, for retained and services in case Darius Spicers vs. Asa C. Bartlett & others, (for \$150,) is presented, read, and opened to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

123. The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 10th of March last, was opened the petition of Ebenezer

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G. Church; report the following Resolutions, which is read and passed:

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to Ebenezer G. Church, the sum of two hundred dollars, out of any monies not otherwise appropriated; upon receipt of said Ebenezer G. Church, in full for damages received by falling on the ice, in Westminster Street, on the first day of January, A.D. one thousand eight hundred and fifty six. (Concurred) (Approved by the Mayor)

234. A Petition of Thomas & Anthony, and others, for the passage of an Ordinance to restrict the sale of newspapers in the streets, to "licensed carriers" is presented, read, received and opened to the Standing Committee to enquire Ordinance, - to examine and report thereon.

29. The Standing Committee on City Property, to whom, on the 17th of September last, was referred the Memorial of C. B. Pierce and Jonathan Pike; report the following Resolutions: viz: Resolved, That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to pay to Mr. C. B. Pierce the sum of three hundred and seventy nine $\frac{60}{100}$ dollars, out of any funds not otherwise appropriated; upon satisfactory evidence being furnished, that no other claims will be made upon the City arising from said detriment; - the same being a remuneration for loss of use of wharf, occasioned by deposit from Brook Street Drain." Whereupon, it is moved, that said Resolution pass: - which motion is put and lost.

Board of Aldermen } A Resolution to authorize our Chief City Treasurer, to lease the Hoan Block situated on Broad Street, upon such terms, and for such time, as the Board of Aldermen may direct; is presented, read, and laid upon the Table.

Fields } A Memorial of Alexander McCord and John Sells, proposing to purchase the Fields Point Farm; is presented, read, received and laid upon the Table.

Washington } A Petition of Admon Taylor and others, for the relay of the street, being out of Washington Street; is presented, read, received, and laid upon the Table.

Oversee } A Memorial from Stephen A. Phillips, Overseer of the Poor, requesting the appointment of a special Committee to consider and report upon the subject of compensation for the duties of his Office; is presented, read, received, and referred to Messrs. Angell, Taft, Simmons, Canell, Rhodes, Lincoln and Stone, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add; to examine and report thereon.

Mary } A Petition of Maudslayi & Hopkins, for Liberty to erect a certain wooden building; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon; - which Committee make Report, in favor of granting the prayer thereof; - which Report is received; and a Resolution granting the prayer of said petition, is read and passed.

(Concurred) (Approved by the Mayor)

The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to

where, on the 10th of March instant, was referred the petition of Isaac's Salmon, for Liberty to erect a certain wooden building; make Report, in favor of granting the prayer thereof; - which Report is received, and a Resolution granting the prayer of said petition, is read and passed.

(Concurred) (Approved by the Mayor)

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

Resolved, that the salary of the Mayor, for the year ensuing the first Monday in June next, shall be Two Thousand Dollars; payable quarterly.

Whereupon, it is moved, that the Council do concur therein; - whereupon which motion, the question is taken by yeas and nays; and it is ordered, that the same be entered upon the Journal; as follows, viz:

Yeas: Messrs Angell, Beckwith, Francis, C. Greene, Miller, Taft, Waterman, 7.

Nays: Messrs Bairstow, Canell, R. Green, Hall, Lister, Lincoln, Lyon, Pike, Rhodes, Sells, Simmons, Snow, Spicer, Tingley, Tucker, Winsor, 16.

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Said motion is therefore lost; and the Common Council do not concur in said Resolution.

Do. Resolved, That the Salary of the Mayor, for the year ensuing the first Monday in June next, shall be Fifteen Hundred Dollars; payable quarterly. (Concurred) (Approved by the Mayor.)

Parks in Exchange Place. A Resolution, in the words following, is presented and read: "Resolved, That the City Solicitor be directed to inform the Common Council, at its next meeting, - whether the City Council, by allowing the location of a Parks and Exchange Place, on lands which was formerly a part of Cove Street; has not made the City liable to indictment for obstructing a public Highway."

Whereupon, it is moved that the same be laid upon the Table; upon which motion, the question is taken by ayes and nays; and it is decided that the same be entered upon the Journal; as follows: viz:

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| <u>Ayes.</u> | <u>Nays.</u> |
| Mr. Angell, | Alfred Barton, |
| Teckwith | Canell, |
| E. A. Greene, | Francis, |
| R. Greene Jr. | Bill, |
| Lyon, | Leelan, |
| Miller, | Lincoln, |
| Talbot, | Pike, |
| Simmons, | Rhodes, |
| Snow, | Stone, |
| Spicer | Tucker, |
| Post | Windsor, 11. |
| Taylor, | |
| Tingley | |
| Wotuman, 14. | |

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Said motion is, therefore, carried; and said Resolution is laid upon the Table.

Leases of City Property. Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to report, at the next meeting of the Common Council, the names of the Lessees of property belonging to the City; the date of expiration of the several leases; with the amount of rent paid under each. (Concurred) (Approved by the Mayor.)

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

The Resignation of Thomas A. Doyle as Chairman of the Board of Assessors of Taxes, is accepted.

The Resignation of William W. Sweet, Assistant Engineer of the Fire Department, is presented, read & accepted.

A Communication from the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department; is presented, received, and laid upon the Table.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet, on Monday the 14th day of April next, at half past 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present, Mr. President,

Alfred Angell,

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Bartow,
Beckwith,
Canell,
Francis,
E. Greene,
R. Greene Jr.
Hill,
Lester,
Lincoln
Lyons,
Miller,
Pike.

Abraham,
Salisbury,
Tinkers,
Thomson,
Spicer
Steed,
Taff,
Taylor,
Tingler,
Tucker,
Watman,
Wright. 24.

Albert Greene,
Clerk.

Common Council, April 14, 1856.

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

First. The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, and the Report of the Board of the Common Council, of October 20th 1854; is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

Second. The Monthly Report of the Surveyor of Highways, is presented, read, and received.

(Continued.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Chief Engineer's Report. The Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, is presented, read and received.

(Continued.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

139. April 14, 1856.

Report of the City Treasurer, who was, on the 24th of March last, directed to make Report at this meeting of the Common Council, of the names of the Lessees of property belonging to the City; the date of expiration of the several leases; with the amount of rent paid under each; - new payments such as put: - which is read and received.

(Continued.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Second. The Committee who were on the 10th of December last, appointed to report upon the expediency of selling certain Real Estate belonging to the City; make Report, accompanied by a Resolution to authorize the Board of Aldermen to cause sale to be made of certain pieces of real estate; - and by a Resolution to recommend sales of certain pieces of real estate belonging to the Deacon Donation: - which Report is read and received, and it is ordered that the same be laid upon the Table; and that the same, with the accompanying papers, be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing.

Third. The City Treasurer, who was, on the 24th of March last directed to inform the Common Council, at its present meeting, the amount paid by him, for the assessments of the last City Tax; &c. now makes such Report: which is read, received, and laid upon the Table.

Fourth. The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 24th day of March last, was referred the Bill entitled "An Ordinance in repeal of an Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance in relation to the appointment of a permanent Board of Assessors of Taxes,'" make Report, that they do not recommend the passage of

the same; - which Report is received; and it is moved, that said Bill pass: - which motion is pat. and lost.

Retreat for indigent American Women. A Communication from the Mayor, recommending and appropriation of \$100 towards the support of the "Retreat for aged American Women in indigent circumstances;" - is perused and read.

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

"Resolved, that the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to the Treasurer of the Institution called the "Retreat for aged American Women;" - towards the support of said Institution, - for the current year; whenever they shall have five inmates under their charge; - the sum of One Hundred Dollars."

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

Washington Street. A Communication from the Mayor, respecting the location of that part of Washington Street, Westward from Franklin Street; recommending the appointment of a Committee to examine and report upon the subject; is perused and read: -

Whereupon it is ordered, that said Communication, together with the Petition of Solomon Tupper and others, for a re-laying out of said part of said Street, (which was laid upon the Table on the 24th March last,) be referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

J. H. Richmond & Co. A Communication from the Mayor, enclosing a Memorial of John Henry Richmond of Boston. (Mass) claiming \$10000 Damages for injuries done to his estate on India Street; by a change in the established grade of said

Street, and by the filling up of the same; is presented and read. Whereupon it is ordered that the same together with said Memorial, be referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

School House Let on Bridgman Street. Resolved, that the City Treasurer, acting under the advice and direction of the Standing Committee on Education, be and he is hereby authorized to purchase a tract of land situate between Bridgman and Dodge Streets, consisting of Lots Nos 54, 335, 184 and 183, on Plot 32; containing twenty seven thousand, two hundred and five feet; at a price not exceeding five thousand, four hundred dollars; and pay for the same out of any monies in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated; - And, if it be approved by the School Committee, to cause the Grammar School Building to be erected on the Lot, instead of that on Bright and Barque Streets, as authorized by a Resolution of the City Council passed February 11th 1856.

Resolved, that three thousand five hundred dollars be added to the appropriation for the erection of said Grammar School Building; to be paid out of the Appropriation for "School Houses and Lots."

(Continued.)

(Approved by the Mayor)

Remission of Tax. The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 11th of February last, was referred the petition of Seth Padelford, for remission of tax; having on the 10th of March last, made Report thereon; and a motion to grant the prayer thereof, having then been pat. and lost; - it is now ordered, that said petitioner have leave to withdraw.

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Resolved, That the City Treasurer, be, and he is
Rogers. } hereby directed to pay to Mrs. A. Rogers, widow of
Loben T. Rogers, the sum of fifty two dollars and
fifty cents; - the same being the amount due her
husband, by the City, for services for lighting lamps,
at the time of his death.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

143. Appropriation The Standing Committee on Finance report "Reso-
lutions making Appropriations for the year ending
the last Monday in September A.D. one thousand,
eight hundred and fifty six; - which Resolutions
are read, and amended; - and, as amended,
are read and passed.

Joined in Convention of the City Council,

In Convention,

137. Joseph Martin is elected Chairman of the Board
of Assessors of Taxes.

Twenty persons are elected members of the School
Committee.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday
the 21st day of April instant, at 7 o'clock
P.M.

Members present,
Mr President,

Mr Angell.

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Mr. Bartlett,
Beckwith,
Coxwell,
Mannis,
Edgemoor,
Hall,
Lively,
Lyon,
New Knight,
Miller,
Pike,

" Rhodes,
Rider,
Solisbury,
Simmons,
Trow,
Spicer,
Toft,
Taylor,
Tingley,
Walker,
Waterman.

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Albert G. Green,
Clerk.

Common Council, April 21st 1856.

The Common Council met pursuant to adjourn-
ment: a quorum present.

142. 143. Appropriation The "Resolutions making Appropriations for the
year ending the last Monday in September A.D.
one thousand eight hundred and fifty six; -
which passed the Common Council, on the 14th
of April instant, - and were then sent up for
amendment; - are now returned by the Board of
Aldermen; who amend therein, with the follow-
ing Amendments: viz:

1. That, in the Appropriation "for the support of
Public Schools," the word "fifty" be struck out;
and the word "fifty five" inserted in its place.
2. That in the Appropriation "for lighting the streets,"
the word "thirty" be struck out; and the word

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"twenty five," inserted in its place.

3. That in the Appropriation for "Highways," the word "twenty" be struck out; and the word "fifty" be inserted in its place.

And said Amendments having been read: It is resolved, that the Common Council do not concur therein.

(The Board of Aldermen having resolved, that they do adhere to their Amendments: -

It is, thereupon, resolved, that the Common Council do request a Conference, upon the disagreement of the two Boards; and do appoint Roger Noteman, E. A. Greene, and Stone, conferees on their part.

(The Board of Aldermen agree to a conference, and appoint Aldermen Bryant and Maudslayi, conferees on their part.

Tax. The Standing Committee on Finance report a Bill entitled "An Ordinance providing for the assessment and collection of the sum of Four Hundred and Twenty five Thousand Dollars," by a Tax on Real and Personal Estate: - which is read, and laid upon the Table.

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

"Whereas, Tristram Barges has represented that the City Hydrants have been carried through and under his land, in front of the Hoyle Tavern Estate, East of the Hay scales; and between the Hay scales and the pump; and continue there to the present time; and that he has no present objection to such use, provided it is not intended, on the part of the City, to claim any rights therein, against him, by adverse

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possession: -

Resolved, by the City Council, that the City of New-York do not intend to claim or acquire any rights, by adverse possession, (by using any of the said land of the said Barges, for the City Hydrants,) against the said Barges's estate.

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

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Superior Schools } A Communication from the Trustees of the Piousness
Superior School, requesting that the Salary of Assistant Superintendent and Teacher may be increased from \$400 to \$500 per annum: is presented, read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

Congress St. } A Resolution to direct the Survey of Highways to
cause certain work to be done upon the following
named streets: - viz Broadway Street,
Rector Street,
Barn Street,
North Main Street (covered): - is presented and read; and it is moved, that the same pass: - which motion is put, and lost.

126. South Water Street } Resolved, that the City Treasurer be, and he is
hereby empowered and directed to pay to such of
the parties, who have sustained loss (and damage)
in the widening of South Water Street, from the
North Water Street corner of the brick blocks occupied
by W. H. Lippitt, on said Street, and proceeding
North Westward, or as near as may be on a line
with the Waterly part of said Street, to Market
Square, of a width of fifty feet; - as the Com-
mittee appointed March 10, 1856, for that purpose,
shall agree to settle with, in such manner

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and such an amount as said Committee shall direct; and he is hereby authorized and empowered to receive the estimates and payments made against any of the parties, with whom said Committee shall settle; and give receipts therefor; for such amounts, and upon such conditions as he shall be directed to do by said Committee.

(Commenced)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Canal The Standing Committee on Finance report the Street, following Resolution; which is read and passed:

Resolved, That the sum of One Thousand Dollars be added to the Appropriation already made for laying walk and digging mud on Canal Street.

(Commenced)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Ward No. 7 The Standing Committee on City Property, to whom, on the 13th of November, 1854, was referred the petition of William F. Hammond and others, report the following Resolution; which is read and passed:

Resolved, That the City Treasurer, acting under the advice of the Committee on City Property, be, and he is hereby authorized to purchase of the House and lot on Carpenter Street, now occupied by Engine Company No 9; and to purchase the lot on Pallas Street; for the purpose of erecting a building suitable for an Engine House and Ward Room; Also, to sell any portion of the Pallas Street Lot, so purchased, not needed by the City.

(Commenced)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Do. Said Committee also report the following Resolution;

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which is read and passed: viz:
Resolved, That the City Treasurer, acting under the advice of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, be, and he is hereby authorized to contract for the erection of a building upon the Pallas Street lot suitable for an Engine House and Ward Room; providing the expense does not exceed the sum of three thousand Dollars.

(Commenced, with the following Amendment; viz: That the words "Joint-Committee on City Property, and the," be inserted before the word "Chief," in the 2^d line.)

The Common Council concurs in the Amendment.

(Approved by the Mayor)

Fire Department A Communication from the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department, respecting the mode of selection of Officers in the Fire Department; is presented, read, received and laid upon the Table.

Pallas School A Communication from the School Committee, recommending that an Ordinance be passed, requiring all ^{children} to be vaccinated before being allowed to attend a Pallas School; - is presented read and received.

Do. A Bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance in relation to Public Schools," having passed the Board of Aldermen; is sent down, for concurrence and is read; Whereupon it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein.
(Approved by the Mayor)

A. Payne The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 24th of March last, was referred the Account of Abraham Payne; report the following Resolution;

Case
Persons
Maritime
No. 132.

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which is read and passed: viz:

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to Abraham Payne, the sum of One hundred and fifty Dollars, for his bill against the City of Providence, in Case "J. Lefrons vs. Bantow & others."

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Opening of the Poor, S.A. Phillips, The joint Committee to whom, on the 24 of March last, was referred the Memorial of Stephen A. Phillips, Overseer of the Poor, report the following Resolution, which is read and passed.

134. - Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to Stephen A. Phillips, Overseer of the Poor, fifty dollars, on the thirty first day of May next, in addition to the amount of salary which may then be due him for the present municipal year.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Resolving The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 10 of March last, were referred the petitions of Elisha S. Winsor, and Nathan W. Parker, for remission of taxes: and to whom on the 24 of March last, was referred the petition of Olney Kendrick, for remission of tax: - report the following Resolution, which is read and passed: viz:

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to the individuals, whose names are annexed, the sums placed against their respective names; - the said sums being in remission of taxes improperly assessed against them in the year 1855; provided it shall appear to the Treasurer, upon the Certificate of the Collector of Taxes, that said sums have

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been paid into the City Treasury. If it shall appear to the City Treasurer, that the said taxes have not been paid into the Treasury; then he shall credit the Collector of Taxes with the amount so unpaid; and the Collector of Taxes shall deduct the amounts hereby remitted, from the taxes of those persons whose names are annexed.

- 128. To Elisha S. Winsor \$3. 37. 5.
- 128. " Nathan W. Parker, \$54 " "
- 132. " Olney Kendrick \$49. 95 "

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Do. The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 10 of March last, were referred the petitions

- 128. of Jeremiah Roggett
- 128. Isaac Green,
- 128. Hanson Hicks,
- 128. William Clark,
- 128. Paschal Carpenter,
- 128. Israel Walker,
- 128. & Danforth Lyon, for Chichester Green; -
- 132. and to whom on the 24 of March last, was referred the petition of William R. Anderson; for remission of taxes; make Reports recommending that said petitioners severally have leave to withdraw; - which Reports are read, and severally received; - And it is thereupon advised, that said petitioners severally have leave to withdraw.

Do. The Standing Committee on Finance to whom, on the 10 of March last, was referred the petition of Sarah Chalmers, for remission of tax; make Report, which is read, received, and recommended.

Do. The following petitions for the remission of taxes, are presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report

therein; viz: -

- 156. Petition of Philip Case,
- 168. " " Elden Pearce,
- 168. " " Stephen Gray;
- 157. " " Otis W. Cushing;
- 184. " " Charles Jackson,
- 168. " " William W. Pearce.

Main Building

- Petitions of John Penno, (annexed)
- David Bombard, (do)
- David S. Carr. (20)

and Owen Carroll, for liberty to move certain wooden buildings; are presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon; - which Committee make Reports, in favour of granting the prayers thereof respectively; - which Reports are received; and Resolutions granting the prayers of said petitions respectively, are read and passed, (annexed)

Do

- Petitions of Elisha A. Dunfee,
- Oliver Wickes,

and J. Henry Ormsbee, for liberty to move certain wooden buildings; are presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon; - which Committee make Reports thereon severally; - which Reports are severally received; - and it is advised that said petitioners severally have been withdrawn.

An Account of Wingate Hayes for services in relation to the Report of the Committee to revise the City Ordinances, & to the printing of the Book of Ordinances, &c. is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on

Finance, to examine and report thereon.

Do. An Account of Albert G. Greene, for services as a member of the Committee to revise the City Ordinances; is presented, received and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

P. A. Tappan An Account of Thomas A. Tappan, for design, plans, elevations and estimates for a City Hall; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

A Resolution to authorize the Board of Aldermen to lease the Fiske estate; is presented, read, and laid upon the Table.

Resolved, That the City Treasurer, acting under the advice and direction of the Standing Committee on City Property, be, and he is hereby authorized to lease to Messrs. McLeod and Salisbury, a portion of the Field's Paint Farm, (for the purpose of using the same for a ship yard and marine railway,) for a term of years. (New concerned, May 5, 1856)

The Report of the Committee upon the expediency of selling certain Real Estate belonging to the City, which on the 14th day of April instant, was laid upon the Table with an order that the same together with the two accompanying Resolutions, should be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing; - having been printed pursuant to said order; - is now taken up and read.

The Resolution (so reported) to authorize sale of

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certain Real Estate, is read, and amended, as follows: -

"Resolved, That the Town, the Mayor, and the Board of Aldermen be and they are hereby authorized and directed to clear the Town House Lot, of all the buildings therein standing, as soon as the present lease expires; removing the Engine House and the Room for Books and Saddles, if found practicable, to the space over the Canal, and Canal Street, back of the building recently erected by the Providence Printing Company; and selling the remainder, at public auction.

Also, that they be authorized and directed to terminate the lease of the three story building on the lot bounded by Dorrance, Fulton, Baker and Washington Streets, and arrange it for the accommodation of the several Police departments which now occupy the Town House.

Also, that they be authorized and directed to sell, at public auction, after giving ample public notice, the Town House Lot, - the Work House Lot, & the Roan Estate, - and invest the proceeds in the unified City Bonds, to be held, with their accumulations of interest, as a fund for the erection of a City Hall or other public buildings, whenever they shall be hereafter ordered."

Whereupon, it is moved, that said Resolution prop. Alford, which motion, the question is taken by ayes and nays; and it is agreed that the same be entered upon the Journal; as follows. viz:

<u>Ayes.</u>		
Messrs. Angell,	Mr. Knight,	Tricker,
Bartow,	Pike,	Waldman
Beckwith	Roberts,	
Canell,	Rider,	
Francis,	Spear,	
Hill,	Stow,	

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Nays.

Messrs. E. A. Greene,	Scrimmer,
Lyon,	Snow,
Miller,	Toft,
Salisbury,	Taylor,

Said Resolution is therefore opposed.
(Not concurred, May 19, 1856.)

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To.

The Resolutions (so reported) respecting a sale of certain Real Estate (being a part of the Dexter Donations) - are read and passed; as follows: viz:

"Resolved, that it be recommended to the Citizens, at the next Dexter Town Meeting, to order the Commissioners, to offer for sale, at public auction, after giving proper notice, - the Tavern Estate on North Main Street, - the estate next South of the same, - the estate on Meeting Street, and the lot on North side of Bech Street; - and invest the proceeds in the unified 6 per cent Bonds of the City.

Resolved, that the City Clerk be, and he is hereby directed to communicate the action of the Council, to said Meeting.
(Not concurred, May 19, 1856.)

The Common Council adjourn, to meet, on Monday the 12th day of May next, at 8 o'clock P.M.

Members present,

Mr. President,	Mr. Lyon,
Angell,	Mr. Knight,
Barstow,	Miller,
Behairst,	Pike,
Canell,	Roberts,
Francis,	Rider,
E. A. Greene,	Salisbury,
Hill,	Scrimmer,

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Shaw,
Spicer,
Stone,
Toft.

Taylor,
Tucker,
Waterman.

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Albert Greene,
Clerk.

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

The President being absent, Mr Taylor is elected President, pro tempore.

The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer under the Resolution of the Common Council of October 25 1854, is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

The Monthly Report of the Surveyor of Highways is presented read and received.
(Concurred.)
(Approved by the Mayor)

The Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, is presented read and received.
(Concurred.)
(Approved by the Mayor)

A Resolution for the appointment of a joint Committee of Health Physicians, to apply to the General Assembly at its next Session, for the passage of an Act establishing the Office of "Health Physician" in this City, was appointed by the Board

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of Aldermen, &c. - Having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and is read. Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be referred to Messrs Dexter, Shaw and Waterman, to examine the same, and to report thereon at the next meeting of the Common Council.

A Warrant for Account of Russell Warren, for plans and designs for a City Hall: (for \$200) is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

A Petition of John Tillinghast, for compensation for injuries sustained by him on the 21st of April last, on Weybosset Bridge, while said Bridge was undergoing repairs; - is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 11th of February last, was referred the Memorial of John Tilton, report the following Resolution, which is read and passed: viz:

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to John Tilton, the sum of Eight Hundred Dollars, in full for all damages sustained by him in falling into a hole in South Water Street, on his carrying a full and satisfactory receipt; and the same to be paid out of any moneys not otherwise appropriated.
(Concurred.)
(Approved by the Mayor)

The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 10th of March last, was referred the petitions of J. B. Palmer, Joseph Hemen, Joseph R. Burns, & The Pine Street Baptist Society; - and to whom, on

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24th day of said March was referred the petition of William W. Botley; - and to whom, on the 25th of April last, was referred the petition of Philip Cass; - for remission of taxes, - now report the following Resolution, which is read and passed;

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed, to pay to the persons whose names are annexed, if the same placed against their respective names; - the said sums being in remission of taxes improperly assessed against them in the year 1855; provided it shall appear to the Treasurer, upon the certificate of the Collector of Taxes, that said sums have been paid into the City Treasury; If it shall appear to the City Treasurer, that the said taxes have not been paid into the Treasury; - then he shall credit the Collector of Taxes with the amounts so unpaid; and the Collector of Taxes shall deduct the amounts hereby remitted, from the taxes of said persons whose names are annexed

128.	To John B. Palmer	\$ 67.50.
128.	" Joseph Bomer,	8.10.
132.	" William W. Botley,	6.75.
128.	" Joseph R. Barnes,	25.65.
128.	" Pine Street Baptist Society,	133. 67. 5.
150.	" Philip Cass,	72. 90.
		<hr/> 316. 57. 5.

(Concord)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Do A communication from the Assessors of Taxes for the year 1855, recommending the remission of certain taxes assessed in that year; - is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

Do. The Standing Committee on Finance, to attend on the

May 12th 1856.

21. of April last was referred the petition of Plas B. Caslebury for remission of taxes; and to whom, on the same day, was recommended the petition of Sarah Holsey, for remission of tax; now report recommending that said petitioners have leave to withdraw; which Reports are read, and are severally received; And it is thereupon, advised, that said petitioners severally have leave to withdraw.

S. Holsey.
149.

The following Petitions for the remission of taxes, are presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon; viz.

- 168. Petition of Henry Tanner,
- 167. " " Seth Padesford,
- 223. " " Edward Decker & Henry B. Decker,
- 168. " " Enoch B. Weedon,
- 202. " " Carl Plowen & others, Organizers of Bill Carpenter & Co.

Teste Estate. A Memorial of Frances Cordelia Basco and others, (by their Attorney, J.B.G. Faouel-Gervaud,) representing that they are heirs of Alexis Teste late of Providence, deceased, who died in October 1818, seized of certain real estate in said Providence, since called "the Teste Estate," now in possession of the City; - and praying that said Estate may be delivered to them, &c. - is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

Stewart Street. A Resolution for the paving of gutters and setting of curb stone on Stewart Street, from Broad to Pine Street, having passed the Board of Aldermen; - is sent down for concurrence, read, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways; to examine and report thereon.

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Carsaiter } Petition for the paving of gutter and setting
Street, } of curb stones in Carsait Street, from Stewart to
193. Lechell Street; having passed the Board of Alder-
men; is sent down for examination, read, and re-
ferred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to
examine and report thereon.

B. Street } Petition of Samuel Warrington & others, relative to
B Street; is presented read and received.

Do. Resolved, by the City Council of the City of Providence;
That the Board of Aldermen said City be, and they
are hereby requested to lay out a Highway in
said City, under the Act entitled "An Act for
... laying out Highways," - from Pond to Cranston
Street, in said City; - said Highway to be a con-
tinuation of B. Street, and about four feet east
of the line of said B. Street, about one hundred
and sixty feet, and of the same width as B. Street;
(Conceded; with the following Amendment;
viz: That the words "the same width as
B Street;" be stricken out; and that
the following words be inserted in the
place: viz: "such width as the Board of
Aldermen deem expedient.")

The Common Council consent in the
Amendment.

(Approved by the Mayor)

Point } Petition to request the Board of Aldermen to lay
Street, } out a Highway, in continuation of Point Street; is
194. presented read, and referred to the Standing Committee
on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Dodge } Petition to request the Board of Aldermen to lay
Street, } out a Highway in continuation of Dodge Street; is
209. presented, read, and referred to the Standing Committee
on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Governor } Petition for the paving of gutter and setting of
Street, } curb stones in Governor Street, from Russell to
Power Street; is presented, read, and referred to
the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine
and report thereon.

The following petitions are presented, received, and
referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to
examine and report thereon: viz:

Pond St. } Petition of Mary Badger, and others, for setting
211. curb stones, &c. in Pond Street, from Pearl to
Bridgman Street; -

Lockwood St. } Petition of Charles W. Atwood and others, for
263. setting curb stones, &c. in Lockwood Street,
from Place to Windmill Street.

Fire } The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to
Depart- } whom on the 11 of February last, was referred the
ment. } Communication from the Board of Engineers, and
the Bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of
(Officers) an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance estab-
lishing a Fire Department;" - make Report, that

117. They do not recommend the passage of said Bill;

178. (Said Bill directing that all officers of the Fire
Companies be appointed by the Board of Engineers.)
which Report is read, received, and laid upon the
Table.

Do Resolved, That Messrs Miller, Waterman and Reed,
with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be
(Rejoicing } and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to
Funds) } apply to the Legislature, at its next Session, for
the passage of an Act fixing the liability of the
several Towns adjacent to the City of Providence,
for the services of its Fire Department and Appa-
-ratus, whenever said Department and Appa-
-ratus is called into service; for the extinguish-
ment of fires, the protection and preservation of

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property, in the vicinity of said City.
(See enclosed. May 19, 1856)

City Bonds } A Res. entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the
further sale and negotiation of the City Bonds",
is presented, by the Standing Committee on Finance,
who recommend the passage thereof, and is read,
and laid upon the table.

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164.

Living
buildings

Petitions of Joseph Howland,
Kerkins and Sebell,
Stephen J. Theorman,
G. C. Gibbs,
Andrew Ward,
Philip Linn,
and Henry B. Lyman; for liberty to move
certain wooden buildings; are presented, read, re-
ceived, and referred to the Standing Committee on the
Fire Department, to examine and report thereon; --
which Committee make Reports, in favor of granting
the prayers thereof respectively; and said Reports are
received; and Resolutions granting the prayers of said
petitions respectively, are read and passed.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

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(S. W. Baker) A Petition of S. W. Baker, for liberty to move a certain
wooden building, is presented, received, and referred to
the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to
examine and report thereon; which Committee
make Report, recommending that said petitioner have
leave to withdraw; -- which Report is received;
and it is thereupon, ordered, that said petitioner
have leave to withdraw.

J. H. Richmond } The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the
14th of April last, was referred the Memorial of John

J. H. Richmond }
140.

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Henry Richmond claiming Damages for injuries done to
his estate on India Street; make Report recommend-
ing that said petitioner have leave to withdraw;
which said Report is received; and it is thereupon, or-
dered, that said petitioner have leave to withdraw.

App. } The Standing Committee on Finance report the follow-
ing Resolution; which is read and passed: viz:
Resolved, that the sum of Ten Thousand Dol-
lars be added to former Appropriations, for Public
Schools

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Reform } The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on
Schools } the 21st of April last, was referred the Communi-
cation from the Trustees of the Providence Reform
School; report the following Resolution; which
is read and passed; viz:

Salary of
Asst. Supr. }
145.

Resolved, That the salary of the Assistant
Superintendent and Teacher of the Providence
Reform School, be five hundred dollars per an-
num, from and after the fifteenth day of
April, Eschew divided and fifty six.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Ordinan } The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on
ces. } the 21st of April last was referred the Account of
Ag. Greene } Albert Greene; report the following Resolu-
tion; which is read and passed; viz:

157. } Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he
is hereby directed to pay to Albert Greene,
the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars; for
services rendered as a member of the Com-
mittee appointed to revise the Ordinances of the
City; and the same to be paid out of the
Appropriation for Contingent expenses.

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(Approved by the Mayor.)

Pro God & Population in the words following, having passed
Co. the Board of Aldermen; is sent down for concurrence,
and is read; viz.

Resolved, that the City Treasurer be and
he is hereby directed to contract with the Pro-
vidence Gas Company, for a supply of gas, for
street lamps, (when said lamps are requir-
ed to be lighted,) until Daylight, the year
round; instead of two dollars, as now burnt.

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

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention,

Arthur Tenner is elected a Constable, for the re-
-mainder of the present municipal year

George N. Darrow tenders his resignation as a mem-
ber of the School Committee; and the same is accep-
-ted.

Marinus W. Gardner is elected a member of the
School Committee.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday
the 19th of May instant, at 8 o'clock
P.M.

May 12th May 19th 1856.

Members present.

Mr Angell,
Beckwith,
Canell,
Francis,
E. A. Green,
Vail
Lester,
Lincoln
Mc Knight,
Miller,
Pike,
Rhodes,

" Rider,
Salisbury,
Simmons,
Shaw,
Spicer
Stone,
Toft,
Towler,
Tingley,
Tucker,
Waterman,
Winn, 24,

Albert Green,
Clerk.

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The Common Council met, pursuant to adjourn-
ment: a quorum present.

Appropria- The Committee appointed on the 21st of April last,
-tions. to confer with the Committee appointed to con-
148. fer with the Committee by the Board of Aldermen
upon the disagreement of the two Boards upon the
"Resolutions making Appropriations for the year
ending the last Monday in September A.D. 1856"
make Report, by new Resolutions, with the same
title; which Report is read and received; and
said Resolutions, as reported are read and
passed.

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144. 179. The Bill entitled "An Ordinance for the raising, apportionment and collection of the sum of Four Hundred and Twenty five Thousand Dollars, by a Tax on Real and Personal estate," which was laid upon the table, on the 21st of April last; is taken up, amended by striking out the words "Twenty five"; and inserting the word "Fifty" in its place; - and as amended, is read and passed.

(Concurred, with the following Amendments, viz: That the words "Four Hundred and Fifty", in the title and also in the first and second Sections, be stricken out; and the words "Four Hundred and Twenty-five" be inserted in each of said places.)

The Amendments of the Board of Aldermen having been read; It is resolved, that the Common Council do not concur therein.

160. City & Bonds. The Bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the further sale and negotiation of the City Bonds"

which was laid upon the table on the 12th of May instant; is taken up, and read, and is amended by a provision that the 50 bonds of \$1000 each, thereby authorized to be sold, may be sold at not less than 3 per cent premium upon the par value thereof. And it is thereupon moved, that said Bill, so amended, pass. Whereupon which motion the question is taken by ayes and nays; and it is ordered that the same be entered upon the Journal, as follows.

Ayes.

- | | | | |
|-------------|--------|---|---------|
| Allyn | Angell | " | Lyer |
| Beckwith | | | Niles |
| Canell | | | Pike |
| Francis | | | Simmons |
| E. A. Green | | | Snow |
| W. H. H. | | | Stone |
| Lincoln | | | Taft |

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" Toyer
Tizley
Wolman 7

Nays.
Napier, Lexter,
Rhodes
Rider,
Seligson,
Spicer,
Tucker
Wisor. 7.

Said Bill is thereupon passed.
(Concurred)

155. Report of the Standing Committee on Finance to whom, on the 12th of May instant, was referred the Report of Russell Warren, for designs & plans for a City Hall; make Report that they do not recommend the allowance of the same; which Report is received; and it is thereupon ordered, that said Russell Warren have leave to withdraw.

155. John Fillingham. The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom on the 12th of May instant, was referred the Petition of John Fillingham, make verbal Report, that said petition, on reports heard to withdraw. Whereupon, it is ordered, that said petitioner have leave to withdraw.

154. Resolved. The Committee to whom on the 12th of May instant was referred the Resolution from the Board of Aldermen, respecting the Office of "Health Physician" in this City, make Report, recommending that the same be carried over in the proposed Session, with an Amendment: - Said Resolution being in the words following, viz: -

"Resolved, that Alderman Knight, together with said Board of Aldermen may add, be, and they hereby are appointed a Committee to apply to the Legislature, at its next Session, for the passage of an Act establishing the office

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of Health Physician, in this City; said Officer to act as the Agent of the Board of Health, and to be appointed by the Board of Aldermen of said City, and his Salaries to be Defined, and his Salary to be fixed by said Board of Aldermen;

Which Report is received; - And it is thereupon Resolved that the Common Council do concur in the passage of said Resolution, with the following Amendment; viz: That the words "Health Physician" be stricken out; and the words "Superintendent of Health," be inserted in their place. Messrs Waterman, Tucker and Simmons assent. (The Breary Aldermen concur in the Amendment.)

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

Resolved, That the City Clerk be authorized to have an Index or Indices made, of all the Deed Books in his Office, arranged in Alphabetical order; and to draw on the City Treasurer, for the expense."

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

The following Petitions are presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon; viz:

Holley St. } 193.

Petition of Charles Hodges, for crop walk in Holley Street.

Westminster Lane. } 238.

Petition of William Russell and others, for crop walk in Westminster Street.

Brook Street. } A Resolution to request the Board of Aldermen to lay

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out a Highway, in continuation of Brook Street, from Charles Field Street to Benevolent Street: - is presented, read, and laid upon the Table.

Pratt Street. } 194. A Resolution to request the Board of Aldermen to lay out a Highway, in continuation of Pratt Street, is presented, read, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Remission of Taxes. } 156. The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 12th of May inst, was referred the Communication from Seth Mather & Taxes, for the year 1855, recommending the remission of certain taxes offered in that year: - make Report, by Resolution, for the remission of said taxes, amounting to \$1096: 47. 2. - which Report is received, and said Resolution is read and passed. (Continued.)

do. } 157. The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 12th of May instant, was referred the petition of Seth Padesford, for remission of tax: - report the following Resolution; which is read and passed:

viz: Resolved, That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to pay to Seth Padesford, the sum of twenty seven Dollars and forty four cents: - the said sum being in remission of tax improperly offered against him, in the year 1854 (eighteen hundred and fifty four) - provided it shall appear to the Treasurer, upon the Certificate of the Collector of Taxes, that the said sum has been paid into the Treasury. If it shall appear to the City Treasurer, that the said tax has not been paid into the Treasury, - then he shall assist the Collector of Taxes, with

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the amount so unpaid; and the Collector of Taxes shall deduct the amount hereby remitted, from the tax of said Seth Paddock.

(Concurred)

Do The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 21. of April last, were referred the petitions of Stephen Gray, William W. Pearce and Udden Pearce, and to whom, on the 12th of May instant, was referred the petition of Eben H. Weedon; - for remission of taxes; - make Reports thereon; which are severally received.

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to the persons whose names are annexed, the sums placed against their respective names; - the said sums being in remission of taxes improperly assessed against them in the year 1855 (eighteen hundred and fifty-five;) provided it shall appear to the Treasurer upon the Certificate of the Collector of Taxes, that the said sums have been paid into the Treasury, & it shall appear to the City Treasurer, that the said taxes have not been paid into the Treasury; - then he shall credit the Collector of Taxes, with the amounts so unpaid; and the Collector of Taxes shall deduct the amounts hereby remitted, from the taxes of said persons whose names are annexed.

150.	To Stephen Gray,	\$ 13. 50.
150.	.. William W. Pearce,	20. 25.
150.	.. Udden Pearce,	13. 50
157.	.. Eben H. Weedon	33. 75.

(Concurred.)

Do The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 12th of May instant, was referred the petition of Henry Tanner,

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for remission of tax; make Report, recommending that said petitioners have leave to withdraw; - which Report is received; and it is, thereupon, ordered that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Do. The following Petitions for the remission of taxes, are presented, received and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

- 186. 1/2; Petition of William E. Dodge.
- 186. " " Thomas K. Greene.

Maintaining a Petition of John W. Soudale, for liberty to move a certain wooden building; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon; - which Committee make Report, in favour of granting the prayer thereof; - which Report is received; and it is, thereupon, ordered, that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Further Mention in the words following, being passed by the Board of Aldermen, - is read & carried for concurrence, and is read: -

178. "Resolved, that Aldermen Bowen and Manchester, with such as the Common Council may add, be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to make arrangements for a proper celebration of the approaching Anniversary of American Independence; And that the sum of Twenty five Hundred Dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated for that purpose; to be paid to the order of said Committee, by the City Treasurer, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be laid upon the Table.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Council be tendered

170.

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...ded to Charles T. Robbins, Esq. for the able and un-
-partial manner in which he has presided over this
body for the past year.

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

The Common Council adjourns, "without Day" &c.

Members present,

Mr President,

Angell,

Be Smith,

Cornell,

Francis,

G. Greene,

Hill,

Lester,

Lincoln,

Lyon,

Mc Knight,

Miller,

Pick,

Whales,

Rider

Salisbury,

Simmons,

Swan,

Spicer,

Stone,

Toft,

Doyle,

Pingley,

Tucker,

Waterman,

Winnor,

26.

Albert G. Greene,

Blake,

171.

June 2nd 1856.

Organization of the City Government
of the City of Portland, for the
Municipal Year commencing on
the first Monday in June, A.D. 1856.

Monday, June 2nd 1856.

This being the Day designated by the City
Charter, for the organization of the City Gov-
ernment, for the ensuing Municipal Year,
the Mayor and Aldermen elect and the
members elect of the Common Council assem-
bled in the Council Chamber, at 3 o'clock
P.M.

The Certificate of the election of James G.
Smith as Mayor for said year, is read;
and the oath prescribed by law, is admin-
istered to him by Hon. George H. Prayton,
Justice of the Supreme Court.

The Certificate of the election of
William V. Waterman,
William V. Bowen,
Billings Prastor,
George S. Nochtum,
Cyrus B. Monckton
Joseph C. Knight
and Zebulon H. Holden, as Aldermen
for said year, are presented and read; and
they are severally sworn by the Mayor, ac-
cording to law.

173. Certificate of the election of the members of the Common Council are presented and read; and all of said members, (excepting Daniel Day,) are present and are engaged by the Mayor, according to law.

Abner Baldwin is, by ballot, elected City Clerk for said year; and is engaged by the Mayor, according to law.

An Address is delivered by the Mayor, relative to the municipal affairs of the City.

The two Boards separate.

Members of the Common Council of the City of Portland, for the Municipal Year commencing on the first Monday in June, A.D. 1856.

- First Ward. John V. Taylor, Daniel Angell, Cassin W. Bart, Alfred Potter.
- Second Ward. Edward A. Greene, Royal C. Taft, Daniel Day, Rhodes R. Chapman.
- Third Ward. Stephen L. Salisbury, Edmund W. Tingley, Henry M. Simmons

John L. Hayes.

Fourth Ward

- Stephen Waterman, Oliver Johnson, Albert G. Sprague, Lake Green.

Fifth Ward.

- Arnold C. Hawes, William Spencer, William C. Hopkins, Thomas A. Doyle.

Sixth Ward.

- John N. Lester, John N. Francis, James Tucker Jr, Thomas Lincoln

Seventh Ward.

- Joseph C. Hartshorn, Edward N. Davis, Charles M. Stone, Stephen Burwell.

The Members elect of the Common Council, (except Mr. Day) having been engaged by the Mayor, in the presence of the Board of Aldermen; - and called to order.

Stephen Waterman is elected President of the Common Council, for the present Municipal year.

Abner Greene is elected Clerk of the Common Council, for the present municipal year, and is sworn by the Mayor, in the presence of the Board of Aldermen, - according to law.

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

Resolved, that the same Standing Rules which were, on the fourth day of June, A.D. 1855, adopted as the Standing Rules of the City Council, for the Municipal Year last past, be and the same are hereby adopted as the Standing Rules of the City Council, for the present Municipal Year.

(Continued)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Standing Committee. Pursuant to the Standing Rules, this day, adopted by the City Council, - the following joint Standing Committees are now appointed, according to the respective Rules of the two Boards: - viz:

On Finance,

Reps. E. A. Greene }
L. Green. } Alderman Knight.
Tapp. }
Thames. }

On Highways,

Reps. Johnson }
Angell, } Alderman Brewster.
Sprague }

To engross Ordinances

Reps. Brownell, }
Tacher, } Alderman Manchester.
Simmons. }

On Education,

Reps. Doyle, }
Chapman } Alderman Rathbone.
Watts }
Bart. }

On the Fire Department,

Reps. Francis, }
Taylor, } Alderman Golden.
Naves. }

On City Property,

Reps. Day }
Spencer, } Alderman Waterman.
Davis. }

On Police,

Reps. Salisbury, }
Patterson, } Alderman Bowen.
Lester, }
Stone. }

On the North Burial Ground

Reps. Pingree, }
Lincoln, } Alderman Waterman.
Hopkins. }

Mayor. Received that Messrs. Tapp, Lester and Davis Alders. with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to wait upon the Mayor, and request him to furnish, for publication, a copy of the Ad. Op., this day, delivered by him to the City Council; and to cause the same to be published, in such manner as they may deem expedient.

(Continued: of Alderman Waterman added)
(Approved by the Mayor)

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City Meeting } Resolved, That Messrs Doyle, Toft and Francis,
182. } with such as the Board of Aldermen may add
be and they are hereby appointed a Com-
mittee to contract for the City printing, for
the present municipal year.
(Commenced & Alderman Bowen added)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Printing } Resolved, That the joint Committee to whom
Sub. R. } was referred the subject of printing the Mayor's
Address to the City Council, - be and they are
hereby authorized and directed, to cause a
List of the Standing Committees, and such
particulars of the Organization of the City Govern-
ment as they may deem expedient, - to be
printed in pamphlet form, for the use of the
City Council.
(Commenced,)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Treasury } Resolved, That Messrs E. A. Greene, Lake Green
Bond } and Toft, with such as the Board of Aldermen
182. } may add, 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, for the present municipal year; and that
said Bond be for the sum of Fifty Thousand
Dollars.
(Commenced; Alderman Rathbone & Trustees added)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Comm } Whereas, Messrs E. A. Greene, Lake Green
on } and Hoopes, have been, this day, appointed by
City } the Common Council, as the Committee on their
part, for the reduction of the City Debt, for the
present municipal year, pursuant to the requi-
sition contained in the first section of the Ordinance

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entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the City
Debt"; - It is resolved, that the names of
said Committee be communicated to the Board
of Aldermen, in order that said Board may
add an Alderman to said Committee, pursu-
ant to the requisition contained in said Section.
(Alderman Rathbone added)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Police } Resolved, That from the justices assigned to
Court. } keep the Peace within this City, Henry L.
Bowen and William Howles be and they
are hereby selected to compose the Police
Court of this City, during the present mu-
nicipal year.
(Commenced,)
(Approved by the Mayor)

School } The Annual Report of the School Committee
Committee } is presented and read. Whereupon, it is or-
Report. } dered, that the same be received, and referred
to the Standing Committee on Education,
with directions to cause five hundred
copies of the same, with the accompany-
ing papers, to be printed, in pamphlet
form, for the use of the City Council.
(Commenced,)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Engineering } The Annual Report of the Board of Engi-
Report. } neers of the Fire Department, is presented and
read. Whereupon it is ordered, that the same
be received, and referred to the Standing Com-
mittee on the Fire Department; - and that
one thousand copies of the same, with the
accompanying Tables, be printed, in pamph-
let form, for the use of the City Council.
(Commenced)
(Approved by the Mayor)

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Queen's The semi-annual Report of the Queen of
Report. the Bar, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is
ordered, that the same be received,

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Point. The Resolution for a Municipal Celebration of the
July. } approaching Anniversary of American Independence,
which passed the Board of Aldermen on the 19th of
169. May last, and was then sent down for concu-
201. rence, and laid upon the table: - is taken
up, and read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that
the Common Council do concur therein.

Rep. Doyle,
Munnell,
Toft,
and Hoys. } added to the Committee,
(Approved by the Mayor)

Vote. A Resolution to direct the City Treasurer to loan
157. } the "Tule Estate" to William W. Low, for five years,
187. } is presented, read, and referred to the Standing Com-
mittee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

Fire Department. The Report of the Standing Committee on the Fire
Department upon the Bill entitled "An Ordinance
in amendment of an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance
establishing a Fire Department," not accompanying
(Officers.) the papers of said Bill: which Report was on
the 12th of May last, laid upon the table: - is
159. taken up and read. Whereupon, it is resolved
187. that said Report be not adopted. - And said
Bill is thereupon, read and passed.

Swill. } A Bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of
an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance in relation

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to Swill and Board Offal;" having passed
the Board of Aldermen, is sent down, for
concurrence; and is read. Whereupon,
it is resolved, that the Common Council
do concur therein.

(Approved by the Mayor)

Toft. } The Bill entitled "An Ordinance providing for the
164. raising, payment and collection of the sum of
Fifty Thousand and Fifty Thousand Dollars, by a
Tax on Real and Personal Estate;" which, on
the 19th of May last, was sent to the Board of Al-
dermen, with the non concurrence of the Common
Council in the amendments of the Board of Alder-
men therein: - is now returned from the Board
of Aldermen: who recede from their Amendments,
and concur in the passage of the original Bill

(Approved by the Mayor)

Highways. Resolved, that the Standing Committee on High-
ways, } ways be and they are hereby directed, to report,
at the next Meeting of the City Council, all
187. the work ordered on the Highways, that has not
been completed; with the force of the passage
of the order by the City Council,
(enacted June 16. 1856)

Proceedings of the Common Council. Resolved, that the Clerk of the Common Council
do, } be, and he is hereby directed to cause three
hundred copies of the proceedings of each Meet-
ing of the Common Council, together with the
action of the Board of Aldermen and the Mayor
thereon, to be printed in pamphlet
159. } form: - one hundred copies thereof to be for
the use of the City Council, - and the remainder
thereof to be retained in the Office of the Clerk,
for future use.

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Ward
Name } Ordered that so much of the Annual Report
7th Ward } of the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department,
as relates to the subject of
the location of an engine house and Ward
Name in the Seventh Ward, be referred to
the Standing Committee on Finance, to ex-
amine the same, and to report thereon, at
the next meeting of the City Council.

engine
Name }
146.
185.

James in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention,

The City Council proceed to the election of City Officers
for the present municipal year; and complete
the same, with the following exceptions: viz:
Superintendent of the Salt and Coal Ground,
Quartermaster General.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday
the 16th day of June instant, at 8 o'clock P.M.

Members present,

- | | |
|----------------|-----------|
| Mr. President, | Howes, |
| Agell, | Whitcomb, |
| Brunell, | Hopkins, |
| Bart. | Jehner, |
| Chapman, | Lester, |
| Davis, | Lincoln |
| Dupe, | Noyes, |
| Francis, | Petler, |
| E. A. Green | Schibrey |
| L. Green, | Simmons, |

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Spencer,
Sproge,
Stone,
Toft

Tingby
Tucker,
Taylor,

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Abner Green,
Clerk.

Common Council, June 16, 1856.

The Common Council met, pursuant to adjourn-
ment: a quorum present.

The Student being absent, Mr. Doyle is elected
President, *pro tempore*.

Treasurer, The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under
the Resolution of the Common Council, of Octo-
ber 20 1854, is presented, read, received, and
referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

Treasurer, The Quarterly Report of the City Treasurer, of the
Quarterly Report of Issues and Payments of the City Debt, is presented,
read and received.
(Commenced)
(Attended by the Mayor)

Surveyor, The Monthly Report of the Surveyor of Highways is
presented, read and received.
(Commenced)
(Attended by the Mayor)

Chief Engineer's Report. The Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department is presented, read and received.
(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Quartermaster General's Report. The Annual Report of the Quartermaster General is presented read and received.
(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Report of the Commissioners of the North Burial Ground. The Annual Report of the Commissioners of the North Burial Ground is presented read and received.
(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

School Committee. Communication from the Standing Committee on the 11th inst. that said Committee has been organized, and that Thomas A. Doyle has been elected Chairman thereof. is presented read and received.
(Concurred)

Treasurer's Report. The joint Committee appointed on the second day of June inst. to take a Bond of the City Treasurer, make report that they have taken such Bond in the sum of \$30,000, with Allen C. Clark, Esq., Walter W. Upham, Benjamin B. Knight and Arba B. Dixie as sureties; and that said Bond has been deposited in the Office of the City Clerk: - which Report is read and received.
(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

City Printing. The joint Committee appointed on the second day of June inst. to contract for the City Printing, for the present municipal year; make Report,
176.
183.
201.

That they have contracted with Messrs. Knowles & Co. for the book and job printing; and with the proprietors of the "Providence Daily Journal," and "Manufacturers and Farmer's Journal," and with the proprietors of the "Providence Daily Post," and the "Republican Herald and Post," for the advertising; - which Report is read and received.
(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Resolved, That the Committee on City Printing be instructed to contract with H. Crawford Greene, to advertise in the "Providence Daily Transcript," on the same terms as last year.
182.
201.
203.
(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Mr. Day. Mr. Daniel Day member elect of the Common Council, from the Second Ward, appears, and having been engaged by the Mayor, according to law, takes his seat.

Backs, Municipal, &c. A Bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of, and in addition to, an Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance for the regulation of Backs, Umbrellas, Bays, Knives &c,'" having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence; and is read. Whereupon, it is resolved that the Common Council do concur therein.
(Approved by the Mayor)

Census. A Communication from the Mayor, informing the City Council, that the Committee appointed to take a Census of the City, have completed their work; and that the volumes containing their Report, have been deposited in the
123.

Approved the City Clerk: is presented and read

West Harbor Line. Board. 103, 195.

A Communication from the Mayor, recommending the removal of the piles which were driven for the foundation of a stone Board at a point or angle in the West Harbour Line; is presented and read. Whereupon it is ordered that the same be referred to Messrs. L. Green, Francis and Taylor, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add; to examine and report thereon.

(Concurred, and Alderman Manchester added.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Do. & a Communication from the City Auditor, enclosing a claim of Messrs. Brown & Weston, for \$588.78, for materials and labour in the erection of a stone Board, upon the shore at the point where a line drawn from the S.W. corner of Denman Street at right angles, over the centre of the piles driven at the angle of the West Harbour Line, strikes the land at the Wat of Sopsas Point; - is presented and read. Whereupon it is ordered that the same be received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

S. W. P. A Petition of Samuel W. P. for compensation for injuries sustained by falling upon the ice in 205. Richardson Street; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

P. W. R. A claim of the Providence and Worcester Railroad R. Co. for \$100, for the use of their Balls on the 4th of July, 1853; is presented, received and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

Francis 4th July 1853. 199.

Appropriating funds. The Standing Committee on Finance report the following Resolutions: which is read and passed: viz. Resolved, that the following sums be and they are hereby appropriated for the following purposes respectively: viz:

- For Repair of Public Buildings, Five Hundred and ten.
 - For laying wall and digging road, in Canal Street, Two Hundred Dollars.
 - For Highways, Ten thousand Dollars.
- (Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Ward Room & Engine Room in 7th Ward. 180.

The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom on the second day of June instant, was referred so much of the Annual Report of the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department, as relates to the subject of the erection of an Engine House and Ward Room in the Seventh Ward; - now report the following Resolution: - which is read and passed: viz. Resolved That the sum of four thousand, two hundred dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated for a Lot and Building in Pallas Street, for an Engine House and Ward Room, as ordered by the City Council on the twenty first day of April A.D. one thousand eight hundred and fifty six.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Grammar School House, 6th Ward. Resolved, That the special Committee appointed to superintend the erection of a Grammar School House in the Sixth Ward, be and they are hereby directed to cause the cornice on the outside of the building to be constructed of brick, stone or metal, instead of wood as now proposed.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Taxes remitted? The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 21st of April last, was referred the petition of Charles Jackson; and to whom, on the 19th of May last, was referred the petition of Thomas P. Greene; for remission of taxes: - report the following Resolution, which is read and passed

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to the persons whose names are annexed, the sums placed against their respective names; the said sums being in remission of taxes improperly assessed against them in the year 1855: provided it shall appear to the Treasurer, upon the certificate of the Collector of Taxes, that said sums have been paid into the City Treasury. If it shall appear to the City Treasurer, that said sums have not been paid into the Treasury; - then he shall credit the Collector of Taxes with the amounts so unpaid; and the Collector of Taxes shall deduct the amounts hereby remitted, from the taxes of the persons whose names are annexed: viz:

149.	To Thomas P. Greene	\$ 13.50
150.	" Charles Jackson	33.75
		<hr/> \$47.25

(Carried /
App'd by the Mayor)

20. The Standing Committee on Finance to whom on the 19th of May last, was referred the petition of William C. Dodge, for remission of tax: make Report, recommending that said petitioner have leave to withdraw: - which Report is received: and it is thereupon, ordered, that said petitioner have leave to withdraw.

30. The following petitions, for remission of taxes, are

presented, received, and severally referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon: viz:

- 178. Petitions of John Aldrich 2^d;
- 178. " " Patrick Barber;
- 178. " " William H. Howard.

File Separ. num. (Officers) 178. The Bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance entitled "The Ordinance establishing a Fire Department;" - which passed the Common Council on the second day of June instant, and was then sent up, for concurrence: - is now sent down, by the Board of Aldermen, with their new concurrence therein.

275. The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the second day of June instant, was referred the Resolution to direct the City Treasurer to care the "Pete Estate" (so called), to William H. Law, for five years: - make Report that they do not recommend the same: - which Report is received and adopted: and it is thereupon resolved, that said Resolution be postponed indefinitely.

260. Resolved, That the Board of Aldermen be, and they are hereby authorized to care, in such manner, and for such times, as they may deem expedient, the "Pete Estate", on Broad Street: provided the City has a good title to the land.

(Carried /
App'd by the Mayor)

Highway 179. 206. The Standing Committee on Highways, who were

on the second day of June instant, Scientist to report at this meeting, all the work ordered on the Highways, which has not been completed, with the date of the passage of the Order by the City Council; - now make such Report; which is read and received; and it is ordered, that the same be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing.
(Now resumed). August 4, 1856

Do. Resolved that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to procure a Book, to be kept in the Office of the City Clerk; in which he shall enter, in a tabular form, all work ordered by the City Council, the time when ordered, the time when commenced and finished, and any other matter which he may deem useful or convenient for future reference; commencing with the work already ordered and not completed, and adding, from time to time, such work as the City Council shall order.
(Continued)
(Approved by the Mayor)

The following Petitions are presented, received, and severally referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon: viz.

- Mount St. 193. Petition of Gideon G. Weeks and others, that curb stone be set and gutters paved in Transit Street, from Brook to Hope Streets; -
- Governor St. 193. Petition of Joseph Rogers and others, that curb stone be set and gutters paved in Governor Street, from Angell to Power Streets;

Residence of A. M. ... in the words following, having

passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down, for concurrence, and is read: viz:
"Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby authorized and directed to cause the curb stones to be set and the gutters paved, in that part of Providence Street lying between Windmill and Lockwood Streets."
Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

289. Petition of William W. Bishop and Charles Jackson, praying that the grading and paving of Cuddy Street, from Atlantic Street to the Croston Line, heretofore ordered; may be postponed for the present season; - is presented and read. Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received, and that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

290. Petition of Philip Allen & sons, and others, praying that the Board of Aldermen may be authorized to cause South Water Street to be straightened and extended; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

300. Petition of Allen O. Peck and others, for the extension of Jackson Street; is presented and received; and the following Resolution is thereupon read and passed: viz:
Resolved, by the City Council of the City of Providence, that the Board of Aldermen be, and they are hereby requested to lay out a Highway from Westminster to High Street, in continuation of Jackson Street; - the same to be laid

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out under the Act entitled "An Act for laying out Highways."
(Concurred)

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

195. Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways do, and he is hereby authorized to complete the work now being done on the District Training Ground, by grading and levelling the same: - Also, to seed and roll the land, when the grading and levelling are finished.

Whenever it is ordered, that the Common Council do concur therein.
(Approved by the Mayor)

Do. } A Bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the District Training Ground;" is presented and read, and is referred to the Standing Committee to en- gage Ordinances, to examine and report thereon.

Having buildings } Petition of Albert Daily, George B. Holmes, (Agent), James Murphy, Benjamin A. Malbrook, Ebben Timmers, and Gardner Gibbs; for liberty to move cer- tain wooden buildings: are presented, received, and severally referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report there- on: - which Committee make Reports in favor of granting the prayer thereof respectively, and said Reports are severally received; and Resolutions, granting the prayer thereof, severally, are read and passed.
(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

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Do } A Petition of John McKeenan, for liberty to move a certain wooden building: is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon

joined in Convention of the City Council

In Convention.

The City Council having elected certain City of- ficers, for the present municipal year: - the two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Mon- day the 14th day of July next, at 8 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

- | | |
|-------------|------------|
| Mr. Angell | Lester. |
| Brunnell, | Lincoln, |
| Burt, | Noyes, |
| Chapman, | Peter, |
| Davis, | Salisbury, |
| Day, | Timmers, |
| Doyle, | Spencer, |
| Francis, | Spokane, |
| E. Hygiene, | Steele, |
| L. Green, | Toff, |
| Baker, | Tingley, |
| Wartshorn, | Justice, |
| Wopkins, | Taylor, |
| Jennison, | |

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Albert G. Greene
Clerk.

Common Council. July 14, 1856.

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

Treasurer & City Clerk } The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the
Ministry } Secretary } Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20 1854,
Stenograph } is presented, received, and referred to the Standing
Committee on Finance.

Surveyor } The Monthly Report of the Surveyor of Highways is
Report. } presented, read, and received.
(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Chief Engineer } The Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer of the
Fire Department, is presented, read and received.
(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways do, and he
is hereby authorized and directed, under the advice
of the Standing Committee on Highways, to purchase
for the use of the City, such number of oxen as
may be necessary for the work on the Highways;
and to hire some suitable place to keep said
oxen.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Donation of a Resolution for the appointment of a joint Com-
Suits. } mission to confer with, and settle with, the par-
ties interested in the extension of Devance Street,
218. } having copied the Board of Aldermen, is sent down
for consideration, and is read. Whereupon, it is
ordered, that the same be paid upon the Table

The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom
were heretofore referred the following petitions, make
Reports in favour of granting the prayers thereof
respectively: viz:

Bayden }
& Cushing } Petition of George A. Taylor & others, for cross-
walks in Bayden & Cushing Streets; (referred
Nov 12, 1855.)

86 Bedford St. }
73. }
207. } Petition of Ward Caring & others, for cross
walk in Bedford Street; (referred Nov 12,
1855.)

John St. }
124 }
37. } Petition of William Davenport and others, for
grading, &c. of John Street, from Hope to
Governor Street; (referred March 10, 1856.)

Brown St. }
117 }
379. } Petition of Sanford Dorfee and others, for
setting curb stones, &c. in Brown Street, from
Angell to Olive Street; (referred Feb. 11, 1856.)

Walley St. }
156 }
207. } Petition of Charles Dodge, for cross walk in
Walley Street; (referred May 19, 1856.)

Governor St. }
188 }
208. } Petition of Joseph B. Rogers and others, for setting
curb stones, &c. in Governor Street, from Angell
to Power Street; (referred June 16, 1856.)

North St. }
188. } Petition of Gideon G. Chick and others, for
setting curb stones, &c. in North Street, from
Brook to Hope Street; (referred June 16, 1856.)

which Reports are severally received: and
it is ordered that the same be severally laid
upon the Table.

The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom
were heretofore referred the following Resolutions
from the Board of Aldermen; make Reports,
recommending concurrences therein respectively:
viz:

Conduit St. }
158 }
321. } Resolution for setting curb stones, &c. in Con-
duit Street, from Stewart to Sebell Street;
(referred May 12, 1856.)

Stewart St. }
157 }
321. } Resolution for setting curb stones, &c. in Stewart
Street, from Broad to Pine Street; (referred
May 12, 1856.)

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President St. 389.

Resolution for setting curb stones, &c. in President Street, from Windmill to Lockwood Streets; (opened June 16, 1856.) which Reports are severally received; and it is ordered that the same be severally laid upon the Table.

The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom were heretofore referred the following Resolutions, make Reports, recommending the passage thereof, respectively: viz:

Point St. 158, 207.

Resolution to request the Board of Aldermen to lay out a Highway from Hoppin Street to Howe Street, in continuation of Point Street; (opened May 12, 1856.)

Point St. 167.

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Resolution to request the Board of Aldermen to lay out a Highway from Calney to Olney Street; in continuation of Point Street; (opened May 19, 1856.) which Reports are severally received, and it is ordered, that the same be severally laid upon the Table.

The following Petitions are presented received, and severally referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon; viz:

President St. 211.

Petition of Isaac Brown and others, for the widening of President Street, from Benefit to North Main Street; and North Main Street, from President to Thomas Street; -

Int. Drainage 211.

Riggold St. 240.

Petition of Edwin Upham and others, for the setting of curb-stones, &c. in Riggold Street, from Carpenter Street to Broadway.

South Main St. 333.

Petition of John B. Child and others, for abolition of gutters in South Main Street, from Hoppin to College Street.

Calney St. 238.

Petition of William Davis, for setting curb stones, &c. in Calney Street.

Point St. 319.

Petition of O. W. Prince, for emp walks in

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Point Street.

Wall near Pike Street 208.

Petition of Wheeler M. Blandy and others, for a well near the East end of Pike Street.

Ferry Dock 320.

Petition of William Earle and others, for the erection of a wall at the head of the Ferry Dock on South Water Street.

Public Buildings.

Ordered, that the City Marshal be and he is hereby directed to cause all show bills, posters, and the boards for posting the same, to be removed from the Public Bridges; and to prevent hereafter, all use of the public bridges or buildings, for the purpose of posting bills.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor)

Street Raining Ground.

The Standing Committee to enquire Ordinance, to whom on the 16 of June last, was referred the Bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the Street Raining Ground," make Report, by Bill with the same title: which Report is received, and said Bill is read and passed.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Flag Staff in Exchange Place.

Resolution for the erection of a flag staff in the triangular park in Exchange Place: is presented, read and laid upon the Table.

West Barber Line Road.

The joint Committee to whom, on the 16 of June last, was referred the Communication from the Mayor, recommending the removal of the piles driven at the angle in the West Barber Line; make Report: which is read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, and printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor)

Do The following Resolution, reported by said Commit-
tee, is read and passed: viz:
195. Resolved, that Messrs L. Green, Francis and Tay-
lor, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add
be a Committee, to cause to be well anchored
(Pring) a suitable buoy, at the angle in the West Har-
-ber Line, and also to cause to be set, a suit-
(Burd.)-able stone Buoy at Sapapas Point; in the man-
-ner and object and in the manner, indi-
-cated in the Report on this subject, this day
made to the City Council.
(Continued, and Alderman Members added)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Do The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the
claim of } W. & John East, was referred the claim of Messrs
Brown } Brown and Boston; - report the following Reso-
lution; which is read and passed: viz:
184. Resolved, that the City Treasurer do and he
is hereby directed to pay to Brown and Boston,
the sum of five hundred and sixty eight dol-
lars and seventy eight cents; the same be-
-ing for their bill of materials and labor,
for stone Buoy in the West Harbor Line,
and to be paid out of the Appropriation for
"Contingencies."
(Continued)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Do A Resolution, in the words following, having passed
- the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence,
L. Green, and is read: viz:
"Resolved, that the City Treasurer do and he is
hereby authorized to pay to Luke Green, or
any other person authorized to receive the same,
fifty three dollars, in full for Damage sustain-
-ed by a vessel that runs on the piles driven
in the West Harbor Line."

Whereupon, it is ordered, that the Common Council
do concur therein
(Approved by the Mayor)

Do A Resolution to authorize the City Treasurer to
lease the "Foster Block" (see below) for five
years; is presented, read, and laid upon the
Table.

Do A Bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to
Truant Children and Absentees from School";
206. is presented read, and referred to the Standing
Committee on Education; to examine and
report thereon.

Teachers } A Communication from the School Committee,
of } regarding that said Committee may be author-
French, } ized to appoint Teachers of English, French,
Drawing, } and Drawing, and such other teachers in
205.7 } the Public Schools, as said Committee may
deem expedient; is presented, received and
referred to the Standing Committee on Educa-
-tion; to examine and report thereon.

Children's } A Memorial from the Board of Managers of
Friends' } the "Prudential Children's Friends' Society", re-
Society, } questing aid to enable them to purchase land
236. } as a site for a building; is presented, re-
-ceived, and referred to the Standing Committee
on Finance; to examine and report thereon.

Archibald } A Petition of Archibald N. Courtchok, of Pitt-
N. Courtchok } uate, for compensation for injuries sustained by
122. } falling upon the ice in Washington Street, is
295. } presented, received, and referred to the Standing
Committee on Finance, to examine and report
thereon.

Taxes
remitted.

The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 16 of June last, were referred the petitions of Patrick Burke and John Mouch 2^d, for remission of taxes; report the following Resolution; which is read and passed, viz:

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to the persons whose names are annexed, the sums placed against their respective names; the said sums being in remission of taxes improperly assessed against them in the year 1855; provided it shall appear to the Treasurer, upon the Certificate of the Collector of Taxes, that said sums have been paid into the City Treasury. If it shall appear to the City Treasurer, that said taxes have not been paid into the Treasury; then he shall credit the Collector of Taxes, with the amounts so unpaid; and the Collector of Taxes shall deduct the amounts hereby remitted, from the taxes of the persons whose names are annexed;

To Patrick Burke	2.00.5
" John Mouch 2 ^d	9.45 "
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	\$ 11.47.5

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Remission of Taxes. The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 16 of June last, was referred the petition of William A. Howard, for remission of tax, make report, recommending that said petitioners have leave to withdraw; which report is received; and it is thereupon ordered, that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Do. The following petitions for the remission of taxes, are presented, received, and severally referred to the Standing Committee on Finance; to examine and re-

port thereon: viz:
217. Petition of Richmond Brewell,
218. " " Patrick Orrily,
219. " " Patrick Colgan.

Pr W.R.K. Company, The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 16 of June last, was referred the claim of the Providence and Worcester Railroad Company; report the following Resolution; which is read and passed; viz:

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to the Providence and Worcester Railroad Company, the sum of one hundred dollars; this sum being for amount of their bill for use of Railroad Hall, on the 4th day of July, 1853; and to be paid out of the appropriation for "Contingencies."
(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Appropriation. Resolved That the following sums be and they are hereby appropriated for the following purposes respectively: viz:
For the Public Schools, twelve thousand Dollars;
For Highways, ten thousand Dollars;
For Contingent Expenses, four thousand Dollars;
For School Houses and Lots, five thousand Dollars.
(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Moving Buildings. 200.
200.
200.
Petitions of John McKeenan,
William A. Howard
Do Do.
and David Shields,

for liberty to move certain wooden buildings; are presented, received and severally referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon; which Committee make

Report in favour of granting the prayer of said petition of John Mc Keen; and said Report is received; and a Resolution granting the prayer of said petition, is read and passed.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor)

199. Resolutions, granting the prayers of two petitions of William A. Coward, for liberty to move two certain wooden buildings, (which petitions were this day referred by the Common Council,) having passed the Board of Aldermen; are sent down for concurrence, and are read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein.

(Approved by the Mayor)

199. A Resolution granting the prayer of the petition of David Shields, for liberty to move a certain wooden building, (which petition was this day referred by the Common Council,) having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and is read.

Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein, - with the following Amendment: viz; that the following words be added thereto: viz; "and provided that the same be moved on wheels."

(The Board of Aldermen concur in the Amendment.)

(Approved by the Mayor)

175. The joint-Committee who were on the second day of June last appointed to cause the Mayor's Address and the proceedings for the organization of the City Government for the present Municipal year, to be printed, make Report that they have discharged that duty, which Report is read and received.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor)

178. Resolved, That the Committee appointed to make arrangements for the Municipal Celebration of the Anniversary of American Independence, be, and

(Motion and Poem)

they are hereby authorized to request of Jerome B. Kimball Esq. a copy of the Poem delivered by him on the fourth of July last; and of William

178. M. Radman Esq. a copy of the Poem delivered by him on the same occasion; and to cause the same to be published, in such manner as they may deem expedient, for the use of the City Council.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor)

179. Resolved, That the Clerk of the Common Council be and he is hereby directed to cause five hundred copies of the Proceedings of the Com-

179. mon Council, to be printed; instead of three hundred as heretofore ordered.

182. 183. 203. Resolved, That the Committee on City Printing be and they are hereby directed to contract with the proprietors of the "Providence Daily Tribune," to do the City advertising; provided the same can be done on as favorable terms as by other papers.

(Concurred, Sept 8. 1856)

(Approved by the Mayor)

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention,

George

175. Resolved that the Quaker General be requested to appoint his Deputies, and to report them, for approbation, at the next meeting of the City

canal,

Members of Sinking Fund. Henry B. Anthony, Amos S. Smith and Mariner W. Gardner are appointed Trustees of the Sinking Fund to redeem the City Bonds issued to the Hartford, Providence and Fitch Hill Railroad Company.

The City Council having elected certain City Officers, for the present municipal year; the two Boards separate,

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday the 11th day of August next, at 8 o'clock P.M.

Members present

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|---------------|-----------|
| Mr President, | Lincoln |
| Angell, | Hayes, |
| Bunnell, | Patten, |
| Bart, | Lalibury, |
| Chapman, | Linnaeus, |
| Davis, | Spencer, |
| Gay, | Spiegel, |
| Doyle, | Stone, |
| Francis, | Toft, |
| E. A. Greene, | Tingley, |
| L. Green, | Walker, |
| Howes, | Taylor, |
| Hopkins, | |
| Johanson, | |
| Lester, | |

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Abat Greene, Clerk

Common Council, August 11. 1856.

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

Read the Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20th 1854 is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance

The Monthly Report of the Surveyor of Highways is presented, read and received,

(Concurred)

Approved by the Mayor

The Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department: is presented read and received,

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor)

The Standing Committee on Finance report the following Resolutions; which is read and passed:

Resolved, that the following sums be, and they are hereby appropriated, for the following purposes, respectively: viz:

- For Lighting the Streets, five thousand Dollars.
- For Contingencies, five thousand Dollars.
- For Bridges, five hundred Dollars.
- For the Dexter Hoylum wall and buildings, one thousand Dollars.

(Concurred, August 13)

(Approved by the Mayor)

The joint Committee appointed to contract for the City Printing for the present municipal year; who were, on the 16th of June last, instructed to con-

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Vote with N. Bradford Greene for advertising in the "Providence Daily Transcript"; - make Report that they have made such contract: which Report is read and received.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

231. A Memorial of the Rhode Island Society for the Emancipation of Domestic Slaves, requesting that the triangular piece of land on Canal Street, South of the Alley of the Providence Artillery, ... be set apart as a Market Place for cattle; is presented received, and laid upon the Table.

216. A Communication from the Mayor, relative to recent burglaries committed in the City; and recommending an increase in the number of watchmen for the Watch Station No 1; is presented and read; and is referred to the Standing Committee on Police; to report a Bill in conformity therewith.

The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 21st of April last, was referred the Account of Wingate Hayes; report the following Resolution; which is read and passed: viz.

150. Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to Wingate Hayes, the sum of one thousand Dollars, for the amount of his bill for services rendered relating to the Providence Books; the same to be paid out of any monies not otherwise appropriated.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 21st of April last, was referred the Account of Thomas

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A. T. Jefft. report a Resolution: which is read, and amended; and as amended, is read and passed; as follows: viz.

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to Thomas N. Jefft, the sum of two hundred Dollars, for designs, plans, elevations and estimates for a City Hall; on his giving a full receipt: the same to be paid out of any monies not otherwise appropriated: - provided, said designs, plans, elevations and estimates shall be the property of the City.

(Concurred August 13.)
(Approved by the Mayor)

184. The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 16th of June last, was referred the Petition of Samuel Wesson; report the following Resolution; which is read and passed: viz.

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to Samuel Wesson, the sum of three hundred Dollars; in full for all damages sustained by him in falling upon the ice in Richmond Street; on his giving a full and satisfactory receipt: - the same to be paid out of any monies not otherwise appropriated.

(Concurred August 13.)
(Approved by the Mayor)

197. The Standing Committee on Education, to whom, on the 14th of July last, was referred the Communication from the School Committee, requesting authority to appoint certain Teachers; report the following Resolution; which is read and passed: viz.

Resolved, That the School Committee be, and they are hereby authorized to employ Teachers of

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Munis, in the Public Schools, provided the compensation of such teachers shall not exceed, in all, the sum of ten hundred and eighty dollars annually. And they are also authorized to employ a Teacher of French, and a Teacher of Drawing, for the High School, at an annual compensation of not exceeding three hundred dollars each.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor)

Present } The Standing Committee on Education, to whom, on Children } the 14th of July last, was referred the Bill entitled 197. "An Ordinance in relation to Truant Children and Absentees from School," make Report, recommending the passage thereof. - which Report is received; and said Bill is read and passed.

(Book No 10, page 271.)

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor)

Fifth Ward Room } A resolution in the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and is read; viz:

Ventilators?

256.

"Resolved, That the Committee on City Property be authorized to place ventilators in the Ward Room in the Fifth Ward."

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

(Approved by the Mayor)

Highway Works } The Order for printing the Report made by the Highways } the City Committee on Highways, on the 16th of June last, of the work ordered on the Highways, which had not been completed, with the date of the passage of the order therefor by the City Council; - which Order passed the Common Council on said 16th of June last, and was then sent up, for concurrence; is now sent down,

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by the Board of Aldermen, with their concurrence therein.

A resolution in the words following, reported on the 14th of July last, and then laid upon the table; is taken up, read, and passed: viz

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause cross walks to be laid in the following streets, viz:

Longwood St. 193.

One across Bergen Street, opposite the South side of Cushing Street;

Cushing St. 193.

One across Cushing Street, opposite the East end of Bergen Street;

(Concurred August 13.)

(Approved by the Mayor)

A resolution in the words following, reported on the 14th of July last, and then laid upon the table; is taken up, read and passed: viz

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause cross walks to be laid in the following places; viz:

Cliff St. 193.

One across Cliff Street, on the East side of Richmond Street,

Wesley St. 193.

One across Wesley Street, on the East side of Benefit Street.

(Concurred August 13.)

(Approved by the Mayor)

Paint Street } 194.

The resolution in relation to the relocation of Paint Street, which was laid upon the table on the 14th of July last; is taken up, read and passed; as follows: viz:

Resolved, by the City Council of the City of Providence, That the Board of Aldermen be, and they are hereby requested to lay out a highway in said City, from Beppin Street to Plaza Street; (said highway to be in

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continuance of Point Street; and, according to the Act entitled "An Act for laying out Highways."

(Concurred, August 13.)

(Approved by the Mayor)

Resolution for setting curb stones to, on Governor Street, from North to Park Street, reported on the 14 of July last, and then laid upon the table; - is taken up, read, and laid upon the table.

Resolution directing the setting of curb stones, to, on Langley Street, from Eddy to Hospital Street, having passed the Board of Aldermen; is sent down for concurrence; and is read, and laid upon the table.

Resolution directing the Surveyor of Highways to enlarge the Well in Wickenden Street, so as plentifully to furnish a supply of water for fire and other purposes; having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence; and is read, and laid upon the table.

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

"Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways do, and he is hereby directed to cause a cross walk to be laid on the East side of Beaver Street, across High Street, to its junction with the proposed extension of Jackson Street; - the same to be done in connection with the work of extending said Jackson Street."

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

(Approved by the Mayor)

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Brooklyn Street.

219.

Petition of the Bank of North America and others, for the widening of a part of Broad Street; and a Remonstrance of Peleg W. Gardiner against the same; are severally presented, read and received; and the following Resolution, is thereupon presented, read and passed: viz:

Resolved, that the Board of Aldermen do, and they are hereby requested to widen Broad Street, from a point at the North West corner of the banking house of the Bank of North America, to a point fourteen feet East of the South line of Broad Street, on the North side of Long Wharf Street; - the said work to be done under the Act in relation to laying out Highways.

Dodge Street.

158.

The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 12 of May last, was referred the Resolution to request the Board of Aldermen, to lay out a highway in continuation of Dodge Street; - make Report, in favor of the proposed thereof; - which Report is received; and said Resolution is read and passed; as follows: viz:

Resolved, by the City Council of the City of Portland, that the Board of Aldermen do, and they are hereby requested to lay out a highway, from the present point of the termination of Dodge Street, to High Street; - the same to be laid out under the Act entitled "An Act for laying out Highways."

(Concurred, August 13.)

(Approved by the Mayor)

Resolution in the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence.

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and is read: viz:

"Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause cross walks to be laid in the following named streets, viz:

Bowdoin St. One across Bowdoin Street, on the East side of Cook Street;

Charles Field St. One across Charles Field Street, on the West side of Cook Street;

One across Charles Field Street, on the East side of Cook Street."

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

(Approved by the Mayor)

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

"Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to proceed at once to complete the work already ordered on Atwell's Avenue; or as soon as the work on Eddy Street shall have been completed."

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

(Approved by the Mayor)

The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom were heretofore referred the following petitions: make Reports, in favor of granting the prayers thereof, respectively: viz:

Hopkin St. 369. Petition of Joseph Belcher & others, for setting curb stones, &c, in Hopkin Street, from Pearl to Bassett Street; (referred Feb 11, 1856.)

Pond St. 117. Petition of July Greene and others, for setting curb stones, &c, in Pond Street, from Pearl to Spring Street; (referred Feb 11, 1856.)

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Pond St. 159. Petition of Mary Bentley and others, for setting curb stones, &c, in Pond Street, from Pearl to Bridgman Street; (referred May 12, 1856.) which Reports are severally received, and it is ordered that the same be severally laid upon the Table,

Pond St. 194. 239. North Main St. 194. 239. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 14th of July last, was referred the petition of Isaac Brown and others, for the widening of President Street, from Beaufit to North Main Street, and of North Main Street from President to Thomas Street; make Report, in favor thereof: which Report is received; and it is ordered that the same be postponed to the next meeting of the Common Council.

The following Resolutions having passed the Board of Aldermen, are sent down for concurrence, and are read: viz:

Pond St. 239. Resolution directing the setting of curb-stones, &c, in Pond Street;

Pallas St. 239. Resolution directing the setting of curb-stones, &c, in Pallas Street.

Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be severally referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

The following Petitions are presented, received, and severally referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon

Bliffed St. 238. Petition of Henry A. Udden and others, for curb walks in Bliffed and Richmond Streets; Petition of John W. Eddy and others, for curb walks in Bradford, Federal, and Barclay Streets, and Broadway.

The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 14th of July last, were referred the petitions of Patrick Orrily and Patrick Colgan; and to whom, on the 12th of May last, was referred the petition of Earl P. Mason and others, Officers of Will. Carpenter & Co; for remission of taxes. Upon the following Resolution, which is read and passed: viz: That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to the persons whose names are annexed, the sums placed against their respective names; the said sums being in remission of taxes improperly assessed against them, in the year 1855; provided it shall appear to the Treasurer, upon the certificate of the Collector of Taxes, that said sums have been paid into the City Treasury. If it shall appear to the City Treasurer that said sums have not been paid into the Treasury; then he shall credit the Collector of Taxes with the amounts so unpaid; and the Collector of Taxes shall deduct the amounts hereby remitted, from the taxes of the persons whose names are annexed: viz:

To Patrick Orrily,	2. 70.
" Patrick Colgan	5. 40.
" Earl P. Mason, Jewish Carpenter Jr. and Thomas A. Jenkins, Officers of Will. Carpenter & Co.	857. 00.
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(Continued)
(Approved by the Mayor)

The Standing Committee on Finance to whom, on the 14th of July last, was referred the petition of Richard Blawell, for remission of tax, make Report, in favor of granting the prayer thereof: which Report is received: and it is thereupon, resolved, that said petitioner have leave to

withdraw.

The following Petitions, for the remission of taxes, are presented, received, and severally referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon: viz:

- 223 Petition of Lyman Hawes.
- 222 " " John W. Field,
- 223 " " Patrick McLaughlin,
- 223 " " John B. Mansfield,
- 223 " " Anna B. and Elizabeth J. Mann,
- 222 " " Charles W. Jencks, Administrator, &c.,
- 223 " " W. W. Hocum,
- 222 " " Jonathan Brayton.

Communication from the Board of Assessors of Taxes, for the year 1855, recommending the remission of certain taxes assessed in that year: is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance; to examine and report thereon.

A Petition of Thomas Carew, for liberty to move a certain wooden building, is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department; to examine and report thereon.

The Common Council adjourned, to meet, on Monday the eighth Day of September next, at 8 o'clock P.M.

- Members present.
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| Mr President, | " Bart, |
| Myell, | " Davis, |
| Brunell, | " Day, |

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Doyle,	Wages,
E. A. Green,	Wells,
L. Green,	Salisbury,
Hanes,	Simmons,
Wartshaus,	Spencer,
Stephens,	Thayer,
Johnson,	Stone,
Lester,	Toft,
Livaton,	Trigley,
	Tucker,

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Abat G. Greene Clerk

Common Council, September 8 1856.

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

Treasurer's Report The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 26 1854, is presented, read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

Treasurer's Report The Quarterly Report of the City Treasurer, of the Expenses and Payments of the City Debt: is presented, read, and received.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Surveyor's Report The Monthly Report of the Surveyor of Highways is presented, read and received.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

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Chief Engineer's Report The Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, is presented, read and received (Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Superintendent's Report The Annual Report of the Superintendent of the North Burial Ground is presented, read, and received

Order Ordered, that the Report of the Superintendent of the North Burial Ground, be referred to the Standing Committee on the North Burial Ground. (Concurred, September 22 1856.)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Resolution The Standing Committee on Finance report the following Resolution: which is read and passed: viz: Resolved, that the following sums be, and they are hereby appropriated for the following purposes respectively; viz: For Highways, eight thousand Dollars, For Repairs of Public Buildings, five hundred Dollars. (Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Resolution A Resolution in the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence; and is read: viz: "Resolved, That the Committee appointed to examine, and report some plan for the introduction of pure water into the City; be, and they are hereby requested to cause two thousand copies of their Report to be printed for the use of the City." Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein. (Approved by the Mayor)

Rewards for Detection of Crime

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216.

The Standing Committee on Police to whom, on the 11th of August last, was referred the Communication from the Mayor, relative to recent Burglaries committed in the City, and recommending an increase of the number of watchmen for the Watch Station No 1; - make Report, by Bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to Rewards for the Detection of Crime"; - which Report is received; and said Bill is read and passed.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor)

Police & Watchmen. Said Committee also report a Bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance in relation to Police'; (said Bill providing for the appointment of ten additional watchmen.) Thereupon, it is ordered, that said Report and Bill be recommended; and that said Committee be instructed to report whether the duties required by the 14th, 15th, 16th and 17th Sections of the "Ordinance in relation to Police", are properly discharged; and also, to report the several beats of the watchmen, at present established.

S. H. Wales & D. C. Grimwood

A Petition of Samuel H. Wales and Daniel C. Grimwood, requesting that a reward may be offered for the apprehension and conviction, of the thief or thieves who entered their stores, on the night of the 5th of August last; is presented read and received.

Do Upon the Petition of Samuel H. Wales and Daniel C. Grimwood, this day, presented to the City Council: -

Resolved, That the Mayor be, and he is hereby authorized to offer a reward of not exceeding one thousand Dollars, for the apprehension and conviction of the thief or thieves who entered and robbed

the stores of said Wales and Grimwood, on the night of the fifth of August last.

C. B. Peire. The Standing Committee on City Property; to whom on the 13th of August last, was referred by the Board of Aldermen, the claim of Christopher B. Peire, for Damages for the loss of the use of a wharf occupied by him; on account of mud deposited by the culvert through Brooks Street, &c. - make Report that they have examined the matter, and are of opinion, that the City should not pay said claim; which Report is read and received; and it is thereupon ordered, that said claimant be allowed to withdraw.

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

"Resolved, that the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to James C. Sheridan, fifty Dollars, for attendance upon the Committee to revise Ordinances, out of the Appropriation for 'Contingencies'." Whereupon, it is ordered, that the Common Council do concur therein.

(Approved by the Mayor)

City Clerk. A Resolution to appropriate \$150 to be paid to the order of the City Clerk, from the Appropriation for "Contingencies", as additional wages to the Clerk now employed by him, for the present municipal year; having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down, for concurrence, and is read. Whereupon, it is ordered.

that the same be referred to the Standing Committee on Finance; to examine and report thereon,

Greene & Brown A claim of Greene and Brown, for repairing damages of house of Edward P. Knicker, on Benefit Street; (\$29.75-) is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

West Harbor Line

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

Hugy.

"Resolved, that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to pay C. B. Manchester fifty, $\frac{72}{100}$ Dollars, for the buoy on the West Harbor Line, ordered on the 14th of July last." Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein, (Approved by the Mayor)

Demand Street.

The Resolution for the appointment of a joint Committee to confer with, and settle with, the parties interested in the extension of Demand Street; which passed the Board of Aldermen, and was sent down for concurrence, on the 14th of July last, and was then laid upon the table, - is now taken up, and read, as follows; viz:

"Resolved, that the Mayor and Alderman Macklin, with such as the Common Council may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to confer with the parties interested in the extension of Demand Street, as to the top and damage, benefit and advantage, apportionment and apportionments to each. And the said Committee are hereby authorized to agree and settle with, said parties, for the lands or improvements required for said extension, or for benefits offered;

upon such terms as may be deemed satisfactory to said Committee; Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein.

Alfred Doyle, Tucker.

and E. N. Greene, added to the Committee. (Approved by the Mayor)

Broad Street.

The Resolution to request the Board of Aldermen to widen Broad Street, from a point at the West corner of the banking line of the Park of North America, to a point fourteen feet East of the South line of Broad Street, on the North side of Long Wharf Street; under the Act for laying out Highways; - which Resolution passed the Common Council, on the 11th of August last, and was then sent up, for concurrence; is now sent down by the Board of Aldermen, with their concurrence therein, with the following amendments; viz:

209.

1. That the word "fourteen" in the fifth line, be struck out; and the words "four, $\frac{39}{100}$ ", inserted in its place.
2. That the word "North" in the sixth line, be struck out; and the word "South" inserted in its place.

Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be postponed indefinitely.

Highway Works.

A Resolution to direct the Surveyor of Highways, under the advice of the Standing Committee on Highways, to let out, by contract, such portions of the work on the Highways, as the interest of the City may require; - is presented, read, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

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The following Petitions are presented, received, and severally referred to the Standing Committee on Highways; to examine and report thereon:

Pallas St. Petition of A. C. Newton and others, for setting curb stones, &c, in Pallas Street, from Broadway to Henry Street:

Point St. 238. Petition of Nathaniel F. Winoland and others, for crop walk in Point Street:

Point St. Hospital St. South St. 238. Petition of William Udam and others, ^{for crop walk} in Point Hospital and South Streets:

Gaspee St. 238. Petition of L. P. Mead & Co. and others, for crop walk in Gaspee Street.

Well in Dexter Training Ground. Resolved, that the Standing Committee on City Property be and they are hereby directed to cause a well to be dug on the Dexter Training Ground, and to cause a suitable pump to be placed therein; - the expense of the same to be paid out of the Appropriation for "Public Grounds":

(Concurred) (Approved by the Mayor)

Flagstaff in Exchange Place. The Resolution for the erection of a flag staff in the triangular park in Exchange Place, which was laid upon the table, on the 14th of July last; is taken up, amended, and as amended, is read and passed as follows: viz

Resolved, that the Standing Committee on City Property be and they are hereby authorized and directed to cause a flag staff, of the height of one hundred and seventy five feet, to be erected, near the Eastern angle of the triangular park in Exchange Place, outside of the cart-stone: And that said Committee be authorized and directed to cause the flag staff now standing on the Cove Promenade, to be taken down, and to be erected in the Dexter Training Ground.

Do in Dexter Training Ground. 230.

(Concurred) (Approved by the Mayor)

Taxes omitted. 213. The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom on the 11th of August last, was referred the Communication from the Board of Assessors for the year 1855, recommending the remission of certain taxes; and report the following Resolutions; which is read and passed: viz:

Resolved, that the taxes specified in the annexed List; amounting to the sum of four hundred and twenty dollars and twelve cents; reported by the Board of Assessors for the year eighteen hundred and fifty five, to have been improperly assessed in said year, for the reasons specified in each case; be and the same are hereby annulled: and that the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to credit the Collector of Taxes, with the amount of four hundred and twenty dollars and twelve cents.

Real Estate.

Nicholas Brown	203	17	5
John A. Smith (Bunickville)	6	75	
Peter Carney (2 years)	6	50	
Joseph Meldoni Heirs	10	00	
Margaret Burns	10	12	5
John Hewick	6	72	
Jeremiah Driscoll (1854 and 1855)	2	57	
James P. Fisher	6	75	
Robert S. Weston, (1852 and interest)	1	26	
Do Do	1	82	
Thomas B. Fenner	2	02	5
John Hamilton	5	05	
Alexander Saltyngple	1	17	
(1854, and advertising)	1	00	
William J. Carter	4	72	5
Terry Fay	2	25	
Samuel H. Foster	15	52	5

John Canby	2 52	5-
Miloude Barney	4 05	
William Bullas	4 05	
	<u>315 50</u>	

Personal Property.

George D. Hogg	20 20	
Glen B. Reynolds	2 02	
George A. Tanner	2 70	
John Mc Canby	4 72	5-
John Atkinson and wife. (Personal Bill.)	6 75	
Thomas Bowen's heirs.	13 50	
Isaac Woodley	23 62	5-
Emerson Clarke	16 87	5-
Calvin Stone	2 70	
Marion Pook	8 10	
Sarah Burdick	3 97	5-
	<u>104 62</u>	

Real Estate	315 50	
Personal Property	104 62	
	<u>420 12</u>	

(Concurred.)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Taxes remitted } The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom on the 11th of August last, were referred the petitions of John McCanby, 213 Jonathan Brayton, and Charles W. Jencks, Administrators, 213, and to whom was referred by the Board of Assessors, a Petition of Benjamin Boyman; for remission of taxes; - report the following Resolution; which is read and passed; viz:

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to the persons whose names are annexed, the sums claimed against their respective names; the said sums being in remission of taxes improperly assessed against them in the year 1855; provided it shall appear to the Treasurer, upon the Certificate of the Collector of Taxes, that said sums have been paid into the City Treasury. If it shall appear to the

City Treasurer, that said sums have not been paid into the Treasury; then he shall credit the Collector of Taxes, with the amounts so unpaid; and the Collector of Taxes shall deduct the amounts hereby remitted, from the taxes of the persons whose names are annexed: viz:

To John McCanby	67 50
" Jonathan Brayton	24 30
" Charles W. Jencks, Administrator	8 10
" Benjamin Boyman, (Manscript)	27 00
	<u>126 90</u>

(Concurred.)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Remission of Taxes } The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 12th of May last was referred the petition of David

157, Decker and Henry W. Dexter; and to whom, on the 11th of August last, were referred the petitions of Lyman Bowen, 213, Patrick Mc Canby, 218, John B. Wrennery, 213, Anna W. and Olga Pillsbury, and W. H. Hecum; for remission of

taxes; make Reports recommending that said petitioners have leave to withdraw; - which Reports are severally received; and it is thereupon, ordered, that said petitioners severally, have leave to withdraw.

Remission of Taxes } A Resolution to direct the City Treasurer to pay to Dr. Richmond Brewell, the sum of \$10.00, being the amount assessed in the year 1855, for an estate in Pond Street, and paid by him; - is presented and read; and it is moved, that the same pass; which motion is put, and

Remission of Taxes } The following Petitions, for the remission of taxes, are presented, received, and severally referred to

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September 8th 1856.

The Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon; viz:

242.

Petition of Ebenezer Reed,

243.

" " Second Universalist Society in Providence,

Remission of the following petitions, for the remission of taxes, on Taxes, & personal goods, and severally received: viz:

Petition of The Providence Bank,

" " The Exchange Bank,

" " The Roger Williams Bank,

" " The Merchants Canal Bank,

" " The Bank of Commerce,

" " The Providence Institution for Savings,

" " The People's Savings Bank;

and it is thereupon advised, that said petitioners severally have leave to withdraw

Resolved, That the Chairman of the Board of Assessors do, and he is hereby directed to report to this Council, the appraised amount of property owned by the City; and also, the amount owned by Religious and Literary Corporations and individuals, which is by law exempt from taxation; designating the amount held in each Ward; and that said Report be made at as early a day as is practicable.

A Petition of Albert S. Sheldon, for liberty to move a certain wooden building, is presented, read, and returned: and a Resolution granting the prayer thereof, is read and passed.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor)

A Petition of Benjamin Appleton, for liberty to move a certain wooden building, is presented, re-

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ceived, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon.

Do.

Resolutions granting the prayer of two Petitions of Rice and Hayward, for liberty to move two certain wooden buildings; Having passed the Board of Aldermen; one read and passed for concurrence, and one read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein.

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention,

James General

William Burroughs, George General Charing nominated James Burroughs and George Greene as his Deputies; the appointment of said James Burroughs is approved and confirmed by the City Council.

admitted,

201.

244.

The nomination of said George Greene is referred to Aldermen Brewster and Messrs L. Green and Taft; to examine and report thereon.

The City Council having elected certain City Officers, for the present Municipal year; the two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday the 13th Day of October next, at half past 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present

Mr. President

Mr. M.

" Brewster,

Burt,

226.

September 8. September 22, 1856.

Chapman,
Davi,
Day,
Dyke,
Francis,
E. A. Greene,
L. Green,
Hawes,
Hawthorn,
Hopkins,
Lester,
Lincoln,

Noyes,
Patterson,
Solisbury,
Summers,
Spencer,
Speague,
Stone,
Toft,
Tingley,
Tucker,
Taylor,

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Albert G. Greene,
J. H. Blake

Common Council, September 22^d 1856.

Special Meeting,

"City of Providence,

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

Whereas, in my opinion, it is advisable for the City Council, to meet, at an earlier day than that to which said Council stands adjourned; -

You and each of you are therefore hereby requested and required to meet, in the Council Chamber, on Monday the 22^d day of September at 7 1/2 o'clock, to transact such business as may legally come before you,

Given under my hand and the seal of said City, this 20th day of September

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September 22^d 1856.

1856.

L. G.

James G. Smith, Mayor.

"Providence, September 22^d 1856
I have notified and warned the members of the City Council, that a meeting of that body will be held, this evening at 7 1/2 o'clock, as commanded.

James C. Sheldon,
City Sergeant.

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

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

A communication from the Mayor, in the words following, is presented, and is read: -
"Mayor's Office,
Providence Sept 22, 1856.

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228.

Gentlemen of the City Council,

I have called this evening before you the Report of the committee appointed February 11 1856, to lay before you, some plan for the introduction of pure Water into the City.

The Report is printed by order of the Council, and laid upon the Desk of each member.

Also to entertain such other business as may legally come before you,

Respectfully,
James G. Smith,
Mayor.

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246. The joint Committee to whom on the 11th of Feb-
-ruary last, was referred the communication from
the Mayor recommending the adoption of some plan
for supplying the City with with a sufficient quan-
-tity of pure Water; present their Report: (Said
Committee having caused 2000 copies of the same
to be printed, in pamphlet form, for the use of
the City, pursuant to the Order of the City Council,
passed on the 8th of September instant.)

Whereupon, it is ordered, that said Report
be received; and that the same be printed
in the newspapers employed to do the City printing;
and also in the "General Advertiser."
(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Report of
Trustees
Sinking
Fund. The Trustees of the Sinking Fund of the City of
Providence, appointed in conformity with the Act
of the General Assembly passed at the May Sess-
-ion, A.D. 1855, ^{having} presented their Report of the con-
-dition of said Fund: viz:

That they hold 15 Bonds of the City,
payable in 1885, (with 6 per cent
Interest thereon;) for \$15000.00
That they have on hand, Cash, \$ 850.14
\$ 15850.14;

and a Resolution that said Report be received,
having passed the Board of Aldermen; said Reso-
-lution is sent down for concurrence and is read.
Whereupon, it is resolved that the Common Coun-
-cil do concur therein.
(Approved by the Mayor)

Report of
Trustees
Sinking
Fund
Y.P.H.
R.R.C. The Trustees of the Sinking Fund of the Warwick,
Providence and Pishkill Rail Road Company, Law-
-ers presented their Report of the condition of said
Fund: viz:

That they hold 13 Bonds of the City
for \$1000 each, payable in 1885,
(with Coupons payable semi-annually,
at 6 per cent.) 13000.00.
Premium paid on the same 170.00.
Interest paid 83.55.
Cash on hand 583.92.
\$ 13837.47.

and a Resolution that said Report be received, hav-
-ing passed the Board of Aldermen; said Resolu-
-tion is sent down for concurrence, and is read.
Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common
Council do concur therein.
(Approved by the Mayor)

241. A Resolution in the words following, having passed
the Board of Aldermen: is sent down for concu-
-rrence, and is read: viz:

"Resolved, That the Report of the Trustees of
the Sinking Fund of the Warwick, Providence
and Pishkill Rail Road Company's Bonds,
and the Report of the Trustees of the
Sinking Fund of the Bonds of the City; pre-
-sented to the City Council, this Day, be print-
-ed with the City Auditor's Annual Report."
Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common
Council do concur therein.
(Approved by the Mayor)

Lightning
Rods. 241. Resolved, That the Standing Committee on City
Property be and they are hereby directed to
cause Lightning Rods to be placed on all
public buildings belonging to the City, not
already supplied.
(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Salaries. Ordered, That the Standing Committee on Finance

Surveyors of Highways } be, and they are hereby directed to report an Amendment to the Ordinance fixing the Salaries of Certain Officers; - increasing the salary of the Surveyor of Highways.
(Ann. enclosed. Oct 6. 1856)

Books, &c. } A Bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance for the regulation of Books, Anniversaries, Drays, Trucks, &c." is presented, read and passed.
(Commenced)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Flag Staff } Resolved, That the Standing Committee on City Property be and they are hereby directed to cause a flag-staff to be erected on the Dexter Training Ground; in place of the one ordered to be removed from the same Promenade, at a meeting of the Council on the 8th of September instant.
(Commenced.)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Well } A Resolution to direct the placing of a stone water trough at the well to be dug on the Dexter Training Ground; having passed the Board of Aldermen; is sent down, for concurrence, and is read. Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine, and to report thereon, at the next meeting of the Common Council.
241.

Plats, } Ordered, That the Standing Committee on City Property be and they are hereby requested to report, at an early day, the expense of lithographing the Plats in the Assessor's Office, and of causing

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one hundred copies of the same to be printed, with six copies of each plat upon heavy drawing paper; and their opinion upon the expediency of the same.
(Commenced Oct 6. 1856)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Cattle Market } Resolved, That the Standing Committee on City Property be, and they are directed to confer with the Standing Committee of the Rhode Island Society for the encouragement of Domestic Industry, in relation to the subject of the weekly sales of cattle in this City; and report such plan as they may deem expedient, for remedying the present manner of conducting such sales; and to ascertain and report whether in their opinion a Cattle Market can be properly established in this City.
204.
248.
(Commenced.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Response } A Petition of Walter Wilson, for remission of tax, is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.
242.

Alley Building } The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to whom, on the 11th of August last, was referred the Petition of Thomas Casew, for liberty to erect a certain wooden building; make Report in favour of granting the prayer thereof; - which Report is received; and a Resolution granting the prayer of said petition, is read and passed.
T. Casew,
243.
(Commenced.)
(Approved by the Mayor)

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September 22^d 1856

Mayor's Order. Resolutions granting the prayer of a Petition of Mayten Gardner, and the prayer of a Petition of Charles Mc Kenna, for liberty to move certain wooden buildings; having passed the Board of Aldermen; and sent down for concurrence; and on read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein.

(Approved by the Mayor)

Mayor's Order. That the Standing Committee to enquire Clerk's Ordinances, be and they are hereby requested to present, at the next meeting of the Council, a Bill establishing the office of Mayor's Clerk and Superintendent of Samps, Backs, Omnibuses, Drays, &c

234.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor)

The Common Council adjourn, to meet pursuant to the vote of adjournment passed on the 8th day of September instant; viz: to meet on Monday the 13th day of October next, at half past 5 o'clock P.M.

Members present

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|----------------|------------|
| Mr. President, | Jellicott, |
| Byell, | Leiter, |
| Chapman, | Lincoln, |
| Davis, | Noyes, |
| Day, | Peter, |
| Drye, | Talbot, |
| Francis, | Simons, |
| L. Green, | Spencer, |
| Hawes, | Spurgeon, |
| Wartshorn, | Stone, |
| Hopkins, | Tost, |

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September 22^d, October 13, 1856.

Tingley,
Tucker,
Towner.

25.

Robert Greene,
Clerk.

Common Council, October 13, 1856

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

1st Council
to present

The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, and a Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20 1854, is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

Treasurer's
Annual
Account

The Annual Account of the City Treasurer with the City, is presented and read; and the same having been audited and certified by the City Auditor; - it is ordered, that the same be received and recorded.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Surgeon's
Report

The Monthly Report of the Surgeon of the Highways, is presented, read and received.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Chief Engineer's
Report

The Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, is presented, read and received.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Sole of News papers } The Standing Committee to enquire Ordinances, to whom, on the 24th of March last, was referred the Petition of Bowers & Brothers & others, for the purpose of an Ordinance to restrict the selling of newspapers in the streets to licensed carriers; - make Report, 133
 that, in their opinion, it is not expedient for the Council to pass any Ordinance in relation to the subject; - which Report is read and received, and it is ordered, that the same be laid upon the table.

Mayer's Clerk } The Standing Committee to enquire Ordinances, who were on the 22nd of September last, requested to report, at this meeting, a Bill establishing the office of Mayer's Clerks and Superintendent of ^{Loans} Banks, Omnibuses, Drays, &c; make Report, by Bill entitled "An Ordinance establishing the office of Mayer's Clerks, and prescribing his Duties"; which Report is received; and it is ordered, that the same be prepared to the next meeting of the Common Council.

City Clerk } The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 8th of September last, was referred the Resolution to appropriate \$150, to the use of the City Clerk; make Report, in favour thereof; - which Report is received; and said Resolution is read and passed: as follows, 217

Resolved, That the sum of One hundred and fifty dollars be appropriated and paid, out of the Appropriation for Contingencies, to the order of the City Clerk, as additional wages to the Clerks now employed by him, for the present municipal year.
 (Concurred)
 (Approved by the Mayor.)

Police Watchmen } The Standing Committee on Police, to whom, on the 8th of September last, was recommended their Reports

upon the Communication from the Mayor, recommending an increase of the number of watchmen for the Watch Station No. 1, together with the Bill then reported by them; with instructions to report whether the Duties required by the 14th, 15th, 16th and 17th sections of the "Ordinance in relation to Police"; are properly discharged; and also to report the several beats of the watchmen, at present established; - make Report that the 14th, 15th and 16th sections of said Ordinance, have not been complied with; and recommend that the Standing Committee to enquire Ordinances be instructed to report a Bill in amendment of the "Ordinance in relation to Police"; in order that said Ordinance may conform to the present established course of the Night Police.

Said Committee also report the several beats of the watchmen, at present established. Whereupon, said Report is received; and it is ordered, that the same be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing.

234. The Bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance in relation to Police"; which was reported by said Committee on the 8th of September last; is read and laid upon the Table.

Green & Brown } The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 8th of September last, was referred the claim of Green & Brown, for repairing damages of House of Edward P. Bowers, on Benfit Street; - make Report recommending that said claimants have leave to withdraw; - which Report is received; and it is thereupon, ordered, that said claimants have leave to withdraw.

Children, The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, as
 Friends of the 14 of July last, was referred the Memorial of
 Society, the Board of Managers of the ^{Prudential} Children's Friends
 Society, requesting aid to enable them to purchase
 197. lands for a site for a building; - make Report.
 249. which is received; and it is thereupon advised,
 that the same be recommended; and that said
 Committee be instructed to report at the next
 meeting of the Common Council.

S. G. Ransom, A Petition of Samuel G. Ransom, for compensation for
 injuries sustained by falling in Gospee Street, is
 260. presented, received and referred to the Standing
 Committee on Finance, to examine and report
 thereon.

Jonathan Brayton, A claim of Jonathan Brayton, for \$33.94, for
 amount paid "for a lot of land on Greenwich
 248. Street, sold by James Mumford, Collector of Taxes",
 and expenses; - is presented, received, and re-
 ferred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to
 examine and report thereon.

National Cadets, A Petition of the National Cadet Company, for
 an appropriation of \$200, for the payment of
 their rent and other expenses, for one year; - is
 249. presented, received, and referred to the Standing
 Committee on Finance, to examine and report
 thereon.

Mary English, A Petition of Mary English, for aid to enable her
 to build walls for the protection of her house lot
 329. from injury caused by the new grade of West-
 sur Street; is presented, received, and referred to
 the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and
 report thereon.

D. H. May and A. H. Henshaw, That the Standing Committee on Highways,
 to whom, on the 11 of February last, was referred the
 Memorial of Daniel H. May and Isaac Stern,
 117. claiming payment for a strip of land about 8 feet
 329. wide, between Canal Street, and Northwark River,
 be discharged from further consideration thereof; -
 and that the same be referred to the Standing
 Committee on Finance, to examine and report
 thereon.

Frederick W. Wickenden, A Petition of Frederick W. Wickenden and others, praying
 that a fountain may be constructed in Wickenden
 Street, for the use of the Fire Department, and
 268. for a watering place; together with a Com-
 331. munication from the Board of Engineers of the
 Fire Department, recommending that the prayer
 of said petition be granted; and presented,
 received, and referred to the Standing Committee
 on the Fire Department, to examine and re-
 port thereon.

George B. States, A Resolution in the words following, having passed
 the Board of Aldermen, is read and concurred,
 and is read, viz:
 "Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be,
 and he is hereby directed to lay a walk
 across George Street, at a point near the
 residence of General Whitaker."
 Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Coun-
 cil do concur therein.
 (Approved by the Mayor)

only
 weeks. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 11
 of August last, was referred the Petition of John W.
 Eddy and others, for a walk in Bedford, Federal
 and Barclay Streets, and Broadway; - and to

whom, on the 8th of September last, were referred the Petitions of N. F. Winslow and others, for a crop walk in Point Street, - and the Petition of William Kern and others, for crop walks in Point, Capital and South Streets, - and the Petition of L. P. Mead and others, for a crop walk in Gaspee Street: - report the following Resolutions, which is read and passed:

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause crop walks, to be laid in the following Streets; viz:

- Gaspee St. 220 One crop Gaspee Street, opposite Francis Street;
 - Brown St. One crop Brown Street, on the South side of Myrtle Street;
 - Myrtle St. One crop Myrtle Street, on the East side of Brown Street;
 - Point St. 220 One crop Point Street, on the East side of Capital Street;
 - South St. 220 One crop South Street, on the East side of Capital Street;
 - Hospital St. 220 One crop Hospital Street, on the North side of South Street;
 - Point St. 220 One crop Point Street, midway between Capital & Hopkins Streets;
 - Broadway 211 One crop Broadway, opposite the East side of Madras Street;
 - One crop Broadway, opposite House No 21;
 - Madras St. One crop Madras Street, each side of Federal Street;
 - Federal St. One crop Federal Street, each side of Madras Street;
 - One crop Federal Street, on the East side of Barclay Street;
 - Barclay St. One crop Barclay Street, on the North side of Federal Street.
- (Commenced)
(Approved by the Mayor)

The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 19th of May last, was referred the Petition of William Russell and others, for a crop walk in Westminster Street; and to whom on the 14th of July last, was referred the Petition of William Davis, for the setting of curb stones, &c, in Coleridge Street; and to whom, on the 11th of August last, was referred the Petition of Henry A. Widdow and others, for crop walks in Clifford and Richmond Streets; and to whom was referred by the Board of Aldermen, a Petition of John Atfield and others, for the setting of curb-

Westminster St. 166.
Coleridge St. 194.
Clifford St. Richmond St. 211.

Thompson & others, in Thompson Street; make Report, recommending that said petitioners severally have leave to withdraw: - which Report is received; and it is thereupon ordered, that said petitioners severally have leave to withdraw.

The Report of the Standing Committee on Highways, upon the petition of Isaac Brown and others, for the widening of President Street, from Benefit to North Main Street, and of North Main Street, from President to Thomas Street; which was, on the 11th of August last, postponed to the next meeting of the Common Council; is taken up, read, and re-committed.

The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 11th of August last, was referred the Resolution from the Board of Aldermen, directing the setting of curb stones, &c, in Pierce Street; make Report, recommending a concurrence therein; - which Report is received, and laid upon the Table.

The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 11th of August last, was referred the Resolution from the Board of Aldermen, directing the setting of curb stones, &c, in Pallas Street; make Report, recommending a concurrence therein; - which Report is received, and laid upon the Table.

The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 17th of September, 1855, were referred the several petitions of Parker Myrtle and others, Wheaton A. Warrington and others, and Joseph Wines and others, - for the opening of Washington Street, from Dean Street to Bought Street; - make Report, by Resolution, in favour thereof; - which Report is received, and laid upon the Table.

Washington Street 31.
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King's St. } The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 14th of July last, was referred the petition of Edwin Wigham and others, for the setting of curb stones, &c, in King's St.:- make Report, by Resolution, in favour thereof, which Report is received, and laid upon the table.

Carlport Fountain Street, } The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 12th of November, 1855, was referred the petition of Alva Woods and others, for the construction of a curb vest in Fountain Street, from the termination of the present culvert in Fountain Street, near Bloom Street, to Dean Street:- make Report, by Resolution, in favour thereof:- which Report is received, and laid upon the table.

Do. } A Petition of Cyrus Stone and others, owners of estates in the vicinity of Battery and Fountain Streets, for a culvert in Fountain Street: is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Park St. } A Resolution to direct the Surveyor of Highways to cause the curb stones to be set, and the gutters paved in Park Street, from Smith to Remond Street. Having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and is read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

The following Petitions, are presented, received, and severally referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon: viz:

Park St. } Petition of Harvey F. Payton & others, for the setting of curb stones, &c, in Park Street, from Smith to Remond Street:-

John St. } Petition of Henry Richards and others, for the

setting of curb stones, &c, in John Street, near Hope Street:-

Piers St. } Petition of Cornelius Cooper and others, for the setting of curb stones, &c, in Piers Street:

Friendship St. } Petition of Edward Pearce and others, for the setting of curb stones in Friendship Street, from Eddy to Coronation Street, and for the paving of the same.

State Street } Petition of N. Crawford Greene and others, for repairs on State Street.

Reservoir in Pether Street. } Resolved, That the Board of Engineers be, and they are hereby requested to report to the City Council, upon the expediency of causing a Reservoir to be dug upon Pether Street, near the Pumping Works of Messrs. Smith and Baker; so that said Reservoir shall receive the water from the well upon the side walks of said Street, (belonging to said Smith and Baker); - the said Reservoir to be used for fire purposes.

(Conceded. November 3rd 1856.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Well in Pether Street. } The Standing Committee on City Property, to whom referred on the 29th of September last, was referred the Resolving Station, to direct the placing of a stone water-tough, to be dug in the Dexter Pumping Ground; make Report, that they do not deem it expedient a necessary that a water-tough be so placed; - which Report is read.

230. } Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received and adopted.

Lightning Rods. } A Resolution to direct the Standing Committee on City Property, to cause the public buildings belonging to the City, to be supplied with the "isolated lightning rod." is presented and read; and it is moved

that the same paper, which mention is put and lost,

Do. The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom was referred by the Board of Aldermen, a Petition of the Providence Aqueduct Company, report the following Resolutions; which is read and passed: viz:

Resolved That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to pay to the Providence Aqueduct Company, the sum of three Hundred and thirty three dollars and twenty five cents; the said sum being in remission of tax improperly assessed against them in the year 1855; provided it shall appear to the Treasurer, upon the certificate of the Collector of Taxes that the said sum has been paid into the City Treasury. If it shall appear to the City Treasurer that said sum has not been paid into the Treasury, then he shall credit the Collector of Taxes, with the amount so unpaid; and the Collector of Taxes shall deduct this amount yearly remitted, from the tax of said Providence Aqueduct Company.

(Continued.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Do. The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 8th of September last, was referred the Petition of Thomas Head; and to whom, on the 22nd of September last, was referred the Petition of Walter Wilson, for remission of taxes; make Reports in favor of granting the prayer thereof; which Reports are severally received; and it is thereupon ordered, that said petitioners severally have leave to withdraw.

Do. The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 8th of September last, was referred the Petition of the Second Universalist Society in Providence, for remission of tax; make Report in favor of granting the prayer thereof; which Report is received; and it is thereupon ordered, that the same be laid upon the

table.

Do. The following Petitions, for the remission of taxes, are presented, received, and severally referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon:

- 254. Petition of Asa Pierce, Minister of the Church of David Barton;
- 255. " " Richard Brownell,
- 256. " " Samuel Warner,
- 257. " " John Woodfield,
- 258. " " W. W. Hocum,
- 259. " " William E. Richmond,
- 260. " " George Durfee,
- 261. " " The Board of Managers of the Ministry at Large.

Do. A Petition of J. P. Nichols, for liberty to move a certain wooden building; is presented, received and referred to the Standing Committee on the Public Department, to examine and report thereon; - which Committee make Report, in favor of granting the prayer thereof; and said Report is received, and it is ordered, that the same be presented to the next meeting of the Common Council.

Do. A Remonstrance of William W. Dyer and others, against the moving of a certain wooden building belonging to Thomas Carew; liberty having been, on the 22nd of September last, granted to said Carew, to move the same; - is presented, and received; and it is thereupon ordered, that said remonstrants have leave to withdraw.

Filed in Convention of the City Council,

October 13, 1856.

In Convention.

The Committee to whom, on the 8th of September last, was referred the nomination of George Greene as a Deputy Gauger; make Report, recommending that said nomination be approved and confirmed; which Report is received; and it is thereupon moved, that said nomination be approved and confirmed; which motion is put and lost.

William Barrough, Gauger General having nominated Edward G. Farmer as one of his Deputies; said appointment is approved and confirmed by the City Council.

George Billings is elected a Constable, for the remainder of the present municipal year.

The two Boards separate.

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

Members present.

Mr. President,

Myell,

Brownell,

Bart,

Chapman

Davis

Day,

Boyer,

Francis

E. H. Greene,

L. Green,

Thomas,

W. A. Washburn,

Wheeler,

Johnson,

Lester,

Lincoln,

Mayer,

Peterson,

Laliburg,

Simmons,

Spencer,

Sproule,

Stone,

October 13th - November 10th 1856.

" Taft,
Tingley,

Turkey,
Towler,

Albert Greene,
Clerk

Common Council, November 10, 1856

An Common Council met, pursuant to adjournment; a quorum present.

Treasurer Monthly Statement. The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20 1854, is presented, read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance

Sanitary Report. The Monthly Report of the Surveyor of Highways, is presented, read and received.
(Received)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Chief Engineer. The Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, is presented, read, and received.
(Received)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Auditors Annual Report. The Annual Report of the City Auditor, for the year ending on the last day of September last; is presented and read.

Resolved, that the Annual Report of the City Auditor, this day presented to the City Council, it is received; that the same be received, Resolved, that the Standing Committee on Finance be, and they are hereby directed to cause said

Report, or so much thereof as is required to be published, by the fourth section of the City Charter, with a Schedule of the Property of the City, to be published in the newspapers employed to do the City printing; and also, to cause not exceeding five hundred copies of said Report and Schedule to be printed in pamphlet form, for the use of the City Council.

(Continued)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

North Burying Ground. A communication from the Corporation of the North Burying Ground, requesting that the first section of the Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the North Burying Ground" may be repealed; is presented read, and received; and a Bill, accompanying said communication, entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance in relation to the North Burying Ground, is read, and passed.

(Continued)

(Approved by the Mayor)

Water. Whereas, the City Council, on the 11th day of February last, appointed a Committee to examine into the state of the water supply of this City; and, if necessary, to report some plan for procuring an adequate supply of pure and wholesome water, for general use; which Committee have made Report, recommending the introduction of water, for the use of said purpose, from the Ten Mile River in Gettysburg, at an estimated cost of six hundred thousand, two hundred and eighty five, ⁴⁰/₁₀₀ dollars; - and whereas, it is desirable that the City Council should act upon said subject agreeably to the wishes of their constituents; - therefore, in order that the tax payers of said City may have an opportunity of expressing their

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opinions directly upon the subject: -

It is Resolved, That Ward Meetings of the voters in this City, qualified to vote on the election of members of the City Council, be held on the several Wards in this City, on the third day of December next; and that the Board of Aldermen be requested to cause due notice to be given of the time, and to designate the places, for holding the same, and the manner of voting therein; at which meetings, said voters are requested to give in their votes upon the following proposition: "Shall the City of Providence be supplied with Water, for general use, from the Ten Mile River; as proposed by a Committee of the City Council, in their Report made on the 22nd day of September, A.D. 1856?"

Resolved, That the City Clerk cause a sufficient number of printed ballots to be provided for said meetings, printed on one side of which ballots, shall be words contained in the preceding proposition; and on the other side of a part of said ballots, shall be printed the word "Yes;" and on the other side of a part of said ballots, shall be printed the word "No."

Resolved, That all ballots so given in, shall be sealed up, at the close of said meetings; and, within two days thereafter, shall be returned to the Board of Aldermen, by the Clerks of the several Wards; and, at the next meeting of said Board, shall be opened and counted.

(Continued)

(Approved by the Mayor)

Charles Pitter. A communication from the Mayor, enclosing a communication from Charles Pitter, proposing to sell to the City, certain lots of land, ad-

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joining, and in the vicinity of the Reform School
Hall; is presented and read. Whereupon, it
is resolved, that said communication and the
accompanying papers, be referred to the Stand-
ing Committee on City Property, to examine
and report thereon.

Presence of Memorial of Stephen A. Phillips, Treasurer of the
Poor, requesting that a Committee may be appointed
to revise the "Ordinance prescribing the mode of
temporary relief to Poor Persons," and, if found
practicable, to recommend some alterations and
amendments in regard to his duties and privileges.
is presented, received, and referred to the Standing
Committee on Police, to examine and report thereon

Cattle Market. The Standing Committee on City Property, who were,
on the 22nd of September last, directed to confer
with the Standing Committee of the Rhode Island
Society for the encouragement of Domestic Industry,
in relation to the subject of the weekly sales of
cattle in this City; and to report such plan as
they might deem expedient, for remedying the
present manner of conducting such sales; and
to ascertain and report whether, in their opin-
ion, a Cattle Market can be properly estab-
lished in this City; - make Report, accompa-
nied by a Memorial from the Standing Committee
of said Society; - which Report is read. -
Whereupon, it is ordered that the same be re-
ceived; and postponed to the next meeting of the
Common Council; and that said Memorial be
printed in the newspapers employed to do the City
printing.

Jonathan Brayton. The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the
13th of October last, was referred the claim of Jonathan
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Brayton; upon the following Resolution; which is
read and passed; is

Resolved, that the City Treasurer be, and he is
hereby directed to pay to Jonathan Brayton, the
sum of thirty three, ⁹⁴/₁₀₀ Dollars; being the amount
of his bill for monies paid for a lot of land on
Greenwich Street, sold by the Collector of Taxes;
the same to be paid out of any monies not else-
wise appropriated.

(Consented)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Children's Friends Society. The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on
the 13th of October last, was recommended, their
Report upon the Memorial of the Children's Friends
Society, requesting aid to enable them to pur-
chase land, for a site for a building; - make

236. Report that they do not recommend the granting
250. the prayer of said Memorial; - which Report
is received; - and it is thereupon ordered, that
said memorialists have leave to withdraw.

National Cadets. The Standing Committee on Finance to whom, on
the 13th of October last, was referred the Petition of
236. the National Cadet Company; make Report,
without recommending any action thereon; which
Report is received, and laid upon the table.

20. A Resolution to direct the City Treasurer to pay
to the "National Cadets," the sum of \$150.00,
presented, read, and laid upon the table.

Daniel Wightman. A Petition of Daniel Wightman, for compensation
for injuries received by falling upon the ice in
261. Alley Street; is presented, received, and referred
to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine
and report thereon.

A. Jeff. Memorial of Thomas A. Jeff, in relation to his claim against the City, for designs, plans, elevations and estimates for a City Hall; together with a communication made to him by Hon. Amos C. Bartlett; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

Lang Wharf Street. Resolved That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause Lang Wharf Street to be paved, from Broad Street to Dyer Street, before the expiration of the present year; and, if practicable, the same to be done with the block pavement.

(Concurred.)
(Approved by the Mayor)

President Street, Smith Main Street. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 13th of October last, was re-committed their Report upon the Petition of Isaac Brown and others, for the widening of President and Smith Main Streets; now report the following Resolution; which is read and passed: viz:

Book No 9 page 26. Resolved, That the Board of Aldermen be, and they are hereby requested to widen President Street and Smith Main Street, opposite the Baptist Meeting House, under the Act entitled "An Act for laying out Highways."

(Concurred.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Thayer St., Bush St., Waterman Street. A Petition of E. B. Vinton and others, for cross walks in Thayer, Bush, Brown, and Waterman Streets, is presented, received and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon; which Committee, thereupon, report the following Resolution; which is read and passed

viz. Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause cross walks to be laid, in the following streets: viz:

One across Thayer Street, on the Southwesterly side of Waterman Street; -

One across Bush Street, on the Southwesterly side of Waterman Street;

One across Waterman Street, on the Easterly side of Brown Street,

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor)

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

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to set the curbing and pave the gutters, on that portion of Point Street lying between Hopkin and Plane Streets, recently declared a public highway."

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

(Approved by the Mayor)

President Street. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 13th of October last, was referred the Petition of Edward Pearce and others, for the setting of curbstones &c. in Friendship Street; make Report, recommending that said petitioners have leave to withdraw; which Report is received; and it is thereupon ordered, that said petitioners have leave to withdraw

Point Street. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 13th of October last, was referred the Resolution from the Board of Aldermen, directing the setting

of curb stones, &c. in Park Street; make Report, recommending that the Common Council concur therein; which Report is received, and laid upon the table.

Pierce Street, } The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 13 of October last, was referred the Petition of Cornelius Cooper and others, for the setting of curb stones, &c. in Pierce Street; make Report, in favour of granting the prayer thereof; - which Report is received, and laid upon the table.

Robert in Fountain Street, } The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 13 of October last, was referred the Petition of Cyrus Stone and others, for a Culvert in Fountain Street; make Report, in favour of granting the prayer thereof; - which Report is received, and laid upon the table.

John Street, } The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 13 of October last, was referred the Petition of Henry Richardson and others, for the setting of curb stones, &c. in John Street, near Hope Street; make Report, in favour of granting the prayer thereof; which Report is received, and laid upon the table.

High St. } A Petition of Allen Chilson and others, for the paving of High Street from Dutton Street to the top of Bennett's Hill; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine the same and to report thereon at the next meeting of the Common Council.

The following Petitions are presented, received, and severally referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon; viz:

Waterman Street, } Petition of Seth C. Armstrong & others, for the setting of the curb stones, &c. on the South side of Waterman Street, from Prospect to Benefit

Street; } Petition of P. M. Macbroom and others, for the setting of curb stones, &c. in Thayer Street, from Russell to Power Street;

Thayer St, } Petition of William P. Ballou and others, for the laying out of Thayer Street, Northward, under the "Act for laying out Highways."

J. B. Ames, } Petition of John B. Ames, Agent, for permission to construct a small drain, from the "Ames Estate on Broad Street, to the public Drain in Westminster Street.

Well in Dutton Training Ground, } The Resolutions from the Board of Aldermen, for the placing of a Stone Water-trough at the well to be dug on the Dutton Training Ground; upon which, Report was made by the Standing Committee on City Property, on the 13th of October last; - is taken up and read.

241. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do not concur therein.

Finance Committee, } The Standing Committee on Finance to whom on the 13 of October last, were referred the Petitions of John O'Sfield, William C. Richmond, and the Board of Managers of the Ministry at Large, for the remission of taxes; report the following Resolution; which is read and passed: viz:

Resolved That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to the persons whose names are annexed, the sums paid against their respective names; the said sums being in remission of taxes improperly opened against them, in the year 1856; provided it shall appear to the Treasurer, upon the Certificate of the Collector of Taxes, that said sums have been paid into the City Treasury. If it shall appear to the City

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Treasurer, that said sums have not been paid into the Treasury; then he shall credit the Collector of Taxes, with the amounts so unpaid; and the Collector of Taxes, shall deduct the amounts hereby remitted, from the taxes of the persons whose names are annexed; viz:

243	To John Oldfield	77. 50
243	" Stephen H. Mathews and Seth Padelford: (on account of Board of Managers of The Ministry at Large)	20. 16.
243	" William E. Richmond	244. 12. 5.
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(annexed)
(Approved by the Mayor)

To The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom on the 13th of October last, was referred the Petition of Samuel Warner, for remission of tax; report the following Resolution, which is read and passed; viz:

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to Samuel Warner, the sum of seven dollars and eighty four cents; the said sum being in remission of tax improperly assessed against him, in the year 1854; provided it shall appear to the Treasurer, upon the certificate of the Collector of Taxes, that said sum has been paid into the City Treasury. If it shall appear to the City Treasurer, that said sum has not been paid into the Treasury; then he shall credit the Collector of Taxes, with the amount so unpaid; and the Collector of Taxes shall deduct the amount hereby remitted, from the taxes said Samuel Warner.

(annexed.)
(Approved by the Mayor)

To The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 13th of October last, were referred the Petitions of
243 Mrs Pierce, Administratrix of the Estate of David Boston,

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243. Robinson & Brewster,
243. V. W. Hoxum,
243. and George Barbee, for remission of taxes; make Reports that they do not recommend the granting of the prayer thereof; which Reports are severally received; and it is therefore ordered, that said petitioners severally have leave to withdraw.

To The Petition of the Second Universalist Society in Providence for remission of tax: which was on the 18th of October last, laid upon the table, with the Report of the Standing Committee on Finance, thereon; is taken up and read; and it is ordered, that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

To The following Petitions, for the remission of taxes, are presented, received, and severally referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon; viz

- 264. Petition of John of Carlo Hansen, deceased,
- 265. " " Executor of Nicholas Braun, deceased,
- 265. " " Frances M. Coagins,
- 291. " " Thomas Pierce Jr,
- 266. " " Joseph R. Audling,
- 265. " " Joseph Bradford,
- 265. " " Benjamin Cavell,

Moving Buildings. The following Petitions, for liberty to move certain wood in Buildings; are presented received, and severally referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon; viz;

- Petition of The Eighth Baptist Society,
- " " Gilbert R. Redick,
- " " Caleb Redman,
- " " Patrick Maguire,
- " " Peter Greene,

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Fifth Ward Revenue, } The Standing Committee on City Property, who were, on the 11th of August last, authorized to cause vestib. poles to be placed on the Ward Room in the Fifth Ward; make Report, that they have caused the vestibles, same to be done; which Report is read and received.

(Concurred, Dec 1, 1856)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Flag Staff on Exchange Place, } The Standing Committee on City Property, who were on the 8th of September last, directed to cause a flag staff to be erected in Exchange Place; and who were, on the 22nd of September last, directed to cause a flag staff to be erected on the Desert Training Ground; make Report that they have caused said flag staves to be erected; which Report is read and received.

(Concurred Dec 1, 1856)
(Approved by the Mayor)

The Common Council adjourn, to meet, on Monday the 8th Day of December next, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present,

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| Mr. Parson, | " Johnson |
| Angell, | Leah, |
| Brunell, | Sinclair, |
| Burt, | Stages, |
| Chapman | Peter, |
| Louis, | Talibury, |
| Gay, | Simmons, |
| Boyle, | Spencer, |
| Kearns | Sprague, |
| E. A. Green, | Stone |
| L. Green, | Toft, |
| Bauer, | Tricker |
| Hartshorn, | Vogler, |
| Hepkins, | |

Abel Green, Clerk.

December 8, 1856.

Common Council, December 8, 1856.

The Common Council met, pursuant to adjournment: a quorum present.

Pro. Mayor, } The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the National Revolution of the Common Council, of October 20, 1834 is presented, read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

Revenue, } The Quarterly Report of the City Treasurer, of the Office of the City Treasurer, and Payments of the City Debt, is presented, read and received.

(Concurred,)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Treasurer's } The Monthly Report of the Surveyor of Highways, is presented, read and received.

(Concurred,)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Chief Engineer's } The Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, is presented, read and received.

(Concurred,)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Provisional } The semi-annual Report of the Overseer of the Poor, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is ordered that the same be received.

Ordered, that said Report be printed in the news papers employed to do the City printing.

(Concurred, with the following Amendment: viz that the Order to print be stricken out.)

The Amendment of the Board of Aldermen read, whereupon it is resolved, that the

Common Council do not concur therein.

Wicks, Omnibuses } A Bill entitled "An Ordinance in Addition to an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance for the regulation of Wicks, Omnibuses, Drays, Trucks, &c." is presented, read and passed.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Wardens, Buildings } A Bill entitled "An Ordinance in addition to an Ordinance in relation to the removal of Wrecked Buildings." is presented, read, and referred to the Standing Committee to engross Ordinances, to examine and report thereon.

Barber's Shops } A Bill entitled "An Ordinance to prohibit the opening of Barber's Shops, on Sunday, after ten o'clock in the morning." is presented, read and referred to the Standing Committee to engross Ordinances, to examine and report thereon.

Section of Buildings } Resolved That the Standing Committee on the Finance Department be and they are hereby directed to make application to the General Assembly, at its next session, for the passage of an Act requiring parties intending to erect buildings upon any street in the City of Providence, or to add to buildings already erected, to give notice, in writing, of said intention to the Board of Aldermen of said City; before proceeding to make said erection or alteration; said notice to be given to said Board, at any regular meeting thereof; with suitable penalties attached for any violation of said Act.

(Concurred, January 5, 1857.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Steam Boilers } Resolved, That the Standing Committee to engross Ordinances be and they are hereby directed to make ap-

Application to the General Assembly, at its next session, for the passage of an Act authorizing the City Council of the City of Providence to appoint an Inspector of Steam Boilers, for said City; and to make such regulations defining the Duties of said officer, with such penalties for the violations of said regulations as the City Council may deem expedient.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Water, Ten Mills River. 24th.

A Communication from the Board of Aldermen, in the words following, is presented and read: viz "The ballots given in by the electors, on the 3d instant, on the question of supplying the City with Water, from the Ten Mills River; are, this day, opened and counted. There were, Yeas, 4000, Nays, 1352.

Whereupon, it is resolved, that the result of said vote be communicated to the Common Council.

In Board of Aldermen, December 8, 1856.
Read and passed,
Abbot Robie, Clerk;

Whereupon, it is ordered, that said Communication be placed on file.

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

"Resolved, That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to pay the City Agent, the sum of \$2868.14: for the payment of purchases made by him for the use of the City, at the City Agency; the same to be placed to an Appropriation for the "City Agency";

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

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Charles Potter. The Standing Committee on City Property, to whom, on the 10th of November last, was referred the Communica-

247. tion from the Mayor, with the communication from Charles Potter, proposing to sell to the City, certain lots of land adjoining, and in the vicinity of, the Reform School Estate, make Report recommending the purchase of said lots: - which Report is received, and it is ordered, that the same be postponed to the next regular meeting of the Common Council.

Road Estate. A Resolution to direct the City Treasurer, under the advice of the Standing Committee on Finance, to sell the Roan Estate (so called) on Broad Street, as presented said, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

Children's Friends' Society. Resolved, that the Committee to advertise and receive bids for the Loan of Six Hundred Thousand Dollars, be and they are hereby authorized to issue to the Children's Friends' Society, one Bond, for one thousand dollars, at four per cent premium.

(Concurred.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Ab. Phillips. The Standing Committee on Police, to whom, on the 10th of November last, was referred the Memorial of the John A. Phillips, Overseer of the Poor, make Report recommending that said memorialist have leave to withdraw: which Report is received: and it is ordered, that said memorialist have leave to withdraw.

Samuel G. Rowan. The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 13th of October last, was referred the Petition of Sam

-uel G. Rowan, for compensation for injuries sustained by falling in Gaspee Street; - make Report, recommending that said petitioner have leave to withdraw: which Report is received: and it is, thereupon, ordered, that said petitioner have leave to withdraw.

Daniel Wightman. The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 10th of November last, was referred the Petition of Daniel Wightman, for compensation for in-

249. juries sustained by falling upon the ice in College Street; - make Report, recommending that said petitioner have leave to withdraw, which Report is received, and it is thereupon ordered, that said petitioner have leave to withdraw.

T. H. Tefft. The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 10th of November last, was referred the Memorial of Thomas A. Tefft, in relation to his claim against the City, for designs, plans, elevations, and estimates for a City Hall: together with a Communication made to him by Gen. Amos C. Barstow; - make Report: which is read, received, and adopted: and it is, thereupon, ordered, that said memorialist have leave to withdraw.

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Daniel P. Field. A Communication from the City Auditor, enclosing a claim of Daniel P. Field against the City, for \$6. is presented received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Police, to examine and report thereon.

Margaret A. Pease. A Petition of Margaret A. Pease, late Principal of the Carpenter Street Intermediate School, for the payment of \$243.75, claimed by her as the balance of salary for one year from August

13th 1855; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

School House & Lot on Pallas St. The Standing Committee on Finance report the following Resolution; which is read and passed; viz. Resolved, that the sum of ninety five dollars and eighty four cents be, and the same is hereby appropriated, for the balance of an Appropriation for a Urn and Lot on Pallas Street.

(Concurred) (Approved by the Mayor.)

Reservoir in Potter Street. The Board of Engineers of the Fire Department, who were on the 13th of October last, requested to report to the City Council, upon the expediency of causing a Reservoir to be dug in Potter Street, near the Planning Works of Smith and Baker; make Report, that they do not recommend the same; which Report is read. Whereupon, it is ordered that the same be referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon.

Engine No 3. A Communication from the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department, requesting authority to procure a new Engine. for Engine Company No 3. is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon.

Wall near State Prison Bridge. A Communication from the Mayor, recommending the immediate filling in of earth, to protect the wall recently built on the levee of the channel North of the bridge near the State Prison; is presented and read.

Do. Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways, (acting

under the advice and direction of the Standing Committee on Highways. he and he is hereby directed to fill in the River on the line of the channel North of the bridge near the State Prison, to a width sufficient to protect the wall already erected, and to prevent the same from being broken down by the ice.

(Concurred) (Approved by the Mayor.)

Dormant Street Dock. 106. A Resolution in the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is read & carried for concurrence, and is read, viz. "Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to the Dormant Street Association, the sum of seven hundred dollars, as directed by a Resolution passed by the City Council, February 4th 1856; without the condition thereto annexed." Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein.

(Approved by the Mayor)

High Street. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 11th of June, 1855; was referred the Petition of George Miller and others, for the paving of High Street, from Decker Street to Olneyville; make Report that they do not recommend the granting of the prayer thereof; which Report is received; and it is thereupon, ordered, that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Lockwood Street. 159. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 12th of May last, was referred the Petition of Charles W. Atwood and others, for the setting of curb stones, &c, in Lockwood Street; from Place to Windmill Street; make Report, in favour of granting the prayer thereof; which Report is received, and laid upon the table.

High Street, } The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 10th of November last, was referred the Petition of Allen Chellson and others, for the paving of High Street, from Decker Street to the top of Bennett's Hill; make Report, in form thereof: which Report is received, and laid upon the table

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Waterman Street, } The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 10th of November last, was referred the Petition of Scott C. Armstrong and others, for the re-setting of the curb-stones, &c., on the South side of Waterman Street, from Purport to Benefit Street; make Report, in form of granting the prayer thereof: - which Report is received, and laid upon the table,

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The following Petitions are presented, received, and severally referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon: viz,

Peter Avenue, } Petition of Charles Pitter and others, that Peter Avenue, from Stowell's Avenue to Cove Street, may be received and established as a Highway; and put in order;

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Westminster Street, } Petition of William P. Blodget and others, for a crop walk from the southern corner of the Merchants Bank building, to the North-east side of Westminster Street;

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Wickenden Street, } Petition of James M. Monroe and others, for a crop walk in Wickenden Street, on the West side of Burke Street.

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Pay remitted } The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 10th of November last, was referred the Petition of the Heirs of Carlo Mauran, deceased, for remission of tax: report the following Resolution; which is read and passed; viz:

Resolved, That the City Treasurer, he, and he is hereby directed to pay to Carlo Mauran's Heirs

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estate, the sum of ten Dollars and twelve cents; the said sum being in remission of tax improperly assessed against them, in the year 1855; provided it shall appear to the Treasurer, upon the Certificate of the Collector of Taxes, that said sum has been paid into the City Treasury. If it shall appear to the City Treasurer, that said sum has not been paid into the Treasury; then he shall credit the Collector of Taxes, with the amount so unpaid; and the Collector of Taxes shall deduct the amount hereby remitted, from the tax of said Carlo Mauran's Heirs' estate.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Taxes remitted } The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 10th of November last, were referred the Petitions of the Executors of Nicholas Brown, deceased, Francis M. Beagin, Joseph Bradford and Benjamin Cavell, for the remission of taxes; report the following Resolution; which is read and passed;

viz: Resolved, That the City Treasurer, he, and he is hereby directed to pay to the persons whose names are annexed, the ~~same~~ sums placed against their respective names; the said sums being in remission of taxes improperly assessed against them in the year 1856; provided it shall appear to the Treasurer, upon the Certificate of the Collector of Taxes, that said sums has been paid into the City Treasury. If it shall appear to the City Treasurer, that said sums have not been paid into the Treasury; then he shall credit the Collector of Taxes, with the amounts so unpaid; and the Collector of Taxes shall deduct the amounts hereby remitted, from the taxes of the persons whose names are annexed;

viz:

255	To the Executors of Nicholas Brown	\$720. 96.
255	" Benjamin Cowell and wife.	120. 90.
255	" Joseph Bradford	19. 37. 5
255	" Francis M. Craigie.	7. 75.
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(Approved by the Mayor)

Resolutions The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 10th of November last, was referred the Petition of Joseph R. Badlong, for remission of tax: make Report in favor of granting the prayer thereof: - which Report is received and recommended.

To The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, was referred by the Board of Aldermen, a Petition of George B. Peck, for remission of tax: make Report, recommending that said petition have leave to withdraw: which Report is received: and it is thereupon ordered, that said petition have leave to withdraw.

To. The following Petitions, for the remission of taxes, are presented, received, and severally referred to the Standing Committee on Finance; to examine and report thereon:

- 291. Petition of the Commercial Steam Boat Company,
- 322. " " Philip C. Copron,
- 291. " " Charles Parter,
- 291. " " Isaac Brown, Gundson,
- 280. " " Albert C. Greene and others, Trustees of the Estate of Samuel Larned, deceased,
- 291. " " Sarah T. Watson, (formerly Corliss) and Elizabeth W. Chaate, (formerly Corliss) by John Barstow, Agent.

J. B. Ames The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 10th of November last, was referred the Petition of

John B. Ames, ^{Agent} for, permission to construct a small drain from the "Ames Estate" on Broad Street, to the public drain in Westminster Street; report the following Resolution; which is read and passed; viz;

Resolved, That John B. Ames, Agent, be permitted to introduce a small pipe into the public drain in Westminster Street; for the purpose of discharging sink water above, without charge for the privilege; provided he will not injure the Street, in so doing.
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Gen. Pitman Ordered, That the City Sergeant be and he is ⁱⁿ *Committee* ^{Chamber} thereby directed to cause suitable gas fixtures to be placed on each side of the chair of the President of the Common Council, before the next meeting of said Council; or to cause the fixtures now in said place, to be suitably repaired.

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(Approved by the Mayor)

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday the 12th day of January next, at 7 o'clock P.M.

<u>Members present,</u>	
Mr. President	" E. A. Greene.
Byell	L. Green,
Brunell	Howes,
Bart,	Wartshorn,
Chapman	Wheeler,
Davis,	Pherson,
Jay	Lester,
Duyle,	Liverm,
Francis,	Styer,

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" Peter, Spurgeon,
" Golding, Stone,
" Simmers, Tingley,
" Spencer, Tinker, 26,

Albert J. Greene,
Clerk

Common Council, January 12, 1857.

The Common Council met pursuant to adjournment
a quorum present.

The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the
Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20, 1856,
is presented, read, received, and referred to the Stand-
ing Committee on Finance.

The Monthly Report of the Surveyor of Highways, is
presented, read and received.
(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

The Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire
Department, is presented, read and received.
(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

The Annual Report of the City Marshal, of the Sheriff
of the Police Department, for the year 1856, is pre-

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read and read. Whereupon it is ordered that the same
be received, and that ^{the} same be printed in the newspapers
employed to do the City printing.

(Concurred.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

The Annual Report of the Trustees of the Providence
Reform School, is presented and read.

285. Resolved, That the Report of the Trustees of the
Providence Reform School be received; and that
five hundred copies thereof be printed, in pamph-
let form, under the direction of the Superintendent
of the Providence Reform School, for the use of the
City Council.

(Concurred.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Resolved, That the City Registrar be authorized
and required to obtain files of all reports, doc-
uments and ordinances published by the principal
cities in this country, and also standards works
upon subjects strictly connected with the admin-
istration of a city government.

Resolved, That he be also authorized to obtain,
as far as possible, files of all documents here-
before published by this City; and to keep on
hand, at least ten copies of all documents
that may be hereafter published by the City.

Resolved, That all documents so obtained,
shall be substantially bound, and kept in the
Office of the City Registrar, for the use of the mem-
bers of the City Government.

Resolved, That fifty dollars be annually ap-
propriated for the above purpose; to be expended
by the City Registrar, with the advice and di-
rection of the Mayor; and that he be also
authorized to obtain a suitable book case, for

the safe keeping of the documents.
 (Concurred, with the following Amendment,
 viz: That the word "annually" in the last
 Resolution, be struck out.)
 The Common Council concur in the Amendment,
 (Approved by the Mayor.)

Wooden Buildings } The Standing Committee to enquire Ordinances, to whom
 on the 8th of December last, was referred the Bill en-
 titled "An Ordinance in addition to an Ordinance
 258. in relation to the removal of Wooden Buildings";
 make Report that they do not recommend the passage
 thereof: - which Report is read, received and adopted.

Barber's Shops } The Standing Committee to enquire Ordinances, to whom
 on the 8th of December last, was referred the Bill en-
 titled "An Ordinance to prohibit the opening of
 258. Barber's Shops, on Sunday, after ten o'clock in
 294. the morning;" make Report, that they do not re-
 commend the passage thereof: which Report is
 read and received; and it is thereupon ordered
 that said Bill be re-committed, for further exam-
 ination and report.

Erection of Buildings } The Resolution to direct the Standing Committee
 on the Fire Department to apply to the General
 Assembly, for the passage of an Act requiring
 parties intending to erect buildings, or to add
 to buildings already erected, on any street in
 258. the City, to give notice in writing, of such
 intention, to the Board of Aldermen, before
 making such erection or alteration; - which
 passed the Common Council on the 8th of December
 last, and was then sent up, for concurrence; - is
 now sent down by the Board of Aldermen, with their
concurrence therein.
 (Approved by the Mayor)

Steam Boilers } The Standing Committee to enquire Ordinances, who
 were, on the 8th of December last, "directed" to make
 application to the General Assembly at its next
 session, for the passage of an Act to authorize
 258. the City Council of the City of Providence, to ap-
 286. point an Inspector of Steam Boilers for said
 City, and to make such regulations defining
 the duties of said officer, with such penalties
 for the violation of said regulations as the
 City Council may deem expedient; - make
 Report, "that in their opinion, the authority
 given to the Mayor and Aldermen, by the Act
 concerning the erection of Buildings in the City
 of Providence" in the sections thereof from the
 8th to the 13th, is sufficient - to secure the
 objects of said Resolution, without further
 State Legislation upon the subject; - and that
 they therefore recommend that said Resolution
 be repealed: - which Report is read and
 received; - and it is thereupon moved, that
 said Resolution be repealed; - which motion
 is put, and lost.

Weights of Coal } A Resolution to direct the Standing Committee
 to enquire Ordinances, to make application to
 the General Assembly, for the passage of an Act
 to authorize the City Council of the City of
 Providence, to appoint public Weighers of Coal;
 is presented read, and referred to the Standing
 Committee to enquire Ordinances, to examine
 and report thereon.

Charles Potter } The Report of the Standing Committee on City Property,
 upon the Communication from the Mayor, enclos-
 ing the Communication from Charles Potter;
 which was on the 8th of December last, pre-
 260. sented to this day, was taken up and read; and

the following Resolution, reported by said Committee, is thereupon read and passed; viz:

Resolved, That the City Treasurer, acting under the advice and direction of the Standing Committee on City Property, be and he is hereby authorized and directed to purchase for the City, from Charles Peltier Esq, a lot a piece of land, on the North side of Cole Street; and the Lots Nos 603, 604, and 605, on the "Whatecher Plot"; (so called) bounding Southwesterly on the Reprim School Estate, and Northerly on a street laid down on said plot; - provided the same can be purchased for not exceeding five thousand dollars; and to pay for the same, out of any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

The Standing Committee on Finance report the following Resolution; which is read and passed; viz:

Resolved, That the sum of one thousand dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for repairs of Public Buildings, in addition to the former Appropriation.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

A Communication from the City Treasurer, enclosing a Request of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund for the redemption of the Bonds of the City, payable in 1876, issued to the Hartford, Providence and

Fubhill Railroad Company, that the City may see them, in said Fund, those Bonds of the City payable in 1885, for \$1000 each, at par; -

is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

City Hall Resolved, That the special Committee to whom Let. J on the 7th day of January, 1856, was referred the communication from the Mayor, in relation to the title of the City Hall Lot; and who, on the 14th of the same month, were authorized and empowered to negotiate and settle with any party or parties having any claim to any portion of said lot; or to direct such proceedings to be commenced as they shall deem expedient in behalf of the City; - he and they are hereby directed to report, at the next meeting of the City Council.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

A Memorial of Stephen A. Phillips, Overseer of the Poor, requesting that his Memorial in which Report was made by the Standing Committee on Police, on the 8th of December last; may be again referred; (he having then had cause to withdraw;) - is presented and read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that said memorial have leave to withdraw.

A Memorial of the Clerk of the Municipal Court, in relation to the increase of labor required in his Office; and requesting that measures be taken to procure an assistant competent to perform a part of the duties which he is now required personally to do; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 8th of December last, was referred the Petition of Margaret A. Pease; report the following Resolution; which is read and passed; viz: Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is

the following Resolution, reported by said Committee, is thereupon read and passed; viz:

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Resolved, That the City Treasurer, acting under the advice and direction of the Standing Committee on City Property, be and he is hereby authorized and directed to purchase for the City, from Charles Peter Esq, a lot a piece of land, on the North side of Cole Street; and the Lots Nos 603, 604, and 605, on the "Whetcheer Plot" (so called) bounding Southward on the Reprim School Estate, and Northward on a street laid down on said plot; - provided the same can be purchased for not exceeding five thousand dollars; and to pay for the same, out of any monies in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

(Concurred.)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Appropriation. The Standing Committee on Finance report the following Resolution; which is read and passed; viz:

Resolved, That the sum of one thousand dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the repair of Public Buildings, in addition to the former Appropriation.

(Concurred.)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Sinking Fund. A Communication from the City Treasurer, enclosing a Request of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund for the redemption of the Bonds of the City, payable in 1876, issued to the Hartford, Providence and

Bonds. & Fubhill Railroad Company, that the City may sell them, in said Fund, those Bonds of the City payable in 1885, for \$1000 each, at par; - is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

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City Hall Resolved, That the special Committee to whom Lot. 5 on the 7th day of January, 1856, was referred the Communication from the Mayor, in relation to the title of the City Hall Lot; and who, on the 14th of the same month, were authorized and empowered to negotiate and settle with any party or parties having any claim to any portion of said lot; or to direct such proceedings to be commenced as they shall deem expedient in behalf of the City; - be and they are hereby directed to report, at the next meeting of the City Council.

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(Concurred.)
(Approved by the Mayor)

S.A. Phillips. A Memorial of Stephen A. Phillips, Overseer of the Poor, requesting that his Memorial in which Report was made by the Standing Committee on Police, on the 8th of December last; may be again referred; (he having then had cause to withdraw;) - is presented and read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that said memorial have leave to withdraw.

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Clerk of Municipal Court. A Memorial of the Clerk of the Municipal Court, in relation to the increase of labor required in his office; and requesting that measures be taken to procure an assistant competent to perform a part of the duties which he is now required personally to do; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

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Margaret A. Pease. The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 8th of December last, was referred the Petition of Margaret A. Pease; report the following Resolution; which is read and passed; viz:

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Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is

hereby directed to pay to Margaret A. Pease, two hundred and forty three dollars and seventy-five cents; upon her giving such a release and discharge of all claims and demands as shall be satisfactory to the Committee on Finance,
 (Concurred.)
 (Approved by the Mayor.)

Anthony P. The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom on the 7th of April last, was by the Board of Aldermen, offered a Petition of Anthony Potter of North Hingham in the County of Washington, claiming compensation for injuries sustained by him by falling on the ice in Broad Street; report the following Resolution: which is, thereupon, read and passed; viz:
 Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to Anthony Potter, the sum of four hundred and fifty dollars, in full for all damages sustained by him, in falling upon the ice on the 19th of February, A.D. 1856, in Broad Street, between Stewart and Seckell Streets; on his giving a full and satisfactory receipt; - the same to be paid out of any monies not otherwise appropriated.
 (Concurred.)
 (Approved by the Mayor.)

Daniel A claim of Daniel Wrightman, for \$4,000, for injuries sustained by him by falling on the ice in College Street: a petition, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon,
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Cases. The Standing Committee on Finance report the following Resolution; which is thereupon, read and passed; viz:
 Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay the amount of the judgment

in the cases "V. A. Ricketson against William J. Sawyer" in the United States Circuit Court; being for one dollar and costs; and the judgment of said "Ricketson against N. W. Potter," in the Supreme Court, for one dollar and costs; upon the discharge of the Executions in said cases.
 (Concurred.)
 (Approved by the Mayor.)

Pete A claim of William H. Law, for \$2000, for Damages sustained by him, by expenses, losses and Disappointment occasioned by the refusal or inability of the City, to perform their contract to lease to him, the "Pete Gate" (so called) at the junction of Broad and Lorraine Streets; - is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon,
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Engine The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to whom, on the 8th of December last, was offered the communication from the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department; - report the following Resolutions; which is read and passed; viz:
 Resolved, That the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department be, and he hereby is, directed to contract for a fire engine, of such size and construction, as he shall consider most advisable for the interest of the City; and to make such arrangement for the sale of Engine No 3, as the completion of said contract may admit.
 (Concurred.)
 (Approved by the Mayor.)

Acts in relation to Highways. Resolved, That the Standing Committee on Highways be directed to apply to the General Assembly, at its present session, for an amendment of the Acts in relation to Highways.
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 (Concurred.)
 (Approved by the Mayor.)

Doman The joint Committee appointed on the 8th of September last, to confer with the parties interested in the extension of Doman Street, as to the loss of claims, and damage, benefit and advantage, appertaining and appurtenant to each; - and to agree and settle with, said parties, for the lands or improvements required for said extension, or for benefits appertaining, upon such terms as might be satisfactory to said Committee; - make Report, that they have settled all outstanding claims which were allowed by the Commissioners, and that they are not advised of any other claims; - which Report is read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be received.

(Concurred.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

J. B. Ames A communication from the Mayor, returning to the Common Council, the Resolution passed on the 8th of September last, to permit John B. Ames, Agent, to introduce a small pipe into the public Drain in Westminster Street, without charge for the privilege; - not opposed by him; - is presented and read.

W.P. & F. R.R. Co. A Petition of the Hartford, Providence and Fishkill Railroad Company, for permission to lay their rails from their Freight-Depot, across Sabin Street, and through and along Doman Street, to the several slips and wharves upon the West side of the River; is presented and read.

Do. Ordered, that the Petition of the Hartford, Providence and Fishkill Railroad Company, for permission to lay rails in Doman Street, be received, and referred to the Standing Committee on

Highways; with instructions to said Committee, to advertise in the papers employed to do the City printing, of the time and place when and where the said Committee will meet, to hear parties for and against granting the request of said petitioners.

(Concurred.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Private Drains Resolved, that the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to report, at the next meeting of the City Council, the names of all persons who have entered drains from their estates, to the public sewers, without payment for the same. (Concurred, with the following Amendment, viz: That the words "to his knowledge" be inserted between the word "have" and the word "entered," in the third line.)

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The Common Council concur in the Amendment.
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Waterman Street The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 26th of September 1855, was referred the Petition of William J. Harris and others, for the extension of Waterman Street, through land belonging to the City; make Report; which is received; - and it is thereupon ordered, that the same be recommended; and that said Committee be instructed to obtain the opinion of the City Solicitor, upon the subject; and to report at the next meeting of the Common Council.

Washington Street The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 14th of April last, was referred the communication from the Mayor, respecting the laying out of that part of Washington Street, Westward

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from Franklin Street; together with the Petition of Solomon Tyler and others, for a relaying out of said part of said Street; make Report, recommending that said Communication be postponed indefinitely; and that said petitioners have leave to withdraw; - which Report is received. Whereupon, it is ordered, that said Communication be postponed indefinitely, and that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Wayle Street, The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 25th of October, 1855, was referred a Resolution to direct the setting of curb-stones, &c. in Wayle Street; make Report, that they do not recommend the granting of the prayer thereof; which Report is received, and laid upon the table.

Battery Street, The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 11th of January, 1855, were recommended certain Resolutions for an application to the Supreme Court, for the appointment of Commissioners of Estimate and Appraisal, for the extension of Battery Street, from High Street to Broadway; make Report, that they do not recommend the passage thereof; which Report is received. Whereupon, it is moved, that said Resolutions pass; - which motion is put and lost.

Canal Street, The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 15th of November, 1855, was referred a Resolution for the grading and paving of Canal Street, from Haymarket Square to Smith Street; make Report that they do not recommend the passage thereof; - which Report is received. Whereupon, it is moved, that said Resolution pass; - which motion is put and lost.

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Surveyor of Highways, The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 8th of July, 1850, was referred a Resolution to direct the Surveyor of Highways, to report monthly abstracts of the amount of money by him expended in the discharge of his duties; stating the amount paid for labour, the amount paid for materials, and of what kind, and all incidental expenses attending the same; and on what streets and for what purposes the money was expended; - make Report that they do not recommend the passage thereof; which Report is received.

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Whereupon, it is moved, that said Resolution pass; - which motion is put and lost.

Parrot Street, The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 8th of October 1855, was referred a Resolution, directing the setting of curb stones, in Parrot Street, opposite the Estate of Peleg W. Gardner; make Report, that they do not recommend the passage thereof; which Report is read and received; and it is ordered, that said Resolution be postponed indefinitely.

P. W. Gardner

The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom were heretofore referred the following Petitions; make Reports thereon respectively, recommending that the petitioners severally have leave to withdraw; -

J. Chase.

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Petition of Stephen Chase, for leave to build a drain from his water on Salin Street, to the Salin Street drain; (referred June 19, 1854); -

P. W. Bell Co

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Petition of the Providence and Worcester Rail Road Company, for permission to extend their rails on the West side of the River; - (referred April 9, 1855); -

Thiggold Street, &c

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Petition of Charles A. Hornon, and others, for corp. works in Thiggold and Salter Streets.

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Dock in
B'way St.
(South side)
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and Broadway; (opened June 11, 1855.)
Petition of C. W. Pines, relative to the Dock
in Dyer Street, at the foot of Pine Street;
(opened August 23^d 1854.) -

Which Reports are severally received. and it is
thereupon, ordered, that said Petitioners severally have
leave to withdraw.

Resolved, That the Standing Committee on City Prop-
erty be and they are hereby authorized to purchase,
on or before the twenty second day of February next,
suitable National Flags, to be used on the flag-
staff recently erected in the Dexter Training Ground,
and on the flag-staff in Exchange Place.
(Concurred.)
(Approved by the Mayor)

The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the
8th of December last, was referred the Petition of Albert
C. Greene and others, Trustees of the Estate of Samuel
Larned, deceased, for remission of tax, report the
following Resolution, which is read and passed: viz
Resolved That the City Treasurer, he and he
is hereby directed to pay to Samuel Larned's Heirs, the
sum of one hundred and thirty five Dollars; the said
sum being in remission of tax improperly assessed
against them in the year 1855; provided it shall
appear to the Treasurer, upon the Certificate of the
Collector of Taxes, that said sum has been paid
into the City Treasury. If it shall appear to the
City Treasurer, that said sum has not been paid
into the Treasury; then he shall credit the Col-
lector of Taxes with the amount so unpaid; and
the Collector of Taxes shall deduct the amount
hereby remitted, from the tax of said Samuel Lar-
ned's Heirs.

(Concurred.)
(Approved by the Mayor)

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Taxes
remitted

The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the
8th of December last, was referred the Petitions of Isaac
Brun, Guardian, Albert C. Greene and others, Trust-
ees of the Estate of Samuel Larned, deceased, and
Jacob S. Watson (formerly Carlisle) and Elizabeth W.
Owens (formerly Carlisle) by John Borslow, Agent,
for the remission of taxes; - upon the following Res-
olution, which is read and passed; viz:

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he
is hereby directed to pay to the persons whose
names are annexed, the sums placed against
their respective names; the said sums being
in remission of taxes improperly assessed against
them in the year 1855; provided it shall
appear to the Treasurer, upon the Certificate of
the Collector of Taxes, that said sums have
been paid into the City Treasury. If it shall
appear to the City Treasurer that said sums
have not been paid into the Treasury; then
he shall credit the Collector of Taxes with the
amounts so unpaid; and the Collector of Taxes
shall deduct the amounts hereby remitted, from
the taxes of the persons whose names are
annexed; viz:

266.	To Sarah and Elizabeth Carlisle, (P. Peter, Guardian.)	15.04.
280.	" Samuel Larned's Heirs.	155.00
266.	" Isaac Brun, Guardian.	129.42.
		<hr/> \$299.46

(Concurred.)
(Approved by the Mayor)

The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the
8th of December last, was re-committed the Pe-
tition of Joseph R. Budlong, for remission of tax;
and to whom, on the same day, were referred
the Petitions of Charles Peter,
and the Commercial Steamboat Company,

for the remission of taxes; make Reports, recommending that said petitioners have leave to withdraw; - which Reports are severally received; and it is thereupon ordered, that said petitioners severally have leave to withdraw.

Remission of Taxes. The following Petitions, for the remission of taxes; and presented received and severally referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon; viz:

292. Petition of William Wakefield,

292. " " George B. Popmore,

300. " " Patrick Mc Elroy;

50. A claim of the Providence Gas Company upon the City, for excess of taxes paid by said Company in the years 1855 and 1856; and a demand for the payment of the same is claimed; is presented, 292. received and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon,

504. Ordered, that the Collector of Taxes be and he is hereby authorized to receive from the Providence Savings Institution for Savings, payment of a tax assessed against an estate belonging to William M. Read, situated upon West Clifford Street, and sold by said Savings Institution, under a mortgage from said Read; provided, that in the opinion of the City Solicitor, the said payment can be made and the same received by said Collector, without impairing the claim of the City to the balance of the tax assessed against said Read. (Consented) (Approved by the Mayor)

Resolved. The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom on the eighth day of December last, was referred the Resolution to direct the City Treasurer to sell the Bond Estate

(so called) on Broad Street; - report the following Resolution: which is read and passed; viz:

Resolved, that the City Treasurer, acting under the advice of the Standing Committee on Finance, be and he is hereby directed to sell, convey, or lease the Bond Estate, on Broad Street, upon such terms and conditions as said Committee shall direct; and to invest the proceeds thereof, in the Bonds of the City of Providence, payable Oct. 1885; and to deliver said Bonds so purchased, to the Trustees of the Sinking Fund under the Act entitled "An Act authorizing the City of Providence to issue Bonds, and establish a Sinking Fund;" for the benefit of said Fund; - or, acting under the direction of said Committee, to receive in payment, a note for the amount of such sale, conveyance or lease, secured as said Committee shall direct.

Given in Convention of the City Council,

In Convention,

The City Council having accepted the resignations of certain City Officers; and having elected certain City Officers, for the remainder of the present municipal year; - the two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the 9th day of February next, at 7 o'clock P.M.,

January 12, February 9, 1857.

Members present,

- | | |
|---------------|------------|
| Mr. President | " Johnson, |
| " Bayell, | Leiter, |
| Bennell, | Lincoln, |
| Bart, | Noyes, |
| Chapman, | Peter, |
| Davis, | Salisbury, |
| Day, | Timmons, |
| Doyle, | Spencer, |
| Francis, | Stow, |
| E. H. Green, | Taft, |
| L. Green, | Tingley, |
| Hawes, | Teicher, |
| Hawthorn, | Taylor. |
| Hopkins, | |

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Abner Greene,
Clerk

Common Council, February 9, 1857.

The Common Council met, pursuant to adjournment:
a quorum present,

Memorandum
by
Honorable The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the
Regulations of the Common Council of October 25 1854,
is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing
Committee on Finance.

Surveyor's
Report. The Monthly Report of the Surveyor of Highways, is presented
read and received.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor)

Chief En-
gineer's Report The Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire

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Department, is presented read and received.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor)

Report of
Surveyor
General &
Deputy The Surveyor General of Lumber presents his Annual Re-
port of Lumber surveyed during the year ending on the
27 day of February instant; which report is read,
whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received
and recorded.

Ordered, that the same be printed in the news-
papers employed to do the City printing.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor)

Com. from
City Regis-
trator A communication from the City Registrar, is presented
and read. Whereupon it is ordered, that the same
be received; - and that the same be printed in
the newspapers employed to do the City printing.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor)

City
Registrar's
Report The City Registrar presents his Annual Report;
which is read.

do. Upon the Annual Report of the City Registrar;
Resolved, that the same 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.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor)

Report
School
Trustees A communication from the Mayor, recommending that
an additional number of copies of the Annual Re-
port of the Trustees of the Board of the Providence Pa-
rents School be printed; is presented and read.

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Do. Ordered, That two hundred and fifty copies of the Annual Report of the Trustees of the Providence Reform School be printed, in pamphlet form, for the use of the City Council; in addition to the number ordered on the 12th of January last,
 (Concurred.)
 (Approved by the Mayor)

Steam Boilers. } The following Communication from the Mayor, (with documents accompanying the same,) is presented, and is read: viz:

271. "Mayor's Office,
 Providence February 4 1857
 Gentlemen of the City Council,

Since the passing of the Resolution by your Council, directing the Committee to enquire or -dinance, to apply to the Legislature, for an Act authorizing the appointment of an Inspector of Steam Boilers; - the Board of Aldermen have, by their vote, acting under the authority given in the 7th section of the "Act concerning the erection of Wooden Buildings" passed October, 1848, (page 78 of City Ordinances,) authorized the Mayor to cause an examination of all Steam Boilers in the City, to be made.

I herewith, transmit the Documents connected therewith.

Respectfully,
 James G. Smith, Mayor.

Do. Resolved, That the Resolution which passed the City Council on the 8th of December, 1856, directing the Standing Committee to enquire or -dinance to make application to the General Assembly, for the passage of an Act authorizing the City Council of the City of Providence, to appoint an Inspector of Steam Boilers, for said City, be and the same is hereby repealed.

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(Concurred.)
 (Approved by the Mayor)

Sinking Fund.

H. P. & F. R. L. Co.

Bonds.

272. The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 12th of January last, was referred the Communication from the City Treasurer, enclosing a Request of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund for the redemption of the Bonds issued to the Hartford, Providence and Fitch Hill Railroad Company; - report the following Resolution; which is read and passed: viz:

Resolved, That the Committee to advertise and receive bids for the Loan of Six Hundred Thousand Dollars, be, and they are hereby authorized to issue to the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund for the redemption of the Bonds issued to the Hartford, Providence and Fitch Hill Railroad Company; - three Bonds for one thousand Dollars each; at the par value thereof.

(Concurred.)
 (Approved by the Mayor)

City Hall Lot.

273. The joint Committee to whom, on the 7th of January 1856, was referred the Communication from the Mayor in relation to the title to the City Hall Lot; and who, on the 14th of the same month, were authorized and empowered to negotiate and sell the same with any party or parties having any claim to any portion of said lot; or to direct such proceedings to be commenced as they should deem expedient, in behalf of the City; - and who were, on the 12th of January last, directed to report at this meeting; - make Report; which is read. Whereupon, it is ordered that the same be received.

(Concurred.)
 (Approved by the Mayor)

Do. Resolved, That the special Committee, consisting of Messrs. Waterman, Bairstow, Beckwith, Mayor Smith and Alderman Matthews; to whom, on the 7th of January 1856, was referred the communication from the Mayor, in relation to the title of the City Hall Lot; be and they are hereby continued, for the purpose of their appointment; with all the powers granted to them subsequent to their appointment, by the votes of the City Council.

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353.

(Concurred,
(Approved by the Mayor)

Public Pounds. A Bill entitled "An Ordinance in addition to an Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance establishing a Public Pounds;' having passed the Board of Aldermen: is sent down for concurrence, and is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein

(Approved by the Mayor)

None. The Resolution authorizing the City Treasurer, acting under the directions of the Standing Committee on Finance, to sell, convey or lease the New Estate, on Broad Street: which passed the Common Council on the 12th of January last, and was then sent up for concurrence; - is now sent down by the Board of Aldermen; who concur therein, with the following Amendment: viz:

282.

That the following words be added after the last line: viz: "The title or lease, or the proceeds thereof, to be delivered to the Trustees aforesaid; to be applied under the Act aforesaid."

The Common Council concur in the Amendment.
(Approved by the Mayor)

The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 273.
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12th of January last, was referred the Memorial of the Clerk of the Municipal Court; report the following Resolution; which is read and passed: viz:

Resolved, That the Clerk of the Municipal Court be and he is hereby authorized, with the approval of the Mayor, to procure such assistance as may be necessary in his Office; and to draw upon the City Treasury, quarterly, or otherwise, for the payment of the same; - the orders for such payments, to be approved and countersigned by the Mayor, and to be paid out of the Appropriation for "Contingencies."

(Concurred,
(Approved by the Mayor)

Daniel P. Field. The Standing Committee on Police, to whom, on the 8th of December last, was referred the communication from the City Auditor, enclosing a claim of

261. Daniel P. Field against the City; make Report, recommending that said claim be referred back to the City Auditor; which Report is read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be received; and that said claim be referred to the City Auditor.

(Concurred,
(Approved by the Mayor)

H.B. Poliver. A claim of Hezekiah B. Palmer, for \$615, for damages sustained by the loss of two horses, and injuries to a sleigh and harness, in Aborn Street; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

315.

Bell of the Pine Street Baptist Society, to be used as a fire alarm bell; - is presented, read, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire

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Department, to examine and report thereon.

Pivoli, Slains } The City Treasurer, who was, on the 12th of January last, directed to report, at this meeting, the names of all persons who have entered Slains from their Treasury Report. Delates, to the public sewers, without payment for the same; - makes Report: which is read and received; and it is advised that the same be referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

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Park Street. } The Resolution from the Board of Aldermen, directing the Surveyor of Highways to cause the gutters to be paved and the curb stones set, in Park Street, from Smith to Promenade Street; - which was on the 10th of November last, laid upon the table, with the Report of the Standing Committee on Highways, thereon; - is taken up and read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein.

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(Approved by the Mayor)

South Water Street } The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 16th of June last, was referred the Petition of Philip Allen and Sons, and others, praying that the Board of Aldermen be requested to cause South Water Street to be straightened and extended; - report the following Resolution; which is read and passed; viz:

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389.

Resolved, That the Board of Aldermen be, and they are hereby requested to straighten and extend South Water Street, a short distance, along the Western end of Thurston, Gardner and Compton's Machine Shop; so as to connect with the Northern end of a street laid out on the Fox Point Association Plot; under, and according to the Act entitled "An Act for laying out Highways."

(Continued)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Friendship and Rose Streets; and for cross walks in said Streets; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

A Petition of William H. Whipple and others, requesting that some of the streets in the City may be excepted from the Ordinance which prohibits the stopping of sleds &c, in the Streets: is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

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334.

The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 10th of November last, was referred the Petition of Thomas Pierce Jr. for remission of tax: report the following Resolution; which is read and passed:

255.

Resolved, That the City Treasurer, be, and he is hereby directed to pay to Thomas Pierce Jr. the sum of twenty dollars and twenty five cents: the said sum being in remission of a tax improperly assessed against him, in the year 1855; provided it shall appear to the Treasurer upon the Certificate of the Collector of Taxes, that said sum has been paid into the City Treasury. If it shall appear to the City Treasurer, that said sum has not been paid into the Treasury, then he shall credit the Collector of Taxes, with the amount so unpaid; and the Collector of Taxes shall deduct the amount hereby omitted, from the tax of said Thomas Pierce Jr.

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(Approved by the Mayor)

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Resolves of the Standing Committee in Finance, to whom, on the 12th of January last, were referred the Petitions of William Wakefield and George B. Papinore, for remission of taxes: make Report, that they do not recommend the granting of the prayers thereof; which Reports are severally received; and it is thereupon, ordered, that said petitioners severally have leave to withdraw.

Resolves of the Standing Committee in Finance, to whom, on the 12th of January last, was referred the claim of the Pandora Gas Company upon the City, for excess of taxes paid by said Company in the years 1855 and 1856, with a demand for the repayment of the same so claimed; - make Report that they do not recommend the payment thereof, and that they recommend that said claimants have leave to withdraw, which Report is read, Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received; and that said claimants have leave to withdraw.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Resolves of the following Petitions, for the remission of taxes, on the 12th of January last, were presented, received and severally referred to the Standing Committee in Finance, to examine and report thereon; viz:

- 300. Petition of Philip Care,
- 301. " " Thomas Pearson,
- 335. " " Joseph Winsor.

Resolves of the Petition of Truman Beckwith, for liberty to move a certain wooden building; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon.

joined in Convention of the City Council.

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The Convention.

The resignation of Samuel H. Beckham, as a member of the School Committee, is presented, read and accepted.

William T. Ginnell is elected a member of the School Committee.

Robert Manchester is elected Taxeys General of Lamb.

The two Boards separated.

The Common Council adjourns, to meet on Monday the ninth day of March next, at half past 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr President,

- Agell,
- Brunell,
- Burt,
- Chapman
- Davis,
- Day,
- Francis,
- E. Greene
- L. Green,
- Howes,
- Hughes,
- Johnson.

- Leahy,
- Lincoln,
- Moyses,
- Pattis,
- Salisbury,
- Simmons,
- Wheeler,
- Whitcomb,
- Stone,
- Taft,
- Tingling,
- Tucker
- Taylor.

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Wm. T. Ginnell,
Clerk

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

Finance. The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Authority of the Common Council, of October 20th 1854; is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

Lawyer's Report. The Monthly Report of the Surveyor of Highways is presented, read and received. (Concurred) (Approved by the Mayor)

Chief Engineer's Report. The Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, is presented, read and received. (Concurred) (Approved by the Mayor)

Barber's Shops. The Standing Committee to enquire Ordinance, to whom, on the 12th of January last, was re-committed the Bill entitled "An Ordinance to prohibit the opening of Barber's Shops on Sunday, after ten o'clock in the morning"; make Report that they do not recommend any further legislation upon the subject: which Report is read and received.

Mayor's Salary. Resolved, That the Salary of the Mayor, for the year ensuing the first Monday in June next, shall be Fifteen Hundred Dollars, payable quarterly. (Concurred) (Approved by the Mayor)

Salaries. A Bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance fixing the Salaries

of certain Officers"; is presented, read and passed. (said Ordinance increasing the annual salaries of the City Treasurer and of the Surveyor of Highways.) (Concurred) (Approved by the Mayor)

Flagst. A Bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the City Hoyskoven Flays and Flay Slaves;" is presented, read, and passed. (Concurred) (Approved by the Mayor)

Appropriation. Resolved, That the sum of one thousand Dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the repairs of Public Buildings; in addition to the former Appropriation. (Concurred) (Approved by the Mayor)

Overseer of the Poor. A Memorial of Stephen N. Phillips, Overseer of the Poor, requesting that an additional allowance may be made in compensation for his services during the present year: is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon. 273. 315.

Archibald N. Comstock. The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 10th of March, 1856, was referred a Petition of Archibald N. Comstock, of Vermont, for compensation for injuries sustained by him by falling upon the ice in Washington Street; and to whom, on the 14th of July 1856, was referred a Petition of said Comstock in relation to the same subject; - report the following Resolution; which is read and passed; viz: Resolved, That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to pay to Archibald N. Comstock the sum of three hundred Dollars, in full for all damages

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sustained by him in falling upon the ice in Washington Street; on his giving a full and satisfactory receipt, the same to be paid out of any monies not otherwise appropriated.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

275. The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 12th of January last, was referred the claim of William W. Law, for \$2000, for damages, sustained by him, by the refusal or inability of the City to perform their contract to lay to him the State Water (so called) at the junction of Broad and Darnall Streets; - make Report, recommending that said claimant have leave to withdraw; which Report is received; and it is thereupon ordered, that said claimant have leave to withdraw.

289. The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to whom, on the 9th of February last, was referred a Resolution to purchase the bell belonging to the Pine Street Baptist Society; - report the following Resolution, which is read and passed; viz:

Resolved, that the Chief Engineer, under the advice of the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, be and he is hereby empowered and directed to purchase of the Pine Street Baptist Society, at a reasonable price, the bell located in the Stemple of their Meeting House in Pine Street, and to make arrangements for its being kept in its present position, or in the vicinity thereof, under the charge of the present ringor or some other person; to be used for a fire alarm bell.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

316. A Petition of Orlando W. Prince and others, requesting the City Council to purchase a bell, to be placed

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upon the Friendship Street Baptist Society's Meeting House, to be rung at fires; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon.

331. A Communication from the Mayor, recommending that measures be taken to deepen the water in the Cove; is presented, read, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon; with instruction to report thereon, at the next meeting of the Common Council.

Land for School House Lot on State St. A Communication from the Mayor, recommending the purchase of a lot of land adjoining the East-ly end of the School House Lot on State Street; is presented and read.

D. Resolved, That the City Treasurer, acting under the advice and direction of the Standing Committee on City Property, be and he is hereby authorized and directed to purchase of Hon. E. P. Howland, the lot of land owned by him, adjoining the East-ly end of the lot on State Street now owned by the City; provided that the cost of the same shall not exceed the sum of three hundred and fifty Dollars, and that a title to the same can be obtained satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Public Square on Atwell's Avenue. A Communication from the Mayor, in relation to a fence around the Public Square on Atwell's Avenue; is presented, read, and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon.

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A Communication from the Mayor, enclosing a

William E. Richards, communication made to him, by William E. Rich. mend, relating to his property in the vicinity of Knight Street, by the rain water which has been turned
Land near Knight Street, is presented and read.

306. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Standing Committee on Highways be and they are hereby directed, to cause the nuisances complained of, to be abated, if practicable; and to make Report at or early a day as is practicable.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Resolved, by the City Council of the City of Providence, Avenue. That the Board of Aldermen of said City be, and they are hereby requested to lay out and alter the Highway in said City, called "Stowell's Avenue", from the intersection of Tolin and Aborn Streets, Wadsworth to the North Providence Line; under the Act entitled "An Act for laying out Highways."

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Moscow. A Petition of William Groves and others, for the Gangway. repairing of Moscow's Gangway (so called) East of the new Custom House; is presented, read and received.

Do. Ordered, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause Moscow's Gangway to be paved with block pavement; the same to be done in connection with the work already ordered on Long Wharf Street.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Bridgman. Ordered, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause the sidewalks on Bridgman and Dodge Streets, in front of the

School House. school house seats, to be paved with bricks; Also, to cause suitable brick walks to be constructed from each street, to the doors of the School House; and also, to cause elm, or other shade trees to be placed on the line of the cart, on each street in front of said estate, and also, in the school house yard; - the said work to be paid for, out of the Appropriation for School Houses and Lots.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

The following Petitions are presented, received, and severally referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon; viz:

Meeting St. 333.

Petition of William P. Bollock and others, for repairs on Meeting Street, from Prospect to Hope Street;

Charles Field St. 329.

Petition of Benjamin Corwell and others, for the setting of curb stones, &c. in Charles Field Street, from Brown to Hope Street;

Lockwood Street, 320.

Petition of the Rhode-Island Bleach Works, and others, for the extension of Lockwood Street, Eastward, to Eddy Street;

Plane St. 329.

Petition of Thomas Rodger and others, for the setting of curb stones, &c. in Plane Street, from Point to Lockwood Street;

Bridgman St. 329.

Petition of Jacob Chapin and others, for the laying out of Bridgman Street, from Cranston to Bond Street;

Cranston St. 334.

Petition of Jacob Chapin and others, for the paving of Cranston Street, from Bridgman Street to the Cranston line;

Park, Charles St. 329.

Petition of Willard Eaten and others, that a pump may be placed at the junction of Charles, Martin and Randall Streets.

Chestnut St. 333.

A Resolution for the paving of Chestnut Street, from

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clipped to Elm Street; is perused, read, and refer-
ed to the Standing Committee on Highways, to exam-
ine and report thereon.

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R.R. Co. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on
the 17th of January last, was referred the Petition of the
Worcester, Providence and Fitch Hill Rail Road Com-
pany, for permission to lay rails in Dorrance Street;
with the Report, recommending the passage of certain Res-
olutions accompanying said Report: which Report
is read received, and postponed to the next meeting
of the Common Council.

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292. The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the
12th of January last was referred the Petition of Patrick
McElroy, and to whom, on the 9th of February last,
was referred the Petition of Philip Case, - for remission
of taxes: - report the following Resolution; which
is read and passed; viz:

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby
directed to pay to the persons whose names are an-
nected, the sums levied against their respective
names; the said sums being in remission of taxes
improperly assessed against them in the year 1856;
provided it shall appear to the Treasurer, upon the
certificates of the Collector of Taxes, that said sums
have been paid into the City Treasury. If it shall
appear to the City Treasurer, that said sums have not
been paid into the Treasury; then he shall credit
the Collector of Taxes, with the amounts so un-
paid; and the Collector of Taxes shall deduct
the amount hereby remitted, from the taxes of
the persons whose names are annexed; viz:

To Philip Case, \$31.00
" Patrick McElroy 6.76
\$37.76

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

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292. The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the
9th of February last, was referred the Petition of Thomas
Pearson, for remission of tax; report the following
Resolution; which is read and passed; viz

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is
hereby directed to pay to Thomas Pearson, the sum
of eleven Dollars and forty seven cents; the
said sum being in remission of a tax improperly
assessed against him, in the year 1855; pro-
vided it shall appear to the Treasurer, upon the
certificate of the Collector of Taxes, that said sum
has been paid into the City Treasury. If it
shall appear to the City Treasurer, that said sum
has not been paid into the Treasury, then he
shall credit the Collector of Taxes, with the amount
so unpaid; and the Collector of Taxes shall
deduct the amount hereby remitted, from the
taxes said Thomas Pearson.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

292. Resolved, That the City Treasurer, be, and he is
hereby directed to pay to William Wakefield, the sum
of twenty three Dollars; the said sum
being in remission of a tax improperly assessed
against him in the year 1856; provided it
shall appear to the Treasurer, upon the certificate of
the Collector of Taxes, that said sum has been paid
into the City Treasury. If it shall appear to the
City Treasurer, that said sum has not been paid
into the Treasury; then he shall credit the Col-
lector of Taxes, with the amount so unpaid; and
the Collector of Taxes shall deduct the amount
hereby remitted, from the tax of said William
Wakefield.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

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Remission of Tax.

The Standing Committee on Finance to whom, on the 9th of February last, was referred by the Board of Aldermen, a Petition of Amicus W. Potter, for remission of tax; make Report, recommending that said petitioner have leave to withdraw; which Report is received; and it is thereupon ordered, that said petitioner have leave to withdraw.

Remission of Taxes.

The following Petitions, for the remission of Taxes, are presented received, and severally referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon; viz:

- 322, } Petition of Rufus Waterman and others, heirs of Amozock Waterman;
- 323, } " " Noble T. Green.

Moving Building.

The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to whom on the 5th of February last, was referred the Petition of Sumner Beckwith, for liberty to move a certain wooden building; make Report, in favor of granting the prayer thereof; which Report is received; and a Resolution granting the prayer of said petition, is read and passed.

(Concurred.)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Moving Buildings.

Petitions of John Clarke, William H. Greene, and William Taylor, for liberty to move certain wooden buildings, are presented, received, and severally referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon; which Committee make Reports, in favor of granting the prayers thereof respectively; and said Reports are severally received; and Resolutions granting the prayers thereof severally, are read and passed.

(Concurred.)
(Approved by the Mayor)

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Moving Building.

A Petition of James Gleason, for liberty to move a certain wooden building, and a Remonstrance of N. B. Jones and others, against the granting of the prayer thereof; are presented, received, and severally referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department to examine and report thereon; which Committee make Report, in favor of granting the prayer of said petition; and said Report is received; and a Resolution granting the prayer of said petition, is read and passed.

(Concurred. April 13, 1857)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Moving Building.

A Petition of William H. Coates, for liberty to move a certain wooden building, is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon; which Committee make Report, in favor of granting the prayer thereof; which Report is received; and it is ordered, that said petitioner have leave to withdraw.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

The Convention.

General Council of Lumber.

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

Nathan Smalley is elected a Pound Keeper.

The Resignation of Albert G. Barlow, City Auditor, is presented and accepted.

Francis J. Sheldon is elected City Auctioneer.

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The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday the twenty third day of March instant, at half past 7 o'clock AM.

Members present,

Mr. President,

Agell,

Bunnell,

Burt,

Chapman

Harris,

Ray,

Doyle,

Stearns,

E. H. Greene,

L. Green,

Hawes,

Karlstrom,

Hepburn,

Johnson,

Leahy

Lincoln,

Moyses,

Peterson,

Simmons,

Spencer,

Thompson,

Stone,

Walt,

Wright,

Sullivan,

Taylor.

27.

Albert Greene,
Clerk

Common Council, March 23. 1857.

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

The Clerk being absent, Samuel W. Brown is elected Clerk pro tempore, and is duly sworn before Thomas A. Doyle, Public Notary.

305.

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Standing Rules A Communication from the Mayor, recommending that in addition to the Standing Rules of the City Council adopted on the second day of June last; two Standing Rules be adopted, providing for the appointment of a Standing Committee on Qualifications and a Standing Committee on Claims:—

Standing Committees. 325. is presented and read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be referred to Messrs E. H. Greene, Doyle, Taylor and Wolvenow, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon.

(Concurred, March 26. Alderman Wolvenow added)

(Approved by the Mayor)

Rails in the Streets. Ordered, that the Standing Committee to enquire and report thereon, be and they are fully directed to report, at the next meeting of the Council, a Bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the use of Rails in the Public Streets"; providing in said Ordinance, the manner in which said rails shall be used; with suitable penalties for the violation of said Ordinance

(Concurred, March 24.)

(Approved by the Mayor)

Cattle Market. A Petition of William W. Hoffman and others, requesting the City Council to cause a vote to be taken at the next Municipal Election, by the voters of the City, to ascertain whether they are or are not in favor of the establishment by the City of a Cattle Market, in or near the City; is presented and received.

314. Whereupon, it is ordered, that said Petition and Communication be referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon.

A Communication from the Mayor, enclosing said Petition, is presented and read.

Whereupon it is ordered, that said Petition and Communication be referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon.

Elizabeth - A Petition of Mrs Elizabeth Banough, in compensation for injuries sustained by her, in John Street, on the second day of January last; is presented, read and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance to examine and report thereon.

314. National A Petition of the National Cadet Company, for an appropriation of \$200. is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance to examine and report thereon.

315. Bill of A Communication from the Mayor respecting the Bell in the tower of the Regent Williams Baptist Meeting House on High Street, hired by the City as a fire alarm bell; is presented read and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon.

316. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 9th of February last, was referred the Report of the City Treasurer, of the names of persons who had entered Drains from their estates, to the public sewers, without payment for the same; - report the following Resolution; which is read and passed;

Resolved That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to proceed to collect all sums, by process of law, if necessary, due from all persons who have entered Drains from their estates to the public sewers.

(Convened, March 24th)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Williams & Richmond The Standing Committee on Highways, who were, on the 9th of March instant, directed to enquire & to report the nuisance caused by the turning of the rain water upon the land of William E. Richmond Knight St. in the vicinity of Knight Street, - make Report,

that there is no way by which the same can be so easily done as by the immediate extension of Washington Street, from Dean to Knight Street; and that they recommend the passage of the Resolution reported by them on the 13th of October last; - which Report is read and received.

(Convened, March 24th)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Washington Street. The following Resolution, which was, on the 13th of October last, reported by the Standing Committee on Highways, and then laid upon the Table; is taken up, read and passed; viz:

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Resolved, That the Board of Aldermen be, and they are hereby requested to lay out a highway, under the Act entitled "An Act for laying out Highways", from Dean Street to Knight Street; in continuation of Washington Street.

(Convened, March 24th)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Waybepet Streets. Resolved, That in the opinion of the City Council, it is desirable and necessary to widen Waybepet Street in this City, from a point at the South West corner of Blackstone Block (so called) belonging to Rebecca Dancer, Esq. to a point at the South East corner of the Arcade steps, where said steps meet the line of said street; so that the North line of said street, from the said corner of Blackstone Block shall extend Westward, or nearly so, to a point ten feet North from the present line of said street, on the Westing line of the estate belonging to the Thersey heirs; and then continue Westward or nearly so, to the point at the South East corner of the Arcade steps, where said steps meet the line of said street; - And whereas, certain real estate will be required for that purpose; That the City Solicitor be, and he is hereby

Resumes to collect same due.

Land near Knight St. in the vicinity of Knight Street, - make Report, 298. 307.

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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 "The Act in relation to the laying out, enlarging, straightening, or otherwise altering, Streets in the City of Providence"; And the City Council hereby direct that application shall be made by said City Solicitor, to said Court, in the application for said appointment as aforesaid, that said Commissioners shall appropriate and apportion one half of the loss and damage there of, upon the persons and estates benefitted thereby, in the ratio of the benefits conferred.

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

(Approved, March 24)

(Approved by the Mayor)

H. B. F. The Report of the Standing Committee on Highways, upon
A. M. C. the Petition of the Hartford Providence and Fitch Hill Railroad Company, for permission to lay rails in
Derrance Street, which was on the 7th of March
presented to this meeting; is taken up
and read, together with a Remonstrance of Lewis
P. Child and others, against the granting of the
prayer of said Petition.

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Whereupon, it is ordered that said Petition be re-committed to the Standing Committee on Highways; and said Committee are instructed to meet on Monday evening next, at half past seven o'clock, in the Municipal Court Room; to consider said Petition; and to hear counsel and all others interested in the same; and that they give notice of their said meeting, for three days previous to the same, in the newspapers

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that do the City printing.

Public Square and
Howell's Avenue.

The Standing Committee on City Property, to whom, on the 7th of March instant, was referred the Communication from the Mayor, in relation to a fence around the Public Square, on Howell's Avenue, make Report in favour of building a more expensive fence than the one included in the Resolution passed on the 18th of April, 1853, and recommend that a fence be built around said Square similar to that on the outside of the Care Promenade: which Report is read and received.

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Do

Ordered.

317.

That the Survey of Highways be and he is hereby directed, under the direction of the Standing Committee on City Property, to cause a fence to be built around the Park at the corner of Howell's Avenue and Bradford Street, similar to the wooden fence around the Care Promenade.

Hospital Street,

School No. 10.

318.

A Resolution for the laying of a brick sidewalk adjoining the School House lot on Hospital Street, is presented, read and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Sheldon St.

Pike St.

Brook St.

Transit St.

319.

A Petition of William W. Alcock and others, for crop walks in Sheldon, Pike, Brook, and Transit Streets, is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

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7th of Apr.

321.

A Petition of John B. Kennedy, for repayment of

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tax, is presented, read, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

During Building A Petition of Samuel N. Richmond, for liberty to move a certain wooden building is presented, read and received; and a Resolution, granting the prayer thereof, is read and passed.

(Concurred, March 24th)
(Approved by the Mayor)

During Building Petitions of Solomon Tyler, Albert Corliss, and George B. Eells, for liberty to move certain wooden buildings, are presented, received, and severally referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon.

322. A Petition of John N. Bartlett, for permission to Mr. Wheaton take from the Council Chamber, for a few weeks, the portrait of Henry Wheaton, for the purpose of having a copy thereof made for a public gallery of portraits of distinguished men of Rhode Island, is presented, read and received; and it is, thereupon, resolved, that the prayer of said petition be granted.

(Concurred, March 24th)
(Approved by the Mayor)

School Ordered, that the Standing Committee on Education Committee be, and they are hereby directed to report, at the next meeting of the City Council, the names of twenty persons, as suitable candidates for election to the office of School Committee

323. (Concurred, March 24th)
(Approved by the Mayor)

The Common Council adjourned to meet, on Monday the thirtieth day of April next, at half past

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7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

- Mr. President,
- " Bayle
- Bunsell
- Bart.
- Chapman
- Dois
- Gay.
- Hoyle
- Francis,
- C. A. Green
- S. Green,
- Howes,
- Wheatshorn,
- Wepkins.

- " Johnson,
- " Lister,
- Liveston,
- Myer,
- Peter,
- Salisbury,
- Simmons,
- Spencer,
- Sprague,
- Stone,
- Toft,
- Tingley,
- Tucker
- Taylor. 28.

Samuel N. Richmond
Clerk
pro tempore

Common Council, April 13. 1857.

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

The Secretary's Report.

The Clerkly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council of October 20. 1854, is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

The Secretary's Report.

The Quarterly Report of the City Treasurer, of the Issues and Payments of the City Debt, is presented, read and

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received.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor)

Surveyor's Report. The Monthly Report of the Surveyor of Highways, is presented, read and received.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor)

Chief Engineer's Report. The Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, is presented, read and received.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor)

Overseer's Annual Report. The Annual Report of the Overseer of the Poor, of the Insane Poor at the Butler Hospital for the Insane, at the expense of the City, is presented and read.

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

Public Parks. A Bill entitled "An Ordinance in addition to an Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance establishing a Public Park,'" having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and is read. Whereupon, it is resolved that the Common Council do concur therein.

(Approved by the Mayor)

Printing of Statute Law. A Communication from the Mayor, recommending that 300 copies of the Law regulating the Assessment and Collection of Taxes, be printed; is presented and read.

Resolved, That the Chairman of the Board of Assessors of Taxes, be, and he is hereby authorized to cause three hundred copies of the Law of the State, regulating the Assessment and Collection of Taxes, to be printed, for the use of the Board of Assessors and

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of the City Council.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor)

City Report. The Standing Committee on Finance report a Bill entitled "An Ordinance providing for the raising, assessment and collection of a sum of not less than Four Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars, and not more than Four Hundred and Fifty-five Thousand Dollars, by a Tax on Real and Personal Estate;" - which is read and laid upon the table.

Appropriation. The Standing Committee on Finance report "Resolutions making Appropriations for the year ensuing the last Monday in September, A.D. one thousand, eight hundred and fifty seven;" which Resolutions are read, and laid upon the table.

Com. from Mayor. A Communication from the Mayor, relating to some sums which have been charged to the Appropriation for Highways; the same being for materials and labor relating to various other departments; is presented and read. Whereupon, it is ordered that the same be referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, with Suggestions to cause the said amounts to be transferred to the several accounts to which they belong; and also, to cause the whole amount of the same to be placed to the credit of the Appropriation for "Highways."

Appropriation for Highways. Resolutions making Appropriations for the year ensuing the last Monday in September, A.D. one thousand, eight hundred and fifty seven; which Resolutions are read, and laid upon the table.

327. The Standing Committee on Finance report the following Resolutions; which is read and passed; viz: Resolved, That the following sums be, and they are hereby appropriated for the following purposes

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor)

The Standing Committee on Finance report the following Resolutions; which is read and passed; viz: Resolved, That the following sums be, and they are hereby appropriated for the following purposes

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respectively, viz:

For Bridges, one thousand Dollars;

For Contingent Expenses, five thousand Dollars,

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor)

305. *Colts* The Standing Committee on City Property, to whom, on
 Market, the 23^d of March last, was referred the Petition
 of William W. Chappin and others, requesting the
 306. City Council to cause a vote to be taken, at the
 next Municipal Election, by the voters of the City,
 to ascertain whether they are, or are not, in favour
 of the establishment by the City, of a Colts Market,
 in or near the City, - together with the Communi-
 cation from the Mayor, enclosing said Petition; -
 make Report, in favour of granting the prayer of said
 Petition, and recommend the passage of certain
 Resolutions accompanying their Report; - which Re-
 port is read and received; and said Resolutions
 are amended, and laid upon the table.

30. A Memorial of Alfred W. Fiske and others, in favour
 of the establishment of a Colts Market, in this
 land filled into the case, near the State Prison;
 is presented read and received.

Elizabeth Burroughs, The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the
 29th of March last, was referred the Petition of Mrs.

306. Elizabeth Burroughs, report the following Resolution,
 which is read and passed; viz:

Resolved, That the City Treasurer do, and he is
 hereby directed to pay to Elizabeth Burroughs, the
 sum of one hundred Dollars, in full for all Damages
 sustained by her, in being knocked down by a sled,
 upon which was a young man coasting down John
 Street, on the evening of January 2^d. 1857; on her
 giving a full and satisfactory receipt; the same

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to be paid out of any monies not otherwise appropriated.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor)

W. B. Palmer, The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on
 the 9th of February last, was referred the claim of
 289. Elizabeth B. Palmer, for \$615, for Damages sus-
 347. tained by the loss of two horses, and injuries to
 a sleigh and harness, in Aborn Street; make
 Report that they do not recommend the payment
 thereof; which Report is received; and it is
 thereupon ordered that said claimant have leave
 to withdraw.

Overseer of the Poor, The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on
 the 9th of March last, was referred the Memorial
 of Stephen A. Phillips, Overseer of the Poor, requesting
 that an additional allowance may be made, in com-
 347. pensation for his services during the present municipal

295. year; make Report by Resolution for the payment
 of \$50 on the 31st day of May next, in addition to
 the amount of salary which may then be due to
 said Overseer; which Report is received; and
 it is thereupon moved, that said Resolution pass.
 - which motion is put and lost.

330. Sarah P. Phillips, A Petition of Sarah P. Phillips, for compensation for
 injuries sustained by her by falling upon the ice in
 Clifford Street, in December 1855; is presented,
 received, and referred to the Standing Committee on
 Finance, to examine and report thereon.

306. The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to whom,
 on the 25th of March last, was referred the Com-
 munication from the Mayor, respecting the Bell
 in the tower of the Roger Williams Baptist Meet-
 ing House on High Street; report the following
 Resolution; which is read and passed; viz:
 Book No. 9, page 114.

Resolved, That the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department be, and he is hereby directed to terminate the contract for the hire of the Bell in the Roger Williams Baptist Church, as soon as practicable.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor)

Almon The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, together with the Bell Friendship Street. of March last, was, W. Prince and others, praying that a Bell may be purchased, to be placed in the Friendship Street Baptist Society's Meeting House, for a fire alarm bell; make report; that they do not recommend the granting of the prayer thereof, which report is received; and it is, thereupon, ordered, that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Ward Resolved, That Alderman Halden be, and he is hereby authorized and directed to purchase such furniture for the Ward Rooms in the Seventh Ward as he may deem expedient; provided the cost thereof shall not exceed the sum of fifty Dollars; - the same to be paid for, out of the Appropriation for Contingencies.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor)

State Normal School. A communication from the Mayor, respecting the action of the Board General Assembly, authorizing the removal of the State Normal School from the City, upon certain conditions; is presented; and read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be referred to the Standing Committee on Education; with full power to act in the premises.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor)

Primary School in Fifth Ward. Resolved, That the School Committee be and they are hereby authorized to establish an additional Primary School in the Fifth Ward; and for that

purpose, the use of the Ward Room in said Ward, is hereby granted, if the said Committee shall deem it expedient to use the same.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor)

H. & F. D. R. Co. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 23^d of March last, was committed the Petition of the Hartford, Providence and Fishkill Railroad Company, for permission to lay rails in Donnan Street, with instructions to meet, and hear counsel and others interested in the same; now returns said Petition with the accompanying papers, to the Common Council, without making further report. Whereupon, it is ordered that the same be postponed to the next meeting of the Common Council.

Bridge in Smith Street. A communication from the Mayor respecting the bridge in Smith Street; is presented and read.

Resolved, That the Board of Aldermen be, and they are hereby authorized and directed to cause the public bridge in Smith Street, to be extended to the width of said Street.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor)

Public Square on Atwell Avenue. The Order to direct the Surveyor of Highways to cause a fence to be built around the Public Square at the corner of Atwell Avenue and Bradford Streets, similar to the wooden fence around the Cow Pennerade; which passed the Common Council, on the 23^d of March last, and was then sent up, for concurrence; is now sent down by the Board of Aldermen; who concur therein, with the following Amendment; viz:

That the words "wooden fence around the

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be removed; be stricken out; and the words "iron fence on Canal Street," be inserted in their place.

The Common Council concurred in the Amendment.
(Approved by the Mayor)

Hospital
Street.

The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 23^d of March last, was referred the Resolution for the laying of a brick side-walk adjoining the School Board Lot in Hospital Street; make Report, in form thereof, which Report is received; and said Resolution is discussed and passed, as follows: viz:

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause the side-walk on Hospital Street, adjoining the School Board Lot, owned by the City, to be suitably paved with bricks.

(Concurred, with the following Amendment: viz: That the words "and Borden" be inserted after the word "Hospital.")

The Amendment of the Board of Aldermen, read, when upon, it is ordered, that the same be laid upon the table.

Peters
Avenue.

The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 8th of December last, was referred the Petition of Charles Peters and others, that Peters Avenue might be opened and established as a highway, and put in order; report the following Resolution; which is read and passed: viz:

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause Peters Avenue to be graded and put in a suitable condition to be used as a highway.

(Concurred.)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he

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is hereby directed to grade so much of the road in front of the House occupied by the Superintendent of the Water Board, as requires it; the same to be done under the advice of the Standing Committee on Highways, and in connection with the work now in progress on the same road.

(Concurred.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Carpwalks

The Standing Committee, on Highways, to whom on the 14th of July last was referred the Petition of D. W. Pines, for carp walks; and to whom on the 8th of December last, were referred the Petition of William P. Bledet and others, and the Petition of James M. Maurice and others for carp walks; and to whom on the 23^d of March last, was referred the Petition of William W. Ab- rich and others for carp walks; - report the following Resolution; which is read and passed:

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause carp walks, to be laid in the following Streets: viz:

- Wentworth St. 264. One carp Walk in front of the Gasper Insurance Com-pany; Office;
- Care Street. One carp Care Street, at the first angle north of Wash-ington Street;
- Wickenden St. 264. One carp Wickenden Street, on the West side of Park Street;
- Pike St. 309. One carp Pike Street, on the East side of Benefit Street;
- Pike St. 309. One carp Pike Street, on the East side of South Main Street;
- Sheldon St. 309. One carp Sheldon Street, on the East side of Park Street;
- Brook St. 309. One carp Brook Street, on the North side of Sheldon Street;
- Brook St. 309. One carp Brook Street, on the East side of Transit Street;
- Sheldon St. 309. One carp Sheldon Street, between Hope and Brook Streets;
- Point St. 194. One carp Point Street, opposite Clewlock Street.

(Concurred.)
(Approved by the Mayor)

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The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom were heretofore referred the following Petitions: make Reports thereon, respectively; recommending that the prayers thereof be severally granted: viz

Thayer St.
(Book 9. 78)

Petition of P. M. Mattinson and others, for the setting of curb stones &c. in Thayer Street, from Myrtle to Power Street: (referred November 10 1856.)

Thayer St.
(Book No 9)
(p. 78)

Petition of William P. Ballou and others, for the laying out of Thayer Street, northward; under the "Act for laying out Highways." (referred November 10. 1856.)

Charles Field St.
(Book 9)
(p. 78)

Petition of Benjamin Covell and others, for the setting of curb stones &c. in Charles Field Street, from Brown to Hope Street: (referred March 9th 1857.)

Lockwood St.
299.

Petition of the Rhode Island Blank Works and others, for the extension of Lockwood Street, easterly, to Eddy Street: (referred March 9th 1857.)

Plane St.
299.
373.

Petition of Thomas Rodgers and others, for the setting of curb stones &c. in Plane Street, from Point to Lockwood Street: (referred March 9th 1857.)

Bridgman St.
299.
(Book No 9)
(p. 6)

Petition of Josiah Chapin and others, for the laying out of Bridgman Street, from Brandon to Bond Street: (referred March 9th 1857.)

Charles Street
Pump.
299.
368.

Petition of Willard Allen and others, that a pump may be placed at the junction of Charles, Martin, and Randall Streets: (referred March 9th 1857.) - which Reports are severally received, and laid upon the table.

Ferry Dock

The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 14th of July last, was referred the Petition of William Earle and others, for the erection of a wall at the head of the Ferry Dock on South Water Street; - make Report recommending that said petitioners have leave to withdraw; - which Report is received and laid upon the table.

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The following Petitions are presented, received, and severally referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon: viz:

Calvert in Sheldon St.
334.

Petition of George S. Harwood and others, for a calvert in Sheldon Street;

Parker St.
334.

Petition of William Spruwell and others, for the setting of curb stones &c. in Parker Street;

Conduit St.
193.
332.

Petition of William C. Barker 2^d and others, for the setting of curb stones &c. in Conduit Street, between Leitch and Howard Streets.

Stewart St.
193.
333.

Petition of Jesse Baynton and others, for the setting of curb stones &c. in Stewart Street, from Broad to Pine Street.

Tax remitted
309.

The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 23^d of March last was referred the Petition of John B. Kennespy, for the repayment of tax: report the following Resolution: which is read and passed; viz:

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to John B. Kennespy, the sum of twenty two $\frac{95}{100}$ Dollars; with the interest thereon, as paid by him: the said sum being in remission of taxes improperly assessed against him in the year 1855: provided it shall appear to the Treasurer, upon the certification of the Collector of Taxes, that said sum has been paid into the City Treasury. If it shall appear to the City Treasurer, that said sum has not been paid into the Treasury; then he shall credit the Collector of Taxes with the amount so unpaid; and the Collector of Taxes shall deduct the amount hereby remitted, from the tax of said John B. Kennespy.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Remission of Taxes.

The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the

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8th of December last, was referred the Petition of Henry C. Capron, and to whom on the 9th of March last, were referred the Petitions of Rufus Waterman and others, Clerk of Amosiah Waterman, and of Noble T. Greene; for remission of taxes; make Reports; recommending that said petitioners have leave to withdraw; which Reports are severally received; and it is, thereupon, ordered, that said petitioners severally have leave to withdraw.

Remission of Taxes. A Communication from the Officers of Taxes, for the year 1855, recommending the remission of certain taxes; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

Remission of Taxes. The following Petitions for the remission of taxes are presented, received, and severally referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon: viz:

- 334. Petition of W. W. Hocum,
- 335. " " Elias Barstow,

Moving Buildings. The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to whom, on the 23rd of March last, were referred

- 310. the Petitions of Solomon Tyler,
 - 310. Albert Cortis,
 - 310. and George B. Earle, for liberty to move certain wooden buildings; make Reports in favor of granting the prayers thereof respectively; which Reports are severally received; and Resolutions granting the prayers of said Petitions, severally: are read and passed.
- (Concurred.)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Moving Buildings. The following Petitions for liberty to move certain wooden buildings, are presented, received, and severally

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referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon; viz:

- 336. Petition of Joshua Bacon,
- 336. " " Joshua Bacon,
- 336. " " Joshua Bacon,
- 336. " " Nathan Gorton.

Moving Buildings. A Petition of Job Tackell 2^d, for liberty to move a certain wooden building, is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon; with instruction to enquire if notice thereon was duly published.

Orders. Ordered, that the several Standing Committees of the City Council be and they are hereby directed to report, at the meeting of the Council, in May next, on all matters of business referred to them during the present municipal year.
(Concurred.)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Passed in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

The Resignation of G. W. Ball as a member of the School Committee, is presented and accepted.

School Committee. The Standing Committee on Education, who were, on the 23rd of March last, directed to report, at this meeting, the names of twenty persons, as suitable candidates for election as members of the School Committee; report the names of twenty persons as candidates therefor.

Twenty one persons are elected members of the

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School Committee.

The City Council having elected other City Officers, for the remainder of the present municipal year: the two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourned, to meet on Monday the eleventh day of May next, at half past 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr President,
Angell,
Bancroft
Burr,
Chapman
Davis,
Day,
Doyle,
Francis
E. A. Greene,
L. Green,
Hewes,
Hunt, Lord,
Hopkins.

Johansen
Lester,
Lincoln,
Noyes,
Patterson,
Salisbury,
Simmons,
Spencer,
Sprague,
Steele,
Tappan,
Thayer,
Taylor. 28.

Albert Greene, Clerk

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

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Resolves The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Presidency of the Common Council of October 20th 1857, is presented, read and received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

Sanitary Report. The Monthly Report of the Surveyor of Highways, is presented read and received.

(Commenced)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Chief Engineer The Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, is presented, read and received.

(Commenced)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Standing Rules The joint Committee to whom, on the 23rd of March last, was referred the communication from the Mayor, recommending that in addition to the Standing Rules adopted at the second day of June last, - two Standing Rules be adopted, providing for the appointment of a Standing Committee on Qualifications and a Standing Committee on Claims; - make Report that they do not recommend the adoption of a Rule establishing a Committee on Qualifications; and that they recommend the adoption of a Rule establishing a Committee on Claims; - which Report is read and received; and the following Resolution, (reported by said Committee) is read and passed;

Standing Committee on Claims.

305.

Resolved, That the following be, and the same is hereby added to the Standing Rules of the City Council, adopted June 20th 1856: -
"Thirteenth. A Standing Committee on Claims shall be appointed, consisting of three members of the Common Council and one Alderman; whose duty it shall be to take into consideration all such Claims that are brought against the City, as shall be referred to

Standing Committee on Claims.

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them by ailed Board.
(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

313. The Resolutions making Appropriations for the Year ending the last Monday in September A.D. one thousand, eight hundred and fifty seven, which were laid upon the table on the 13th of April last; are taken up, amended; and as amended, are read and passed.
(Concurred.)
(Approved by the Mayor)

313. The Bill entitled "An Ordinance providing for the raising, assessment and collection of a sum of not less than Four thousand and Fifty thousand Dollars, and not more than Four thousand and Fifty five thousand Dollars, by a Tax on Real and Personal Estate"; which was laid upon the table on the 13th of April last; is taken up, read, and amended by striking out the word "Fifty", and inserting the word "Twenty-five" in its place; and by striking out the word "Fifty five"; and inserting the word "thirty" in its place, in the title and also in the first and second sections; and as amended, and entitled "An Ordinance providing for the raising, assessment and collection of a sum of not less than Four thousand and Twenty five thousand Dollars, and not more than Four thousand and thirty thousand Dollars, by a Tax on Real and Personal Estate"; - is read and passed.
(Concurred, Secy 14th)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Do. A Communication from the Mayor, in relation to the subject of a City Tax, is presented and read,

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Charges & credits to Appropriations. 313. The Standing Committee on Finance to whom, on the 13th of April last, was referred the Communication from the Mayor, relating to sundry sums which had been charged to the Appropriation for "Highways;" (the same being for materials and labor relating to various other departments;) and who were then directed to cause the said amounts to be transferred to the several Accounts to which they respectively belonged; and also to cause the whole amount of the same to be placed to the credit of the Appropriation for "Highways;" - make Report, that they have caused to be charged, as follows; viz:

To "Improvements of Public Grounds,"	\$12700.00
To "Gas Fixtures,"	500.00
To "School Houses and Lots,"	400.00
To "Pumps and Wells,"	625.00
making a sum total of	\$14225.00

which amount they have caused to be placed to the credit of the Appropriation for "Highways;" which Report is read, whereupon, it is ordered that the same be received.

Do. Said Committee report the following Resolution, which is read and passed; viz:
Appropriation. Resolved, that the following sums be, and they are hereby appropriated for the following purposes respectively, viz:
For Improvement of Public Grounds, sixteen thousand Dollars;
For Bridges, three thousand Dollars.
(Concurred.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Com. from Mayor. A Communication from the Mayor, in the words following, is presented and read: viz:

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Bonds of
Hartford
Providence
& Fishkill
Railroad.

Mayor's Office, Providence
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Gentlemen of the City Council,

I have had frequent enquiries concerning the security for the Bonds the City holds, of the issue by the Hartford, Providence and Fishkill Railroad.

During the past year, I requested the City Solicitor to investigate and make a report. He has made diligent enquiry and examination; and I transmit herewith, his written opinion concerning the security for the Five Hundred Thousand Dollars of Bonds issued to the City, which is clear, and establishes the security on the rail-road in Rhode-Island, for the payment of the Bonds held by the City of Providence, over all other issues or indebtedness of said Rail-road Company.

Respectfully,
James Y. Smith,
Mayor.

Whereupon, it is ordered, that said Communication, together with the accompanying Opinion of the City Solicitor, be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing.
(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Met in The Standing Committee on Highways, who were on the 12th day of January last, directed to apply to the General Assembly, for an amendment of the Acts in relation to Highways, make Report, that they have discharged their duty, and that the desired amendment has been made: which Report is read and received.
(Concurred May 14th)
(Approved by the Mayor)

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160. 1857. A Remonstrance of Bradford Allen and others, against the granting of the prayer of the Petition of the Hartford, Providence and Fishkill Railroad Company for permission to lay rails in Dorrance Street: it is presented, received, and laid upon the table.
317.

Public Squares and Franklin Squares; having passed the Board of Aldermen; is sent down for concurrence, and is read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.
366.

City Auditor A Communication from the Mayor, recommending an increase of the salary of the City Auditor; is presented, read, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.
Salary

Book 9. 84. Mary English. The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom on the 13th of October last, was referred the Petition of Mary English, for aid to enable her to build walls for the protection of her house lot from injury caused by the new grade of Mansfield Street, make Report, recommending that said petitioner have leave to withdraw: which Report is received; and it is thereupon ordered, that said petitioner have leave to withdraw.
236.

Diff. Mary & A. Steere. The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 13th of October last, was referred the Memorial of Daniel A. Newy and Asa Steere claiming payment for a strip of land, about eight feet wide, between Canal Street and Neoshausuck River; - make Report, recommending that said memorialists have leave to withdraw; which Report is received; and it is thereupon ordered, that said memorialists have leave to withdraw.
237.

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Daniel Wightman, 274. The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 12th of January last, was referred the claim of Daniel Wightman for ^{compensation for} injuries sustained by him, by falling upon the ice, in College Street; - make Report, recommending that said claimant have leave to withdraw: which Report is received; and it is thereupon, ordered, that said claimant have leave to withdraw.

National Cadets, 306. The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 23rd of March last, was referred the Petition of the National Cadet Company, for an appropriation of \$200; make Report, by Resolution, in favor of granting the money thereof: which Report is received; and it is thereupon, moved, that said Resolution pass; - which motion is put and lost.

Sarah P. Phillips, 356. The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 13th of April last, was referred the Petition of Sarah P. Phillips, for compensation for injuries sustained by her by falling upon the ice in Cliff-Top Street; - make Report, which is read, and re-committed.

William Field, 377. A claim of William Field, for \$400, for damages sustained by him, by the loss of a horse and injuries to a carriage, &c, in Gaspee Street; is presented, received, and laid upon the table.

W.P. Hall & Co., 356. A Petition of the Berlin and Providence Railroad Corporation, for the payment of a claim of Hollett & Mansur, for \$31.50, for getting glass broken on the Papermill Station of said Corporation on the 23rd of February last; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

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State Normal School, 316. The Standing Committee on Education, to whom, on the 13th of April last, was referred the Communication from the Mayor respecting the action of the General Assembly authorizing the removal of the State Normal School from the City, upon certain conditions, - with full power to act in the premises; - make Report, that they have offered to the Commissioners of Public Schools, the free use of the upper story of the Summer Street School House, to be altered, furnished and warmed at the expense of the City: which Report is read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be received. (Commenced May 14) (Approved by the Mayor)

High School, 354. A Memorial from the School Committee, requesting authority to employ an additional teacher in the High School; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Education, to examine and report thereon.

High School, 354. A Memorial from the School Committee, requesting authority to add \$600 to the salaries of the teachers in the High School; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Education, to examine and report thereon.

Wells in Wickenden Streets, 237. The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to whom on the 13th of October last, was referred the Petition of Wheeler M. Blodgett and others that a fountain may be constructed in Wickenden Street, together with a Communication from the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department recommending the same; make Report, by Resolution, in favor thereof; which Report is received, and laid upon the table.

Case, 297. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on

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the 9th of March last, was opened the communication from the Mayor, recommending that measures be taken to deepen the water in the Cove; - report the following Resolutions; which is read and passed;

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways, acting under the advice and direction of the Standing Committee on Highways, he and he is hereby directed to purchase two light scows, to be used for removing the mud from the Cove, and for other purposes.

(Concurred May 14th / Approved by the Mayor)

Highway Work. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 8th of September last, was opened the Resolution to direct the Surveyor of Highways, to let out, by contract, such portions of the work on the Highways, as the interest of the City may require, and on the advice of the Standing Committee on Highways; - make Report, recommending the passage thereof; - which Report is received, and laid upon the table.

State Street. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 13th of October last, was opened the Petition of M. Brown and Greene and others, for repairs on State Street; make Report, recommending that said petitioners have leave to withdraw; - which Report is received; and it is thereupon ordered, that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Conduit Street. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 13th of April last, was opened the Petition of William C. Barker 2^d and others, for the setting of curb-stones, &c, in Conduit Street, from Schell to Stewart Street; make Report, recommending concurrence in the Resolution therefor, from the Board of Aldermen,

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which was laid upon the table on the 14th of July last; - which Report is received, and laid upon the table.

Stewart Street. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 19th of April last, was opened the Petition of Jesse Boynton and others, for the setting of curb-stones, &c, in Stewart Street, from Broad to Pine Streets, make Report, recommending concurrence in the Resolution therefor from the Board of Aldermen, which was laid upon the table on the 14th of July last; - which Report is received and laid upon the table.

The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom were heretofore opened the following Petitions &c: make Reports thereon respectively, that they do not recommend the granting of the prayers thereof; viz:

South Main St. Petition of John B. Chase and others, for alteration of gutters in South Main Street; (referred July 14th 1856;)

Waterman St. Petition of William J. Harris and others, for the extension of Waterman Street, through land belonging to the City; (committed January 12th 1857;)

Meeting St. Petition of William P. Balloch and others, for repairs on Meeting Street, from Prospect to Hope Street. (referred March 9th 1857;)

Clinton St. Resolution for paving Chestnut Street, from Clipped to Elm Street. (referred March 9th 1857;)

which Reports are severally received, and laid upon the table.

The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom were heretofore opened the following Petitions; make Reports thereon respectively, recommending that the prayers thereof be severally granted; viz:

Friendship & Plane St. Petition of Rando W. Prince and others, for repairs on Friendship and Plane Streets, and for cross walks in said Streets; (referred February 9th 1857;)

Grant St.
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373.

Petition of Jewish Chopin and others, for the paving of Grant Street, from Bridgeman Street to Grant line; (referred March 9th 1857.)

Calvert in Sheldon St.
321, 378
Parker St.

Petition of George J. Harwood and others, for a Calvert in Sheldon Street; (referred April 13th 1857.)

Petition of William Brunell and others, for the setting of curb stones, &c. in Parker Street; (referred April 13th 1857.)

which Reports are severally received, and laid upon the table.

Carpenter Street.

Resolution for the paving of gutters and setting of curb stones in Carpenter Street, from Wright to Marshall Street: Having passed the Board of Aldermen, it sent down, for consideration, and is read, whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

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Street, from Stowell's Avenue, to
Stowell's Avenue, to
Stowell's Avenue, to
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A Petition of Joseph Trautler and others, for the laying out of a street, from Stowell's Avenue to Brown Street: is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Sliding in the Streets.

The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 9th of February last, was referred the Petition of William A. Wolpin and others, requesting that some of the Streets in the City be excepted from the Ordinance which prohibits the sliding in sleds &c. in the Streets; make Report, recommending that said petitioners have leave to withdraw: which Report is received; and it is thereupon, ordered, that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

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page 53.

Remission of Taxes.

The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom on the 13th of April last, was referred the Petition of W. W. Hocum, for the remission of tax; make

Report in favor of granting the prayer thereof; which Report is received.

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to Henry W. Hocum, four Dollars and five cents, with interest from the time he paid his tax to the Collector of Taxes: the said sum being in remission of taxes improperly assessed against him in the year 1855; provided it shall appear to the Treasurer, upon the certificate of the Collector of Taxes, that said sum has been paid into the City Treasury. If it shall appear to the City Treasurer, that said sum has not been paid into the Treasury; then he shall credit the Collector of Taxes, with the amount so unpaid; and the Collector of Taxes shall deduct the amount hereby remitted, from the tax of said Henry W. Hocum

(Continued)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Remission of Taxes.

The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 14th of January, 1856, was referred the Petition of the Mechanics Bank; and to whom on the 9th of February last, was referred the Petition of Joseph Winsor; and to whom, on the 13th of April last, was referred the Petition of Eliza Barton; for remission of taxes; make Report, recommending that said petitioners have leave to withdraw; which Report is severally received; and it is thereupon, ordered, that said petitioners severally have leave to withdraw.

Remission of Taxes.

The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 13th of April last, was referred the Communication from the Assessors of Taxes, for the Year 1855, recommending the remission of certain taxes; make Report; which is received, and recommended.

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Petition of Rowland Evans, for removal of tax, is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to whom, on the 15th of April last, were referred the Petitions

- 323. of Joshua Bacon,
- 323. Joshua Bacon,
- 323. Joshua Bacon,
- 323. Nathan Gordon,

and Job Schell 2^d, for liberty to move certain wooden buildings; make Reports, in favour of granting the prayer thereof respectively; which Reports are severally received; and Resolutions granting the prayers of said petitions severally, are read and passed.

(Concurred May 14th)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Petitions of Joseph Knudsen, Andrew Cahill,

and George C. Nightingale, for liberty to move certain wooden buildings, are presented, received and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon; which Committee make Reports in favour of granting the prayers thereof respectively; which Reports are severally received; and Resolutions, granting the prayers of said petitions severally, are read and passed.

(Concurred, May 14th)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Petition of Crawford T. Mathewson, for liberty to move a certain wooden building, is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon; and a Resolution granting the prayer of said Petition is read and passed; (no Report having been made

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thereon.) (Concurred May 14th)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Proceedings of the Common Council.

Resolved, That the Clerk of the Common Council be, and he is hereby directed, to cause a suitable Index to be prepared to the volume of the Proceedings of the Common Council, and two hundred and fifty copies of the volume to be bound, in the same manner as the Ordinances of the City; and distributed in the following manner: viz: one copy to each member of the City Council for the present year; one copy, to be marked with the number of the Book, to each member of the Common Council, and of the Board of Aldermen, and to be retained as the property of that body; such number as the Mayor may require, to him, for distribution to the several Cities and public Libraries; the expense of the same to be paid, out of the Appropriation for Contingencies.

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Resolved July 10 1858. See Book No. 9, 114.

(Concurred, May 14th)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Resolved, That the thanks of the Common Council be and they are hereby tendered to Stephen Wadsworth, for the able, dignified and impartial manner in which he has discharged his duties as President of the Common Council, for the year past.

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

The Common Council adjourn, without day, to

May 11. 1857.

Members present.

W. President.

Meyell,

Brennell,

Bart,

Chapman

Dow,

Day,

Dyble.

Manis

E. A. Greene,

L. Green,

Hoanes,

Hartshorn,

Hopkins.

" Johnson,

Lester,

Lindon

Mayer,

Patten.

Salisbury,

Simmons,

Shaver,

Sprague,

Lund,

Tott.

Tingle,

Fisher,

Taylor.

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Albert G. Greene, Clerk.

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Organization of the City Government
of the City of New Haven, for the Muni-
cipal Year commencing on the first
Monday in June A.D. 1857.

Monday, June 1. 1857.

This being the day designated by the City Charter for the
organization of the City Government for the ensuing
municipal year; the Mayor, with the Aldermen
elect and the members elect of the Common Coun-
cil assembled in the Council Chamber, at 2 o'
clock P.M.

It appearing by the certificate of the City Clerk, that
no election of Mayor for said year has been made
by the electors ... qualified to vote in such
election, the Aldermen elect and the members
elect of the Common Council are called to order by
Hon. James Y. Smith, Mayor.

The certificates of the election of
William C. Waterman,
William C. Bowen,
Billings Brasted,
George S. Rathbone
Cyrus B. Manchester,
James B. Knight,
and Jeldes W. Baldwin, as Aldermen, for
said year, are presented and read, and they are
severely engaged by the Mayor, according to law.

Certificates of the election of the members of the Com.

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men Council for said year, are presented and read, and all of said members are present, and are engaged by the Mayor according to law.

Abat Robidua is, by ballot, elected City Clerk, for said year, and is engaged by the Mayor according to law.

An Address is delivered by the Mayor, relative to the municipal affairs of the City during the past year.

The two Boards separate.

Members of the Common Council,
of the
City of Providence,
for the Municipal Year, commencing
on the first Monday in June
A.D. 1857.

First Ward.

John H. Taylor,
Daniel Angell,
Nepes Pitter,
Reuben A. Guild.

Second Ward.

Rhode B. Chapman,
William P. Blodget,
William Binney,
Anna N. Beckwith.

Third Ward.

Stephen S. Salisbury,
Henry S. Bartlett,
James R. Donner,
Zachariah R. Tucker.

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Fourth Ward.

Stephen Waterman,
Abul G. Spague,
Walter Paris Jr.,
Nathan F. Mathewson.

Fifth Ward.

William W. Hopkins,
Candius W. B. Bennett,
Charles E. Carpenter,
William Spencer.

Sixth Ward.

John H. Lester,
John A. Harris,
Thomas Lincoln,
James Tucker.

Seventh Ward.

Joseph C. Bartshorn,
Simon S. Baker,
John Eddy,
James W. Winsor.

The Members elect of the Common Council having been engaged by the Mayor, in the presence of the Board of Aldermen, are called to order.

Stephen Waterman is elected President of the Common Council, for the present municipal year.

Abul G. Greene is elected Clerk of the Common Council for the present municipal year, and is sworn by the Mayor, in the presence of the Board of Aldermen, according to law.

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

June 1, 1857.

the Council,

Resolved. That the Standing Rules of Order of the Common Council be and they are hereby referred to the members from this Body, of the Standing Committee to engrave Ordinances, with instructions to report such alterations and additions as they may deem proper.

Resolved. That the same Standing Rules which were, on the second day of June A.D. 1856 and on the eleventh day of May A.D. 1857 adopted as the Standing Rules of the City Council for the municipal year last past, - be and the same are hereby adopted as the Standing Rules of the City Council, for the present municipal year.
(Continued.)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Pursuant to the Standing Rules, this Day, adopted by the City Council, the following joint Standing Committees are now appointed, according to the respective Rules of the two Boards: viz:

On Finance.

Meas. Chapman,
Taylor,
Francis,
J.R. Tucker. } Messrs. Knight.

On Highways.

Meas. Paine,
Angell,
Spayne. } Messrs. Brewster.

To engrave Ordinances.

Meas. Eddy,
Bartlett,
Bennett. } Messrs. Manchester.

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On Education.

Meas. Binney,
Hartshorn,
Eddy,
Gibbs. } Messrs. Parkins.

On the Fire Department.

Meas. Carpenter,
Mathewson,
Winsor. } Messrs. Holden.

On City Repairs.

Meas. Beckett,
Lester,
Dorance. } Messrs. Waterman.

On Police.

Meas. Salisbury,
Hodgins,
Hopkins,
Potter. } Messrs. Bowen.

On the Walk Sanial Ground.

Meas. Lincoln,
Peterson,
Baker. } Messrs. Waterman.

On Claims.

Meas. Bartlett,
J. Tucker,
Spencer. } Messrs. Knight.

Resolved That Messrs. Bartlett, Dorance and Paine, with such as the Board of Messrs. may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to wait upon the Mayor, and request him to furnish, for publication, a copy of the Address this Day delivered by him to the City Council, and to cause the same to be published, in such manner as they may deem expedient.

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(Concurred, and Alderman Manchester added)

(Approved by the Mayor)

Printing of Resolved, That the joint Committee to whom over appeared
List of the subject of printing the Mayor's Address to the City Council; be and they are hereby authorized and directed to cause a List of the Standing Committees, and such portions 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.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor)

City Printing Resolved, That Messrs. Beckwith Francis and Carpenter, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to contract for the City Printing for the present municipal year.

357.

(Concurred, & Alderman Bowen & Manchester added)

(Approved by the Mayor)

Resolves Resolved, That Messrs. Chapman, Taylor, Francis and D. H. Tucker, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to take a bond of the City Treasurer for the faithful discharge of the duties of his Office for the present municipal year, and that said bond be for the sum of thirty thousand dollars.

358.

(Concurred, and Alderman Knight added)

(Approved by the Mayor)

Whereas, Messrs. Chapman, Taylor, Francis and D. H. Tucker have been, this day, appointed by the Common Council, as the Committee on their part, for the reduction of the City Debt, for the present municipal year, pursuant to the requisition contained in the first section of the Ordinance entitled An Ordinance in relation to the City Debt; - It is resolved, that the names of said Committee be communicated to the Board of Assessors.

Committee on City Debt

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men; in order that said Board may add an Alderman to said Committee, pursuant to the requisition contained in said section.

(Alderman Knight added)

(Approved by the Mayor)

Police Court Resolved That from the Justices a firm be kept the Court in this City. Henry S. Bana and Samuel W. Pockham be and they are hereby selected to compose the Police Court of this City, during the present municipal year.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor)

School Comm. The Annual Report of the School Committee is presented and read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be received.

Report

Ordered, That the Standing Committee on Education cause five hundred copies thereof to be printed, in pamphlet form, for the use of the City Council.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor)

Engineers The Annual Report of the Board of Engineers, of the Fire Department, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department; and that seven hundred and fifty copies of the same, with the accompanying tables, be printed, in pamphlet form, for the use of the City Council.

Report

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor)

Overseers The semi annual Report of the Overseers of the Poor is presented and read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be received.

Report

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor)

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George General's Report. The Annual Report of the Quartermaster General is presented and read. Whereupon, it is ordered that the same be received.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Report of Superintendent of the North & South Barracks. The Annual Report of the Superintendent of the North Barracks is presented and read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be received.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Harbor Master's Report. The Annual Report of the Harbor Master, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be received.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Claim of Nathaniel Church, Harbor Master. A Memorial of Nathaniel Church, Harbor Master, praying that the sum of \$140.13, being the amount of office rent and other expenses of his office during the year 1855 & 1856, may be allowed to him; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Claims, to examine and report thereon.

Treasurer's Report. The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the sanction of the Common Council, of October 20 1854 is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

Treasurer's Report. The Quarterly Report of the City Treasurer, of the Issues and Payments of the City Debt, is presented, read and received.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Chief Engineer's Report. The Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, is presented read and received.

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(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Salaries. A Bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance fixing the Salaries of certain Officers,'" is presented, read, and referred to the Standing Committee to engross Ordinance, to examine and report thereon.

Appropriation. The Standing Committee on Finance report the following Resolution: which is read and passed: viz: Resolved, that the following sums be and they are thereby appropriated, for the following purposes respectively: viz: For Gas Light Fixtures, one thousand Dollars; For Bridges, two thousand Dollars.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

H. B. Palmer. A claim of Ugehiak B. Palmer, for damages sustained by him by the loss of two horses and injuries to a sleigh and harness in Abou Street, in the ice of February last: is presented, and read. Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received and placed on file.

Bridgman School. A Memorial from the School Committee, requesting authority to pay an annual salary of \$400 to the Assistant Teacher in the Bridgman School, is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Education, to examine and report thereon.

Moving 357. Petitions of Benjamin M. Jackson and Alexander F. Boie, for liberty to remove certain wooden buildings, are presented, read received, and severally referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon, with instructions to report thereon at the next meet.

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ing of the Common Council.

Fourth of July. Resolutions for a Municipal Celebration of the approaching July. 4th Anniversary of American Independence; and of appropriating Dollars therefor: are presented and read.

Whereupon, it is moved, that the blanks therein, be filled with the words "Two Thousand Five Hundred". Upon which motion, the question is taken by ayes and nays, and it is ordered that the same be entered upon the Journal, - as follows: viz.

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| <u>Ayes.</u> | <u>Nays.</u> |
| Messrs Bartlett, | Messrs Angell, |
| Beckwith, | Baker, |
| Bennett, | Bixney, |
| Carpenter, | Blodgett, |
| Chapman, | Lester, |
| Dorance, | Lincoln, |
| Eddy, | Paine, |
| Francis, | Spencer, |
| Guild, | J. Tucker, |
| Wartsham, | L. H. Tucker, |
| Hopkins, | Winsor, |
| Mathewson, | |
| Pelton, | |
| Salisbury, | |
| Sprague, | |
| Taylor 16. | |

It is, therefore, ordered, that said blank be so filled. Whereupon, said Resolutions are read and passed, as follows: viz.

Resolved, that Messrs Beckwith, Dorance, Carpenter and Eddy, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee of Arrangements for a Municipal Celebration of the approaching Anniversary of American Independence. Resolved, that the sum of Two Thousand Five

Appropriated

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Thousand Dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated for defraying the expenses of said Celebration; & be paid to the order of said Committee, out of any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, (Commrs. Aldermen Bowen & Marshfield add.) (Approved by the Mayor.)

Passed in Convention of the City Council.

The Convention.

The City Council proceed to the election of City Officers for the present municipal year and complete the same with the following exceptions: viz:

- Harbor Master,
- Keeper of the Public Grounds.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the fifteenth day of June instant, at 8 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

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| Mr President, | Eddy, |
| Angell | Francis, |
| Baker, | Guild, |
| Bartlett, | Wartsham, |
| Beckwith, | Hopkins, |
| Bennett, | Lester, |
| Bixney, | Lincoln, |
| Blodgett, | Mathewson, |
| Carpenter, | Paine |
| Chapman, | Pelton, |
| Dorance, | Salisbury, |

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Spencer,
Spaquer,
Payler,

J. Tucker,
D. R. Tucker,
Winsor.

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Wm. Spencer, Clerk

Common Council, June 15. 1857.

The Common Council met, pursuant to adjournment: a quorum present.

The Surveyor's Report of the Surveyor of Highways is presented and received.

(Concurred.)
(Approved by the Mayor)

The Annual Report of the Commissioners of the North Burial Ground, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is ordered that the same be received.

(Concurred.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

The joint Committee appointed in the first Day of June instant, to take a Bond of the City Treasurer: make Report that they have taken such Bonds, in the sum of \$70,000, with satisfactory securities; and that said Bond has been deposited in the Office of the City Clerk: which Report is read and received.

(Concurred.)
(Approved by the Mayor)

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The joint Committee appointed in the first Day of June instant, to contract for the City Printing, for the present Municipal Year: make Report that they have contracted with Messrs. Brewster, Anthony & Co, for the job printing; and with the proprietors of the "Providence Daily Journal" the "Manufacturers and Farmers Journal" and the weekly Journal, and with the proprietors of the "Providence Daily Tribune" and the weekly Tribune, and with the proprietors of the "Providence Daily Transcript"; for the advertising &c: which Report is read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be received and adopted.

(Concurred.)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Read & The State following, is presented and read: viz:

"Mayor's Office, Providence,
June 15th 1857.

Gentlemen of the City Council,

The State of Rhode Island have given notice to the City Treasurer, that they require the payment of the Notes given by the City to the State, for a portion of the Deficit Fund received by the State from the United States. The amount is about \$58,000.

In funding the City Debt, in 1855, provision was made for the issue of Bonds to pay this Debt.

I recommend that authority be given to sell the Bonds of the City, to meet the payment of the Notes due the State

Respectfully,
James Y. Smith,
Mayor."

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Do A communication from the City Treasurer, enclosing a communication made to him by the General Treasurer and Comptroller of the State, relating to the subject of the foregoing communication from the Mayor, is presented and together with the accompanying paper, is read.

Do Resolved, That the City Treasurer, acting under the advice of the Mayor and of the Chairman of the Standing Committee on Finance, be, and he is hereby, authorized to sell so many of the Bonds of the City, remaining of the Loan of Six Hundred Thousand Dollars, as may be necessary to pay the amount due from the City to the Sea of Blue Island and Providence Navigations.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Claims of Banks & following, is presented and read; viz:

"Mayor's Office, Providence,
June 15th 1857.

Gentlemen of the City Council,

The Supreme Court, in the cases of the Banks and Savings Institutions, have decided against the City.

I therefore recommend, that a Resolution be passed, authorizing the City Treasurer to pay the claims of the Banks which have been taxed; and recommend that authority be given to sell the Bonds of the City, for such amount as will be required to pay the claims above referred to.

Respectfully,
James Y. Smith,
Mayor."

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Do Resolved, That the Standing Committee on Finance be, and they are hereby, Directed to report, at the next meeting of the City Council, the amounts which should be paid from the City Treasury, to the several Banks in the City, for except of taxes paid by them in the years 1855 and 1856; and which the City is held liable to pay, by virtue of the recent Decisions of the Supreme Court, in the cases of the Providence Institution for Savings against the City, and the American Bank against the City.

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(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Fire Alarm Telegraph. A communication from the Mayor, in relation to the Fire Alarm Telegraph which has been established in several other cities; is presented and read.

Do Upon the Communication from the Mayor: Resolved, That the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department be, and he is hereby, authorized and Directed to invite Mr. M. G. Farmer and Dr. Channing of Boston, to give an exhibition of the Fire Alarm Telegraph, previous to the next meeting of the City Council; provided they desire to make such exhibition without expense to the City.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

City Hall Lot. Resolved, That the special Committee, consisting of Messrs Waterman, Baxter, Perkins, Mayor Smith and Adamant Rathbone, to whom, on the 7th of January, 1856, was referred the communication from the Mayor, in relation to the title of the City Hall Lot; and

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which Committee was, on the 9th of February, 1857, continued for the purpose of their appointment; - he, and they are hereby, continued, for said purposes, with all the powers granted to them, subsequent to their appointment, by the votes of the City Council.

(Continued)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

High School. The Standing Committee on Education, to whom, on the 11th of May last, was referred the Memorial from the School Committee, requesting authority to employ an additional teacher in the High School;

Teacher. Report the following Resolution, which is read and passed; viz:

331. Resolved, That the School Committee be, and they are hereby, authorized to employ an Assistant Teacher, in the French room in the Female Department in the High School, at an annual salary not exceeding four hundred dollars.

(Continued)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

High School. The Standing Committee on Education, to whom on the 11th of May last, was referred the Memorial from the School Committee, requesting authority to add \$600 to the salaries of the teachers in the High School; make Report, by Resolution: which Report is read and received; and it is ordered, that

331. the same be postponed to the next meeting of the Common Council.

Well in Wickenden Street. The Resolution which was, on the 11th of May last, reported by the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, the Communication from the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department, recommending the construction of a well in Wickenden Street; which Resolution was then laid upon the table; - is taken up, read, and passed, as follows; viz:

Resolved, That the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department be, and he is hereby, directed to cause a well to be sunk in Wickenden Street, in accordance with the recommendation of the Board of Engineers, communicated to this Council, October 19th 1856.

(Continued)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Friendship Street. A Petition of Joseph Pelcher, for the setting of curb-stones, &c, in Friendship Street, from Lockwood to Pearl Street, is presented read and received.

Do Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause the curb-stones to be set and the gutters paved, in that part of Friendship Street between Lockwood and Pearl Streets; whenever the owners of the adjoining estates shall furnish curb-stones for the same.

(Continued)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Brook Street Calvert. A Memorial of Benjamin Currell and others, offering to furnish stone to be used in the construction of the Calvert in Brook Street, from Charles Piles to Beversbut Street; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Claims of Harbor Master. The Standing Committee on Claims, to whom, on the 14th of June instant, was referred the Memorial of Nathaniel Church, Harbor Master, make Report, that they find nothing due the Harbor Master from the City, nor to the City from him; which Report is read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be received.

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(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor)

Ordered, that the Standing Committee on Finance be discharged from further consideration of the following Petitions:

Sarah P. Phillips, 330, Book 9, 17.

Petition of Sarah P. Phillips, for compensation for injuries sustained by falling upon the ice in Clifford Street; (recommended May 11th 1857.)

BIRMINGHAM

Petitions of the Board of Passengers and Boatmen, for payment of a claim of Ballett and Mansir, for sitting glass broken in the Passenger Station of said Corporation, on the 23rd of February last; (referred May 11th 1857.)

Claim of Ballett & Mansir, 330, Book 9, 18.

Ordered, that said Petitions be severally referred to the Standing Committee on Claims, to examine and report thereon.

A Petition of Cyrus Fisher, Josiah Simmons and Nehemiah S. Draper, Street Commissioners, for an increase of compensation, is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Claims, to examine and report thereon.

The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 11th of May last, was referred the Petition of Rowland Evans, for remission of tax; make Report, recommending that said Petitioner have leave to withdraw; which Report is received; and it is thereupon ordered, that said Petitioner have leave to withdraw.

The following Petitions, for the remission of taxes, are presented, received, and severally referred to the Standing Committee on Claims, to examine and report thereon:

Book 9, 24, Book 9, 26, Book 9, 20.

Petition of Mary Bullock, Henry W. Stocum, James S. Boyard.

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The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to whom, on the 10th of June instant, were referred the Petitions

of Benjamin M. Jackson and Alexander F. Bowie, for liberty to move certain wooden buildings; make Reports, in favour of granting the prayer thereof respectively; which Reports are severally received; and Resolutions granting the prayer of said Petitions severally, are read and passed.

(Concurred, June 20th 1857) (Approved by the Mayor)

A Petition of Charles W. Randall, for liberty to move two certain wooden buildings; is presented, received and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon; which Committee make Report, in favour of granting the prayer thereof; which Report is received, and a Resolution granting the prayer of said Petition, is read and passed.

(Concurred, June 16. 1857) (Approved by the Mayor)

A Petition of Daniel O'Connor, for liberty to move a certain wooden building, is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

Edward G. Farmer, George General, having named James Burrough, William Burrough and Jones Dyer, as his Deputies; the appointment of said Deputies is approved and confirmed by the City

Book 10, 9, 100, 44.

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Council.

Resolves of
Sinking Fund
H. P. F. R. D. C.

Ames D. Smith, Mariner W. Gardner and Amos
Mantua are appointed Trustees of the Sinking Fund
to receive the City Bonds paid to the Warrenton,
Portland and Fiskell Railroad Company.

The City Council proceed in the election of City
Officers for the present municipal year; and
having completed the same, the two Boards sep-
arate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday,
the thirteenth day of July next, at 8 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr. President,

Angell,

Baker,

Barlett,

Berkwith,

Bennett,

Birney,

Blodgett,

Carpenter,

Chapman,

Darance,

Eddy,

Guild,

Hartshorn,

W. H. Harris,

Lester,

Lindus,

Mathewson,

Paris,

Petter,

Solisbury,

Spencer,

Spang,

Taylor,

J. Tucker,

D. R. Tucker,

Winsor.

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Abner Greene,
Clerk

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Common Council, June 29th 1857.

Special Meeting.

Mayor's Office, Providence.

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

Greeting.

William M.
Adams,
Mayor.

Whereas, in my opinion, it is advisable for
the Common Council to meet on an earlier
day than that to which said Council stand
adjourned, you and each of you are there-
fore hereby requested and required to meet
in the Council Chamber, on Monday the
29th day of June, at 8 o'clock P.M.
at which time, you are requested to join
in conversation, to witness the inauguration
of William M. Adams Esq. Mayor elect,
and transact such other business as may legally
come before you

GIVEN under my hand and seal
the 26th of June, 1857.

James Y. Smith
Mayor.

Providence, June 27th 1857.

I have notified the members of the Com-
mon Council, of a meeting to be holden,
Monday evening, 29th inst., as commanded.

James C. Shedd,
City Sergeant.

Pursuant to the requisition contained in the afove-
going Warrant, the Common Council are now

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opened at 8 o'clock P.M. a quorum present.

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

A communication from the Mayor, in the words following, is presented and read.

Mayor's Office, Providence
June 29, 1857.

Gentlemen of the City Council,
You have been assembled this evening, for the inauguration of the Mayor elect, William M. Adams Esq. The two Boards are therefore requested to join in convention for that purpose.

Respectfully,
James G. Smith
Mayor.

Joined in Convention of the City Council,

In Convention,

The Mayor, Adams and Common Council being assembled in Convention;

An Address is delivered by Eben James G. Smith, Mayor.

The Certificate of the election of William M. Adams as Mayor for the present municipal year, is read; and the Mayor elect being present, the oath prescribed by law, is administered to him, by Eben James G. Smith, Mayor.

An Address is delivered by the Mayor, relative to the Municipal affairs of the City.

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The City Council having elected certain Officers for the remainder of the present municipal year, the two Boards separate.

In Common Council,

Resolved, That Messrs Bartlett, Dorrance and Paine, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to wait upon the Mayor, and also upon the late Mayor, and to report them to furnish, for publication, copies of the Address, this Day, delivered by them to the City Council; and to cause the same to be published in such manner as they may deem expedient.

(Concurred, & Aldermen Nathan & Brewster added)

(Approved by the Mayor)

Resolved, That Messrs Berwick, Francis and Binney, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to wait upon the Mayor, and to request him to sit for his portrait, for the City; and that said Committee be, and they are hereby authorized to draw upon the City Treasury, for such sum as may be necessary to carry the Resolution into effect.

(Book Aug. page 103)

(Concurred, and Alderman Wright added)

(Approved by the Mayor)

North Burial Ground.

A Memorial from the Commissioners of the North Burial Ground, reporting that a gravel pit which has been opened in the Burial Ground, near the house occupied by the Superintendent, may be filled up, is presented and read. Where-

upon it is resolved, that the same be received,

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and referred to the Standing Committee in charge with authority to cause the pit to be immediately filled up, if they deem it expedient, and with instruction to report at the next meeting of the City Council.
(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

314. **Castle Market.** The Report of the Standing Committee on City Property, in relation to the subject of the establishment of a Castle Market on or near the City, which was laid upon the Table on the 13th of April last; is called up: and it is ordered, that the same together with the accompanying papers be referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, with instruction to report thereon, at the next meeting of the Common Council.

367. **J. J. Partill** Memorial of John Joseph Partill, complaining against William W. Sherman, a City Constable. is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Police, to examine and report thereon; with instruction to report at the next meeting of the Common Council.

377. **Pemission of Taxes.** A communication from the Messrs. of Taxes, for the year 1855, recommending the remission of certain taxes; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

378. **Do** A communication from the Messrs. of Taxes, for the year 1856, recommending the remission of certain taxes, is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

357. **Meeting Building.** The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, on the 15th of June instant, was referred the Petition of Daniel O'Connor, for liberty

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to mine a certain wooden building; make Report in favor of granting the prayer thereof: which Report is received; and a Resolution granting the prayer of said Petition, is read and passed.
(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

The Common Council adjourns to meet pursuant to the vote of adjournment passed on the 15th day of June instant; viz: to meet on Monday, the thirteenth day of July next, at 8 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr. President,

Bayell,

Baker,

Bartlett,

Beckwith,

Bennett,

Birney,

Carpenter,

Chapman,

Conroy,

Edely,

Francis,

Guild,

Harshum,

Hopkins,

Lester,

Lincoln,

Matheuan,

Paine,

Peter,

Salisbury,

Spencer,

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J. Tucker,

J. N. Tucker,

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Common Council, July 13. 1857.

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

The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 30. 1854, is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

The Monthly Report of the Surveyor of Highways is presented, read and received. (Concurred) (Approved by the Mayor)

The Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department; is presented, read, and received. (Concurred) (Approved by the Mayor)

The special Committee to whom on the 7th of June last, 1856, was referred the communication from the Mayor, in relation to the title of the City Hall Lot, (which Committee was on the 17th of June last, continued, for the purposes of their appointment, with all the powers granted to them subsequent to their appointment, by the votes of the City Council); - make Report, which is read.

Resolved, That the Report of the Committee upon the title of the City Hall Lot, be received; and that the Report submitted by said Committee on the 9th of February last, together with the Report submitted this Day, be published in the papers employed to the City Printing.

Book No 11, page 195.

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(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor)

Resolved, That Messrs. Chapman, Francis, and Eddy, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to advertise for plans for a City Hall, to be laid upon the City Hall Lot (as called); - said plans to be presented to said Committee, on or before the first of the Day of November, 1857.

The conditions upon which said plans are to be made, and presented to said Committee, are as follows: - That said City shall pay to each person a person whose plans shall be selected by the City Council, for the construction of a City Hall, the sum of five thousand dollars; and no compensation shall be allowed to any person or persons presenting such plans, unless the same shall be selected by the City Council as aforesaid. And the City Council reserve to themselves, the privilege of rejecting all the plans that may be presented to the Committee as aforesaid.

Book No 9, page 44.

(Concurred, & Aldermen Waterman & Leland to add) (Approved by the Mayor)

Resolved, That so much of the Mayor's Message as refers to a House of Industry within this City, be referred to the Standing Committee on Education; with instruction to report at the next meeting of the Council.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor)

Resolved, That the thanks of the City Council be presented to Rev. Dr. Sears, for his eloquent Address delivered by him at the Celebration of the recent Anniversary of American Independence; also, to

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John P. Tedy Esq. for his graceful and spirited Poem, delivered upon the same occasion; and that the Committee appointed to make arrangements for the Celebration, be and they hereby are directed to request copies of the same; to be published in such manner as they may deem expedient, for the use of the City Council.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor)

City Printing
The joint Committee appointed on the first day of June last, to contract for the City Printing, for the present municipal year; make Report, that they have contracted with the proprietors of the "Providence Daily Post," and the "Republican Herald," for the advertising, &c.; which Report is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor)

Appropriation
The Standing Committee on Finance report the following Resolutions, which is read and passed: viz:

Resolved, That the following sums be, and they are hereby appropriated for the following purposes respectively: viz:

- For Highways, twenty thousand Dollars,
- For Police, two thousand Dollars,
- For Bridges, three thousand Dollars,
- For Contingencies, five thousand Dollars,

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor)

Washington & Franklin Squares
The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 11th of May last, was referred the Bill from the Board of Aldermen entitled "An Ordinance establishing Washington and Franklin Squares," - make Report recommending ~~the~~ concurrence therein; which Report is received; and it is thereupon resolved

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that the Common Council do concur in the passage of said Bill

(Approved by the Mayor)

J. P. Bartlett
The Standing Committee on Police, to whom on the 29th of June last, was referred the Memorial of John Joseph Bartlett, complaining of William W. Sherman, a City Constable; make Report that they find the charges preferred against said Sherman, fully substantiated; and also report the following Resolutions: viz:

William W. Sherman

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Resolved by the City Council, That William W. Sherman be and he is "hereby removed from the Office of Constable of the City of Providence, for misconduct; and that the City Clerk notify said Sherman of his removal, whereupon, said Report is received; and said Resolution is read and passed; all the members present voting in the affirmative.

Said Resolution having been sent up, for concurrence, is returned by the Board of Aldermen, with their concurrence therein: (all the members voting in the affirmative.)

(Approved by the Mayor)

Ward Room in Sixth Ward
A Petition of Allen C. Peck and others, requesting that a room larger than the one now used, may be provided as a Ward Room for the Sixth Ward; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon.

Engine No 4

Book No 9 page 5.

A Petition of Merz's Sweet and others, requesting that a new Engine may be procured, for Engine Company No 4, together with a Communication from the Board of Engineers, recommending that the prayer of said petition be granted; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing

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Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon.

Water from Spring near Ward Street. A Memorial of Seth Safford and others, owners of property on Federal Hill and its vicinity, relative to the procuring of a supply of water for the extinguishment of fires, from the spring on the land of George Richmond and Abram Pratt; together with a Communication from the Board of Engineers, in relation to the subject, is perused, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon.

Brook St. page 5.

Pump. The Report of the Standing Committee on Highways, upon the Petition of Willard Allen and others, which was laid upon the table, on the 9th of March last, is taken up, and read; and the following Resolutions, reported by said Committee, - is read and passed:

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Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to place a pump at the junction of Charles, Martin and Randall Streets, (Concurred) (Approved by the Mayor)

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

Land for Atwell's Memorial.

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to purchase of Walter S. Barges, at a price not exceeding two hundred and twenty-nine Dollars, a certain piece of land taken for Atwell's Avenue, and belonging to said Barges, and to take a deed of the same to the City, for the purpose of a highway; - said sum being the amount agreed upon as a fair compensation for said land, between the Commissioners upon the

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relay of said Atwell's Avenue and said Barges; Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein.

(Approved by the Mayor)

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

Resolved, That the Commissioners of Estimates and Appointments appointed by the Supreme Court on the application of the City Council, for widening Wylopst Street from the Blackstone Block to the Arcade Steps, be, and they are hereby requested to discontinue further proceedings under their Commission."

Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein. (Approved by the Mayor)

The following Resolutions, for repairs, &c. of Streets, which have been heretofore laid upon the table, are taken up, and are severally postponed respectively: viz:

Brook St. 166.

Resolution to request the Board of Aldermen to lay out a Highway, from Charles Field to Benevolent Street, in continuation of Brook Street, (on table May 19th 1856:)

Brunn St. 193.

Resolution for setting curb stones, &c. on Brunn Street, from Russell to Olive Street; on Petition of Sanford Dufford and others. (on table, July 4th 1856:)

Pennington Street 194.

Resolution for setting curb stones, &c. in Pennington Street, from Woodmill to Lockwood Street; (on table July 14, 1856:)

Hopkins St. 210.

Resolution for setting curb stones, &c. in Hopkins Street, from Point to Baptist Street; on Petition of Joseph Belcher and others; (on table August 11th 1856:)

Pine St. 239.

Resolution from Board of Aldermen, for setting of curb stones &c. in Pine Street; (on table October 13th 1856.)

Boyle St. 278.

Resolution for setting of curb stones &c. in Boyle Street; (on table January 12. 1857.)

Hopital St. 318.

Resolution for laying brick side walks on Hospital Street, adjoining the School House Lot belonging to the City; (on table, with Amendment of the Board of Aldermen March 13 1857.)

Chestnut St. 332.

Resolution for paving Chestnut Street, from Cliff-wood to Elm Street; (on table, May 11 1857.)

The following Petitions, for repairs or of streets; which have heretofore been laid upon the table, with Reports thereon; are taken up; - and it is ordered that the petitioners severally have leave to withdraw; viz:

Pine St. 252.

Petition of Cornelius Cooper and others; for the setting of curb stones &c. in Pine Street; (on table, November 10th 1856.)

Meeting St. 333.

Petition of William P. Ballou and others, for repairs on Meeting Street, from Prospect to Hope Street; (on table May 11th 1857.)

Waterman St. 333.

Petition of William J. Harris and others, for the extension of Waterman Street, through land belonging to the City; (on table, May 11th 1857.)

South Main St. 333.

Petition of John B. Chase, and others, for alteration of gutters in South Main Street; (on table, May 11 1857.)

Ferry Dock. 320.

The Petition of William Earle and others, for the erection of a wall at the head of the Ferry Dock on South Water Street; which was laid upon the table, on the 13th of April last, with a Report of the Standing Committee on Highways thereon; is taken up; and it is ordered that said petitioners have leave to withdraw;

The Report of the Standing Committee on Highways, upon the Petition of William C. Davenport and others; which was laid upon the table, on the 14th of July 1856; is taken up; and it is thereupon,

John St. 193.

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause curb stones to be set and the gutters paved in that portion of John Street between Hope and Governor Streets.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

The following Resolution, from the Board of Aldermen which was, on the 14th of July 1856, laid upon the table, with a Report of the Standing Committee on Highways thereon; is taken up and read; viz:

Conduit St. 332.

"Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to set the curb stones and pave the gutters on that part of Conduit Street, lying between Stewart and Seckell Streets."

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

(Approved by the Mayor.)

The following Resolution, from the Board of Aldermen, which was, on the 14th of July 1856, laid upon the table, with a Report of the Standing Committee on Highways thereon; is taken up, and read; viz:

Stewart St. 333.

"Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to set the curb stones and pave the gutters, in that part of Stewart Street lying between Broad and Pine Streets."

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

(Approved by the Mayor.)

The following Resolutions, which was laid upon the table, on the 11th of August, 1856, is taken up, read and passed, viz:

Governer Street. 208. 375. Resolved that the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to set the curb stones and pave the gutters on that portion of Governer Street lying between Russell Street and Power Street, (Concurred) (Approved by the Mayor)

The Report of the Standing Committee on Highways upon the Petition of Henry Richardson and others, which was laid upon the table on the 10th of November, 1856; is taken up; and it is thereupon

John St. 252. Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to cause curb stones to be set and the gutters paved, on John Street, near Hope Street. (Concurred) (Approved by the Mayor)

The Report of the Standing Committee on Highways, upon the Petition of Albert Chilton and others, which was laid upon the table on the 8th of December, 1856; is taken up; and it is thereupon,

High St. 264. Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways do, and he is hereby directed to cause High Street to be paved, from Dexter Street to Meper Street. (Concurred) (Approved by the Mayor)

The Report of the Standing Committee on Highways, upon the Petition of Scott C. Armstrong and others, which was laid upon the table on the 8th of December, 1856; is taken up; and it is thereupon,

Waterman Street. 284. Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways do, and he is hereby directed to cause the curb stones on the South side of Waterman Street,

from Benefit Street, to Prospect Street, to be reset, (Concurred) (Approved by the Mayor)

The Report of the Standing Committee on Highways, upon the Petition of Thomas Hodges and others, which was laid upon the table on the 19th of April last; is taken up; and it is thereupon, Plane St. 320. Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways do, and he is hereby directed to cause curb stones to be set and the gutters paved, in Plane Street, from Point Street to Lockwood Street. (Concurred) (Approved by the Mayor)

The Report of the Standing Committee on Highways, upon the Petition of Orlando W. Prince and others, which was laid upon the table, on the 11th of May last; is taken up; and it is thereupon,

Plane St. 333. Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways do, and he is hereby directed to cause the gravel to be removed from the side walks on Plane and Friendship Streets, opposite the Burying Ground; and cause curb stones to be set and the gutters paved, providing the proprietors shall cause the wall to be reset, without any expense to the City. And that he also be directed, at the same time, to cause curb walks to be laid in the following streets.

- 30. One curb Friendship Street, opposite Woodlock Street.
- One curb Friendship Street, opposite Plane Street.
- One curb Plane Street, opposite Clifford Street.
- One curb Plane Street, opposite Elm Street.
- (Concurred) (Approved by the Mayor)

Granters Street. 334. The Report of the Standing Committee on Highways, upon the Petition of Josiah Chapin and others, which was laid upon the table on the 11th of May last; is taken

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up: and it is, thereupon,
Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause Clouston Street to be paved, from the present termination of the pavement, to Parade Street.

(Concurred.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Brook } The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the
Caldwell } 15 of June last was referred the Memorial of Benjamin
Cowell and others, upon the petition of the petitioners, which
35. is read and passed: viz:

Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to contract for the building of a drain of suitable dimensions, from Charles Field Street to Benvenuto Street, through Brook Street; the owners of the adjoining lands furnishing stones for the sides of said drain, without charge to the City: - said contract to be made under the advice and direction of the Standing Committee on Highways.

(Concurred.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Cave } A Petition of John F. Ward, President of the Slipping-
Street } and Rail Road Company, and others, for the paving
of Cave Street; is presented, read and received.

30. Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby ordered to pave Cave Street, between Northampton and Mathewson Streets.

(Concurred.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Labin St. } Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby ordered to pave Labin Street, from Cave to Horn Street.

(Concurred.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

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Mathewson } A Memorial of the Corporation of Grace Church,
Street. } and of A. P. Stanton, requesting that the Order for the paving of Mathewson Street, South of Westminster Street, West of the square, may be rescinded: is presented, read, and received.

30. A Memorial of Collet Harris and others, requesting that the contemplated paving of Mathewson Street, may be done with granite blocks; is presented, read, and received.

30 Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause Mathewson Street, from Broad to Westminster Street, to be paved with granite blocks, - instead of the paving heretofore ordered; and that the same be done under the advice and direction of the Standing Committee on Highways.

(Concurred.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Highway } Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby ordered, to cause the curb stones to be set, and gutters paved, and other work to be done on the following named Streets, - in the order hereinafter designated: viz:

Raising pump at the junction of Charles, Martin and Randall Streets;

Paving gutters &c, in Governor Street, from Small to Power Street;

Paving gutters in John Street, between Hope and Governor Streets;

Paving gutters &c, in John Street, near Hope Street;

Paving gutters &c, in Stewart Street from Broad to Pine Street;

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Paving gutters &c, in Conduit Street, between Stewart and Lebell;

Paving gutters &c, in Friendship and Place Streets.

Setting curb stones on Waterman Street, from Prospect to Benefit;

Setting curb stones &c, on Charles Field Street, from Brown to Thayer Streets.

Setting curb stones &c, in Place Street, from Point to Lakewood Streets.

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Approved by the Mayor

Resolved, That the Surveyors of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause the paving order to be done on the following named Streets; to be executed in the order designated below; viz:

Case Street, from Washington to Mathewson Street.

High Street, from Dexter Street to Cooper Street.

Latin Street, from Case Street to Brown Street.

Greenway Street, from Bridgman to Parade Street.

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(Approved by the Mayor)

The following Petitions are presented, received, and severally referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon; viz:

Petition of Prudence Tool Company and

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others, for a drain in Wickenden Street;

Petition of W. H. Nighthingale and others, for a crop walk in Market Square;

Petition of Daniel Bosh and others, for a crop walk in Benefit Street.

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North of the Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 29th of June last, was referred the Memorial of the Commissioners of the North Burial Ground, requesting that a gravel pit in said Burial Ground, may be filled up; make Report, that they have directed the Surveyors of Highways to continue to fill up said pit, as fast as the sand can be found without expense to the City; - and that they recommend that said memorialists have leave to withdraw. - which Report is received; and it is thereupon ordered, that said memorialists have leave to withdraw.

William Field, for \$400, for Damages sustained by him, by the loss of a horse, and injuries to a carriage, &c, in Gaspee Street; - which was laid upon the latter on the 11th of May last; is taken up, and is referred to the Standing Committee on Claims, to examine and report thereon.

The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 29th of June last, was referred the Communication from the Board of Assessors of Taxes for the year 1858, recommending the remission of certain taxes; - now re-ferred the following Resolution; which is read and passed; viz:

Resolved, That the taxes specified in the annexed list, amounting to the sum of one thousand and twenty dollars and eighteen cents, reported by the Board of Assessors for the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty five, to have been

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improperly opened in said year, for the reasons specified in each case: he, and the same are hereby annulled.

And whereas, it appears to the City Council, that said taxes were paid into the City Treasury, by the Collector of Taxes, in settlement of Geo. McLevate for the taxes opened in said year; - it is therefore,

Resolved, that the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby, directed, to pay to the Collector of Taxes, the said sum of one hundred and twenty dollars and eighteen cents, with interest thereon since the time of the payment thereof into the Treasury:

Chas. Williams and wife,	16	87	5
John Wotlanholms,	6	07	
Charles S. Freeborn,	8	77	5
John Atkinson and wife,	2	02	5
Mary A. Field,	10	12	5
John S. Tripp,	10	12	5
Phoebe Bowen,	7	42	5
Mary Bowen, (widow)	6	75	
John Murphy,	3	87	5
John Barnes,	1	35	
Benjamin Smith,	4	72	
Abby F. Stephens,	4	72	
Sathwa Thorpe,	5	40	
William B. Burgess,	12	87	5
Daniel S. Coggeshall,	2	62	5
George J. Harris,	8	77	5
John McConna,	2	02	5
Osborn Brown,	6	75	
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	\$120	18	5

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 29th of June last, was referred the communication

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from the Board of Assessors of Taxes for the year 1856, recommending the remission of certain taxes, Feb. 1856, now upon the following Resolution, which is read and passed, viz:

Resolved, that the taxes specified in the annexed list, amounting to the sum of two thousand, four hundred and seventy nine dollars, and twenty seven and one half cents, opened by the Board of Assessors for the year eighteen hundred and fifty six, to have been improperly opened in said year for the reasons specified in each case: he, and the same are hereby, annulled: and that the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby, directed, to credit the Collector of Taxes, with said amount of two thousand, four hundred and seventy nine dollars, and twenty seven and one half cents, with the interest thereon.

Joseph S. Eastman,	3	87	5
Elizabeth R. Rice,	7	75	
Joseph W. Lowell	6	20	
Harvey J. Robinson,	3	87	5
Charles A. Pond,	2	32	5
David M. Johnson,	7	75	
Thomas B. Wilbur,	11	62	5
Thomas S. Gladson Jr,	2	32	5
Edward Lincoln	15	50	
William D. Huntington,	3	87	5
James R. Barry	7	75	
Lake W. Miller	7	75	
Colvin W. Wilbur	2	32	5
Charles Atchison,	3	87	5
W. C. Bowen,	31		
Antoine Maurand,	3	87	5
Obadiah Glade	11	62	5
Job F. Angell	240	25	
John R. Lounsberry,	3	10	
A. G. Barton	5	42	
Seabury S. Barrings,	2	32	5

Andrew Sawyer,	11	62	5
Wm H. Lewis,	2	32	5
Ada Robinson	3	87	5
Thomas Vernon	7	75	
Henry S. Olney,	3	87	5
Daniel W. Jackson,	3	87	5
Charles W. Livermore,	2	32	5
James A. Rhodes	2	32	5
Limeh Pickens,	2	32	5
William H. Huntington,	6	20	
Benjamin Smith,	5	42	
Gideon Palmer (heir)	15	50	
Edwin Stod	11	62	5
Michael Fitzgerald,	17	05	
Thomas A. Warknesp.	11	62	5
Colvin Fuller,	7	75	
Joseph G. Matthews,	4	65	
Salomon W. Jacobs,	2	32	5
Benjamin Caswell Jr.	3	87	5
Erin Tucker,	15	50	
Augustus E. Phillips,	6	20	
Augustus Carpenter,	7	75	
Robert Hemming	3	87	5
Leonard R. Simmons,	7	75	
Isaac Clark,	2	32	5
Thomas W. Lichwood,	2	32	5
Joseph R. Wood,	1	55	
Isaac A. Warden	7	75	
William A. Warden,	7	75	
Samuel J. Jeff,	3	87	5
Joseph Gahan,	3	87	5
Johannes Chase,	11	62	5
Clarke S. Gibbs,	11	62	5
John B. Winolent,	38	75	
James P. Town	15	50	
George M. Gilmore,	2	32	5
J. M. W. Bow	1	55	
Arthur W. Bushe,	3	87	5

Benjamin E. Welcott (Baton)	11	62	5
Levi J. Lewis,	19	37	5
John C. Mather,	4	65	
Henry Gatz,	9	39	
Alber M. Lelande,	7	75	
James E. Warden,	21	70	
John Congdon,	3	87	5
Orson Brown,	7	75	
Marcus A. Bask,	12	40	
Benjamin T. Carpenter,	14	72	
John W. Camm,	2	32	5
Avery Blake,	11	62	
William Randall,	42	62	5
Franklin Spink,	34	10	
Theodore Rice	2	32	5
Samuel A. Metcalf,	4	65	
Robert Marshall,	6	20	
Silvanus G. Martin. (heir)	300	"	
Peter W. Carney,	3	87	5
Daniel S. Coughall,	2	32	5
Thaddeus Boy,	3	87	5
John Dolan,	6	97	5
Fred. C. Garbarati,	3	10	
Mary H. Chapman,	7	75	
Patrick W. Gunn,	1	55	
Christopher Cippiter,	15	50	
B. C. Colby,	3	87	5
Amos P. Lewis,	2	32	5
Mary E. Wadswell,	8	52	5
Robert Steere,	23	25	
Martin A. Snow,	3	87	5
William R. Rhodes,	3	10	
George Barfee,	2	32	5
James Rhodes,	3	10	
George W. Robinson,	7	75	
Charles Griffin,	3	87	5
Edward W. Perival,	2	32	5
George H. Marcy,	2	32	5

Henry D. Marcy,	2	32	5
John W. Chadsey,	2	32	5
Emily Johnson,	62	.	
Asfar Eddy,	23.	15	
Thomas T. Pike,	2	32	5
William Emerson,	3.	87	5
Robert E. P. Low,	1	55	
Joseph Low,	2	32	5
John W. Aborn,	2	32	5
Jarvis B. Nelson,	1	55	
George H. Cranston,	3.	10	
Samuel Woodley,	3	87	5
Benjamin Clarke,	4	65	
Larkin G. Mead,	3	87	5
Jonathan Jenks,	10	85	
Rotand J. Edwards,	11	62	5
Ferdinand Barber,	11.	62	5
Robert Burlingame,	11	62	5
Elisha H. Olney,	2	32	5
Earl Dean,	2	32	5
Henry A. Potter,	3	87	
James Manchester,	7	75	
John Capron,	2	32	5
Edward Fitzpatrick,	11	62	5
Philip A. Marks,	7	75	
Ernan W. Winship,	24	80	
Irish Jones,	2	32	5
Charles B. Gladding,	2	32	5
Alpheus Medley,	2	32	5
Fredrick C. Fuller,	2	32	5
John B. Gummy,	3	87	5
Wesley Baker,	2	32	5
Samuel D. Holding,	3.	87	5
Samuel Walding,	3	87	5
Samuel R. Bacon,	2	32	5
Elegus Small,	7	75	
John Bradford,	2.	32	5
Vanum J. Bates,	3.	87	5

Charles G. Brewin	2	32	5
Nicholas W. Bach,	2	32	5
Leonard Constock,	3	87	5
Isaac Cunnell,	2	32	5
David Cadwath,	3.	87	5
Henry W. Mason,	2	32	5
Joseph T. Mason,	2	32	5
John A. Woodworth,	3.	87	5
Joseph Winsor,	6	20	
Stephen A. Austin,	2	32	5
Elisha Burwatt,	2	32	5
William Billings Jr.,	2	32	5
Edward Barrett,	2	32	5
Frederick Cranston,	3.	87	5
Louis J. Doyle,	38.	75	
Philip Gray,	2	32	5
George W. Hopkins,	2	32	5
L. D. Hewitt,	2	32	5
Edwin H. Perry,	8	87	5
Samuel Robinson,	2	32	5
James W. Scoble,	2	32	5
Henry Shepard,	3.	87	5
A. M. Fisher,	2	32	5
Alexander B. Walford,	1	55	
Silas Weston,	1	55	
Arthur Fenner,	2	32	5
Walter J. Littlefield,	1	55	
John B. Lincoln,	2	32	5
Charles C. Packard,	3.	10	
Warren F. Bart,	3.	87	5
Joshua Spomer,	2	32	5
George H. Chedel	2	32	5
Robert W. Campbell,	3.	10	
Robert L. Whipple,	1	55	
George B. Thomas,	31	.	
Joseph Chapell,	2	32	5
John B. Weston,	3.	87	5
Martin Bennett,	7	75	

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Charles C. Weaver,	1	58	
Vicen S. W. Parkhurst,	9	30	
Samuel P. Criss,	2	32	5
Reuben Brown	2	32	5
Charles E. Chapee	2	32	5
Commercial Steam Boat Company,	581	25	
Joseph Freeman (Treasr)	62	77	5
Green and Padawan Bank,	15	50	
Smithfield Line North Bank,	46	50	
Atlas Bank,	19	37	5
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A Petition of George Barber, for remission of tax, is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Claims, to examine and report thereon.

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A Petition of J. W. Scovel, in Liberty to move a certain wooden building is presented, read, and received. And the Standing Committee and the Fire Department having recommended that the prayer thereof be granted; - a Resolution granting the prayer thereof, is read and passed.

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(Approved by the Mayor)

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

The resignation of Henry Amington as a member of the School Committee, is presented, read, and accepted.

George P. Day is elected a member of the School Committee.

July 13th July 21, 1857.

The two boards separate.

The Common Council adjourns, & meets on Monday, the tenth day of August next, at 8 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

- Mr. President,
- Angell,
- Baker,
- Beckwith,
- Bennett,
- Binney,
- Bridges,
- Carpenter,
- Chapman,
- Deane,
- Eddy,
- Francis,
- Guild,
- Hartshorn,
- Hopkins,

- Lester,
- Lincoln,
- Mathewson,
- Paine,
- Peter,
- Salisbury,
- Spencer,
- Sprague,
- Taylor,
- J. Tucker,
- J. R. Tucker,
- Winsor.

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Albert G. Green,
Clerk

Common Council, July 21, 1857.

Special Meeting.

"City of Providence,

To the Members of the Common Council.

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City of Providence,

Greeting,

Whereas, in my opinion, it is advised for the Common Council to meet at an earlier day than that to which said Council stands adjourned; you and each of you are therefore hereby requested and required to meet in the Council Chamber on Tuesday the 21st Day of July, at 8 o'clock P.M. to transact such business as may legally come before you, given under my hand and seal, this 20th Day of July 1857.

Wm. M. Rodman, Mayor.

Providence, July 21st 1857.

I certify that I have notified and warned the Members of the Common Council, of a meeting to be held this evening.

James C. Newdon, City Sergeant.

Pursuant to the requisition contained in the foregoing Warrant, the Common Council are now assembled at 8 o'clock P.M. a quorum present.

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

A Communication from the Mayor, in the words following, is presented and read; viz:

"Mayor's Office, Providence, July 21. 1857

Stephen Webber Esq, President of Common Council.

Sir, The Clerk of the

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Municipal Court having resigned his office, since the last meeting of the Council; the office of calling you together, this evening, is to fill the vacancy occasioned by his resignation.

Very respectfully,
Wm. M. Rodman, Mayor.

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention,

Resignation of Albert G. Greene, Clerk Municipal Court.

A Communication in the words following, is presented, read, and received; viz:

"Clerk's Office of the Municipal Court, Providence, July 21 1857.

To the Hon. City Council, Gentlemen,

A call of duty which appears to me imperative, requires me to give immediate attention to business of importance to those who have strong personal claims upon my services. I cannot do justice to that business, which my time is required by the office of Clerk of the Municipal Court of this city; and am therefore compelled to resign that office; which I now do.

Permit me to express to the City Council, my sincere thanks for the repeated tokens of their confidence, and for the kindness which I have long experienced at their hands.

Very respectfully,
Albert G. Greene.

Whereupon, it is resolved, that the resignation of Albert G. Greene, Clerk of the Municipal

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Court, be accepted.

The two Board separate.

In Common Council.

Clk of Resolved, That the Committee on Finance be
Municipal and they are hereby instructed to ascertain the
Court, amount paid the Clerk of the Municipal Court,
as salary, and the amount received by him
Salary &c. as fees, for the year ending June 1857; also,
the amount contracted to be paid for expenses
in said Office under the Resolution of the City
Council, passed February 9th 1857; and make
Report thereof, in writing, at the next meeting
of the City Council.
(Now concurred)

From the joint Committee appointed on the 18th of July
1857, to request for publication, copies of the
Oration and Poem delivered at the recent
Municipal Celebration of the Anniversary of
American Independence; make Report that
the Water and Post have both declined furnish-
ing copies for that purpose; which Report is
read and received.
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(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Report of Memorial of William Hall, in relation to
batting in the Second River; is presented,
received, and referred to the Standing Committee
to enquire Ordinances, to examine and report
thereon.

Fields Fountain & communication from the Chief Engineer of

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Fires. the Fire Department, respecting the taking of water
from Field's Fountain, on Clifford Street, for
the use of the Fire Department; is presented, re-
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on the Fire Department, to examine and re-
port thereon: with instruction to report at
the next meeting of the Common Council.

South Water Street. Whereby, the City Council on the 9th of February
1857, by Resolution, requested the Board of Aldermen
to straighten and extend South Water Street, a
short distance along the Witterly end of Thurston,
Gardner & Company's Machine Shop; so as to
290. connect with the Witterly end of a Street laid
out in 1849, 16 cent in the Fire Point Association Plot; under
and according to an Act entitled "An Act for
laying out Highways";-

That whereas, said Board of Aldermen,
under said Resolution, appointed George T. Spi-
cer, Amasa Parise and William S. Cairnes,
Esquires, Commissioners to lay out said Street;
who proceeded to the discharge of the duty assign-
ed them; and made Report of their Doings,
to said Board of Aldermen, on the 20th day of May
1857: -

And whereas, by said Report, it came to the
City, of straightening and extending said South
Water Street, with greatly exceed the expecta-
tions of the City Council, at the time of passing
said Resolution: -

It is therefore Resolved, that the Board of
Aldermen be, and they are hereby, requested
to suspend further action on said Report,
and discontinued the straightening and extending
said South Water Street.
(Concurred. August 10. 1857.)

Benefit of a petition of Robert H. Jones, for the setting

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R. H. Jones, of the curb stones and the re-paving of the gutters, in the Eastern side of Benefit Street, from Power to Charles Field Street: is presented, read, and received.

Do Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to relay the curb stones, and pave the gutters in that portion of Benefit Street (going) between Charles Field and Power Streets, in front of the residence of Robert W. Jones Esq.

(Concurred.)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Mary English, A Memorial of Mary English requesting aid, in consequence of injuries to her estate by the removal of earth from Thompson Street: is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Claims, to examine and report thereon.

Mary Tillichant, A Memorial of Mary Tillichant, requesting aid, in consequence of injury to her estate by the alteration of the grade of Broad Street: is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Claims, to examine and report thereon.

Mrs. Paine and Binney are appointed to wait upon the Board of Aldermen, and to inform the Board, that the Common Council, having no business upon their table, are ready to adjourn.

Said Committee having returned, and made report that they have discharged their duty:—

A message is received from the Board of Aldermen; informing the Common Council, that the Board of Aldermen are ready to join in Con-

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vention, for the election of a Clerk of the Municipal Court.

Resolved, That when the Common Council adjourn, they will adjourn to meet on Friday the twenty fourth day of July instmt., at 8 o'clock P.M. and that Mr. Paine be appointed to inform the Board of Aldermen, of the Resolution.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Friday the twenty fourth day of July instmt., at 8 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

- Mr. President,
- Angell,
- Baker,
- Bennett,
- Binney,
- Carpenter,
- Chapman,
- Corrigan,
- Eddy,
- Whipple,

- Lester,
- Lincoln,
- Kalkeason,
- Paine,
- Potter,
- Spencer,
- Spague,
- Taylor,
- J. Tucker,
- Z. B. Tucker,

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Albert Greene,
Clerk.

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The Common Council, met pursuant to adjournment: a quorum present.

Frank July. The joint Committee who were, on the first Day of June last, appointed to make arrangements for a Municipal Celebration of the Anniversary of American Independence, make Report that they expended therefor, \$2418.94 Leaving a balance of the appropriation un- 81.06. expended. of which Report is read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be received.

(concluded)

Resolved, That the Resolution which passed the City Council on the 9th Day of February A.D. 1857, in the words following: viz. "Resolved, that the Clerk of the Municipal Court be, and he is hereby authorized, with the approval of the Mayor, to procure such assistance as may be necessary in his Office; and to draw upon the City Treasurer, quarterly, or otherwise, for the payment of the same; the orders for such payments to be approved and countersigned by the Mayor, and to be paid out of the Appropriation for Contingencies;" - be and the same is hereby repealed.

(Concluded, with the following Amendment:

viz. That the word "repealed" in the last line, be struck out; and the word "rescinded" be inserted in its place.)

The Common Council concur in the Amendment.

(Approved by the Mayor)

Do. Resolved, that the Clerk of the Municipal Court be, and he is hereby authorized, with the approval of the Mayor, to procure such assistance as may be necessary in his Office; and to draw upon the City Treasurer, quarterly, or otherwise, for the payment of the same: provided, the amount paid for such assistance shall not exceed the sum of One thousand Dollars per annum; the orders for such payments, to be approved

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and countersigned by the Mayor, and to be paid out of the Appropriation for Contingencies.

(Concluded)

(Approved by the Mayor)

Solones. A Bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance fixing the Salaries of certain Officers'", is presented, read, amended, and as amended, is read and passed: (said Bill fixing the annual salary of the Clerk of the Municipal Court - at \$500, instead of \$1000)

Clerk of Municipal Court.

(Now concluded)

Do. A Bill in the words following is presented and read:

viz. "An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance fixing the Salaries of certain Officers".

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It is ordered by the City Council of the City of Portland, as follows:

Section 1. So much of the Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance fixing the Salaries of certain Officers", as provides for the payment of an annual salary of one thousand Dollars to the Clerk of the Municipal Court, - is hereby repealed.

Section 2. The Clerk of said Court shall keep an accurate account of all fees by him received; and shall, semi-annually, on the first Day of January and July, in each year, render to the City Treasurer, an accurate account of the same, verified by his oath or affirmation: And if, at the end of the year, he shall have received less than seven hundred Dollars in fees, as aforesaid; he shall be paid from the City Treasury, a sum of money, which, with his fees as aforesaid, shall amount to the sum of six-

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ten Hundred Dollars." It is moved that said Bill pass. Upon which motion, the question is taken by ayes and nays; and it is agreed that the same be entered upon the Journal, as follows: viz:

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| <u>Ayes,</u> | <u>Nays,</u> |
| Ally, Angell, | Wps Beckwith, |
| Baker, | Binney, |
| Benette, | Dondane, |
| Carpenter, | Francis, |
| Cady, | Guil, |
| W. Harris, | Uasterson, |
| Lester, | Solisbury, |
| Lincoln, | |
| Matherson, | |
| Paine, | |
| Potter, | |
| Spencer, | |
| Taylor, | |
| J. Tucker, | |
| J. R. Tucker, | |
| Winst, | |

Said Bill is the fore passed. (Concurred) (Approved by the Mayor.)

School A Memorial from the School Committee, requesting that a lot of land in the First Ward, may be purchased, for the erection of a school house thereon: is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Education, to examine and report thereon.

Fire's Fountain The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to whom on the 21st of July instant, was referred the communication from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department; report the following Resolution; which is read and passed: viz:

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Resolved, That the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to cause two lines of 4 inch iron pipe to be laid from the Field Fountain to the Wastely line of Clifton Street, for the use of the Fire Department: provided, the cost of said work shall not exceed the sum of one Hundred Dollars.

(Concurred) (Approved by the Mayor)

Wickenden Petition of George W. Peck and others, for the Street. Spanning of Wickenden Street, from Brook to Maple Street: is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Mud Machine & Pile Driver Resolved, that the Committee on City Property be directed to ascertain the cost of a mud machine and pile-driver to be operated by a steam engine, and report the same to the City Council, at their next meeting.

A Resolution in the order of organizing, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is read & approved, and is read thereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein.

(Approved by the Mayor)

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

Clerk of Municipal Court. Samuel W. Peckham is elected Clerk of the Municipal Court, for the remainder of the present municipal year.

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Island W. Pines is elected a boarder, for the remainder of the present municipal year.

The two boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday the tenth day August next, at 8 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr. President

" Boyell,

Baker,

Beckwith

Bennett,

Bennet,

Blodgett,

Carpenter

Derance,

Eddy,

Fraser

Guild,

Hartshorn.

Hopkins,

Lester,

Lincoln

Mattinson

Paine,

Peter,

Salisbury,

Spencer,

Strongman,

Taylor,

J. Tucker,

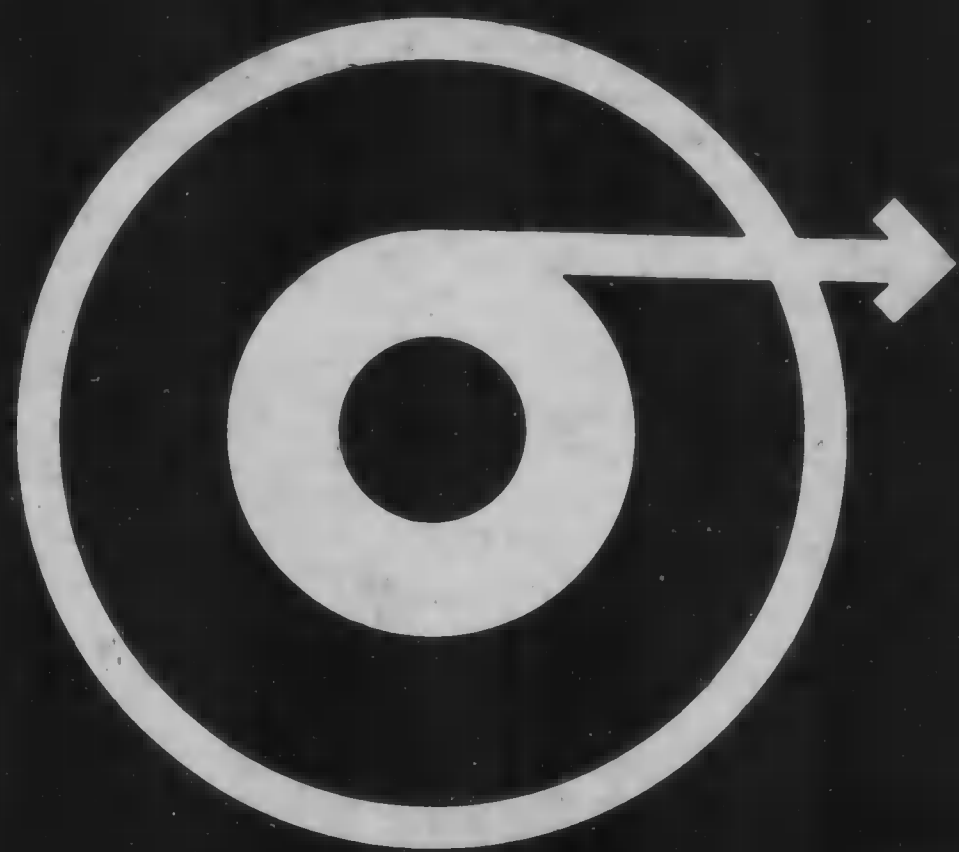
J. H. Tucker,

Winsor.

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Albert G. Greene,
Clerk

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