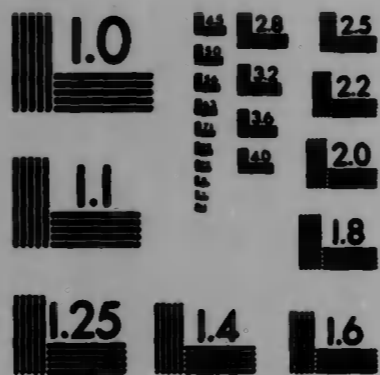
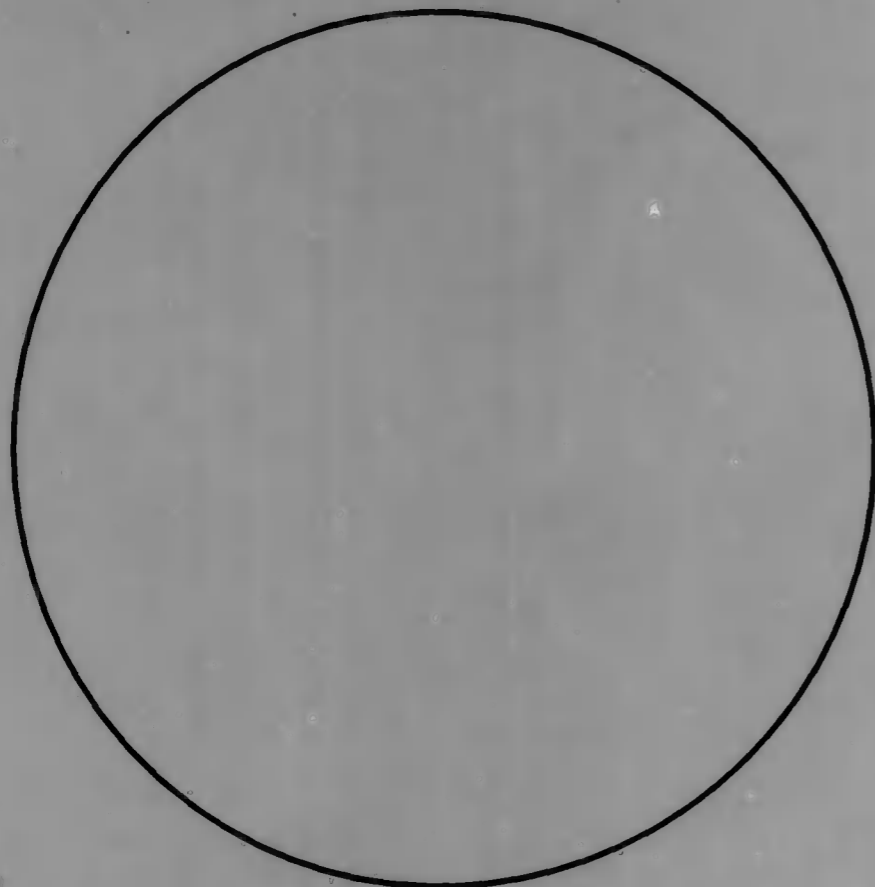
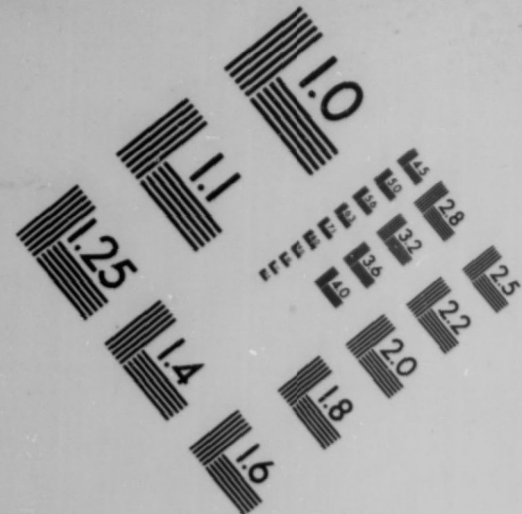
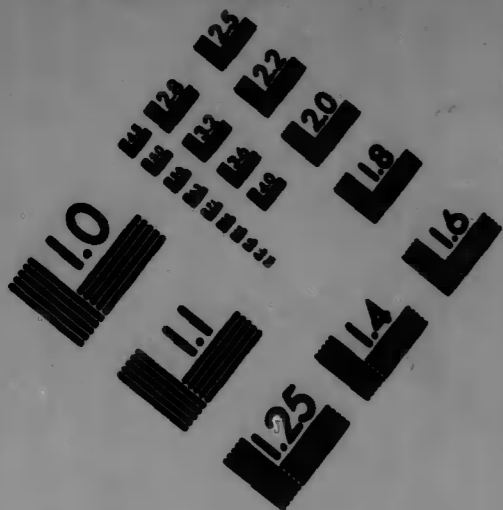


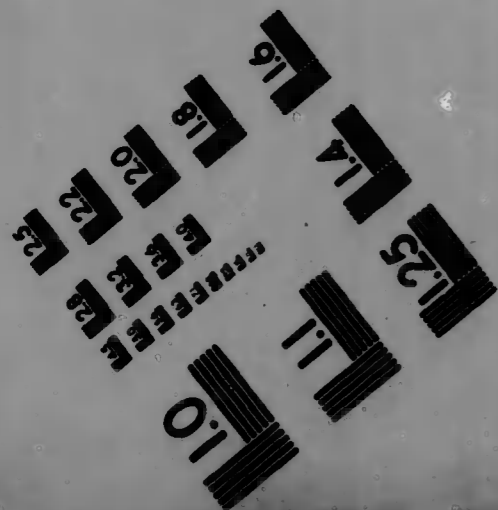
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Common Council - October 13. 1870.

Special Meeting

Special Meeting:

Called by the Mayor, as per his warrant dated October 12. 1870, which is read.

Pursuant to said Warrant, the members of the Common Council assemble in their Chamber this day at 7 1/2 o'clock p.m. - a quorum present.

Pres. pro tem.

The President being absent, Mr Aldrich is elected President pro. tem.

Record read.

The Record of the last meeting is read and approved.

Mayor's Message.

Reasons for meeting.

Appropriations for Police.

A Message from the Mayor in the words following is presented and read, viz:-

Mayor's Office

City of Providence October 13. 1870

Gentlemen of the Common Council.

I have convened you this evening in order that means may be provided to pay the Police, the Lamplighters, the Firemen and the workmen upon the Highways and public buildings, the amounts due to them for their services in the month of September. The disagreement of the two

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Boards upon the annual appropriation bill should not be permitted to bring unnecessary distress upon those who depend upon their monthly wages for the support of their families and who are already suffering great inconvenience from the length of time they have been compelled to wait for their dues.

Thomas A. Doyle
Mayor.

Resolution to pay
workmen on public
buildings, highway &c.

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 hereby directed to pay to the workmen employed on the public buildings and highways, the lamplighters, the firemen and the policemen, their pay for the past month: and that such sum as may be necessary is hereby appropriated therefor.

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

Mayor's Message
Returning resolutions
for appropriations
for Engine & Hose.

A Message from the Mayor returning without approval a resolution passed by the Common Council on the 10th inst, making an appropriation for the purchase of a steam fire engine, and also another res-

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lution passed at the same time making an appropriation for the purchase of new hose, is presented and read.

Resolution to purchase Steam Fire Engine
passed over Mayor's veto.

Thereupon it is moved that said Resolution, ^{making appropriation for new Steam Fire engine} pass, the Mayor's objections to the same notwithstanding.

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Upon which motion the ayes and nays are called with the following result, viz:

Ayes

Messrs Aldrich, Pres. pro tem. Armington, A. J. Barnaby, J. B. Barnaby, Bradford, Claplin, Colwell, Cory, Daboll, Fenner, Harris, Lester, Mauran, Metcalf, Paine, Parkhurst, Persons, Root, Shaw, C. S. Smith, F. M. Smith, Snow, Sweet, Tucker, Van Slyck, Waterman & White.

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Nays

Mr Burgess

1.

Said resolution is therefore passed (more than three fifths of the members of the Common Council voting in the affirmative.)

Resolution to purchase
new Hose. passed
over Mayor's veto.
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It is also moved that said resolution making appropriation of \$50000 for new Hose pass, the Mayor's objections to the contrary notwithstanding.

Upon which motion the ayes and nays are called with the following result, viz:-

Ayes

Messrs Aldrich, Pres. pro tem. Armington, A. J. Barnaby, J. B. Barnaby, Bradford, Claplin,

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Cory, Daboll, Fenner, Harris, Lester, Mauran,
Metcalf, Paine, Parkhurst, Persons, Root,
Shaw, Snow, Sweet, Tucker, Van Slyck,
Waterman & White & Colwell 25.

Nays.

Members Burgess, G. S. Smith & F. M. Smith. 3.

Said Resolution is therefore passed,
(more than three fifths of the members of the
Common Council voting in the affirmative),

Appropriation Bill

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The Bill, entitled "An Ordinance making
Appropriations for the support of the Govern-
ment of the City of Providence for the fi-
nancial year ending on the thirtieth day
of September A.D. 1871", which passed the
Common Council on the 12th of September last,
and which on the 14th of September was passed
in concurrence with certain amendments by
the Board of Aldermen, in which amend-
ments the Common Council on the 10th inst. vo-
ted not to concur, is now returned from
said Board who insist in their amendments;
whereupon it is resolved that the Common
Council insist upon their vote of non-con-
currence.

Mayor's Message.

Use of Eddy St. School.

for evening School.

A Message of the Mayor relative to
the use of the public school house on Eddy
street for an Evening School is presented
and read, whereupon the following resolu-

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tion having passed the Board of Aldermen
is read and passed in concurrence, viz:-

Resolved.

That the Message of His Honor
the Mayor dated October 12. 1870 and rela-
ting to the use of the public school houses
for evening schools be and the same is hereby
referred to the Joint Committee on Educa-
tion to examine and report thereon.

(Approved)

Eddy St. School - House.

Use of, for evening School.

The Joint Committee on Education, pur-
suant to the foregoing resolution, make
Report and recommend the passage of
the accompanying resolution: which Re-
port is received, and the following res-
olution is thereupon read and passed, viz:-

Resolved.

That the Executive Committee
of the School Committee be hereby author-
ized to open an evening school in the
Eddy street Grammar School House if
in their judgment advisable, provided
no suitable room for the purpose can be
obtained in that locality.

Upon the passage of the foregoing
resolution the yeas and nays are ordered
with the following result, viz:-

Yeas.

Members Aldrich, A. J. Barnaby, Bradford,

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Burgess, Claflin, Cobipell, Daboll, Fenner,
Harris, Lester, Mauran, Metcalf, Paine,
Persons, Root, Shaw, C. S. Smith, Fell,
Smith, Snow, J. C. Spencer, Sweet,
Tucker, van Slyck & White. 34.

Says

Members Armington, J. B. Barnaby, Cory,
Parkhurst, W. Spencer, & Waterman. 6.
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Resolved

That the Committee on High-
ways be and hereby are instructed to as-
certain the cost of paving with wood
pavement that portion of Market Square
north of the City Building extending
from the crosswalk on the line of North
Main street to the track of the Providence
and Worcester Rail Road Co., and
upon what terms the same can be con-
tracted for - and to report at the next
meeting of this Council.

A petition of the Boston & Providence

Railroad Co. for permission to erect a wood-
en building on Gaspee street is presented,
received and referred to the Joint Committee
on Railroads.

Thereupon said Committee make

Market Square
Wood Pavement in

15.

B. & P. R.R. Co.

Petition to erect wood-
en Building on Gaspee St.

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Report, recommending the passage of
the accompanying resolution: which
resolution is read and recommitted to
said committee.

Resolution to pay

Lamp lighters.

Adjourned.

Members present.

A draft resolution to pay the Lamp-
lighters their pay for the past month is
presented and read, pending the consid-
eration of which the Common Council
adjourn till November 14. 1870 at 7^{1/2}
o'clock p.m.

Present - all the members except
the President and Messrs Dexter, Hunt,
Joslin, Keep, & Potter 6.

J. M. Addeman
Clerk.

9.45 p.m.

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Common Council - October 31. 1870

Special Meeting

Called by the Mayor, as per his Warrant, dated October 27. 1870, which is read.

Pursuant to said Warrant, the members of the Common Council assemble in their Chamber this day at 7 1/2 o'clock p.m. - the President in the chair and a quorum present.

Record read.

The Record of the last meeting is read and approved.

Mayor's Message.

Wood pavement to be

placed on streets ad-

joining Custom-House.

A Message from the Mayor in the following is presented and read, viz

Mayor's Office

City of Providence, Oct. 31. 1870.

Gentlemen of the Common Council.

I have received notice from the custodian of the public property of the United States in this city, that in widening Mybosset street certain real estate belonging to the United States has been taken without compensation therefor.

I understand that the United States Circuit Judge desires that the

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city should relieve the Court from the annoyance they are now subjected to, in consequence of the noise from the numerous vehicles passing over the stone pavement about the Court House, and that it is his wish that wooden pavement should be substituted therefor. If this is done the custodian of the property will make no claim against the city for the land taken for Mybosset street. As the time to which you had adjourned would render it impossible to act upon the subject the present season I have deemed the matter of sufficient importance to ask your attendance at this time.

Appropriation Bill.

I earnestly hope that you will take this occasion to concur with the Board of Aldermen in the resolution passed by them directing the payment of the sums due to the employees of the city. The Surveyor of Highways informs me that the families of many of the men in his department are suffering for the necessaries of life in consequence of the neglect of the city to pay for services rendered on its highway, while I am aware that some of the men in other departments are selling their claims at heavy discounts to provide

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for the wants of those dependent on them.

Thomas A. Doyle
Mayor.

Resolution relative
to fence of Federal
St. School-House.

A resolution in the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down, read and passed in concurrence, viz:-

Resolved.

That the joint special Committee of the City Council for the erection of a school house for the fourth and seventh wards be and they are hereby authorized to place the fence on said estate at the junction of Federal and Dean streets upon such line as they may deem proper, provided that it shall not throw into the highway a greater quantity of land than five hundred and seventy five square feet.

(Approved)

Resolution for Wood
Pavement on streets
adjoining Custom-House.

Resolved.

That the Surveyor of Highways acting under the advice of the joint Committee on Highways, be and he is hereby authorized and directed to pave such portions of Custom House street, Post Office Court and Heyboese street as adjoin the property of the United States, with the Stone Foundation pavement, so called, the same

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to be charged to Highways.
(Concurred)
(Approved)

Greenwich Street
Relay & straightening of

A resolution in the words following having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, read and referred to the Joint Committee on Highways.

Resolved.

That the Board of Aldermen be and they are hereby requested to relay and straighten Greenwich street of a uniform width of fifty feet from the Railroad Bridge to Fenner's Avenue.

Subsequently said Committee are discharged from the further consideration of the same, and said resolution is thereupon read and passed in concurrence.

(Approved)

Boston & Prov. R.R. Co.
Permission granted to
erect wooden building
6.

The joint Committee on Railroads to whom at the last meeting was recommended a petition of the Boston & Prov. R. R. Co. for permission to erect a building, make Report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution: which Report is received, and the following resolution is thereupon read and passed, viz:

Resolved.

That permission be hereby

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granted to the Boston and Providence Railroad Company to erect a wooden addition on both side of their Engine House, measuring about twenty by thirty feet on the ground, and 12 feet high.

Said resolution is sent to the Board of Aldermen for concurrence, and is returned with their concurrence therein with an amendment adding the words: "said building to remain during the pleasure of the City Council only," - which amendment is read and passed in concurrence by the Common Council.

(Approved)

Wooden Buildings.

Moving and Raising.

Wm. H. Charnley

Albert F. Allen.

The Joint Committee on the Fire Department to whom were referred petitions of William H. Charnley, for raising a certain building, and of Albert F. Allen, for removing a certain building, make Reports recommending that the prayers of said petitions be granted: which Reports are received and resolutions in accordance therewith are thereupon read and passed.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Resolved.

That the Surveyor of Highways

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Fountain Street
Curbing & paving with
Granite Blocks.

acting under the advice and direction of the Joint Committee on Highways, be and he is hereby directed to cause the curb-stones to be set and the street paved with granite blocks on Fountain street, from Matthewson street to Cove street.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Market Square

Wood pavement in
6

A resolution (from the Board of Aldermen), for paving Market Square with wood pavement, is read and non-concurred.

North Burying Ground.

Enlargement of
34.

A communication from the Commissioners of the North Burial Ground, relative to purchase of land for the enlargement thereof, is presented, read and referred to the Joint Committee on the North Burying Ground.

Petitions of

Jas. Tiffany.
Overflow on Conduit st.

Parade Street
Reception of
29.

Curbing & paving of
45.

James Tiffany, in regard to overflow of water on Conduit street; of J. Erastus Lester & others for receiving Parade street, and for setting curbing and paving gutters on the west side of Parade street, are severally presented, received and referred to the Joint Committee on Highways.

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North Main Street
Rails on.
19.

A petition of F. H. Perry et al relative to rails on North Main street is presented, received and referred to the joint Committee on Railroads.

In Convention.
Invitation to join in.

Resolved.

That the Mayor and Board of Aldermen be requested to join the Common Council in Convention for the transaction of such business as may legally come before them.

Du. Accepted.

The foregoing invitation having been accepted, the two Boards join.

In Convention.

Police Constables
elected.

James W. Baman, Thomas W. Walcott and Silas G. Tripp are elected Police Constables.

City Constables.

Eber Bartlett, Russell Clapp and Thomas F. Landy are elected city constables.

Wm. A. Austin is elected a Paeker and Inspector of Fish.

The two Boards separate.

A Bill entitled An Ordinance making appropriations for the support of the City

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Appropriation Bill.
20.

of Providence for the financial year ending on the thirtieth day of September A. D. 1871," 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 amendments, viz:

"On page 2, strike out the words 'For public lamps, including the salary of the Superintendent of Lights, one hundred thousand dollars.'"

"On page 3, amend the item of appropriation for the 'Reserve fund' by striking out the words 'seventy five thousand' and substitute the words 'one hundred and seventy five thousand.'"

Said amendments are thereupon read by the Board of Aldermen and non-concurred.

The Common Council then insist on their amendments and ask for a committee of conference.

The Board of Aldermen agree to a committee on conference.

The Common Council appoint as conferees on their part Messrs Dexter, Bradford, Colwell, Aldrich and Potter.

The Board of Aldermen appoint as conferees on their part, Aldermen Tew, Ballou and Knight.

The committee of conference report that

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they are unable to agree.

The Board insist on their non-concurrence.

The Common Council insist on their action on the foregoing Bill.

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Adjourn.

The Common Council adjourn till Monday November 14th 1870 at 7^{1/2} o'clock p.m.

Present - all the members except Messrs Daboll, Snow and Sweet. 3.

J. M. Addeman
Clerk.

Res. to pay certain
accounts of laborers.

* A resolution (from the Board of Aldermen) directing the City Treasurer to pay certain accounts of workmen in the Highway, Police and Lamp departments, &c. Having passed the Board of Aldermen is sent down for concurrence, read and suffered to lie on the table.

S. M. A.

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Special Meeting.

Called by the Mayor, as per his Warrant, dated November 5. 1870, which is read.

Pursuant to said Warrant the members of the Common Council assemble in this chamber this day at 7^{1/2} o'clock p.m. - the President in the chair and a quorum present.

Quorum present.

Record Read.

The Record of the last meeting is read and approved.

Mayor's Message.

Appropriation Bill.

A Message from the Mayor in the words following is presented and read:

Mayor's Office

City of Providence, Nov. 7. 1870

Gentlemen of the Common Council.

The failure of the City Council to pass the Annual Appropriation bill is causing great inconvenience to the various departments of the government and serious loss to the treasury.

I have therefore convened you again in the hope that some action may be taken by the two Boards which will result in an agreement upon the bill.

Thomas A. Doyle, Mayor.

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Issue of Registered Bonds.

The Monthly Reports of the City Treasurer and of the Joint Committee on the Reduction of the City Debt, relative to the Issue of Registered Bonds, are presented, read and received.

(Concurred),
(Approved),

City Treasurer.

Claim vs. F.W. & K.D. Cheney

Doyle Avenue.

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A communication from the City Treasurer relative to claim against F. W. & K. D. Cheney for Doyle Avenue is presented, read and received.

(Concurred),
(Approved)

Do.

Referred to Committee.

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

That the communication of the City Treasurer, with the accompanying documents, relating to the claim of the City against Messrs F. W. & K. D. Cheney for the opening of Doyle Avenue &c and the same are hereby referred to Alderman Ballou and Gardiner with such as the Common Council may add to examine and report thereon.

Whereupon it is resolved that the Common Council do concur therein, and that Messrs Colwell, Van Slyck and Waterman

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be added on the part of the Common Council.
(Approved)

Rails on N. Main St.

Removal of.

14.

The Joint Committee on Railroads, to whom at the last meeting was referred a petition of F. H. Perry et al relative to Rails on North Main street, make Report that they have ordered said track to be removed according to the prayer of the petition, the same to be done under the supervision of the Surveyor of Highways, which Report is received.

(Concurred),
(Approved)

Board of Engineers

Communications from.

35.

36.

Communications from the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department, relative to Regulation Badges; for location of cisterns on Governor and Willow streets; for building of a Hose House, are severally presented, received and referred to the Joint Committee on the Fire Department.

Do.

Purchase of Hose.

A communication from said Board of Engineers relative to purchase of New Hose is presented, received and referred to the said Committee with request to report this evening a resolution making an appropriation for said purpose.

Subsequently said Committee make

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Report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolutions: which Report is received, and the following Resolutions are thereupon read and passed, viz:-

Resolutions to
purchase Hose.

Resolved.

That the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department, acting under the advice of the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, be and they are hereby authorized to purchase seven thousand (7000) feet of hose at a cost not exceeding eleven thousand two hundred dollars.

Resolved.

That the sum of Eleven thousand two hundred dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purchase of hose - out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Said Resolutions are returned from the Board of Aldermen with their concurrence therein with an amendment: "Strike out the second resolution and adding to the first resolution the words 'to be paid from the appropriation for the Fire Department.'" which amendment is thereupon read and passed in concurrence.

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Appropriation Bill

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The Bill entitled "An Ordinance making Appropriations for the Support of the Gov-

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ernment of the City of Providence for the financial year ending on the thirtieth day of September A.D. 1871," on the passage of which the two Boards at the last meeting failed to agree, is returned from the Board of Aldermen, who ask for a committee of conference and appoint Aldermen Tew, Ballou and Knight conferees on their part.

Thereupon the Common Council insist on their action on the foregoing Bill, and agree to the request for a committee of conference and appoint as conferees on their part Messrs Metcalf, Fenner, A. J. Barnaby, Parkhurst and Cory.

The Committee of conference report that they are unable to agree.

Thereupon the Board of Aldermen recede from their non-concurrence in the amendments of the Council and concur in the passage of the Bill.

(Approved)

Ordinance making
Appropriation for Lamps.

A Bill entitled "An Ordinance making appropriations for public lamps," having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence and is read: whereupon it is moved to lay the same on the table for the present: upon which motion

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Report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolutions: which Report is received, and the following Resolutions are thereupon read and passed, viz:-

Resolved.

Resolutions to purchase Hose.

That the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department, acting under the advice of the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, be and they are hereby authorized to purchase seven thousand (7000) feet of hose at a cost not exceeding eleven thousand two hundred dollars.

Resolved.

That the sum of eleven thousand two hundred dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purchase of hose - out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Said Resolutions are returned from the Board of Aldermen with their concurrence therein with an amendment: "Strike out the second resolution and adding to the first resolution the words 'to be paid from the appropriation for the fire department:' which amendment is thereupon read and passed in concurrence.

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Thereupon the Common Council insist on their action on the foregoing Bill, and agree to the request for a committee of conference and appoint as conferees on their part Messrs Metcalf, Fenner, A. J. Barnaby, Parkhurst and Cory.

The committee of conference report that they are unable to agree.

Thereupon the Board of Aldermen recede from their non-concurrence in the amendments of the Council and concur in the passage of the Bill.

(Approved)

Ordinance making Appropriation for Lamps.

A Bill entitled "An Ordinance making appropriations for public lamps," having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence and is read: whereupon it is moved to lay the same on the table for the present: upon which motion

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the vote is taken by ayes and nays with the following result, viz: -

Ayes

Mesrs President, Armington, A. J. Barnaby, J. B. Barnaby, Bradford, Burgess, Claphin, Colwell, Cory, Dexter, Fenner, Harris, Lester, Metcalf, Paine, Parkhurst, Persons, J. L. Spencer, Street, Tucker, Vandslyck and White. 22.

Nays

Mesrs Aldrich, Saboli, Hunt, Keep, Potter, Root, F. M. Smith, N. Spencer, and Waterman 9.

Said motion is therefore passed.

Resolved.

That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to pay all bills contracted by the Board of Aldermen for the lighting of the public lamps up to this time now unpaid, when the same shall be properly audited, and charge the amount so paid to the Reserve Fund.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

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

Resolution to pay for lighting public lamps.

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Resolved.

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to pay for police duty performed in October 1870 by men who have been appointed but not confirmed as follows:

William J. Booth \$85.25

Isaac Weaver 85.25

Whereupon it is resolved that the Common Council do concur therein with an amendment adding the words "to be paid out of the appropriation for Police."

(Concurred)

(Approved)

The following Resolution (recommended by the Joint Committee on Highways) is presented, read and passed, viz: -

Resolved.

That the Surveyor of Highways, acting under the advice and direction of the Joint Committee on Highways, be and he is hereby directed to cause curbstones to be set and the street paved on Cent Street from South Water Street to South Main Street.

(Concurred)

Resolution to pay unconfirmed Police.

Cent street paving re of.

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Discontinue proceedings

A Resolution (from the Board of Aldermen to discontinue proceedings rel-

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ative to Cent Street is referred to the Joint Committee on Highways.

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

Prov. Water Works.

Resolved,

That the sum of one hundred thousand dollars be hereby added to the appropriation for the Providence Water Works, and that the City Treasurer be hereby authorized to hire said sum for said appropriation.

(Approved)

Adjourn.

The Common Council adjourn till Monday November 14th 1870 at 7th o'clock p.m.

Present - all the members except Messrs
Loring and Snow. 2.

J. M. Addemare
Clerk.

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The Common Council met pursuant to adjournment - the President in the Chair and a quorum present.

Record read.

The Record of the last meeting is read and approved.

Mo. Statement of
City Treasurer.

The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer for October last is presented, read and received.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Mo. Report of
Harbor-Master.

The Monthly Report of the Harbor Master is presented, read and received.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Mo. Report of Chief
Eng. of Fire Dept.

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

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Revision of High-
way Dept.

The joint special Committee to whom was referred so much of the Annual Message of the Mayor as relates to

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Highways, make Report, indicating progress, which Report is received.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Thayer Street.

Extension of.

The Joint Committee on Highways to whom was referred by the Board of Aldermen, Feb'y 7. 1870, a petition of Amos D. Smith et als for widening Hope and extending Thayer street, and to whom on the 2^d of May last was recommitted a draft resolution to extend Thayer street and widen Hope street, with instructions, make Report recommending the accompanying resolution: which Report is received and the following resolution is thereupon read and passed:

Resolved.

That in the opinion of this City Council, it is desirable and necessary to lay out Thayer street from Keene street northw'ly to Olney street and the East Turnpike (so called), and not less than fifty feet wide.

And whereas, certain real estate will be required for that purpose, that the City Solicitor be, and he is hereby directed to make application to the Supreme Court of this State, for the appointment of Commissioners of Estimate and as-

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essment, under and according to the Act entitled "An Act in relation to the laying out, enlarging, straightening and otherwise altering streets in the City of Providence"; and the City Council hereby direct that application shall be made by said City Solicitor to said Court, in the application for said appointment as aforesaid, that said Commissioners shall apportion and assess one half of the loss and damage thereof upon the persons and estates benefited thereby, in the ratio of the benefits conferred.

Resolved.

That the City Clerk be, 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 direction and in the manner required by said Act.

On the passage of the foregoing resolution the vote is taken by yeas and nays with the following result, viz:-

Ayes

Messrs President, Armington, J. B. Barnaby, Burgess, Claplin, Colwell, Daboll, Dexter, Fenner, Lester, Maurau, Metcalf, Paine, Parkhurst, Persons, Root, Shaw, Sweet, Tucker, Waterman and White.

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Says.

Meers Aldrich, A. J. Barnaby, Bradford,
Harris, Hunt, Joslin, Keep, Potter, Snow,
J. L. Spencer, W. Spencer, & Vanslyck. 12.
(Concurred)

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Union Street.

Paving of.

43.

The following resolution (recommended by the Joint Committee on Highways), is read and passed, viz:—

Resolved.

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

Cent Street.

Proceedings discontinued.

23.

Said Committee to whom at the last meeting was referred a resolution from the Board of Aldermen, to discontinue proceedings in the matter of Cent street, making report recommending that the Common Council concur in the passage thereof which Report is received, and said resolution in the words following is read and passed in concurrence, viz:—

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Resolved.

That the City Council hereby discontinue all proceedings relative to the widening of Cent street under the application made to the Supreme Court.

(Approved)

Parade Street.

Reception of.

13.

Said Committee to whom on the 31st of October last was referred a petition of J. Erastus Lister et al for reception of Parade street, make Report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution: which report is received and the following resolution is thereupon read and passed, viz:—

Resolved.

That the Board of Aldermen be and they are hereby requested to receive Parade street from High street to Cranston street.

(Non-concurred)

Barton Street

Curbed & gutters paved.

Said Committee to whom on the 10th of October last was referred a petition of Simon M. Pike et al for curbing &c. on Barton street, make Report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution: which Report is received and the following resolution is thereupon

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read and passed, viz:

Resolved.

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

(Concurred)

Superior Street.

Reception of.

The following resolution (recommended by said Committee) is read and passed:

Resolved.

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

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Eagle Street.

Reception of.

Said Committee to whom was referred by the Board of Aldermen a petition of the Richmond Mfg Co. et al. for reception of Eagle street, make Report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution: which Report is received and the following resolution is thereupon read & passed:

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Resolved.

That the Board of Aldermen be and they are hereby requested to receive Eagle street from Atwell's Avenue to the river.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Square Street

Reception of.

Said Committee to whom was referred by the Board of Ald. a petition of Christ Church et al. for reception of Square street, make Report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution: which Report is received and the following resolution is thereupon read and passed, viz:-

Resolved.

That the Board of Aldermen, be and they are hereby requested to receive Square street from Eddy street to Plane street and declare the same a public highway.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Cove Street.

Curbing & paving.

42.

The following resolution, recommended by said Committee, is read & passed, viz:

Resolved.

That the Surveyor of Highways acting under the advice and direction of the Joint Committee on High-

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ways, he and he is hereby directed to cause the curbstones to be set and the street paved on Cove street from Matthewson street to the corner of the Providence & Stonington Railroad Co's Engine House.

Congdon Street
Cross-walk on

Said Committee to whom was referred by the Board of Aldermen a petition for crosswalk on Congdon street, make Report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution: which Report is received and the following resolution is thereupon read and passed, viz:-

Resolved.

That the Surveyor of Highways, acting under the advice and direction of the Joint Committee on Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause a crosswalk to be laid across Congdon street at the foot of Cushing street, north side.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Halsey Street.

Curbing, paving of

Said Committee to whom was referred by the Board a petition for curbing &c. on Halsey street, make Report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution: which Report is received and the following resolution

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is thereupon read and passed, viz:-

Resolved.

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

(Concurred)

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Said Committee to whom were referred petitions of

Ives Street.

Samuel B. Bullock et al for reception of Ives street; and of

Patrick Donnelly

Remuneration.

Patrick Donnelly for remuneration for damages sustained in changing grade of Spence and Dean streets, make Reports recommending that the petitioners have leave to withdraw: which Reports are received and it is thereupon ordered that the petitioners severally have leave to withdraw.

George A. Kenyon

Payment of claim for
Weybosset St widening

The following resolution (recommended by the Joint Special Committee in the matter of Weybosset street widening), is read and passed, viz:-

Resolved.

That the City Treasurer

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is hereby directed to pay to George A. Kenyon the sum of seventy five dollars upon receiving from him a receipt in full for all claims upon the city growing out of the widening of Weybosset street, the same to be charged to the appropriation for opening streets.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

North Burying Ground.

Enlargement of by
Purchase of land.

13.

The Joint Committee on the North Burying Ground to whom on the 31st of October last was referred a communication from the Commissioners of the North Burying Ground relative to purchase of land make report and recommend the passage of the accompanying resolutions: which Report is received, and the following resolutions are thereupon read and passed, viz:—

Resolved.

That the Joint Committee on the North Burial Ground be and they are hereby authorized to purchase the estate of William Corlies adjoining the North Burial Ground containing about nineteen acres of land with the buildings and improvements thereon, provided that the amount to be paid

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therefor shall not exceed the sum of Thirty five Thousand Dollars payable in the notes of the City at Ten years after the date of the delivery of the deed, bearing interest at the rate of six per cent per annum, and provided further that a title ^{sheet} satisfactory to the City Solicitor can be obtained.

Resolved.

That the City Treasurer be hereby authorized and directed to issue the notes of the City in accordance with the foregoing resolution whenever said Committee shall deliver to him a deed of said estate in proper form.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Regulation Badges.

Purchase of, for

Fire Department.

19.

The Joint Committee on the Fire Department to whom at the last meeting was referred a communication from the Board of Engineers relative to Regulation Badges, make Report and recommend the passage of the accompanying resolutions, which report is received and the following resolutions are thereupon read and passed, viz:

Resolved. That the Board of

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Engineers of the Fire Department, acting under the advice and consent of the standing committee of the Fire Department, be and they are hereby directed to procure one hundred and fifty (150) regulation badges for the use of the Fire Department.

Resolved.

That the sum of four hundred dollars (\$400) be, and the same is hereby appropriated from the funds of the Fire Department to carry the above resolution into effect.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Fire Cisterns to be
built on Governor
& Willow Streets.
19.

Said Committee to whom was also referred a communication from the Board of Engineers relative to construction of Fire Cisterns, make Report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolutions: which Report is received and the following resolutions are thereupon read and passed, viz:—

Resolved.

That the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department, acting under the advice and consent of the standing committee of the Fire Department, be and they are hereby directed to build

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two fire cisterns of not less than forty thousand gallons each; one of the said cisterns to be located on Governor street, the other on Willow street.

Resolved.

That the sum of twenty eight hundred dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated from the funds of the Fire Department to carry the above resolution into effect.

(Non-concurred)

Leave to withdraw.

The Joint Committee on Claims to whom were referred petitions of Patrick Moran for compensation; of Mc Gillis, Harris & Co, C. C. Wheaton & H. Anthony Deering & Honsell, Oliver Johnson & Co, D. H. Droman, Henry Staples & Co, S. C. Kingsley, Son & Co, and John Matthews, all for compensation on account of overflow of water in Exchange Place, June 17, 1870, recommend that the petitioners severally have leave to withdraw; which reports are received and it is thereupon ordered that the petitioners severally have leave to withdraw.

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Olive G. Pettis.
Claim for damage on
Seymour St.
60.
85.

Said Committee to whom was referred a claim of Mrs Olive G. Pettis for damage to property on Seymour Street, make Report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution, which is read, and it is ordered that the same be re-committed to said Committee with instructions to obtain the opinion of the City Solicitor as to the liability of the City.

Ordinance establishing
Joint Rules &c
amended.
Supt. of Lights.
66.

A Bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance establishing certain joint rules and joint standing committees of the City Council', and providing for the appointment of a Superintendent of Public Lights," is presented, read and referred to the Joint Committee on Ordinances.

Crosswalks on Pearl
& other streets.
45.
Barre St.
Opening of
47.

Petitions of R. G. Place et al for crosswalks on Pearl, B. and Major streets; of J. G. Eiswald for opening Barre street, are presented, received and referred to the Joint Committee on Highways.

Moving Buildings.
44.
44.

Petitions of Joseph Belcher, Peabody & Milbur, Margaret Fitzpatrick, for removing certain buildings; and of

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Raising Building;
Fire Alarm Telegraph.
196.

Albert L. Bennett,
for raising a building; and of Walter P. Phillips, in relation to Fire Alarm Telegraph, are all presented, received and referred to the Joint Committee on the Fire Department.

A. D. Chase.
Overflow from Vinton St.

A claim of A. D. Chase for damage from overflow of water on Vinton Street, is presented, received and referred to the Joint Committee on Claims.

Adjourn.

The Common Council adjourn till Monday, November 28-1870 at 7 1/2 o'clock p.m.

Present - all the members except Mr F. M. Smith.

J. M. Addeman
Clerk.

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Common Council November 28. 1870.

Quorum present. The Common Council meet pursuant to adjournment - a quorum present.

Pres. pro tem. The President being absent - Mr Waterman is elected President pro tem.

Record read. The Record of the last meeting is read and approved.

Mayor's Message. Clerk hire in office Register of Transfers
68. A Message from the Mayor in the words following is presented and read, viz:-

Mayor's Office

City of Providence, Nov. 28. 1870

Gentlemen of the City Council

The appropriation for clerk hire in the office of the Register of Transfers has been exhausted. I recommend that an additional appropriation of three hundred dollars be made for the purpose indicated.

Thomas A. Doyle
Mayor.

Whereupon it is resolved (in concurrence) that the foregoing Message be referred to the Joint Committee on Finance to examine and report thereon.

(Approved)

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Mayor's Message. Stolen Coupons. A Message from the Mayor in the words following is presented and read, viz:

Mayor's Office

City of Providence Nov. 28. 1870.

Gentlemen of the City Council.

On Saturday last a formal demand was made by a banking firm in Boston upon our City Treasurer for the payment of all the coupons due in July 1857 belonging to the bonds of the city issued to the Hartford, Providence and Fishkill Railroad Company.

These coupons were all paid by the then City Treasurer at the time they became due and were surrendered to him by the lawful owners thereof. At a subsequent date they were stolen from the Treasurer's office and have been innocently purchased by the present holders who profess to be willing to aid the city in finding the thief. I recommend that the Joint Committee on the reduction of the City debt be authorized to take such measures as they may deem necessary to protect the city against this attempted fraud.

Thomas A. Doyle
Mayor.

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Stolen Coupons.

Com. on Reduction of
City Debt to protect
city against loss.

A resolution in the words following
Having passed the Board of Aldermen, is
sent down, read, and passed in concurrence:

Resolved.

That the Joint Committee on
the reduction of the City debt ~~be~~ and they
are hereby authorized to take such meas-
ures as they may deem expedient to pro-
tect the city against loss, from the de-
mand made upon the Treasurer to pay
coupons stolen from the city, the expenses
incurred by said committee to be paid
from the appropriation for contingencies.

(Approved)

Prospect Square

Improving to of
193.

A resolution in the words following
Having passed the Board of Aldermen is
sent down, read and passed in concurrence:

Resolved.

That the Joint Committee on
City Property be hereby instructed to
report a plan and estimates for the im-
proving and enclosing of Prospect Square.

(Approved)

Cove Street

Curbing to of
31.

The resolution for curbing and pav-
ing of a portion of Cove street which
passed the Common Council at the last
meeting is returned from the Board of
Aldermen with their concurrence therein

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with an amendment "adding after the
word paved the words 'granite blocks';
which amendment is read and passed in
concurrence.

(Approved)

Union St.

Paving of

28.

73.

78.

The resolution for paving a portion
of Union street, which passed the Com-
mon Council at the last meeting, is re-
turned from the Board of Aldermen
with their concurrence therein with an
amendment striking out the words 'cob-
ble-stones' and substitute the words
'granite blocks'.

Whereupon it is ordered that said
resolution be recommitted to the Joint
Committee on Highways.

City Engineer's Office

Furniture for

The following resolution (recommended by
the Joint Committee on City Property) is
read and passed, viz:-

Resolved.

That a sum not exceeding
Two Hundred Dollars be appropriated
for suitable furniture for the office of the
City Engineer to be expended under the
direction of the Joint Committee on City
Property - to be charged to the Appropria-
tion for Public Buildings.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

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Concreting side-walks
adjoining City Property.

Said Committee to whom on the 10th of October last was referred a resolution (from the Board of Aldermen), for concreting sidewalks adjoining City property, make Report recommending the passage of the enclosed substitute: which Report is received, and said substituted resolution is read and not passed, the vote being 15 in the aff. to 15 in the negative.

Petitions of

Raising Building.

Turner Williams, for raising a certain building; and of

Moving Buildings.

Jeremiah W. Anthony,

Patrick Gannon.

Henry Midwood, for removing certain buildings, are presented, received and referred to the Joint Committee on the Fire Department.

Said Committee, to whom were also referred at the last meeting, petitions of Joseph Belcher.

38.

38.

Peabody & Milbur,

make Reports recommending that the prayers of all of the foregoing petitions be granted, which Reports are received, and resolutions in accordance therewith are thereupon read and passed.

(Concurred)

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Pearl, B. and Major Sts

Cross-walks on.

38.

The Joint Committee on Highways to whom at the last meeting was referred a petition of R. G. Plaw & others for cross-walks on Pearl, B. and Major streets, make Report, recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution: which Report is received, and the following resolution is thereupon read and passed:

Resolved,

That the Surveyor of Highways acting under the advice and direction of the Joint Committee on Highways be and he is hereby directed to cause crosswalks to be laid across Pearl street and B street north line of Central street, also across Major street south line of Central street.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Parade Street

Curbing &c. of

13.

Said Committee to whom on the 31st of October last was referred a petition of J. Erastus Lester et al for curbing and paving gutters on west side of Parade street, make Report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution: which Report is received and the following resolution is thereupon read and passed, viz:

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Parade Street.
Curbing of.

Resolved.

That the Surveyor of Highways, acting under the advice and direction of the Joint Committee on Highways, &c, and he is hereby directed to cause curbstones to be set and the gutters paved on the west side of Parade street from High to Cranston street.

Concurred,

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Broad St. Widening of.
Report of Comrs ref.
to joint Special Com.
57.

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

Resolved.

That the report of the Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment upon the widening of Broad street &c and the same is hereby referred to Aldermen Tew and Snow with such as the Common Council may add, to enquire into and report whether the parties whose lands or buildings are taken for such widening will abide by said report and accept the awards made to them, and whether the parties assessed in sums of one hundred dollars and upwards for said widening will submit to such assessment.

Whereupon it is resolved that the Common

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Council do concur therein and that Messrs Tucker, W. Spencer and A. J. Barnaby be added on the part of the Council.

(Approved)

Barre Street
Opening of.
38.

The Joint Committee on Highways to whom at the last meeting was referred a petition of J. G. Eiswald for opening Barre street, make Report recommending that the petitioners have leave to withdraw: which Report is received, and it is thereupon ordered that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Susan & Parade Sts.
220.
221.

A petition of Preston E. Williams et al to receive and declare Susan and Parade streets public highways;

Greenwich St.
53.

also, draft resolutions to set curbing and pave gutters on Greenwich street;

Square St.
54.

to set curbing and pave gutters on Square street from Plane to Eddy street;

Sidewalks on Cranston St.

also, relative to sidewalks on Cranston street between High and Dexter streets, are presented, received and referred to the Joint Committee on Highways.

Remission of Tax.
62.
62.

Petitions of
Wesley Athup,
John B. Kilton,

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- 108. Laura M. Newcomb,
- 62. Richard M. Sanders,
- 62. Sophia Miller,
- 62. Priscilla G. Dean,
- 62. Patrick Gannon,
- 119. Sarah Bannon,
- 179. Sarah A. A. Pray, Adm'r.

all for the remission of certain taxes;
 also, claim of the Provident Tool
Co. for damages to River pipe;

Prov. Tool Co.
180.

Claim of Henry C. Clark for dam-
 ages from fire on Dyer street, July 1, 1870;

Henry C. Clark
119.

also, Bills of
Chambers, Calder & Co., and of
Peabody & Milbur,

Bills.

180.

63.

are all presented, received and referred
 to the Joint Committee on Claims.

The following resolution (recommen-
 ed by the Joint Committee on City Prop-
 erty), is presented, read and passed, viz
Resolved,

City Building.

Appropriation for
Heating of.

That the Superintendent of
 Public Buildings be, and he is hereby em-
 powered to expend a sum not exceeding
 seven hundred dollars; and the same is
 hereby appropriated, for the purpose of
 properly heating the City Building -
 said amount to be charged to the appro-
 priation for Public Buildings.

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(Concurred,
 (Approved,

North Main St.
 Sewer in

Resolved,

That the Joint Committee on
 Highways be hereby authorized and di-
 rected to cause a sewer to be constructed
 in North Main street from Olney street
 to Market Square, according to the plans
 of the Chief Engineer of the Water Works.
 (Non-Concurred,

Adjourn.

The Common Council adjourn till
 Monday, December 5th 1870 at 7th p.m.

Present - all the members except
 the President, and Messrs Colwell,
 Harris and C. S. Smith.

J. M. Addeman
 Clerk.

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The Common Council met pursuant to adjournment - the President in the chair, and a quorum present.

Quorum present.

Record read.

The Record of the last meeting is read and approved.

Broad Street.

Widening of.

Report of Special Com.

46.

The Joint Special Committee, who were appointed at the last meeting to confer with the parties interested in the widening of Broad street and report whether they would abide by the Report of the Commissioners, make report that while few of the parties interested are favorable to the improvement, none of them will abide by the award of the Commissioners, which Report is received in concurrence.

(Approved)

Do.

A resolution in the words following having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down, read and passed in concurrence, viz: -

Whereas the Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment appointed by the Supreme Court at the March Term 1870, to widen Broad street, under and

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pursuant to the act entitled "An Act in relation to the laying out, enlarging, straightening or otherwise altering streets in the City of Providence," made their first report to said court on Monday November 21, 1870

Now, therefore, within thirty days after the making of said report to said court,

Resolved.

That the City Council do not elect to make said improvement.

(Approved)

Drain and Sewer

North Main St.

A resolution in the words following having passed the Board of Aldermen is sent down, read and passed in concurrence, viz: -

Resolved.

That the Board of Aldermen are hereby requested to 'lay out and make a drain and common sewer' in North Main street in conformity with the act of the General Assembly passed March 24, 1869, being Chapter 807 of the public laws.

(Approved)

Do.

A resolution (from the Board of Aldermen), requesting the Water Com-

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missioners to construct a sewer in North Main street, also, at the same time to cause the water pipes to be laid in said street, is read and non-concurred.

Surveyor of Highways
to report what streets
he proposes to grade.
73.
91.

The following resolution, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down, read and passed in concurrence, viz:

Resolved.

That the Surveyor of Highways be hereby directed to report to the City Council what streets he proposes to fix the grades upon before proceeding to establish said grades.

(Approved)

Unconfirmed Police
Payment of.

The following resolution having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down, read and passed in concurrence, viz:-

Resolved.

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to pay for police duty performed in November 1870 by men who have been appointed but not confirmed, to be paid from the appropriation for police, as follows:

William J. Booth	\$82.50
Isaac Heaver	82.50.

(Approved)

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North Burying Ground.
Purchase of more land.

The following resolution having passed the Board of Aldermen is sent down, read and passed in concurrence:

Resolved.

That the Joint Committee on the North Burying Ground be hereby instructed to inquire what additional land can be obtained for enlarging the North Burying Ground.

(Approved)

Greenwich Street.
Curbing & paving
47.

The Joint Committee on Highways to whom at the last meeting was referred a draft resolution to set curbing and pave the gutters on Greenwich street, make report recommending the passage of the accompanying substitute: which report is received, and the following resolution is thereupon read and passed:

Resolved.

That the Surveyor of Highways, acting under the advice and direction of the Joint Committee on Highways, be, and he is hereby directed to cause the curbstones to be set and the gutters paved on Greenwich street from Moore street to Iron street and around the School House lot on Potters Avenue and Iron street.

(Concurred)

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Square Street.
Curbing & paving.
47.

Said Committee to whom at the last meeting was referred a draft resolution to set curbing and pave gutters in Square street from Plane to Eddy streets, make report recommending the passage of the accompanying substitute: which report is received, and the following resolution is thereupon read and passed, viz:

Resolved.

That the Surveyor of Highways, acting under the advice and direction of the Joint Committee on Highways, &c, and he is hereby directed to cause the curbstones to be set and the gutters paved on Square street from Eddy street to Plane street.

(Concurred)

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Clinton Street
Curbing & paving
92.

Said Committee to whom was referred by the Board of Aldermen a petition of Cyrus Harris et al. for curbing of Clinton street, make report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution: which report is received, and the following resolution is thereupon read and passed:

Resolved.

That the Surveyor of High-

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ways, acting under the advice and direction of the Joint Committee on Highways, &c, and he is hereby directed to cause the curbstones to be set, and the gutters paved on Clinton street, from Broad street to Prairie Avenue, when all of the adjoining property owners will furnish the curbstones.

Resolved.

That the City Treasurer &c and he is hereby directed to charge Four thousand and Four dollars, the amount paid for laying wood pavement around the Custom House to the appropriation for contingencies instead of the appropriation for Highways.

(Concurred)

(Ret'd)

Resolved.

That the City Treasurer &c and he is hereby directed to charge all sums of money paid out from September 30 1870 to date, and all sums of money to be paid out hereafter, for trimming trees, to the

Wood Pavement Bill
charged to
Contingencies.
79
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Bill for trimming trees
to be charged
to Contingencies.
79
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appropriation for contingencies, instead of the appropriation for Highways.

(Concurred)

(Vetoed)

Resolved.

Broad Street

Plan for widening

71.

That the Joint Committee on Highways, be and they are hereby directed to consider and report a new line for the widening of Broad street, above Matherson street, on its north-erly side.

Public Market.

Report of Com.

253.

The Joint Special Committee to whom was referred that portion of the Annual Address of the Mayor, relating to a Public Market, make Report and recommend the passage of the accompanying resolutions: which report is received, and the following resolution is thereupon read and passed, viz:

Resolved.

Application to be made to the General Assembly.

That the Joint Special Committee on a Public Market are hereby directed to apply to the General Assembly at its January session, for the passage of an Act authorizing the

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City of Providence to build a bridge over the public waters of the Harbor, south of Mytossah bridge, for the purpose of erecting and establishing a Public Market thereon.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Dyer, and South Water Streets.

Widening of

69.

A draft resolution, recommended by said Committee, for widening Dyer street and South Water streets, is read and postponed till the next meeting of the Common Council.

Fountains on Aborn St.

65.

Communications from the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department, relative to Fountains on Aborn street;

Sale of Unserviceable material of Fire Dept.

64.

also, relative to sale of unserviceable material in the hands of the Fire Department, are presented, received and referred to the Joint Committee on the Fire Department.

Gorham Mfg Co.

North Main St.

A petition of the Gorham Mfg Co. is presented, received and referred to the Joint Special Committee on the widening of North Main street.

Prov. & Worcester R.R.

Dummy Engine.

71.

A petition of the Providence & Worcester R.R. Co. for leave to use Dummy

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Engine in the day time &c. is presented, received and referred to the Joint Committee on Railroads.

Petitions of

Bourbon St.

73.

84.

D. J. Lyman petitions to set curbing and pave gutters on Bourbon street; and

Camp Street.

245.

Alex. Burgess petitions for widening and straightening of Camp street, are presented, received and referred to the Joint Committee on Highways.

Remission of tax.

108.

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61.

Petitions of

Nancy L. Sumner, Trustee

Adam Molter,

Wm B. Sweet,

Edna A. Burke,

Olin G. Pettis,

Edward J. Ross,

all for the remission of certain taxes;

also, accounts of

Hallett & Mansieir,

are presented, received and referred to the Joint Committee on Claims.

Hallett & Mansieir's Bill

63.

Adjourn.

The Common Council adjourn till Monday, December 5, 1870 at 7 1/2 p.m.

Present - all the members except Messrs Armington, and Snow

J. A. Addemaney
Clerk.

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Common Council - December 12, 1870.

Quorum present

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

Mr. Waterman

Pres. pro tem.

The President being absent, Mr Waterman is elected President pro tem.

Record Read

The Record of the last meeting is read and approved.

City Treasurer's

Mo. Statement.

The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer for November last is presented, read and received.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Harbor Masters

Mo. Report.

The Monthly Report of the Harbor Master is presented, read and received.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Overseer of the Poor

Semi-annual Report.

The Semi-annual Report of the Overseer of the Poor is presented, read and received

(Concurred)

(Approved)

A communication from the President of the School Committee relative to teaching

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Communication from
Pres. of School Com.
Teaching of music
writing in public schools

music and writing in the public schools
is read, received and referred to the Joint
Committee on Education.

77.

Subsequently said Committee
make Report, recommending the passage
of the accompanying resolution, which
is laid on the table till the next meeting.

Olive G. Pettis.

Compensation of.

38.

65.

The Joint Committee on Claims to
whom on November 14th last, was recom-
mitted the petition of Olive G. Pettis for
compensation, with instructions, make Re-
port recommending the passage of the ac-
companying resolution: which resolution
is recommitted to said Committee with
instructions to obtain the opinion of the
City Solicitor in writing, as to the lia-
bility of the city.

Olive G. Pettis.

Remission of Tax.

58.

Said Committee to whom at the last
meeting was referred a petition of Mrs
Olive G. Pettis for remission of tax,
make report and recommend the pas-
sage of the accompanying resolution:
which Report is received and the fol-
lowing resolution is thereupon read and
passed, viz:

Resolved:

That the City Treasurer be
herby directed to remit the sum of

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Eighty six ⁴⁴/₁₀₀ dollars from the amount
assessed against Olive G. Pettis in the City
tax of 1870.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Edward T. Ross.

Remission of Tax.

58.

Said Committee to whom at the last
meeting was referred a petition of Ed-
ward T. Ross for remission of tax,
make Report recommending the passage
of the accompanying resolution: which
report is received, and the following
resolution is thereupon read & passed, viz:

Resolved:

That the City Treasurer be
herby directed to remit the sum of
Seventy two ⁹⁴/₁₀₀ dollars from the amount
assessed against Edward T. Ross in the
City tax of 1870.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Adam Molter.

Remission of Tax.

58.

Said Committee to whom at the
last meeting was referred a petition
of Adam Molter for remission of
tax, make Report recommending the
passage of the accompanying res-
olution: which Report is received
and the following resolution is there-
upon read and passed, viz:-

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Resolved.

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to remit the sum of Twenty seven Dollars from the amount assessed against Adam Molter in the City tax of 1870.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Remission of Tax.

Leave to withdraw.

Said Committee to whom were re-

ferred petitions of

Nancy M. Cole,

Priscilla G. Dean,

Matthy Northrup,

Sophia Miller, &

Patrick Gannon,

all for remission of certain taxes; also of

Charles E. Paine, &

Sampson, Davenport & Co for

compensation in making City Map,

make Reports, recommending that all of

said petitioners have leave to withdraw:

which Reports are received, and it is

thereupon ordered that said petitioners

severally have leave to withdraw.

Chas. E. Paine

Sampson, Davenport & Co.

Services on city map.

Remission of Tax

Postponed.

Said Committee to whom were re-

ferred petitions of

John B. Kilton,

Richard M. Sanders,

William B. Sweet, &

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77.

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Edna A. Burke,

58.

76.

all for the remission of certain taxes, make Reports recommending that the petitioners severally have leave to withdraw: which Reports are postponed for consideration till the next meeting of the Council.

John McMillen.

Compensation for injury.

106.

238.

Said Committee to whom was referred a petition of John McMillen for remuneration for injuries received by coming in contact with grade post on corner of Oak and Messer streets, make Report recommending that the same be referred to a joint special Committee with power to summon witnesses re: which Report is read and it is ordered that the same with the petition be recommitted to said Committee with power to make settlement with the petitioner.

Accounts allowed.

48.

58.

79.

Said Committee to whom were referred bills of

Peabody & Millar, and of

Hallett & Mansie,

make Reports recommending the passage of the accompanying resolutions: which Reports are received, and the following resolutions are thereupon read and passed, viz:—

Resolved. That the City Treasurer

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Peabody + Wilbur.
79. be hereby directed to pay Peabody + Wilbur Eleven 97/100 dollars in full for their bill of carpenter's work, and that the same be charged to the appropriation for Contingencies.

(Concurred)
(Retired)

Resolved.

Hallett + Mansir
Bill for painting
58. That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to pay Hallett + Mansir Fifty three 2/100 Dollars in full for their bill of painting on houses damaged by explosion of Steam Fire Engine No 6. and that the same be charged to the appropriation for Contingencies.

(Concurred)
(Retired)

Sale of unserviceable material of the Fire Department.
57. The Joint Committee on the Fire Department to whom at the last meeting was referred a communication from the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department, relative to sale of unserviceable material, make report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution: which Report is received, and the following resolution is thereupon read & passed, viz:

Resolved.

That the Board of Engineers,

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acting under the advice and direction of the Joint Committee on the Fire Department, be hereby authorized to sell all unserviceable material now in their possession, and pay the proceeds of such sales into the City Treasury.

(Concurred)
(Approved)

Fountain on Aborn St.
Appropriation for.

57.

Said Committee, to whom was also referred a communication from said Board relative to Fountains on Aborn street, make Report, recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution, which Report is received, and the following resolution is thereupon read and passed, viz:-

Resolved.

That the sum of four hundred and fifty dollars be hereby appropriated for the purpose of dredging and properly covering the Fountain at the north end of Aborn street, belonging to the Richmond Manufacturing Company, said sum to be expended by the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department, under the advice and direction of the Joint Committee on the Fire Department, and to be charged to the appropriation for the Fire Department.

(Concurred)

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(Approved)

Federal St. School House.

Resolved.

Name of.

131.

135

(Yeto of.)

That the new Grammar School House for the Fourth and Seventh Wards be known and designated as the Federal St. School House, and the use of any other name therefor in any dedicatory services, or in official documents is hereby forbidden.

Board 12th

Ordinance establish- ing joint rules to amended.

Supt. of Lights.

38.

The Joint Committee on Ordinances, to whom on the 14th of November last, was referred a Bill entitled 'An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance establishing certain joint rules and joint standing Committees of the City Council' and providing for the appointment of a Superintendent of Public Lamps" make Report recommending the passage of the same: which Report is received and Bill is thereupon read, amended and passed.

(Non-concurred)

Said Committee to whom on the 12th of September last was referred a Bill

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Ordinance prohib- iting animals going loose or unfastened.

entitled "An Ordinance prohibiting certain animals from going loose or unfastened in the streets of the City of Providence", as amended by the Board of Aldermen, make report recommending concurrence with the Board in this amendment, with an amendment striking out the word "January" and inserting the word "March": which Report is received, and it is thereupon resolved, that the Com- mon Council concur with the Board of Aldermen in this amendment with an amendment striking out the word "January" and inserting the word "March."

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Sewer in Camp St.

A resolution in the words following (recommended by the Joint Committee on Highways) is presented, read and assent: viz:

Resolved.

That the Board of Aldermen be hereby requested to lay out a sewer in Camp street from Lippitt street to Bacon street to connect with the Bacon street sewer, and assess the parties ben- efitted three quarters of the cost, accord- ing to An Act passed by the General Assembly March 24 1869 entitled "An Act in relation to the laying out and

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making of Main Drains and Common
Sewers in the Cities of Providence and
Newport.

At table

Coupons of city bonds
to be paid in gold.

86.

A resolution in the words following,
(recommended by the Joint Committee
on Finance), is presented, read & passed:
Resolved.

That the City Treasurer be
and he is hereby authorized and di-
rected to pay in Gold coin the coupons
payable on and after Jan'y 1st 1871
on the bonds of the City of Providence
due in 1876 and 1885 and to charge
the cost of premiums on Gold for the
same to the reserve fund.

Register of Transfers.

Appropriation for Clerk hire

411.

Said Committee to whom was referred
the Mayor's Message relative to clerk
hire in the office of the Register of the
Transfers, make Report recommending the
passage of the accompanying resolution:
which report is received, and the following
resolution is thereupon read & passed, viz:-
Resolved.

That the Register of Transfers

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acting under the advice of the Mayor, be
and he is hereby authorized to employ such
assistance in his office as may be necessary
during the present financial year, at an
expense not exceeding three hundred Dollars,
to be paid out of the appropriation for Salaries.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Prov. Water Works.

Appropriation for

A resolution in the words following,
(recommended by the Joint Committee on
Finance), is presented, read and passed, viz:-
Resolved.

That the sum of Two hund-
red Thousand Dollars be and the same
is hereby added to the appropriation for
the Providence Water Works, and that the
City Treasurer, acting under the advice
and direction of the Committee on Fi-
nance, be authorized to hire the same.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Dyer & So. Water Sts

Widening of.

57.

316

325.

The following resolution (postponed
from the last meeting) is taken from
the table, read and passed, viz:-
Resolved.

That in the opinion of this
City Council, it is desirable and
necessary to widen Dyer street on the

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Dyer + South Water Sts.

Widening of

easterly side, by including therein all the land lying between said street and the harbor, from Mybasset Bridge to a line drawn in continuation of the southerly line of Pine street to the easterly side of Dyer street, thence to a line ranging across the river with the southeasterly corner of South Water and Crawford streets,

Also: to widen South Water street on the westerly side by including therein all the land lying between said street and the harbor, between Mybasset bridge and Crawford street.

And whereas, certain real estate will be required for that purpose, that the City Solicitor be, and he is hereby directed to make application to the Supreme Court of this State, for the appointment of Commissioners of estimate and assessment, under and according to the Act entitled "An Act in relation to the laying out, enlarging, straightening and otherwise altering streets in the City of Providence," and the City Council hereby direct that application shall be made by said City Solicitor to said Court, in the application for said appointment as aforesaid, that said Commissioners shall appraise and assess one half of the loss and damage thereof upon the persons and estates benefited thereby,

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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 direction and in the manner required by said Act.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Broad Street.

Widening of

56.

100.

The Joint Committee on Highways, who were instructed by resolution passed at the last meeting to report a new line for widening Broad street, above Mathewson street, make Report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution: which resolution is recommitted to said Committee with instructions to give notice to parties interested to appear before them.

Prov. + Worcester R.R.

Dummy Engine.

57.

The Joint Committee on Railroads to whom at the last meeting was referred a petition of the Providence Worcester R.R. Co for leave to use Dummy Engine in the day time &c. make Report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution: which Report is received, and the following resolution is thereupon read and passed:

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Resolved.

Prov. & Worcester R.R.

Use of Dummy engine

in day time.

That permission is hereby given to the Providence & Worcester Railroad Co. to use their Dummy Engine in the day time, for the purpose of hauling the New York freight cars to and from their station and the Steamship Co's wharf at Fox Point, and for switching purposes at their coal wharves, and that no other use of such engine be made except between the hours of 10 P.M. and 8 A.M. as now authorized.

Provided, such dummy engine shall not be run at a greater rate of speed than four miles per hour, and shall not exhaust steam in the Public streets, and that each and every train shall be preceded by a flagman to give warning of its approach, and such other precautions for the safety of the Public shall be made as his Honor the Mayor may from time to time direct.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

A remonstrance of F. N. Richmond et al. against running of coal trains in the day time &c. is presented and read.

Petitions of

Ann Beattie

Wm H. Young,

Raising Buildings

73.

73.

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for raising certain buildings, and of Celia Wallace, & Thomas Duffy.

Moving Buildings.

90.

90.

for moving certain buildings as presented, received and referred to the Joint Committee on Highways.

The following matters of business are presented and laid over till the next meeting, viz:-

Resolutions to set curbstones and pave gutters on Bourton street;

Bourton Street.

58.

84.

Re-organization of Highway Dept.

Also, relative to reorganizing the Highway department;

Union St.

43.

78.

Also, for paving a portion of Union street;

Running of Fire Engines

78.

Also, relative to Steam Fire Engines and Hose carriages;

Bill of Prov. Concrete Co.

85.

Also, to pay bill of the Providence Concrete Co.;

Grades of streets.

52.

91.

Also, Report of Surveyor of Highways relative to the grades of Certain streets;

Federal St. School House

91.

Also, Report of Joint Special Committee on Federal St. School House, with accompanying resolution;

Also, Reports and resolutions on petitions of

Raising buildings.

72.

72.

86.

Ann Beattie,

Wm H. Young,

for permission to raise certain build-

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ings;

also, notice and petition of James R. Butts relative to overflow of land.

James R. Butts
Overflow of land.
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Adjourn.

The Common Council adjourn till Monday, December 19, 1870 at 7 1/2 o'clock p.m.

Present - all the members except the President and Messrs J. B. Barnaby, Hunt, Parkhurst and Sweet.

J. M. Addeman
Clerk.

December 19, 1870.

Common Council - December 19, 1870.

The Common Council met pursuant to adjournment. The President in the chair and a quorum present.

Quorum present.

Record read.

The Record of the last meeting is read and approved.

Communication from
School Committee.

Accommodations for
children, 3^d Ward, &c.

A communication from the President of the School Committee requesting Primary school accommodations for the children in the extreme south-easterly portion of the city, and to cause the single desks now in the Hall of the Brigham School House to be placed in the first and second rooms of said building, is presented, received and referred to the joint Committee on Education.

Sewer in Atwells Avenue.

A resolution from the Board of Aldermen, for the construction of a Sewer in Atwells Avenue, is sent down for concurrence, read and referred to the joint Committee on Highways.

Said Committee subsequently make Report recommending the passage of the accompanying substitute, which

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James R. Butts
Overflow of land.
79

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for concurrence, read and referred to
the joint Committee on Highways.

Said Committee subsequently
make Report recommending the passage
of the accompanying substitute, which

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Sewer in
Atwells Avenue. report is received, and the following res-
olution is thereupon read and passed, viz:
Resolved.

That the Surveyor of High-
ways, acting under the direction of the
Joint Committee on Highways, be and he
is hereby directed to cause a sewer to
be constructed in Atwells Avenue from
the estate of W. C. Snow to the Thom-
asquasket river, a distance of about
two hundred and fifty feet.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Greenwich Street.

Lay out of.

A resolution requesting the Board of
Aldermen to lay out Greenwich Street,
having passed the Board of Aldermen,
is sent down for concurrence, read and
referred to the Joint Committee on
Highways.

Asylum Walls &c.

Appropriation for.

114

A resolution making appropriation
of \$1000 for Asylum Walls &c. having
passed the Board of Aldermen, is
sent down for concurrence, read and
referred to the Joint Committee on
Finance.

The petitions of
Edna A. Cuske,

13.

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Remission of Tax

(62)

Richard M. Saunders,

Leave to withdraw.

(62)

William B. Sweet,

(62)

John B. Kilton,

all for the remission of certain taxes,
which at the last meeting were reported
adversely on by the Joint Committee on
Claims and postponed till this
meeting, are taken from the table, and
it is thereupon ordered that the Reports
of the Committee be received and that
the petitioners severally have leave to
withdraw.

Res. to elect Mayor
member of St. Committee.

A draft resolution electing the
Mayor member of the Joint Standing
Committee is presented, read and referred
to the Joint Committee on Ordinances.

Accommodations for
Engineers & Firemen of
Steamer No. 2.

111.

A draft resolution to provide
accommodations for the Engineers and
Firemen of Steamer No. 2, is presented,
read and referred to the Joint Committee
on the Fire Department.

Teaching writing in schools.

69.

The Joint Committee on Education,
to whom at the last meeting was referred
a request for an appropriation for teach-
ing writing in the public schools,
make Report recommending the passage
of the accompanying resolution, allowing

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Two Hundred Dollars for said purpose, which report is received and said resolution is read and not passed.

James R. Butts.

Overflow of land.
74.

The petition of James R. Butts, relative to overflow of land, presented at the last meeting, is taken from the table read and referred to the Joint Committee on Highways.

Wm. G. Pettis

Remission of tax.
107.

A petition of William G. Pettis for remission of tax, is presented, received and referred to the Joint Committee on Claims.

Fire Engines &c.

Running of.
73.
197

A draft resolution relative to Steam Fire Engines and Hose Carriages, presented at the last meeting, is taken from the table, read and referred to the Joint Committee on the Fire Department.

Union Street

Paving of.
28
43
73.
172.

The Resolution for paving a portion of Union Street, which at the last meeting was reported back from the Joint Committee on Highways, with a recommendation that the Common Council concur with the Board of Aldermen in this amendment, is recommitted to said Committee.

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Veto Message of Mayor.

Money paid for
trimming trees.
53

^{is received}
A Message from the Mayor, returning with his objections, a resolution relative to money paid out for trimming trees;

Wood pavement.
53.

Also, a resolution relative to money paid out for Wood Pavement;

Bill of Hallett & Manser
64.
82.

Also, a Resolution to pay Hallett & Manser for painting &c. on houses damaged by explosion of Steamer No. 6;

Peabody & Wilbur.
64.
82.

Also, a Resolution to pay Peabody & Wilbur for carpenter's work on houses damaged as above;

Do.

Whereupon it is moved that said Resolution to pay Peabody & Wilbur do pass, the Mayor's objections to the contrary notwithstanding, upon which motion the ayes and nays are ordered with the following result:

Ayes.

Messrs A. J. Barnaby, Bradford, Burgess, Cleplia, Colwell, Cory, Daboll, Fenner, Harris, Hunt, Keep, Metcalf, Parkhurst, Potter, Shaw, C. S. Smith, Snow and White

18

Nays.

Mr President, Messrs Aldrich, J. B. Barnaby, Dexter, Gester, Mauran, Paine, Persons, Root, F. M. Smith, J. L. Spener, W. Spencer, Sweet, Tucker, Vandyck, Waterman.

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Said resolution therefore is not passed (three fifths of the members of the Council not voting in the affirmative.)

Hallett & Mansoir.

64.

It is thereupon moved that said Resolution to pay Hallett & Mansoir do pass the objections of the Mayor to the contrary notwithstanding: upon which motion the ayes and nays are ordered with the following result:

Ayes.

Members A. J. Barnaby, Bradford, Burgess, Claplin, Colwell, Cory, Daboll, Fenner, Harris, Hunt, Keep, Metcalf, Parkhurst, Potter, Shaw, C. S. Smith, Snow and White. 18

Nays.

Mr President, Members Aldrich, J. B. Barnaby, Dexter, Lester, Mauran, Paine, Persons, Root, F. M. Smith, J. L. Spencer, W. Spencer, Sweet, Tucker, Van Slyck, & Waterman. 16

Said resolution therefore is not passed (three fifths of the members of the Common Council not voting in the affirmative.)

Wood Payment.

53
79

It is thereupon moved that said resolution relative to money paid out for wood payment do pass the Mayor's objections to the contrary notwithstanding.

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upon which motion the vote is taken by ayes and nays with the following result:

Ayes.

Members Burgess, Claplin, Daboll, & C. S. Smith. 4

Nays.

Members President, Aldrich, A. J. Barnaby, J. B. Barnaby, Bradford, Colwell, Cory, Dexter, Fenner, Harris, Hunt, Keep, Lester, Mauran, Metcalf, Paine, Parkhurst, Persons, Potter, Root, Shaw, F. M. Smith, Snow, J. L. Spencer, W. Spencer, Sweet, Tucker, Van Slyck, Waterman & White. 30

Said resolution therefore is not passed (three fifths of the members of the Common Council not voting in the affirmative.)

Trimming Trees.

79
55

It is thereupon moved that said Resolution relative to money paid out for trimming trees do pass, the Mayor's objections to the contrary notwithstanding, upon which motion the ayes and nays are ordered with the following result, viz:

Ayes.

Members Burgess, Claplin, C. S. Smith, 3

Nays.

Members President, Aldrich, A. J. Barnaby,

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J. B. Barnaby, Bradford, Colwell, Cory, Daboll, Dexter, Fenner, Harris, Hunt, Keip, Lester, Mauran, Metcalf, Paine, Persons, Potter, Root, Shaw, F. M. Smith, Snow, J. L. Spencer, W. Spencer, Sweet, Tucker, Waterman & White. 29.

Said Resolution therefore does not pass (three fifths of the members of the Common Council not voting in the affirmative.)

Resolved.

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to pay Hallett & Mansir Fifty three & 00/100 dollars in full for their bills of painting &c. on houses damaged by explosion of Steam Fire Engine No 6, and that the same be charged to the appropriation for the Fire Department.

(Concurred)
(Approved)

Resolved.

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to pay Peabody & Wilbur Eleven & 00/100 dollars in full for their bill of carpenter's work and that the same be charged to the appropriation for the Fire Department.

(Concurred)
(Approved)

Hallett & Mansir.

Bill of painting.

64.
79.

Peabody & Wilbur.

Carpenter's work.

64.
79.

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Resolved.

That the Joint Special Committee to whom was referred that part of the Mayor's Address, referring to Highways, &c, and they are hereby requested to report at the next meeting of this Council, an ordinance reorganizing the Highway Department, as suggested by the Mayor in his annual address delivered in June last.

(Concurred)
(Approved)

Resolved.

That the Board of Aldermen be and they are hereby requested to lay out a public highway not exceeding eighty feet in width, commencing at the easterly face of the westerly abutment of the old Central Bridge, so called, and thence running westerly to East River street.

(Concurred)
(Approved)

Highway Department
Reorganization of.

111.

Lay out of public highway from Central Bridge to East River street.

Waterman Street.
Curbing of.

A resolution to pare gutters and set curbing on Waterman street, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, read and referred to the Joint Committee on

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Waterman Street Highway.

Curbing &c. of.

Said Committee make report recommending concurrence with the Board in the passage of said resolution: which report is received, and said resolution in the words following is thereupon read and passed in concurrence, viz:

Resolved.

That the Surveyor of Highways, acting under the advice and direction of the Standing Committee on Highways be and he is hereby directed to cause the curbstones to be set and gutters paved on Waterman street from the present curbing about 300 feet west-erly of Butler Avenue to the marsh about 400 feet east-erly of said Avenue the work to be done forthwith.

(Approved.)

Bourbon St.

Curbing &c. of.

58,
73.

Said committee to whom on the 5th inst was referred a petition of N. T. Lyman & others for curbing &c. on Bourbon street make Report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution: which report is received and the following resolution is thereupon read and passed:

Resolved.

That the Surveyor of Highways, acting under the advice and di-

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rection of the Joint Committee on Highways, be and he is hereby directed to cause the curbstones to be set and the gutters paved on Bourbon street from Greenwich street to Broad street.

(Concurred.)

Resolved.

Prov. Concrete Co.

Bill of.

73.

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to pay to the Providence Concrete Co. Eleven dollars, amount due them for concreting walk at the Point street Bridge, and that said amount be charged to the appropriation for sidewalks and curbing.

(Concurred.)

(Approved.)

Olive G. Pettis.

Claim for damages.

38.

60.

The Joint Committee on Claims, to whom at the last meeting was re-committed the petition of Mrs Olive G. Pettis for damages, with instructions to obtain the opinion of the City Solicitor in writing, as to the liability of the city, present such an opinion to the effect that said claim is a valid one against the city, and recommend the passage of the accompanying resolution: which report is received,

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and the following resolution is thereupon read and passed, viz:-

Resolved.

That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to pay to Olive G. Pettis the sum of seven hundred seventy four ⁰⁷/₁₀₀ dollars in full for her accounts as rendered, to be charged to the appropriation for Highways.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Raising Buildings

The Joint Committee on the Fire department to whom were referred petitions of Wm H. Young

73.

73.

Ann Butts

for raising certain buildings, make Reports recommending that said petitions be granted: which reports are received, and resolutions in accordance therewith are thereupon read and passed.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Payment of coupons on city Bonds in gold. 88.

The Resolution to pay in gold coin the coupons on city bonds, which passed the council at the last meeting is returned from the Board of Aldermen with their concurrence therein with an amendment striking out the words "reserve fund"

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and substitute the words "Interest account", which amendment is read and passed in concurrence.

(Approved.)

Payment of Bills of Lamp Department.

A resolution in the words following having passed the Board of Aldermen is sent down, read and passed in concurrence, viz:-

Resolved.

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to pay all bills contracted by the Board of Aldermen for the lighting of the public lamps, up to January 1. 1871, now unpaid, when the same shall be properly audited, and charge the amount so paid to the reserve fund.

(Approved)

H.P. & F.R.R. Bonds. Interest to be paid in gold.

258.

A resolution in the words following having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down, read and passed in concurrence, viz:-

Resolved.

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to demand of the Hartford, Providence and Fishkill Railroad Company that the interest coupons attached to the bonds issued by said company

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to the City of Providence in exchange for bonds of said city to hereafter paid in gold coin.

(Approved)

Knight Street

Removal of trees.

A resolution in the words following having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down, read and passed in concurrence, viz:—

Resolved.

That the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to remove two elm trees from the sidewalk in front of the City lot, next to the Knight Street police station, on Knight street.

(Approved)

Broadway

Crosswalks on

A resolution in the words following having passed the Board of Aldermen is sent down, read and passed in concurrence, viz:—

Resolved.

That the Standing Committee on Highways be, and they are hereby instructed to cause six walks to be laid across Broadway as follows.

- One from the easterly side of Barton street.
- One from the easterly side of Harkness street.
- One from the easterly side of Almy street.
- One from the easterly side of Andrew street.

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One from the easterly side of Dinton street, and one from the easterly side of Sutton street.

and that said committee be further instructed to give the proper notice to the Union Rail Road Company to lay such of the above named walks, as said Company are found by Ordinance to construct.

(Approved)

Federal & Dean Street.

Sidewalk to be cut off.

A resolution in the words following having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down, read and passed in concurrence, viz:—

Resolved.

That the Surveyor of Highways, under the direction of the Standing Committee on Highways, be and he is hereby directed to cut off the sidewalk on the point at the corner of Federal and Dean streets, set the curbstones, and pave the gutters on a line corresponding with the curve of the fence around the School House lot, so as to leave said sidewalk of an equal width of ten feet.

(Approved)

Mo. Report of
Chief Engineer of
Fire Department.

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

(Concurred)

(Approved)

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Invitation to join
in convention.

Resolved.

That His Honor the Mayor and the Board of Aldermen be requested to join the Common Council in convention for the election of civil officers, and the transaction of such other business as may legally come before them.

Accepted.

The foregoing invitation being accepted the two Boards join in convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

Police constables.

John H. White and Samuel T. Cory are elected Police Constables without power to serve civil process.

City Constables.

The nominations of James Walsh and Albro Lyons for city constables are referred to the Joint Committee on Police.

The two Boards separate.

Moving Buildings.

73.

73.

Resolutions granting permission to Celia Wallace & Thomas Duffy

to remove certain wooden buildings, having passed the Board of Aldermen,

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Having passed the Board of Aldermen, are sent down, read and passed in concurrence.

(Approved)

Federal St. School House

Report of Com.

73.

The Joint Special Building Committee for the Federal Street School House make a detailed report of their doings and ask for an additional appropriation, recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution: which report is received: and the following resolution is thereupon read and passed, viz:

Appropriation for:

Resolved

That the sum of five thousand dollars be and the same is hereby added to the appropriation for the "Grammar School House for Fourth & Seventh Stads", to be transferred from the appropriation for the reserve fund, provided that no portion of said appropriation be expended in the purchase of a piano or chandeliers.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Grades of streets.

Report of Surveyor

52.

73.

The Surveyor of Highways, in conformity with the resolution of instruction passed on the 5th inst. to report what streets he proposes to fix grades upon, before pro-

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ceeding to establish said grades, makes Report, which is read and received

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Resolved,

That the whole matter of furnishing musical instruments for the Public Schools, be and the same is hereby referred to the Joint Committee on Education to report thereon.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Clinton Street.

Curbing & paving.

57.

103.

The Resolution to set curbstones and pave gutters on Clinton street, which passed this Council on the 5th inst, is returned from the Board of Aldermen with their concurrence therein with an amendment striking out all after the words "Prairie Avenue", which amendment is read and non-concurred.

The Board insist on their amendment, ask for a committee of conference and appoint Aldermen Snow and Spicer conferees.

The Common Council agree to the request for a committee of conference and appoint Messrs Clapham, Lester and Shaw conferees on their part.

Musical instruments for
Public Schools -
Subject referred to Com.

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Adjourn.

The Common Council adjourn till Monday, January 9, 1871, at 7½ o'clock p.m.

Present - all the members except Messrs Armington & Goslin. 2

J. M. Addeman
Clerk.

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Common Council - January 3, 1871.

Special Meeting

Called by the Mayor as per his Warrant dated January 2^d 1871. which is read.

Pursuant to said Warrant the members of the Common Council assemble in their chamber this day at 7^{1/2} o'clock p.m. - a quorum present.

President pro tem.

The President being absent, Mr Waterman is elected President pro tem.

Record read.

The Record of the last meeting is read and approved.

Mayor's Message.

Reasons of meeting.

Non-payment of interest on Bonds of H. P. & F. R. R. Co.

A Message from the Mayor in the words following is presented and read:
 Mayor's Office
 City of Providence January 3^d 1871
 Gentlemen of the Common Council.

I have convened you this evening because of the non-payment of the January interest upon the bonds of the Hartford, Providence and Fishkill Railroad Company held by the City, it being in my judgment necessary that immediate action be taken by the City

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Council in reference to the matter.

Thomas A. Doyle

Mayor.

Mayor's Message.

Non-payment of interest on Bonds of H. P. & F. R. R. Co.

A Message from the Mayor in the words following is presented and read:

Mayor's Office

City of Providence January 2, 1871

Gentlemen of the City Council

The coupons due on the first inst. upon the bonds of the Hartford, Providence and Fishkill Railroad Company have not been paid. A formal demand was made this morning by the City Treasurer in my presence, upon the Trustees under the mortgage on that portion of the road located in Rhode Island, for payment in gold of these coupons. The Chairman of the Trustees informed the Treasurer that the Treasurer of the Railroad Company had not furnished the Trustees with the funds to enable them to pay the coupons.

I recommend that you take such action in the premises as will secure the rights of the City under the mortgage above referred to.

Thomas A. Doyle

Mayor.

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Mayor's Message referred.

A resolution, in the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down, read and passed in concurrence, viz:—

Resolved.

That the Message of His Honor the Mayor dated January 2. 1871, relative to the non-payment of the interest due the City of Providence by the Hartford, Providence and Fiskkill Railroad Company on said date, be referred to the Joint Committee on the Reduction of the City Debt to examine and report thereon.

(Approved)

Contracts for curb-stones to be made by H. Com. on Highways.

Resolutions in the words following having passed the Board of Aldermen are sent down, read and passed in concurrence, viz:—

Resolved.

That the Joint Committee on Highways be and they are hereby instructed to contract during the present month for such curbstones, crosswalk stones and granite paving blocks as may be necessary for the use of the highway department during the year 1871.

Resolved.

That public notice be given

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by advertisement in the newspapers employed to do the city printing for at least ten days, of the quantity and description of material required under the aforesaid resolution and of the time and place when and where said Committee will meet to open sealed proposals for furnishing the above materials.

Resolved.

That said committee be and they are hereby directed to require suitable bonds from the parties whose proposals may be accepted under the aforesaid resolutions.

(Approved)

Payment of unconfirmed policemen.

A resolution in the words following having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down, read and passed in concurrence, viz:—

Resolved.

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to pay for police duty performed in December 1870 by men who have been appointed but not confirmed as follows

William J. Booth	\$5.25
Isaac Weaver	5.25

(Concurred)

(Approved)

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Public Lamps
Lighting of.

A resolution (from the Board of Aldermen) to pay for lighting the public lamps in January 1871, is sent down for concurrence, read and laid on the table.

Water Commissioners.

The Fifth Quarterly Report of the Water Commissioners is presented, read and received in concurrence.

Union Street

Reception of.

Resolved.

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

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Worcester Street.

Reception of.

Resolved

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

(Concurred)

(Approved)

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James R. Butts.

Overflow of land.

The joint Committee on Highways to whom at the last meeting was referred a petition of James R. Butts for grading Gans street, make Report that they have ordered the Surveyor of Highways to grade said street and make the same passable; which Report is received.

Balley Street

Widening of.

202.

The joint Committee on Highways to whom was referred a petition of B. T. Yerrington rothes for widening Balley street, make Report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution: which Report is received, and the following resolution is thereupon read & passed:

Resolved.

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

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

Resolved.

That the City Solicitor be hereby directed to make application to the Supreme Court of this State, for the appointment of Commissioners of Estimate

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Battery Street
Widening of
(continued)

and assessment, under and according to the Act entitled "An Act in relation to the laying out, enlarging, straightening and otherwise altering streets in the City of Providence", and the City Council hereby direct, that in said application, the City Solicitor shall make application, that said commissioners shall apportion and assess one half of the loss and damage thereof upon the persons and estates benefited thereby, in the ratio of the benefits conferred.

Resolved.

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

Broad Street
Widening of.

56.
71.
205.

Said Committee, to whom on the 12th of December last was recommended with instructions, a draft resolution to widen Broad street near Snow street, make Report and recommend the passage of said Resolution: which Report is received and said Resolution in the words following is thereupon read and passed, viz:-

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Broad Street
Widening of
(continued)

Resolved.

That in the opinion of the City Council, it is desirable and necessary to widen Broad street on the north side, commencing at the easterly corner of the estate of George P. Baker, and running easterly to a point near the centre of Snow street, and eighty feet north of the southerly line of Broad street, thence easterly to the easterly corner of the lot of Jacob Fuller wife Heirs.

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

Resolved.

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

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in the ratio of the benefits conferred.

Resolved.

That the City Clerk be here-
by directed to give notice of such ap-
plication as soon as he shall be informed
thereof by the City Solicitor, according to
the direction and in the manner required
by said Act.

(Non-concurred)

Sophia Miller.

Remission of tax.

A petition of Sophia Miller for
remission of tax, is presented, read, re-
ceived and it is thereupon ordered that
the petitioner have leave to withdraw.

Remission of taxes.

107.

106.

Petitions of

St. Johns Lodge,

John H. Lautenberger,

for remission of certain taxes, are pre-
sented, received and referred to the
Joint Committee on Claims.

Petitions of

G. F. Campbell, for relief; of

William Jones, for raising a

building; and of

Alex. Manchester for removing

a certain building,

are severally presented, received and

G. F. Campbell.
176.

Raising Building

115.

Moving den.

115.

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referred to the Joint Committee on the
Fire Department.

Prov. Iron Co.

Benefit Street.

132.

A petition of the Providence Iron Co.
relative to the extension of Benefit street,
is presented, received and referred to
the joint committee on Highways.

P. & W. R. R. Co.

Acct. for moving track.

229.

An account of the Pro. & Worcester
Railroad Co. for moving track on
Water street, is presented, read and
referred to the Joint Committee on
Railroads.

Clinton Street

Curbing & paving of.

54.

92.

The Committee of conference, appoint-
ed at the last meeting upon the disagree-
ing votes of the two Boards on the amend-
ment of the Board of Aldermen to the
resolution to set curbstones and pave
gutters on Clinton street, make Report
recommending that the Council reconsider
their action in non-concurring in the
amendment of the Board of Alder-
men and that the Council concur in
the passage of the resolution with an
amendment striking out all after the
words "Prairie Avenue", which report is read.

A remonstrance of Thomas Clinton
et al. against curbing Clinton street
is read.

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The Common Council thereupon re-consider their vote of non-concurrence in said amendment.

Said amendment is again read and non-concurred.

Steamer No. 2.
Accommodations for
Engineers &c.
77.
132.

The Joint Committee on the Fire Department to whom at the last meeting was referred a draft resolution to provide accommodations for the Engineers and Firemen of Steamer No. 2, return the same without recommendation: whereupon the said Committee are discharged from further consideration of said resolution, and the same is referred to the Joint Committee on City Property.

Adjourn.

The Common Council adjourn till Monday January 9th 1871 at 7^{1/2} o'clock p.m.

Present - all the members except Messrs Mauran, C. S. Smith, Snow, J. E. Spencer, & Strat

J. M. Addeman
Clerk.

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Quorum present. The Common Council met pursuant to adjournment - a quorum present.

President pro tem. The President being absent - Mr Waterman is elected President pro tem.

Record read. The Record of the last meeting is read and approved.

City Treasurer's Mo. Report. The Monthly Report of the City Treasurer is presented, read and received.
(Concurred)
(Approved)

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

Harbor Master's Mo. Report. The Monthly Report of the Harbor Master is presented, read and received.
(Concurred)
(Approved)

The Joint Committee on Claims, to whom on the 12th of December last was recommended

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J. McMillen
Claim for
Remuneration.
13.
238.

a petition of J. McCullen with power to make settlement with the petitioner, make Report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution: which Report is received, and the following resolution is thereupon read and passed.

Resolved.

That Messrs F. M. Smith, Shaw, Paine and Joslin with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they hereby are constituted a Joint Special Committee to enquire into the claim of J. McMillen for remuneration for certain damages and that the Committee have power to summon witnesses to give testimony in the above named claim and to administer oaths to said witnesses.

(Concurred + Ald. Snow added,
(Approved)

J. H. Lautenberger
Remission of tax.
102.

Said Committee to whom at the last meeting was referred a petition of John H. Lautenberger for abatement of Tax, make report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution: which report is received, and the following resolution is thereupon read and passed;

Resolved.

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to remit the sum of Forty

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+ Two Dollars from the amount assessed against John H. Lautenberger in the City tax of 1870.

(Concurred,
(Approved)

St. Johns Lodge

Remission of tax.

102.

Said Committee to whom was also referred a petition of St. Johns Lodge for remission of tax, make Report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution: which report is received and the following resolution is thereupon read and passed, viz:—

Resolved.

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to remit the sum of Sixty + Two Dollars from the amount assessed against St. Johns Lodge in the City tax of 1870.

(Concurred,
(Approved)

Wm. J. Pettis

Remission of tax

78.

Said committee to whom on the 19th of December last was referred a petition of Wm. J. Pettis for remission of tax, make report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution: which report is received, and the following resolution is thereupon read and passed, viz:—

Resolved. That the City Treasurer

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be hereby directed to remit the sum of Five ⁴⁰/₁₀₀ dollars and interest from the amount assessed against Wm J. Pettis in the City tax of 1870.

(Concurred)

Laura M. Newcomb.

Remission of tax.

48.

Said committee to whom on the 28th of November last was referred a petition of Laura M. Newcomb, Guardian, for remission of tax, make report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution which report is received and the following resolution is thereupon read and passed, viz:—

Resolved.

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to remit the sum of Sixteen ²⁰/₁₀₀ dollars from the amount assessed against Laura M. Newcomb, Guardian in the city tax of 1870.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Nancy L. Sumner

Remission of tax.

58.

Said committee to whom on the 5th of December last was referred a petition of Nancy L. Sumner, Trustee, for remission of tax, make report recommending that the petitioner have leave to withdraw: which report is received and it is there-

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upon ordered that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

(Overflow of Pearl St.

Sewer.

Claims for damages.

Said committee to whom on the 8th of August last were referred petitions of

V. B. Nickerson,

Wm H. Barker,

Thos. J. Stebbins,

Wm E. Lord,

Ann Andrews,

Alburt G. Kendall,

for damages from overflow of Pearl Street Sewer, make report recommending that the petitioners have leave to withdraw: which report is received, and it is thereupon ordered that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

James Rothwell

Damages allowed.

Said committee to whom on the same date was referred a petition of James Rothwell for damages, make report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution: which report is received, and the following resolution is thereupon read and passed, viz:

Resolved.

That the Joint Committee on Claims be and they are hereby authorized to settle with James Rothwell for his claim for damages caused by the overflow of

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be hereby directed to remit the sum of Five & 40/100 dollars and interest from the amount assessed against Mr. J. Pettis in the City tax of 1870.

(Concurred)

Laura M. Newcomb.

Remission of tax.

48.

Said committee to whom on the 28th of November last was referred a petition of Laura M. Newcomb, Guardian, for remission of tax, make report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution which report is received and the following resolution is thereupon read and passed, viz:—

Resolved.

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to remit the sum of Sixteen & 20/100 dollars from the amount assessed against Laura M. Newcomb, Guardian in the city tax of 1870.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Nancy L. Sumner

Remission of tax.

58.

Said committee to whom on the 5th of December last was referred a petition of Nancy L. Sumner, Trustee, for remission of tax, make report recommending that the petitioner have leave to withdraw: which report is received and it is there-

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Resolved.

That the Joint Committee on Claims be and they are hereby authorized to settle with James Rothwell for his claim for damages caused by the overflow of

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water on his premises in June 1870, provided the expense thereof does not exceed one thousand dollars, the same to be charged to the appropriation for Highways.

Remission of tax.

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Petitions of Providence Association of Mechanics and Manufacturers,

117.

Calist M. Andrews,

178.

John Bannon,

118.

Phebe A. Blackinton,

179.

Priscilla G. Dean,

for remission of certain taxes, are presented, received and referred to the Joint Committee on Claims.

Geo. F. Wilson

Communication from relative to Bridge across Seekonk river.

A Message from the Mayor, transmitting a communication with accompanying papers, from George F. Wilson, requesting appointment of a special committee to consider the subject of constructing a new bridge across Seekonk River at Walker's Point, is read.

whereupon it is moved to lay said communication upon the table: on which motion the vote is taken by ayes and nays with the following result, viz:—

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Ayes

Mesrs Waterman, J. B. Barnaby, Cory, Daboll, Dexter, Fenner, Harris, Hunt, Joslin, Keep, Metcalf, Pain, Parkhurst, Root, Shaw, C. S. Smith, F. M. Smith, Snow, J. L. Spencer, W. Spencer, Sweet, Tucker, White. 23.

Nays

Mesrs Aldrich, A. J. Barnaby, Bradford, Burgess, Clafflin, Colwell, Lester, Mauran, Persons, Potter, Van Slyck, 11.

Said communication is therefore laid on the table.

Highway Department Reorganization of.

83.

The joint special committee appointed by resolution approved June 8. 1870, to whom was referred so much of the Mayor's last annual message as relates to Highways, and who were directed by resolution approved December 19. 1870 to report an ordinance reorganizing the Highway department, make Report which is read and received.

The following resolutions, recommended by said committee are thereupon read and passed, viz:—

Resolved. That the special com-

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Legislation for
amendment of
City Charter,
to elect city officers
in January.

Committee appointed by resolution approved June 8, 1870 to consider the subject of a reorganization of the highway department, be and they are hereby authorized and instructed to apply to the General Assembly at its present session for such an amendment to the city charter as will authorize the City Council to elect a Superintendent of streets and to define his duties, and also to elect said officer together with the Surveyor of Highways and City Engineer annually in the month of January.

Resolved.

To confer on Board
of Ald. power to
establish grades, &c.

That said committee be and they are hereby instructed to inquire into and ascertain, if any additional legislation is needed to authorize the City Council to confer upon the Board of Aldermen the power to establish the grades of streets and to order the building of sidewalks, and if such legislation be found necessary, said committee are hereby instructed to apply to the General Assembly at its present session for such amendment to the city charter as will confer upon the Board of Aldermen the duties aforesaid.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

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Ordinance to establish
Harbor line on west
side of Seekonk river.

A bill, recommended by the Joint Committee on City Property, entitled "An Ordinance to establish a harbor line on the west side of Seekonk river," is presented, read and passed.

School House on
Potters Avenue
to be sold.

126.

A resolution in the words following (recommended by said committee) is presented, read and passed, viz:—

Resolved.

That the old school house on Potters Avenue be sold by auction under the direction of the Committee on City Property.

Telegraph from
Mayor's Office to Office
of Chief of Police

The joint Committee on Police to whom was referred that portion of the Annual Address of the Mayor relating the removal of the office of the Chief of Police, make report and recommend the passage of the accompanying resolutions: which report is received and the following resolutions are thereupon read and passed, viz:—

Resolved.

That the joint Committee

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on Police are hereby authorized to cause the office of the Chief of Police to be connected with the office of the Mayor by a suitable telegraphic apparatus.

Resolved.

That the sum of Four hundred dollars is hereby appropriated for the above purpose, the same to be paid from the appropriation for Police.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Asylum Walls &c
Appropriation for

76.

The joint Committee on Finance to whom on the 19th of December last was referred a resolution (from the Board of Aldermen, making appropriation for Asylum Walls &c, report the same with recommendation that the Common Council concur in the passage thereof: which report is received, and said resolution in the words following is thereupon read and passed in concurrence, viz:—

Resolved.

That the sum of ten thousand dollars be hereby appropriated in addition to former appropriations, for the Asylum Walls and Buildings

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the same to be transferred from the Reserve fund.

(Approved)

Moving & Raising
Buildings.

112.

112.

The joint committee on the Fire Department, to whom at the last meeting were referred a petition of

Mr Jones, for raising a certain building; and of

Alex. Manchester, for moving a certain building,

make reports recommending that the prayers thereof be granted, which reports are received, and resolutions in accordance therewith are thereupon read and passed.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

City Charter to
be amended to
elect City Officers
in January.

Resolved. That the joint Committee on Ordinances be and they are hereby authorized to apply to the General Assembly at its present session for such an amendment to the City Charter, as will authorize the City Council to elect such city officers as are now elected by the City Council in the month of January,

Adjourn.

The Common Council adjourn till Monday February 13. 1871 at 7 1/2 p.m.

Present - all the members except the President & Mr. Arrington.

J. M. Golden, Clerk.

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Common Council - February 13. 1871.

The Common Council met pursuant to adjournment - the President in the chair, and a quorum present.

Quorum present.

The Record of the last meeting is read and approved.

Record read.

The Monthly Report of the City Treasurer for January 1871 is presented, read and received.

Mo. Report of City Treasurer.

(Concurred)
Approved

The Monthly Reports of the Issue of Registered Bonds for November & December 1870, and January 1871 are severally presented read and received.

Do. Registered Bonds

(Concurred)
(Approved)

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

Do. Chief Eng. of Fire Dept.

(Concurred)
(Approved)

The Monthly Report of the Harbor Master is presented, read and received.

Do Harbor Master

(Concurred & Approved)

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Annual Report of Surveyor General.

The Annual Report of the Surveyor General of Lumber is presented, read and received.

(Concurred)
(Approved)

Do. Chief of Police.

The Annual Report of the Chief of Police is presented, read and received and ordered printed.

(Concurred)
(Approved)

Quarterly Report of Surveyor of Highways.

The Quarterly Report of the Surveyor of Highways is presented, read and received in concurrence.

(Approved)

Remission of Taxes.

The joint Committee on Claims to whom were referred petitions of

110.

Calist M. Andrews,

110.

Phib A. Blackinton,

110.

Pro. Association of Mechanics & Manufacturers,

Pro. Royal Arch Chapter, No. 1,

all for remission of certain taxes, make reports recommending the passage of the accompanying resolutions which reports are received, and the following resolutions are thereupon read and passed:

Resolved,

That the City Treasurer be

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Caleb M. Andrews, Tax remitted. 110. *Merely directed to remit the sum of Ninety four & 50/100 dollars from the amount assessed against Caleb M. Andrews in the City tax of 1870.*
 (Concurred)
 (Approved)

Resolved.
 Thebe A. Blackinton, Do. 110. *That the City Treasurer be merely directed to remit the sum of Nine 35/100 dollars from the amount assessed against Thebe A. Blackinton in the City tax of 1870.*
 (Concurred)
 (Approved)

Resolved.
 Prov. Asso's of Me- chanics & Manufacturers Do. 110. *That the City Treasurer be merely directed to remit the sum of Sixty & 75/100 dollars from the amount assessed against the Provident Association of Me- chanics and Manufacturers in the City tax of 1870.*
 (Concurred)
 (Approved)

Resolved
 Prov. Royal Arch Chapter Do. *That the City Treasurer be merely directed to remit the sum of Fifty four dollars from the amount assessed against Provident Royal Arch Chapter No. 1 in the*

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City tax of 1870.
 (Concurred)
 (Approved)

Sarah Bannon Remission of tax. 115. *Said Committee to whom on the 28th of November last was referred a petition of Sarah Bannon for remission of tax, make report without recommendation: which report is received.*

A resolution to remit said tax is presented and not passed; and there- upon it is ordered that said petitioner have leave to withdraw.

Henry C. Clark Damages allowed. 115. *Said Committee to whom on the same date was referred a claim of Henry C. Clark for damages from fire on Oyer St. make report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution: which report is received, and the following res- olution is thereupon read and passed.*
Resolved.

That the City Treasurer be and he is merely directed to pay to Henry C. Clark the sum of Three hundred forty seven & 90/100 dollars in full for his bill of damages and that the same be charged to the Fire Department.

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Gift of W. Earle, trustee
to North Burying Ground
accepted.

Resolved.

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

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Appropriation for
unconfirmed Police.

A resolution in the words following having passed the Board of Aldermen is sent down for concurrence and is read:

Resolved.

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

Alfred D. Keach	\$82.50
Isaac Weaver	88.25
Wm J. Booth	88.25
Robert Flynn	88.25

Whereupon it is resolved that the Common Council do concur therein with an amendment adding the words "the same to be

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Charged to the Appropriation for Police?

(Concurred)

(Approved)

James Miner

Gratuity for

186.

A resolution (from the Board of Aldermen) to pay a gratuity to James Miner, ex-policeman, is referred to the joint Committee on Police.

Moving Buildings.

Petitions of

M. Flynn,

E. Munsey,

Ira Johnson,

Alfred Stone,

for moving certain buildings; and of

John S. Tripp,

Raising building.

for raising a certain building, are presented, received and referred to the joint Committee on the Fire Department.

Subsequently said committee make reports recommending that said petitions be granted: which reports are received and resolutions in accordance therewith are thereupon read and passed.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

School Committee

Enlargement of power

to be opposed.

Whereas, the present ordinances are precisely those under which our school system has grown up, excepting some general ordinances,

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equally applicable to all other departments of the city government 'establishing a system of accountability in the expenditure of money'; and excepting further the placing of all public buildings (including school-houses) and their furniture in charge of the Superintendent of Public Buildings, both of which have proved wise and economical measures.

Whereas, the School Committee by a vote of only 23 of its 57 members has decided to apply to the General Assembly for enlarged powers, and

Whereas, in the opinion of the City Council, the granting of such enlarged powers would weaken the safeguards around the City Treasury, created by the present laws of the State and Ordinances of the City, therefore

Resolved.

That the City Solicitor be directed to appear before the Committee of the General Assembly and oppose any legislation on this subject.

Non-concurred.

The joint Committee on Education to whom were referred the request of the School Committee for increased accommodations

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Purchase of land
for School purposes
in Ninth Ward.

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for schools in Ninth Ward, for musical charts, and for teaching writing, make report by resolution, which report is received and the following resolutions are passed, viz:—

Resolved.

That the Committee on City Property be and they are hereby authorized to purchase the lot in the rear of the School House Lot on Thurber's Avenue, measuring 40 x 100 feet, and two lots each of about the same dimensions in the rear of the Public St. School House, provided the cost thereof shall not exceed the sum of Fifteen Hundred Dollars, which amount is hereby appropriated for that purpose, to be charged to the Appropriation for School Houses and Lots.

Resolved.

Teaching writing.
Appropriation for.

That the School Committee be and they are hereby authorized to expend the sum of Two Hundred Dollars for an experiment in teaching writing, said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Schools.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

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Musical charts.

A resolution (reported by said committee), making appropriation for musical charts &c. is read and not passed.

Federal St. School house

Dedication expenses.

Said committee to whom was referred a request of the School Committee for an appropriation of fifty dollars to defray the expenses of dedicating the Federal St. School House report that this expenditure has already been made by the School Committee, and the bills therefor should be presented to the proper department, and paid, if correct: which report is received.

Bridgman St. School

Change of desks.

Said committee to whom was referred a request of the School Committee for a change of single for double desks in the first and second rooms of the Bridgman St. School House, make report not recommending such change: which report is received.

Said committee to whom was referred a request of the School Committee for

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Greenwich St. School

Ventilation &c. of

an appropriation of \$1500 for the purpose of properly warming and ventilating the School House on Greenwich Street," make report without recommendation, which report is received.

Ventilation of Schools

Subject referred.

161.

The following resolution (recommended by said committee) is presented, read and passed, viz:—

Resolved,

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

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Thurber's Avenue

Settlement of damages.

Resolved,

That the joint committee on Highways be hereby authorized to settle with parties on Thurber's Avenue for damages sustained by grading said Avenue, the amount to be paid out of the appropriation for Highway, provided the amount shall not exceed the sum of five hundred dollars.

(Concurred)

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Potter's Avenue School house
to be sold at auction.

The following resolution (recommended by
the Committee on City Property) is presented,
read and passed, viz:—

Resolved.

That the old School House
on Potter's Avenue be sold by auction under
the direction of the Committee on City
Property — the proceeds to be paid into the
City Treasury and applied towards the
reduction of the city debt.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Resolved.

City Engineer to
report work done &c.

That the City Engineer be and
he is hereby directed to report at the next
regular meeting of the City Council a des-
cription of the work done in his office under
his direction, also stating the kind and
cost of said work that the City Council
may have an exact and intelligent state-
ment of the workings of his department
for the year 1870.

Resolved.

Prov. Pawtucket & Cen-
tral Falls R.R. Co.
Inquiry as to fares.

145.

That the committee on Railroads
be requested to inquire whether the fares on
the Prov. Pawtucket & Central Falls R.R. Co.

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are in accordance with the implied rules &c
as printed and posted in their cars, and
report at the next regular meeting of the
Council.

Resolved.

Point Street Bridge
Committee to report.

That the committee on the build-
ing of the Point Street Bridge be and they
are hereby instructed to report to the next
meeting of the City Council the amount of
money paid for the construction of said
Bridge, also the amount of claims and
bills unpaid, also to report the present con-
dition of said Bridge, and the reasons why
the contracts for its building have not been
fulfilled; and also at what probable
time said structure may be completed;
and, if at an additional expense, what
such expense would be, and all other
facts in relation to the contracting and
the constructing of said Point Street bridge.

Res. of adjournment.

Resolved.

That when this Common Council
adjourns, it adjourn till Monday February
27 1871 at 7 1/2 o'clock p.m. and that this

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Honor the Mayor and the Board of Aldermen be invited to join the Common Council in Convention on that day at 8 o'clock p.m. for the election of civil officers and the transaction of such business as may legally come before them.

Mayor's Message referred.
Claim of G. W. Long & Co. for payment of coupons of city bonds, H. P. & T. R. R.

The following resolution (from the Board of Aldermen) is sent down, read and passed in concurrence, viz:—

Resolved,

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

(Approved)

Mayor's Message
Central bridge location.

A resolution (from the Board of Aldermen) referring a Message of the Mayor, dated February 6. 1870, relative to the Central Bridge location, is read and non-concurred.

The following resolution (from the Board of Aldermen) is sent down, read and

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Sidewalk on Market Sq. passed in concurrence, viz:—
to be cut off

Resolved,

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

(Approved)

Public Park
Act to be amended.

Resolutions in the words following having passed the Board of Aldermen are sent down, read and passed in concurrence, viz:—

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

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

Whereas, said petition is now before

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a committee of the General Assembly pending action thereon, therefore it is Resolved.

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

Arnold Street
Extension of.

The following resolution (having passed the Board of Aldermen) is sent down, read and passed in concurrence, viz:-

Resolved.

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

(Approved)

Chamber of B. of Ald.

Appropriation for.

The following resolution having passed the Board of Aldermen is sent down for concurrence and is read, and passed in concurrence.

Resolved.

That the sum of three hundred

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dollars be hereby appropriated for the purpose of refurnishing and improving the chamber of the Board of Aldermen to be paid from the appropriation for public building.

(Approved)

Federal St School

Naming of.

11.

135.

The Resolution for naming the new Grammar School House for the fourth and seventh wards, which passed the Common Council on the 12th day of December last is returned from the Board of Aldermen with their concurrence therein with the following amendment:

Amend said resolution so as to read as follows, viz

Resolved, That the school established in the new school house at the corner of Federal and Dean streets, be hereafter known and designated as the 'Federal Street school'; which amendment is read and passed in concurrence.

not of.

India Street

Damages for re-grading

145.

A resolution from the Board of Aldermen, relating to damages for re-grading India street, is sent down for concurrence, read and referred to the joint committee on Highways.

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Public Lamps
Lighting of.

A resolution (from the Board of Aldermen) to pay the accounts for lighting the public lamps to March 1. is read and non-concurred.

Benefit Street
Opening of.
103.

The joint committee on Highways to whom was referred a petition of the Pow. Iron Co. relative to opening Benefit street from India street to the Harbor line, make report which is recommitted to said committee with instructions to report at the next meeting of the Council.

Steamer No. 2.
Accommodations for
Engineer to
104.

The joint committee on City Properties to whom on the 3^d of January last was referred a draft resolution to provide accommodations for the Engineers and firemen of Steamer No. 2, report the same - not recommended, and said resolution is read and not passed.

A new draft resolution to provide accommodations for the Engineers and firemen of Steamer No. 2, is introduced, received and referred to the joint committee on the Fire Department.

Petitions of

P.W. Gardiner
Clinton Street
171.

Pleg W. Gardiner for setting curb-stones and paving gutters in front of his estate on Clinton street;

Clemence St.
153.

Stephen Thurber to the re-

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Hawthorne Street
171.

caption of Clemence street;

Jacob Swarts et al to set curb and pave gutters on Hawthorne Street;

Hospital Street
250.

C. B. Manchester et al. for widening of sidewalk on Hospital street, are all presented, received and referred to the joint committee on Highways.

Damages
Jus. Capwell
247.
S.H. Crowell.
238.

Petitions of

Joseph Capwell for damages; of Shubael K. Crowell for dam-

ages; of

Mary R. Tibbitts and

John H. Pierce,

Remission of tax.
179.
178.

for remission of certain taxes, are presented, received and referred to the joint committee on Claims.

Bell towers.
194.

Communications from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department relative to the erection of bell towers; also

Purchase of Steamers.
167.

relative to purchase of steam fire engines, are presented, received and referred to the joint committee on the Fire Department.

North Main Street
Wood pavement.
139.

A petition of Almira T. Dexter to the relative to paving North Main street with wood pavement is presented, received and referred to the joint committee on Highways.

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Point St. Bridge

W.R. Huston
147.
151.

A claim of W.R. Huston for stock furnished and labor performed on Point Street Bridge; also

F. Johnson & Co.

154.

a Resolution to pay bill of Frederic Johnson & Co. are presented, received and referred to the special committee on the Point Street Bridge with instructions to report at the next meeting of the Common Council.

Adjourn.

The Common Council adjourn till Monday February 27 1871 at 7 1/2 o'clock p.m.

Present - all the members except Messrs Armington, Bradford, Parkhurst, C. S. Smith, Snow and Vanslyck 6

M. Addeman
Clerk.

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

President pro tem.

The President being absent, Mr Waterman is elected President pro tem.

Record read.

The Record of the last meeting is read and approved.

Mayor's Message

Vetoing resolution to name School House on Federal Street.

66.
131.

A message is received from the Mayor, returning without his approval, the resolution passed by the Common Council on the 12th of December last and concurred in by the Board of Aldermen, with an amendment, which amendment was concurred in by this Council at its last meeting) - said resolution designating the new School House for the Fourth and Seventh Wards as the Federal St. School House.

Whereupon it is moved that said resolution pass, the Mayor's objections to the contrary notwithstanding. Upon which motion the vote is taken by ayes and nays, with the following result, viz:

Ayes

Messrs Waterman, Aldrich, Armington, Bradford, Burgess, Claplin, Cory,

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Daboll, Dexter, Fenner, Harris, Hunt,
Joslin, Keep, Mauran, Metcalf, Shaw,
C. S. Smith, F. M. Smith, Snow, J. G.
Spencer, W. Spencer, Sweet, Tucker, Van-
Slyck, White. 26

Aays.

Meprs A. J. Barnaby, J. B. Barnaby,
Colwell, Paine, Parkhurst, Persons, &
Root. 7

Said resolution is therefore passed, -
the Mayor's objections to the contrary not-
withstanding, (more than three fifths of
the members of the Common Council
voting in the affirmative.)

(In Board of Aldermen said resolution
is read and non-concurred, three fifths of the
Board not voting aye. - vote standing 6 to 3.)

City Treasurer's

Annual Report

The Financial Report of the City Treas-
urer for the year ending Sept. 30. 1870,
is presented, read and received.

City Auditor's

Annual Report

The 24th Annual Report of the City Au-
ditor of Receipts and Expenditures of the
City for the year ending Sept. 30. 1870, is
presented, read and received.

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Remission of Tax:

179.

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179.

178.

179.

179.

Petitions of

J. H. Ramsden,

A. H. Wagenscil,

Geo. C. Elliott, Trustee,

Eagle Lodge No. 2. I. O. of O. F.

James C. Jacobs,

Jesse P. Eddy & Thos. Rogers, Admins.

all for remission of certain taxes, are sev-
erally presented, received and referred to
the joint committee on Claims.

Borden Street

Reception of

A draft resolution requesting the
Board of Aldermen to receive Borden St.
from Hospital to Mary streets, is pre-
sented, read and referred to the joint
Committee on Highways.

Petitions of

Daniel H. Bennett, for moving a

certain building; and of

John Gannon,

Mary Addeman,

for raising certain buildings are presented,
received and referred to the joint com-
mittee on the Fire Department.

Subsequently said committee make
reports recommending that the prayers of
said petitions of

John Gannon and

Mary Addeman,

Moving Building
196.

Raising buildings.

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be granted; which reports are received, and resolutions in accordance therewith are thereupon read and passed.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Appropriation for
Light Infantry
United Train of Arty.

A petition of the Prov. Light Infantry and United Train of Artillery for reimbursement of expenses in celebrating Washington's Birth-day on the 22^d inst. is presented, read and received:

Whereupon the following resolution is presented, read and passed, viz:—

Resolved.

That the sum of Two Hundred and seventy five (\$275) dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated to defray the expense incurred by the First Light Infantry, the United Train of Artillery, and Marine Cadets for music in celebrating Washington's birth-day on the 22^d inst. to be paid from the reserve fund.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Lighting Lamps.
155.

A resolution (from the Board of Aldermen) to pay accounts for lighting streets to March 1. 1871, is sent down for concurrence, read and referred to the Committee on Accounts.

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Wood pavement
North Main St.

133.
165.

The joint Committee on Highways, to whom at the last meeting was referred a petition of Almira T. Dexter & others for pavement of North Main street, with wood pavement, report by resolution, which is read and recommitted to said committee.

Public Schools
Changes in Statutes.

A resolution in the words following having passed the Board of Aldermen is sent down, read and passed in concurrence, viz:—

Resolved.

That the City Solicitor be hereby requested to appear before the Committee of the General Assembly and offer any change in the Statutes of the State, relative to the Public Schools of this City, until the said changes shall have received the approval of the City Council.

Purchase of lots for
School purposes in
Ninth Ward.

123.

The resolution, which passed the Common Council at the last meeting for the purchase of lots for school purposes in the Ninth ward, is returned from the Board of Aldermen with their concurrence therein with an amendment adding the words "and provided that a title satisfactory to the City Solicitor can be obtained."

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which amendment is read and concurred.
(Approved)

Water Loan Ordinance amended.

A bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance creating a water loan for the city of Providence', having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down, read and passed in concurrence.

Mayor's Message

Increase of clerical force in office of Register of Transfers.

A Message from the Mayor relative to increase of clerical force in the office of the Register of Transfers, is presented and read.

Whereupon it is resolved that the same be referred to Messrs Bradford, Van Slyck and J. B. Barnaby, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon.

(Concurred & A. G. Earl added.)
(Approved)

Mayor's Message.

City Seal & Mayor's seal.

A Message from the Mayor relative to a new City Seal and a Mayor's seal, is presented and read.

Whereupon, a bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance establishing the City Seal and the seals for the Board

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of Aldermen and the Municipal Court", having passed the Board of Aldermen, is read and passed in concurrence.

New City Seal.

Also, the following resolutions, having passed said Board, are read and concurred in viz:-

Resolved

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

(Approved)

Mayor's Seal.

Resolved.

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

(Approved)

Pro. Reform School.

Annual Report.

The 20th Annual Report of the Trustees of the Providence Reform School is presented and read, whereupon it is

Ordered, that the same be received and 500 copies thereof printed for the use

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which amendment is read and concurred.
(Approved)

Water Loan Ordinance
amended.

A bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance creating a water loan for the city of Providence", having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down, read and passed in concurrence.

Mayor's Message

Increase of clerical
force in office of
Register of Transfers.

A Message from the Mayor relative to increase of clerical force in the office of the Register of Transfers, is presented and read.

Whereupon it is resolved that the same be referred to Messrs Bradford, Van Slyck and J. B. Barnaby, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon.

(Concurred & A. C. G. added.)
(Approved)

Mayor's Message.

City Seal & Mayor's seal.

A Message from the Mayor relative to a new City Seal and a Mayor's seal, is presented and read.

Whereupon, a bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance establishing the City Seal and the seals for the Board

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of Aldermen and the Municipal Court, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is read and passed in concurrence.

New City Seal.

Also, the following resolutions, having passed said Board, are read and concurred in viz:-

Resolved

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

(Approved)

Mayor's Seal.

Resolved,

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

(Approved)

Pro. Reform School.

Annual Report.

The 21st Annual Report of the Trustees of the Providence Reform School is presented and read, whereupon it is

Ordered, that the same be received and 500 copies thereof printed for the use

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of the City Council

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Prov. Reform School.

Request for appropriation

157.

Resolved.

That the request of the Trustees of the Providence Reform School for an additional appropriation for the purposes of said institution be and the same is hereby referred to the joint committee on Finance to examine and report thereon.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Bridge across Seekonk
river at the site of
Central Bridge (so called)

Resolved.

That the City of Providence, in connection with the town of East Providence, will construct an iron bridge across the Seekonk river at the site of the Central Bridge, so called, in accordance with the conditions set forth in an Act of the General Assembly of the State of Rhode Island, passed at its May Session A.D. 1869, entitled "An Act to authorize the erection of a bridge across Seekonk river" - the said city of Providence assuming to pay, as its portion of the cost of the construction of said bridge, the amount required to build the same, over and above the sum of thirty five thousand dollars, (\$35,000) of which said sum of thirty five

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thousand dollars, the amount of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) has been appropriated by the state towards the erection of said bridge by the aforesaid act of the General Assembly, and the amount of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) has been appropriated towards the erection of said bridge by the town of East Providence, by a resolution passed in town meeting on the 9th day of December, A.D. 1869, provided, that the amount to be paid by the City of Providence for the construction of said bridge, shall not exceed the sum of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000); and the City of Providence hereby agrees to maintain and keep in repair all of said bridge included within the limits of said City.

Resolved.

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

Resolved.

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

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said bridge under the foregoing resolutions.

The above resolutions having passed the Board of Aldermen, are sent down, read and passed in concurrence.

(Approved)

Invitation to join in Convention

Resolved.

That His Honor the Mayor and the Board of Aldermen be invited to join the Common Council in convention for the election of Surveyor General and the transaction of such business as may legally come before them.

Accepted

The foregoing invitation having been accepted, the two boards join in convention.

In Convention

In Convention.

Surveyor General of Lumber - elected.

Ezek A. Tillson is elected Surveyor General of Lumber.

Constables.

The nominations of John A. Creighton and Lucian J. Arnold for constables are referred to the Committee on Police. The nomination of James Hatch for constable, recommended by said Committee is recommitted.

The two Boards separate.

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Prov. Pawtucket + Central Falls R.R. Inquiring into fares.

A resolution in the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down, read and passed in concurrence:-

Resolved.

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

(Approved)

Salary Ordinance 152.

A resolution in the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen is sent down, read and passed in concurrence, viz:-

Resolved.

That the joint committee on Finance be hereby instructed to report in print an Ordinance fixing the salaries of the officers of the City for the year ensuing the first Monday in June 1871.

(Approved)

Damages for re-grading India Street. 131.

The joint committee on Highways to whom at the last meeting was referred a resolution (from the Board of Aldermen), relating to damages for re-grading India street, make report, recommending that the Common Council concur in the passage

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of said resolution: which report is received, and the following resolution is thereupon read and passed in concurrence, viz:-

Resolved.

That Alderman Earle and such others as the Common Council may add be and they are hereby authorized to settle all claims for damage to estates on India street caused by the re-grading of the same (Super Street, Detroit & A. J. Barnaby added)

(Approved)

James Miner, ex-policeman.

Gratuity to.

121.

The joint committee on Police to whom at the last meeting was referred a resolution (from the Board of Aldermen), to pay a gratuity to James Miner, ex-policeman, report, recommending concurrence in the passage of the same: which report is received, and the following resolution is thereupon read and passed in concurrence, viz:-

Resolved.

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

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monthly and paid from the appropriation for the police.

(Approved)

Annual Report of
Surveyor of Highways.

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

W. R. Huston's claim
re Point St. Bridge.

134.
151.

The special committee on the Point St. Bridge to whom at the last meeting was referred a claim of W. R. Huston for stock furnished and labor performed on said bridge, make report: pending the consideration of which the Common Council adjourn till Monday March 13th 1871 at 7 1/2 o'clock p.m.

Adjourn.

Present- all the members except Messrs Presidents Binney, Lester, & Potter.

M. Addeman
Clerk.

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of said resolution: which report is received, and the following resolution is thereupon read and passed in concurrence, viz:-

Resolved.

That Alderman Earle and such others as the Common Council may add to and they are hereby authorized to settle all claims for damage to estates on India street caused by the re-grading of the same (Messrs Shaw, DeWolf & A. J. Barnaby added)

(Approved)

James Miner, ex-police.

Gratuity to.

121.

The joint Committee on Police to whom at the last meeting was referred a resolution (from the Board of Aldermen), to pay a gratuity to James Miner, ex-policeman, report, recommending concurrence in the passage of the same: which report is received, and the following resolution is thereupon read and passed in concurrence, viz:-

Resolved.

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

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monthly and paid from the appropriation for the police.

(Approved)

Annual Report of Surveyor of Highways.

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

W. R. Huston's claim vs Point St. Bridge.

134.
151.

The Special committee on the Point St. Bridge to whom at the last meeting was referred a claim of W. R. Huston for stock furnished and labor performed on said bridge, make report: pending the consideration of which the Common Council adjourn till Monday March 13th 1871 at 7 1/2 o'clock p.m.

Adjourn.

Present- all the members except Messrs President Binney, Lester, & Potter.

M. Addeman
Clerk.

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

Pres. pro tem. The President being absent - Mr Waterman is elected President pro tem.

Record read. The Record of the last meeting is read and approved.

City Treasurer's Monthly Statement. The City Treasurer's Monthly Statement of cash transactions, for February last, is presented, read and received.

Harbor Master's Monthly Report. The Monthly Report of the Harbor Master is presented, read and received.

City Treas. Report Notes paid. The City Treasurer's Report of notes issued and paid by the City since Octo. 1. 1870 is presented, read and received.

The Annual Report of the Overseer of the Poor

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Overseer of Poor. Annual Report of Insane. in relation to the Insane Poor at the public charge is presented, read and received.

Mayor's Message.

Declining from Sp. Committee on the Point St. Bridge.

214.

The following communication from the Mayor is presented and read, viz:

Mayor's Office

City of Providence, March 13. 1871.

Gentlemen of the City Council.

By a resolution approved July 26. 1869 the Mayor was added to the committee appointed to superintend the construction of the Point Street bridge.

It will be remembered that I succeeded my predecessor in the position on this committee in the month of June last. Since that time I have not been able to press the matter of this bridge to anything like immediate completion in a manner that would be at all satisfactory to the taxpayers and compatible with their interests.

I therefore propose to give the committee as constituted before the addition thereto of the Mayor, the opportunity of proceeding at their own leisure and in their own way in this long delayed and expensive business and to leave them to share the responsibility thereof among themselves, by tendering to you, as I hereby do, my declination of

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all further connection with this committee and this work.

Thomas A. Doyle
Mayor.

Mr. A. J. Barnaby's
resignation from Sp.
Com. on Point St. Bridge.

214.

Mr. A. J. Barnaby also tenders his resignation as a member of said committee, by a communication in writing to that effect, which is read.

Whereupon it is voted that both of the foregoing communications be postponed till the next meeting of this Council.

Point St. Bridge

Report of Committee.

A report of the Special Committee on the Point Street Bridge, made pursuant to resolution approved March 6. 1871, is presented, read and received.

Do.

Resolution to pay bill
of E. W. Serrell, C.E.
214.

A resolution to pay the bill of Edward W. Serrell, Civil Engineer for services relating to said bridge, amounting to \$720.50 (recommended by said committee) is presented, read and postponed till the next meeting.

Do.

Committee to submit
Reports of E. W. Serrell.
182.

Resolved.

That the joint Special Committee on the Point Street bridge be directed to submit to this Council at its next meeting

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all reports of Edward W. Serrell, civil engineer, relative to said bridge

Point St. Bridge

Claim of W. R. Huston

147.

168.

241.

The Report of the Special Committee on Point Street bridge, relative to claim of W. R. Huston for stock furnished and labor performed on said bridge, which was presented at the last meeting, is taken from the table, and, together with a communication from the City Engineer relative to said claim, is referred to the Joint Committee on Claims with instructions to report at the next meeting of this Council.

Water Commissioners

Appropriation for

157.

A communication from the Water Commissioners asking for an appropriation of \$200,000 for the Providence Water Works, is presented, read and referred to the Joint Committee on Finance.

Annexation of part of
North Providence to city

Notice of petitions for

A communication from the City Clerk, presenting a notice from George H. Coolidge & others, tax payers and legal voters in the town of North Providence, of the presentation to the General Assembly at the May Session 1871, of petitions for the setting off of a portion of said town to the City of Providence, and also copies of said petitions (pursuant to Chapter 2, Sec. 2, of Rev. Statutes)

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is presented, read and received in concurrence
(Approved)

Annexation of por-
tions of the North
Burying Ground and
Swan Point Cemetery
to the City.

A resolution in the words following,
having passed the Board of Aldermen,
is sent down, read and passed in con-
currence, viz:—

Resolved.

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

(Approved)

Engineers &c of Fire Dept.
Petition for more pay.

A petition of the Engineers, Assistants
and Drivers of the Fire Department for an
increase of salaries is presented, read and
received.

Salary Bill.

145.
162

The Joint Committee on Finance, pursu-
ant to resolution passed at the last meet-
ing, report a bill entitled "An Ordinance
fixing the Salaries of the Officers of the
City of Providence for the year ensuing the
first Monday in June A. D. 1871"; recommending

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the passage of the same, which report
is received, and said Ordinance is read,
amended and passed.

Payment of non-
confirmed Police.

Resolved.

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

William J. Booth 77.
Isaac Treaver 77.
Robert Flynn 77.

(Concurred),
(Approved)

Clemence Street

Reception of.

132.

The joint committee on Highways to whom
on the 13th of Feb^y last was referred a petition of
Stephen Thumber et als for the receiving of
Clemence Street make report recommending
the passage of the accompanying resolu-
tion: which report is received and the
following resolution is thereupon read
and passed, viz:—

Resolved.

That the Board of Aldermen be
and they are hereby requested to receive Clem-
ence Street from Washington Street to Fountain

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street and declare the same a public highway.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Almy Street
Reception of.

Said Committee to whom was referred a petition of Benj. Nichols et al for reception of Almy street, make report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution, which report is received and the following resolution is thereupon read and passed, viz:—

Resolved.

That the Board of Aldermen be and they are hereby requested to receive Almy street from Broadway to Penn street, and declare the same a public highway.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Point St. Bridge

Bill of F. Johnson & Co

134.

The Special Committee on the Point street bridge to whom on the 13th of February last was referred a draft resolution to pay bill of Frederick Johnson & Co., make report recommending the passage of the same, which report is received, and said resolution, in the words following, is thereupon read and passed, viz:—

Resolved.

That the sum of sixteen hundred and eighty dollars is hereby appropri-

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ated for the payment of the bill of Frederick Johnson & Co against the City for stock furnished for the Point St. Bridge the same to be paid from the appropriation for the Point street Bridge.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Resolution to pay

bills for lighting streets.

138.

The Committee on Accounts to whom at the last meeting was referred a resolution (from the Board of Aldermen) to pay accounts for lighting streets to March 1. 1871. return the same without recommendation, they being unable to agree.

Whereupon it is moved to postpone the further consideration of the same until the next meeting; upon which motion the yeas and nays are ordered with the following result, viz:—

Aye's.

Messrs A. J. Barnaby, J. B. Barnaby, Cory, Dexter, Fenner, Harris, Joslin, Keef, Mauran, Metcalf, Parkhurst, Persons, Shaw, C. S. Smith, Sweet & White 16.

Nays.

Messrs Aldrich, Burgess, Claplin, Colwell, Daboll, Hunt, Lester, Paine, Potter, Root, F. M. Smith, Snow, J. L. Spencer, W. Spencer, Sucker & Waterman 16.

Said motion is therefore lost.

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street and declare the same a public highway.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Almy Street

Reception of.

Said Committee to whom was referred a petition of Benj. Nichols et al for reception of Almy street, make report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution, which report is received and the following resolution is thereupon read and passed, viz:—

Resolved.

That the Board of Aldermen be and they are hereby requested to receive Almy street from Broadway to Penn street, and declare the same a public highway.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Point St. Bridge

Bill of F. Johnson et al

134.

The Special Committee on the Point street bridge to whom on the 13 of February last was referred a draft resolution to pay bill of Frederick Johnson et al., make report recommending the passage of the same, which report is received, and said resolution, in the words following, is thereupon read and passed, viz:—

Resolved.

That the sum of sixteen hundred and eighty dollars is hereby appropri-

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ated for the payment of the bill of Frederick Johnson et al against the City for stock furnished for the Point St. Bridge the same to be paid from the appropriation for the Point street Bridge.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Resolution to pay

bills for lighting streets.

138.

The Committee on Accounts to whom at the last meeting was referred a resolution (from the Board of Aldermen) to pay accounts for lighting streets to March 1. 1871, return the same without recommendation, they being unable to agree.

Whereupon it is moved to postpone the further consideration of the same until the next meeting; upon which motion the yeas and nays are ordered with the following result, viz:—

Yeas.

Messrs A. J. Barnaby, J. B. Barnaby, Cory, Dexter, Fenner, Harris, Joslin, Keep, Mauran, Metcalf, Parkhurst, Persons, Shaw, C. S. Smith, Sweet & White 16.

Nays.

Messrs Marick, Burgess, Claplin, Colwell, Sabod, Hunt, Luster, Paine, Potter, Root, F. M. Smith, Snow, J. L. Spencer, W. Spencer, Tucker & Waterman 16.

Said motion is therefore lost.

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It is thereupon moved to concur with the Board of Aldermen in the passage of the same, which motion is lost by a vote of 15 in the affirmative to 17 in the negative, and said resolution is thereupon read and non-concurred.

Resolved.

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

Purchase of land for School purposes Thurber's Avenue.

The Common Council adjourn till Monday March 20. 1871 at 7 1/2 o'clock p.m.

Present - all the members except the President and Mr. Armington.

M. Addams Clerk.

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

Quorum present

The President being absent, Mr Waterman is elected President pro tem.

Pres. pro temp.

The Record of the last meeting is read and approved.

Record read.

Water Works

Appropriation for

157.

The Committee on Finance to whom at the last meeting was referred a request of the Water Commissioners for appropriation, make report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution: which report is received, and the following resolution is thereupon read & passed, viz:

Resolved.

That the sum of Two hundred thousand dollars be and the same is hereby added to the appropriation for the Providence Water Works and that the City Treasurer acting under the advice and direction of the joint standing committee on Finance be authorized to hire the same.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

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Mo. Report of Chief

Eng'r of Fire Dept.

The Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department for February 1871, is presented, read and received.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Road Roller for

Highway Dept.

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 acting under the advice and direction of the joint committee on Highways be and he is hereby directed to purchase a road roller at a cost not to exceed five hundred dollars.

Whereupon it is resolved that the Common Council concur therein with an amendment adding the words "the same to be charged to the appropriation for highways".

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Lighting lamps.

A resolution in the words following having passed the Board of Aldermen is sent down, read and passed in concurrence, viz:-

Resolved.

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to pay all bills contracted by the Board of Aldermen for the lighting of

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the public lamps for the months of January and February and up to March 3. 1871 which are now unpaid, when the same shall be properly audited, and charge the amount to the reserve fund.

(Approved)

Prov. Reform School

Appropriation for

142.

The Joint Committee on Finance, to whom on the 27th of February last, was referred the request of the Trustees of the Providence Reform School for appropriation, make report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution: which report is received, and the following resolution is thereupon read and passed, viz:-

Resolved.

That the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars, in addition to former appropriations be, and the same is hereby appropriated to the Providence Reform School, the same to be transferred from the Reserve fund.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

English sparrows.

Appropriation for

Resolved.

That the sum of three hundred and twenty five dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose of

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introducing and caring for English Sparrows, the same to be expended under the direction of His Honor the Mayor and to be paid from the appropriation for contingencies.

Concurred,
(Approved)

Appropriation for
Police duty.

Resolved.

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

John V. Simmons	\$ 77.00
Isaac S. Shippee	77.00
Byron M. Darling	74.25
Alfred S. Keach	77.00
Frank M. Horton	77.00
John A. Stone	77.00
Andrew J. F. Himes	77.00

Concurred,
(Approved)

Ordinances to define
duties of School
Committee.

Resolved

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

Concurred

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On the recommendation of the joint Committee on the Fire Department, resolutions granting the prayers of the following petitions are severally read and passed, viz:

Raising Buildings

Robert Arnold,
Cornelius McCarty,
Betsey Silva,

Moving Buildings

all for raising certain buildings; and
F. H. Richmond,
Roger O'Gorman,
Henry McCarron,
Samuel Hedley,
all for moving certain buildings.

(Concurred)
(Approved)

Greenwich St. School
Heating + ventilation

125.

The Committee on City Property, to whom was referred the subject of ventilation in the public school houses, make report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution: which report is received and the following resolution is read and passed, viz:-

Resolved.

That the sum of Fifteen Hundred Dollars be and is hereby appropriated for heating and ventilating the Greenwich street Grammar School House - the same to be expended under the direction of the joint standing

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committee on City Property, and charged
to the appropriation for Public Building
(Concurred)
(Approved)

Ordinance in rela-
tion to Railroads
(amended.)
Fares.

The Joint Committee on Railroads, to
whom on the 29th of February last, was
referred the subject of fares on the Provi-
dence, Pawtucket and Central Falls
Railroad, make report recommending
the passage of the accompanying ordin-
ance, which report is received, and a
bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment
of an Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance
in relation to Railroads'" is read and
passed. (providing that fare on the several
horse railroads within the limits of the city
shall not exceed six cents for each passenger
over 12 years of age; and three cents for each
passenger over 4 and under 12 years.)

Salary Bill

145.
152.
162.

The Bill entitled "An Ordinance fixing
the Salaries of the officers of the city
of Providence for the year ending the
first Monday in June A.D. 1871", which was
passed at the last meeting, is returned from
the Board of Aldermen with their con-
currence therein with certain amendments:

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said amendments are read and non-
curred, and the Common Council ask
for a committee conference on the Salary
Bill, and appoint Messrs Spencer, Water-
man, Tucker, Dexter and Shaw, conferees
on their part.

The Board agree to a conference
and appoint Aldermen Straight, Cog-
gshall and Tew conferees on their part.

Resolved.

Invitation to join
in Convention.

That His Honor the Mayor and
the Board of Aldermen be invited to
join the Common Council in convention
for the election of civic officers and
the transaction of such business as
may legally come before them.

accepted.

The foregoing invitation being ac-
cepted, the two boards join in con-
vention of the city council.

In Convention.

In Convention.

Deputy Surveyors:

The following nominations by the Sur-
veyor General of Lumber for Deputy
Surveyors are approved, viz:—

Robt. Manchester Jr.	Isaiah Willoway,
Nathl C. Bushee,	Jos. H. Robinson,
Smith Potter,	Frank B. Chedell,

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Chas. A. Manchester, John B. Winship
Henry A. Grimwood.

Chas. C. Lee for mahogany & other ornamental
lumber.

Robt. Manchester Jr. for oak and other
hard wood used in ship building.

The two boards separate.

Res. to approve act
in amendment of act
relative to laying out,
to streets
last.

A resolution, from the Board of Alder-
men, approving an amendment of the
general law relating to laying out, enlarg-
ing, straightening or otherwise altering
streets in the city of Providence is read
and non-concurred by the following vote, viz:-

Ayes

Messrs Aldrich, A. J. Barnaby, J. B. Barnea-
ty, Bradford, Colwell, Cory, Daboll,
Fenner, Joslin, Maurau, Paine, Parkhurst,
Persons, Potter, Root, Tucker & Van Slyck 17

Nays

Messrs Waterman, Armington, Burgess,
Claplin, Dexter, Harris, Hunt, Keef, Lester,
Metcalf, Shaw, C. S. Smith, F. M. Smith,
Snow, W. Spencer, Street & White 17

Mr J. L. Spencer is excused from voting.

A resolution (from the Board of Alder-
men) accepting gift of Anna Whipple

Gift of Anna Whipple
to
North Burying Ground
203.

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to North Burial Ground Fund, is sent down
for concurrence, read and referred to the
joint committee on the North Burying Ground.

Wood pavement
on
North Main St.
133.
139.
168.

The joint committee on Highway to
whom on the 27th of February last was re-
committed a resolution to pave North
Main street with wood pavement make
report, which is temporarily laid on the
table.

Remission of tax.

- 200.
- 200.
- 200.
- 240.
- 199.

Petitions of

Charles H. Snow,
Wm J. Mitchell,
Hervey Mason,
C. C. & H. M. Taber,
Stephen Emerson,

all for remission of certain taxes; of
Thomas Miller, for reimbursement;
Chas. E. Paine, for compensation
for city maps; and of
Sampson, Davenport & Co. for
payment of bill of maps,
are severally presented, received and referred
to the joint committee on claims.

Thos. Miller.
238.
Chas. E. Paine
City Maps,
199.

Sampson, Davenport & Co.
City Maps.
199.

Petitions of

Elm Street.
190.

Oliver E. Greene, Chief Engineer and
19 others, Samuel Lewis and 52 others,
Allen Shaw and 23 others to have Elm

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Street opened to the river; of
 Clemence Street. Stephen Thumber & others to set
 247. curb stones and pave gutters on Clemence
 street; of
 Aborn Street. The R.S. Braiding Machine Co & others
 221. for receiving a portion of Aborn street; of
 Bellevue Avenue. F.C. Rider & others for the reception
 of Bellevue Avenue;
 Fountain Street. Also, a draft resolution to pave
 255. Fountain street; and
 Cove Street. A draft resolution directing the
 315. Surveyor of Highways to suspend work on
 Cove street,
 are severally presented, read and referred
 to the joint committee on Highways.

Petitions of

Bower Street. Francis McLaughlin & others for
 201. reception of Bower street; of
 Governor Street. G.H. Paddock & others for recep-
 201. tion of portion of Governor street,
 are severally presented, received and referred
 to the joint committee on Highways.

Petitions of

Uncollectable taxes. The City Treasurer for abatement
 198. of certain uncollectable taxes; of
 Overseer of Pumps & Wells The Overseer of Pumps & Wells
 for Additional Appropriation are pre-
 203. sented, received and referred to the Com. on Finance.

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Petitions of

Steamer No. 2. The Board of Engineers of the
 Fire Department for more convenient
 Sleeping apparatus. 194. sleeping apparatus for men of Steamer No. 2; of
 Raising buildings. 196. James Randall,
 Huldah Edwards,
 170. C.G. Dodge,
 170. S.A. Austin
 for raising certain buildings; of
 Moving buildings. 196. Ebenezer Allen,
 170. Nicholas Moulter,
 170. Thos. Cosgrave,
 for moving certain buildings,
 are severally presented, received and re-
 ferred to the joint committee on the
 Fire Department.

Steam Fire Engine
 Purchase of.
 133.

The joint committee on the Fire De-
 partment to whom on the 13th of February
 last was referred a communication
 from the Chief Engineer relative to
 purchase of steam fire engine, make
 report, which is received, recommending
 the passage of the accompanying reso-
 lution, appropriating \$3000 from the
 funds of the Fire Department for the
 purchase of a new steam fire engine;
 which resolution is passed, and in the
 Board of Aldermen read and non-con-
 curred.

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Steam Fire Engine
Exchange of

A resolution (from the Board of Aldermen) authorizing the joint committee on the Fire Department to exchange Steam Fire Engine No. 1. for a new engine and appropriating therefor the sum of \$3000 is sent down, read and passed in concurrence.

W.R. Huston
vs
Point St. Bridge
151.
241.

The Committee on Claims ask and receive an extension of time to report on claim of W.R. Huston vs Point St. Bridge.

Point St. Bridge
Sp. Com. to examine into
181.

A resolution for a joint special committee to report on matters relating to Point St. Bridge with power to summon witnesses and to administer oaths, is presented, read and postponed till the next meeting.

Wood Pavement
on
North Main St.
139.
175.

The joint committee on Highway to whom on the 27th of February last was re-committed a resolution to pave North Main street with wood pavement, make report recommending the passage of the same. A substitute resolution is offered, but without action thereon the Common Council adjourns till Thursday, March 22nd 1871 at 7 1/2 p.m.

Present - all the members except the President.

J. M. Mademan Clerk.

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Common Council - March 22, 1871.

The Common Council meet pursuant to adjournment - the President in the chair and a quorum present.

Record.

The reading of the record of the last meeting is dispensed with.

Salary Bill
112.
226.

The Committee of conference appointed at the last meeting relative to the disagreeing votes of the two Boards relative to the Salary Ordinance report that they are unable to agree, recommend that said ordinance be indefinitely postponed, and report a new bill entitled "An Ordinance fixing the salaries of the officers of the City of Providence for the year ensuing the first Monday in June A.D. 1871", recommending the passage thereof; which report is received and adopted, and said bill is read ^{amended} and passed.

Said Bill is subsequently returned from the Board of Aldermen with their concurrence therein with certain amendments; which amendments are read and passed in concurrence.

(Approved)

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Salary Bill.

During the consideration of said Bill it is moved to amend the same as reported by the Committee of conference by reducing the salary of the City Treasurer from \$3500 to \$3000; upon which motion the yeas and nays are ordered with the following result, viz:—

Yeas.

Messrs A. J. Barnaby, J. B. Barnaby, Bradford, Burgess, Cory, Hunt, Joslin, Keef, Parkhurst, J. L. Spencer, & Vanduyck 11

Nays.

Messrs President, Arrington, Clapham, Colwell, Daboll, Dexter, Fenner, Harris, Lester, Mauran, Metcalf, Paine, Persons, Potter, Root, Shaw, F. M. Smith, W. Spencer, Sweet, Tucker, Waterman & White 22.

Said motion is therefore lost.

The joint committee on the Fire Department to whom at the last meeting were referred petitions of

A. S. Austin

C. G. Dodge

for permission to raise certain buildings; and of

Nicholas Moulton

Thos. Crogrove,

for permission to move certain buildings, make reports recommending that the prayers of said petitions be granted; which

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Moving Buildings
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reports are received, and resolutions in accordance therewith are thereupon severally read and passed.

(Concurred)

(all approved except C. G. Dodge)

Hawthorne Street.

Curbing & paving.

133.

The joint committee on Highways to whom on the 13th of February last was referred a petition of Jacob Strarts & others to set curb and pave gutters on Hawthorne Street, make report and recommend the passage of the accompanying resolution: which report is received and the following resolution is thereupon read and passed, viz:—

Resolved

That the Surveyor of Highways, acting under the advice and direction of the joint Committee on Highways &c, and he is hereby directed to cause curb stones to be set and gutters paved on Hawthorn Street from Greenwich Street to Vineyard Street.

(Concurred)

Clinton Street

J. W. Gardiner's Estate.

132.

Said Committee to whom on the same day was referred a petition of Pelly M. Gardiner for curbing and paving in front of his estate on Clinton Street, make report recommending the passage of the accompanying

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resolution: which report is received and the following resolution is thereupon read & passed.

Resolved.

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

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Union Street
Paving of
78.

Said committee to whom on the 19th of December last was re-committed a resolution for paving Union Street, make report recommending that the Common Council concur in the amendment of the Board striking out the words "cobble stones" and substituting the words "granite blocks": which report is received and said amendment is read and passed in concurrence

(Approved)

Surveyor of Highways
Quarterly Report.

The Quarterly Report of the Surveyor of Highways for quarter ending Feb'y 28, 1871 is presented, read and received.

(Concurred)

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In Convention

An invitation to join the Mayor and Board of Aldermen in Convention is accepted, and the two Boards join in convention of the city council

In Convention.

Mayor's Message
Liability of City
on Water Loan.

A Message from the Mayor in the words following is presented and read:

Mayor's Office

City of Providence, March 22, 1871

Gentlemen of the City Council.

It has generally been supposed that if a loan made by the city be not paid at maturity, or if the interest thereon be not paid, an immediate levy might be made by the bondholder upon any real estate within the city limits. This however is not in my opinion certain, as I find upon an examination of the matter with a view to placing the water loan. As the law now stands many grave difficulties will arise to prevent a speedy collection of the debt in case of its non-payment by the city. These difficulties when understood will undoubtedly prevent the negotiation of the loan upon favorable terms.

I therefore suggest your immediate

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attention to this important matter, in order that such action may be taken at the present session of the General Assembly as will enable us to negotiate our water loan upon satisfactory terms.

Thomas A. Doyle
Mayor.

The two Boards separate

Resolved.

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

(Concurred),
(Approved)

Act for supplying
City with pure water
to be amended
to establish liability of
city property of citizens.

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Wood pavement in
North Main Street.
168.

The resolution to pave North Main Street with wood pavement is taken from the table. The substitute resolution offered at the last meeting, in the words following is thereupon read and passed, viz:

Resolved.

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

(Concurred),

(Approved)

Motions to amend said resolution by substituting the words "wood pavement" for "Stow Foundation pavement"; and to add the words "provided that the cost to the city shall not exceed \$2.25 per square yard for each square yard laid in the whole street," are lost.

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Geo. F. Campbell
Relief of -
162.

The joint committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred a petition of Geo. F. Campbell for relief, make report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution: which report is received and a resolution making an appropriation of \$100 for the relief of said Campbell is read and passed, but in the Board of Aldermen is read and non-concurred.

A resolution in the words following having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down, read and passed in concurrence, viz: -

Resolved

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

(Approved)

Camp Street
Suspension of work on

A resolution (recommended by the joint committee on Highways), directing the Surveyor of Highways to suspend work on Camp street, is read and passed, and in the Board of Aldermen read and non-concurred.

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Camp Street
Suspension of work

Whereupon a resolution in the words following having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down, read and passed in concurrence, viz: -

Resolved

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

(Approved)

Additional appropriation
for school house & lot
on Thurber's Avenue.

A resolution (recommended by the committee on city property), for an additional appropriation for school houses and lots in the ninth ward, is read and passed, and in the Board of Aldermen is read and non-concurred.

Whereupon a resolution in the words following having passed the Board of Aldermen is sent down, read and passed in concurrence, viz: -

Resolved

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

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for school houses and lots.

(Approved)

Remission of taxes.

The joint committee on Claims to whom were referred petitions of

110.

John Bannon,

133.

John H. Pierce,

Grand Royal Arch Chapter,

137.

Eagle Lodge No. 2, I.O. of O.F.

all for remission of certain taxes, make reports recommending the passage of the accompanying resolutions: which reports are received and the following resolutions are thereupon read & passed:

Do.

John Bannon

Resolved.

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to remit the sum of Sixteen + 20/100 dollars from the amount assessed against John Bannon in the City tax of 1870.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Do.

John H. Pierce.

Resolved.

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to remit the sum of Twenty nine 90/100 dollars from the amount assessed against John H. Pierce in the city tax of 1870.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

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Resolved.

Remission of tax
Grand R Arch Chapter.

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to remit the sum of Sixteen + 20/100 dollars from the amount assessed against Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Rhode Island in the city tax of 1870

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Do.

Eagle Lodge, I.O. OF.

Resolved.

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to remit the sum of Thirteen + 50/100 dollars from the amount assessed against Eagle Lodge No. 2, Independent Order of Odd Fellows in the City tax of 1870.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Remission of tax.

Leave to withdraw.

133.

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Said committee to whom were referred petitions of

Mary R. Tibbitts,

Priscilla G. Dean,

Wm H. Ramsden,

A. H. Tragueuil,

James C. Jacobs,

Sarah A. S. Pray, Admrs

Jess P. Eddy & Tho Rogers, Admrs,

all for remission of certain taxes, make Reports recommending that the petition-

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ers severally have leave to withdraw, which reports are received, and it is thereupon ordered that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Chambers, Calder & Co.

Bill allowed.

48.

Said committee to whom was referred a bill of Chambers, Calder & Co. for medicines re. furnished Mr. Benson injured by the explosion of Steamer No. 6. make report, recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution: which report is received, and the following resolution is thereupon read & passed:

Resolved.

That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to pay to Chambers, Calder & Co. the sum of seven hundred & fifty dollars in full for their bill of medicines and charge the same to the Fire Department.

(Concurred,

(Approved,

Prov. Tool Co.

Bill allowed.

48.

Said committee to whom was referred a claim of the Provident Tool Co. for damages to river pipe, make Report and recommend the passage of the accompanying resolution: which Report is received and the following resolution is thereupon read and passed, viz:—

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Resolved.

That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to pay to the Provident Tool Co. the sum of Fifty two & fifty dollars in full for their bill of repairs on their river pipe used for fire purposes and charge the same to the Fire Department.

(Concurred,

(Approved,

Olive Street

Reception of.

The joint Committee on Highways to whom was referred a petition of G. F. Harris et al. relative to Olive street, report adversely on the same, and it is thereupon ordered that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Also, on a draft resolution requesting the Board of Aldermen to receive Borden street from Hospital to Mary streets, which resolution is indefinitely postponed.

Point St. Bridge

Com. of investigation

168.

The resolution, postponed from the last meeting, for a joint special committee to report on matters relating to the Point street Bridge, is taken from the table, read and not passed.

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Point St. Bridge

Report of E. W. Serrell.
150.
207.

The special committee on the Point Street Bridge, pursuant to resolution passed March 13 inst. present the report of E. W. Serrell, civil engineer on the Point Street Bridge, which is laid on the table till the next meeting.

Report of C. B. Stuart.

207.

Said committee also submit a report of Chas. B. Stuart, civil engineer, relative to said Bridge, which is laid on the table.

Westminster St.

Cross-walks on.

A petition of Mrs G. Boardman to thus lay cross walks on Westminster street, is presented, received and referred to the joint committee on Highways.

Petitions of

Lawrence Garrity

to raise a certain building; and of

The Chief Engineer of the Fire

Department, relative to fire cisterns,

are presented, received and referred to the joint committee on the Fire Department.

Resolved.

That the Fire Department be and the same is hereby allowed the use of the ward room in the third ward for Fire Department purposes.

Third Ward Room
for
Fire Dept. purposes.

Raising building.
196.

Fire Cisterns.

195.

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Resolved.

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

(Non-concurred)

Resolved.

That the sum of Twenty thousand dollars be and the same is hereby transferred from the reserve fund to the appropriation for Paving.

(Non-concurred)

Sidewalks + Curbing

Appropriation for.

Paving

Appropriation for.

Eddy Street

Extension of.

189.

The joint committee on Highways to whom was referred a petition of A. W. Sprague et al. for application to the Supreme Court for the appointment of Commissioners to lay out and extend Eddy street, report a resolution to lay out and extend Eddy street of its present width from Washington street to Love street, recommending the passage of the same, which report is received and said resolution is laid on the table.

Rights of committee

A draft resolution in regard to the rights of committee is presented, read and laid on the table.

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Amendment of Act in relation to laying out streets approved.

A resolution that the Common Council approve the passage by the General Assembly of a bill for "an Act in amendment of an Act entitled An Act in relation to the laying out, enlarging, straightening and otherwise altering streets in the City of Providence," is presented, read and passed.

(In B. of Ald. Met 27. indefinitely postponed, the law having passed the General Assembly)

Adjourn.

The Common Council adjourn until Monday April 10, 1871 at 8 o'clock p.m.

Present - all the members except Messrs. C. S. Smith and Snow

J. A. Addemaney
Clerk.

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Common Council - April 10, 1871.

Quorum present. The Common Council met pursuant to adjournment - the President in the chair and a quorum present.

Record read. The record of the last meeting is read and approved.

Mo. Report of Harbor Master. The Monthly Report of the Harbor Master is presented, read and received. (Concurred) (Approved)

Mo. Statement of City Treasurer. The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer is presented, read and received. (Concurred) (Approved)

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

Sixth Quar. Report of Water Commissioners. The Sixth Quarterly Report of the Water Commissioners is presented, received and referred to the joint committee on finance.

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Communication from School committee. A communication is received from the President of the School Committee, transmitting plans for a primary and intermediate school house on Thurber's Avenue, and requesting the City Council to order the erection of the building; also requesting the erection of a brick school building on Messer street; also the alteration of the roof of the Brigham School building for the purpose of adding a story to the building; Also the employment of a teacher of penmanship; and also a request for the purchase or lease of the Free Chapel property so called, on Benefit street.

School-house on Thurber's Avenue.

School-house on Messer Street 202

Brigham School Addition of one story 203.

Teacher of writing 232.

Free Chapel property

Which communication is referred to the joint committee on Education.

School-house on Thurber's Avenue. Said committee subsequently make report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution: which report is received, and the following resolution is read and passed, viz:-

Resolved.

That the sum of Twenty five Thousand dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the erection and furnishing of a Primary and Intermediate School house at the corner of Thurber Avenue and Plane street, in accordance with the plans of C. A. Hall,

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Architect, recommended by the School committee; said sum to be expended under the direction of the Committee on City Property and charged to the appropriation for school houses and lots.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Normal School

Location of.

284.

A Message is received from the Mayor transmitting a communication from the Secretary of the Trustees of the State Normal School, asking the appointment of a committee of the City Council to confer with a committee of their body, upon the location of the school in this city: which is referred to the joint committee on Education.

Elm St. School

Inquiry into accommodations of

Resolved.

That the committee on Education be and they are hereby directed to inquire and report to the city council if the accommodations in the Elm street Grammar School are sufficient for the wants of the 4th District, and if not sufficient, what, if any action, shall be taken to supply the wants of said District in this department of our Public Schools.

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Notice of laying
Water pipes.

Resolved.

That the Water Commissioners be
hereby requested to notify the Surveyor of
Highways what streets they intend to lay
the water pipes in before laying the same.

Ordinance in relation
to Railroads,
amended.

A bill entitled "An Ordinance in
amendment of an Ordinance entitled "An
Ordinance in relation to railroads" recom-
mended by the joint committee on Railroads,
is presented, read and passed. (establishing
rates of fares on horse railroads)

Wm. B. Snell
Remission of tax.
240.

A petition of Wm. B. Snell for abate-
ment of tax, is presented, received and
referred to the joint committee on Claims.

Bradford Street
249.

Petitions of
John H. Eddy et als to set curb
stones and pave gutters on Bradford
street; of

Dudley Street.
246.

L. P. Hopkinson et others for curbing
and cross walk on Dudley street; of

Hudson Street.
257.

Jos. E. Handy et others for receiving
Hudson street; of
James Rothwell et others for laying

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Lockwood Street.
230.

out Lockwood street, between Pine and
Broad streets; of

Highway from
Harris Avenue to
Broadway
244.

Jm. C. Snow, Agt. et others for receiv-
ing highway from Harris Avenue to Broad-
way; of

Williams St.
252.

Henry L. Foster et others for reception
of Williams street from Governor street,
East; also

Prairie Ave.
249.

Draft resolutions for curbing and
paring gutters on Prairie Avenue; and
for reception of a portion of Penn and
Cortland streets;

Penn + Cortland Sts.

are severally presented, received and re-
ferred to the joint committee on Highways.

Eddy Street

Extension of -
183.
218.

The draft resolution to lay out and
extend Eddy street, which was reported
from the joint committee on Highways, and
at the last meeting laid on the table,
is taken from the table and re-committed
to said committee.

W.A. Chapman

Moving building
232.

A petition of W. A. Chapman to
move a certain wooden building is pre-
sented, received and referred to the
joint committee on the Fire Department.

Repeal of law relative
to Canvassing.

242.
256.

A draft resolution instructing the
City Solicitor to petition the General
Assembly for repeal of law in relation to

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cauvassing, is presented, read and referred to the joint committee on Ordinances

Appropriations for
Paving
Sidewalks & curbing
217.

The joint committee on Highways make report in print that the appropriations for paving and sidewalks and curbing are nearly exhausted, and recommend the passage of the accompanying resolutions: which report is received, and the following resolutions are thereupon read and passed, viz:-

Resolved.

That the sum of forty-five thousand dollars be and the same is hereby transferred from the reserve fund to the appropriation for paving.

Resolved.

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

Elm Street
Opening to river.
165.

The joint committee on Highways to whom on the 20th of March last were referred petitions of Samuel Lewis Sothern for opening Elm street to the river, make report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution: which report is received and the fol-

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lowing resolution is thereupon read and passed, viz:-

Resolved.

That the Board of Aldermen be and they are hereby requested to remove all the obstructions that now exist on Elm street from Eddy street to the river.

Report on work ordered, and now unfinished.

The Surveyor of Highways, in accordance with a resolution passed by the Board of Aldermen, April 3rd 1871, presents a report of the work ordered by the city council now unfinished, and the estimate cost of the same, which is read and received.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Broad street
Widening to from Greenwich street to Cranston line.

The Special committee to whom on the 11th October 1869 was referred a resolution to examine into and report upon the expediency and probable cost of widening and straightening Broad street from Greenwich street to the Cranston line, make report and recommend the passage of the accompanying resolution: which report is received, and the following resolution is read and passed, viz:-

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Broad Street
continued.Resolved.

That in the opinion of the City Council, it is desirable and necessary to lay out and widen and straighten Broad Street from Greenwich Street to the line of the town of Cranston, making said Broad Street as near as may be, eighty feet wide.

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

Resolved.

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

Resolved.

That the city clerk be hereby directed to give notice of such application as soon as he shall be in-

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formed thereof by the City Solicitor, according to the direction and in the manner required by said Act.

(Non-concurred)

Prospect Square

Improving of.

42.

The joint committee on City Property to whom was referred a resolution relative to improving Prospect Square, make report recommending the adoption of the accompanying plan and resolution: which report is received and the following resolution is read and passed, viz:—

Resolved.

That the sum of Ten thousand and five hundred dollars (\$10,500) be and is hereby appropriated for the purpose of improving Prospect Square, said appropriation to be expended under the direction of the committee on City Property and paid out of the Reserve fund.

Ordinance in relation
to North Burying Ground
amended.

A bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance in relation to the North Burying Ground'" (reported by the joint com-

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mitted on the North Burying Ground) is presented, read and passed.

Bell Towers
Erection of.
133.
211.

The joint committee on the Fire Department to whom on the 13th of February last was referred a communication from the Chief Engineer relative to erection of Bell Towers, make report and recommend the passage of the accompanying resolution; which report is received, and the following resolution is read and passed, viz:—

Resolved.

That the joint committee on the Fire Department be and they are hereby directed to present plans and estimates for two Bell Towers in accordance with the above report.

Steamer No. 2.
Sleeping apparatus.
167.

Said committee to whom was referred a petition of the Board of Engineers for more convenient sleeping apparatus for Steamer No. 2, make report and recommend the passage of the accompanying resolution; which report is received and the following resolution is

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read and passed, viz:—

Resolved.

That Messrs Armington, Sweet, and Aldrich with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and they are hereby directed to select a lot and procure plans and estimates for a building in accordance with the above report, and report the same to the City Council.

Engine House for
Third Ward.

Fire Cisterns.
Appropriation for.
182.

Said committee to whom on the 22nd of March last was referred a communication from the Chief Engineer relative to fire cisterns, make report and recommend the passage of the accompanying resolution; which report is received and the following resolution is read and passed, viz:—

Resolved.

That the sum of three thousand dollars (\$3000) be and the same is hereby appropriated from the funds of the Fire Department for the building of two fire cisterns, said cisterns to be located in the 3rd and 8th Wards

(Non-concurred)

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Moving buildings

Said committee to whom were referred petitions of

Charles Parlingame,

Sidney S. Milliams,

Paul Capen,

137.

Daniel H. Bennett,

John P. Murphy,

Thos. J. Hill,

117.

Alex. R. Springer,

Ebenezer Allen,

all for moving certain buildings; and of

Raising buildings
182.

Lawrence Garrity

Thos. L. Doyle

for raising certain buildings, make reports recommending that the prayer of said petitions be granted; which reports are received, and resolutions in accordance therewith are severally read and passed.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Do

On the recommendation of said

leave to withdraw. Committee

Wm. H. Low,

167.

James Randall,

C. A. P. Mason,

petitioners for leave to raise certain buildings; also

39.

Halter P. Phillips,

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a petitioner relative to the fire alarm telegraph, all have leave to withdraw.

Steam & Hose carriages

78.

And on the recommendation of the same committee, a draft resolution, presented and referred to them on the 19th December last, relative to steam fire engines and hose carriages, is indefinitely postponed, and a draft resolution relative to lighting street lamps by electricity, referred on the 10th October last, is also indefinitely postponed.

Lighting lamps with electricity.

Sever in Market Square

A resolution in the words following having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down, read and passed in concurrence, viz:-

Resolved,

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

(Approved)

A resolution in the words following having passed the Board of Aldermen is sent down, read and passed in

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Concurrence, viz: -

Resolved.

Payment of Un-confirmed Police

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

Wm J. Booth	\$85.25
Frank M. Horton	85.25
Isaac Weaver	85.25
Byron M. Darling	85.25
Alfred S. Keach	85.25
Robert Flynn	85.25
John V. Simonds	85.25
Isaac S. Shippee	85.25

(Approved)

Uncollectable taxes.

Abatement of.

166.

The joint committee on Finance to whom on the 21st of March last was referred a petition of the City Treasurer for abatement of certain uncollectable taxes, make report recommending the accompanying resolution, which report is received and the following resolution is read and passed:

Resolved.

That the City Treasurer be and is hereby directed to abate the several taxes assessed in the year 1868 reported by the Treasurer as uncollectable and amounting to Forty two hundred

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and nineteen and 20/100 dollars as per accompanying list

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Remission of Taxes

137.

165.

The joint committee on Claims to whom were referred petitions of

Geo. C. Elliott, Trustee, &

Stephen Emerson

for remission of certain taxes make report, recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution, which report is received, and the following resolution is read and passed, viz: -

Resolved.

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

Geo. C. Elliott, Trustee Twenty seven dollars

Stephen Emerson, Forty seven and 1/10 dollars.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Sampson, Davenport & Co.

165.

Chas. E. Faine

165.

City Maps.

Said committee to whom were referred claims of Sampson, Davenport & Co. and of Chas. E. Faine for city maps, make report, recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution: which report is received and the following resolution is

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read and passed, viz:

Resolved.

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

Sampson, Danuput & Co. Maps. Three hundred thirty dollars.
Chas. E. Paine, labor preparing for maps, one hundred seventy three dollars.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Remission of taxes.

Said committee to whom were re-

ferred petitions of

165.

Charles H. Snow,

165.

Wm. J. Mitchell,

165.

Hervey Mason,

all for remission of certain taxes; & of

Annie E. Benson

Annie E. Benson,

Allowance for loss of husband.

for an allowance for the loss of her husband, make reports recommending that the petitioners have leave to withdraw: which reports are received, and it is thereupon ordered that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

H. Prov. & Fishkill R.R

Resolved.

Trustees to make report.

That the Trustees now in possession of that portion of the Hartford, Providence and Fishkill Railroad situated

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

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Appropriation for Interest account.

Resolved.

That the sum of Twenty thousand dollars be and the same is hereby transferred from the "Reserved fund" as an additional appropriation to the account of "Interest."

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Governor Street

166.

Bower Street.

166.

The joint committee on Highways to whom were referred the petitions of Geo. H. Paddock & others for receiving Governor street; and of J. M. Talcott, Supt. & others for receiving Bower street, make reports recommending the passage of the

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accompanying resolutions: which reports are received and the following resolutions are read and passed, viz:-

Governor street

Reception of

Resolved.

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

Bower street

Reception of

Resolved.

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

(Concurred,

(Approved,

Battery street

Widening of

99.

410.

The resolution to widen Battery street, which passed the Common Council on the 3^d January last, is returned from the Board of Aldermen with their concurrence therein with an amendment, striking out the words "one half" and substituting the words "three fourths" which amendment is read and passed in concurrence.

(Approved)

A resolution in the words following (re-

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Anna Whipple

Gift to North Burying Ground, accepted

164.

reported back from the committee on the North Burying Ground, is read and passed, viz:-

Resolved.

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

(Concurred,

(Approved,

Pumps & Wells

Appropriation for

166.

The joint committee on Finance to whom on the 20th March last was referred a petition of the Overseer of Pumps and Wells for additional appropriation, make report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution: which report is received and the following resolution is read and passed, viz:-

Resolved.

That the sum of five hundred dollars be and the same is hereby transferred from the Reserved

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fund, as an additional appropriation to Pumps & Mills.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Committee to report on location for Police Station to 3rd Ward.

The following resolution from the Board of Aldermen is read and passed in concurrence, viz:—

Resolved.

That Aldermen Carl and Hopkins with Messrs Armington, Seret and Aldrich of the Common Council be hereby appointed a committee to inquire into and report upon a proper location for a new police station, Engine House and Ward room for the third ward.

(Approved)

Thayer street

Report on lay out referred to Sp. Committee

The following resolution from the Board of Aldermen is read and passed in concurrence, viz:

Resolved.

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

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Broad street (near Snow street) lay out of.

100.

335.

The following resolutions having passed the Board of Aldermen, are sent down, read and passed in concurrence, viz:—

Resolved.

That in the opinion of the City Council, it is desirable and necessary to lay out, widen and straighten Broad street, near Snow street as follows:

commencing on the northerly line of said Broad street at the southwesterly corner of the brick building of the heirs of Jacob Fuller wife, and running westerly, in a straight line, to the southwesterly corner of the estate of James G. Smith, trustee for Mary B. Gladding; and on the southerly side of said Broad street, commencing at the northwesterly corner of the estate of Julia Bullock and running westerly to the present line of Broad street, about sixteen feet westerly of the estate ^{formerly} of Enoch Remington

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

Resolved.

That the City Solicitor be hereby directed to make application to the Supreme Court of this State, for the appointment of Commissioners of estimate and assessment under and according to the act entitled An Act

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Broad Street
(near Snow Street)
Widening of "

in relation to the laying out, enlarging, straightening and otherwise altering streets in the City of Providence; and the City Council hereby direct that in said application, the City Solicitor shall make application, that said commissioners shall apportion and assess one half of the loss and damage thereof upon the persons and estates benefited thereby, in the ratio of the benefits conferred.

Resolved,

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

Dexter Donation

Purchase of fee

260.

The special committee to whom was referred that portion of the Mayor's Address delivered June 6. 1870, relating to the purchase of the fee of the Dexter Donation property, make report accompanied by a draft resolution for the purchase of the same; which report is read and the consideration thereof postponed.

The reports of civil engineers, E. W.

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Point St. Bridge
Reports of Engineers
1871.

Serrell and C. B. Stuart, relative to the Point street bridge, postponed from the last meeting, are taken from the table, whereupon it is

Ordered that said reports be printed in pamphlet form for the use of the city council.

Adjourn

The Common Council adjourn until Monday, May 8th 1871, at 8 o'clock p.m.

Members present.

Present - all the members except
Wells Harris, Parkhurst, Paine, W.
Spencer

J. M. Addeman
Clerk.

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Common Council - April 24. 1871

Special Meeting.

Special meeting.

Pursuant to the Mayor's Warrant, the members of the Common Council assemble in their chamber this day at 7 1/2 o'clock p.m. - the President in the chair and a quorum present.

Quorum present

Record read.

The Record of the last meeting is read and approved.

Mayor's Message

Reasons for meeting

Thayer street.

A Message from the Mayor in the words following is presented and read, viz:

Mayor's Office
City of Providence, April 22. 1871

Gentlemen of the Common Council.

The matter of extending Thayer street in accordance with the report of the Commissioners appointed by the Supreme Court must be decided by the City Council on or before the sixth day of May next. I have therefore convened you at this time in order that you may have opportunity to consider the same.

Thomas A. Doyle
Mayor.

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Thayer street

Lay out of.

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

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

Resolved

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

(Approved)

Ordinance in rela-

tion to the Cove Lands.

236

The joint special committee to whom was referred so much of the Mayor's Address of June 6. 1870 as relates to the Cove Lands report a bill entitled 'An Ordinance in relation to the Cove Lands', recommending the passage of the same;

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which report is received, and said bill is referred to the joint committee on Ordinances with request to report at the next meeting of the Common Council.

Summer street

Lay out of

225.

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

Resolved.

That the Report of the Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment appointed to lay out Summer street from Broad street to Pine street be referred to Aldermen Gardner and Ballou with Messrs of the Common Council to examine and report thereon.

Whereupon it is resolved that the Common Council concur therein and that Messrs Daboll, Hunt and Van Slyck be added to said committee.

(Approved)

Fire Cisterns.

A resolution in the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down, read and passed in concurrence, viz:-

Resolved.

That the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department be hereby authorized

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to cause two fire cisterns to be constructed, one to be located in the Third ward, and one in the Eighth ward, at an expense of not more than three thousand dollars, to be paid for from the appropriation for the fire department.

(Approved)

Bell Towers.

194.

413.

The resolution relative to Bell Towers which passed the Common Council at the last meeting is returned from the Board of Aldermen with their concurrence therein with an amendment striking out the words "in accordance with the above report" and substituting the words "and locations for the same with suitable bells for fire alarm purposes": which amendment is read and passed in concurrence.

(Approved)

Mayor's Message.

Central Bridge.

A Message from the Mayor in the words following is presented and read, viz:-

Mayor's Office

City of Providence April 24. 1871.

Gentlemen of the City Council.

I have received from George F. Wilson Esq. the accompanying memorials requesting that the work of erecting a bridge across the Seekonk river

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may be stopped until after a hearing to be had by the City Council in relation to the location of the said bridge, with a request that I would transmit the same to you for action thereon.

I suggest their reference to a committee to examine the whole matter
Thomas A. Doyle
Mayor.

Central Bridge
Change of location

The accompanying petitions of W. P. Blodgett & others for the purpose named in the foregoing message are read: whereupon it is moved to lay the same on the table: upon which motion the ayes and nays are ordered with the following result, viz:—

Ayes.

Messrs President, Daboll, Fenner, Joslin, Lester, Mauran, Metcalf, Parkhurst, Shaw, C. S. Smith, Snow, W. Spencer, Tucker, Waterman & White. 15

Nays.

Messrs Aldrich, A. J. Barnaby, J. B. Barnaby, Burgess, Claflin, Colwell, Cory, Hunt, Keep, Paine, Persons, Potter, Root, F. M. Smith, & Vanslyck 15

Said motion is therefore lost.

It is then moved to refer said petitions to a joint special committee; upon which mo-

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tion the ayes and nays are ordered with the following result, viz:

Ayes

Messrs Aldrich, A. J. Barnaby, J. B. Barnaby, Burgess, Claflin, Cory, Colwell, Hunt, Keep, Paine, Persons, Potter, Root, F. M. Smith & Vanslyck. 15

Nays.

Messrs President, Daboll, Fenner, Joslin, Lester, Mauran, Metcalf, Parkhurst, Shaw, C. S. Smith, Snow, W. Spencer, Tucker, Waterman & White. 15

Said motion is therefore lost.

It is then moved to indefinitely postpone the same; upon which motion the ayes and nays are ordered with the following result, viz:—

Ayes.

Messrs President, Daboll, Fenner, Joslin, Lester, Mauran, Metcalf, Parkhurst, Shaw, C. S. Smith, Snow, W. Spencer, Tucker, Waterman & White. 15

Nays.

Messrs Aldrich, A. J. Barnaby, J. B. Barnaby, Burgess, Claflin, Colwell, Cory, Hunt, Keep, Paine, Persons, Potter, Root, F. M. Smith, & Vanslyck. 15

Said motion is therefore lost.

It is then ordered that said petitions be received and communicated to the Board

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of Aldermen.

(En B. Ald. leave to withdraw.)

Com. on Point St. Bridge

Resignations of Mayor

& Mr. A. J. Barnaby.

149.

150.

The communications from the Mayor, and Mr A. J. Barnaby of this council, presented the 13th March last, and tendering their resignations as members of the joint special committee on the Point street bridge are taken from the table; whereupon it is

Resolved.

That the resignations of His Honor the Mayor and of Mr A. J. Barnaby as members of said committee be and the same are hereby accepted.

(Non-concurred)

E. W. Serrell C.E.

Payment of services.

150.

295.

The resolution, presented March 13th, to pay the bill of E. W. Serrell, Civil Engineer for services on the Point street bridge is taken from the table, read and passed, as follows, viz: -

Resolved

That the sum of seven hundred and seventy + 80/100 dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the payment of the bill of E. W. Serrell, said bill having been contracted by the Point street Bridge committee and is presented herewith, the same to be charged to the appropriation

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for the Point street Bridge.

Lighting Lamps

Payment of Bills for

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

Whereupon it is resolved that the Common Council concur therein with an amendment inserting the words "and April" and change the word "month" to "months".

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Broad street from Greenwich street to Cranston line

Lay out of.

The following resolution having passed the Board of Aldermen is sent down, read and passed in concurrence, viz: -

Resolved.

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

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Broad Street
cont'd.

lay out, widen and straighten Broad street from Greenwich street to the line of the town of Cranston, so that said street shall be sixty six (66) feet in width from said Greenwich street to the north line of Public street and eighty (80) feet in width from the south line of Public street to the line of the town of Cranston aforesaid.

And whereas certain real estate will be required for that purpose

Resolved.

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

Resolved.

That the City Clerk be hereby directed to give notice of such application

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as soon as he shall be informed thereof by the City Solicitor, according to the direction and in the manner required by said Act.

(Approved.)

Resolved.

That the sum of Five Hundred Dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the reparation of the Building on Richmond street, used for a Ward Room, Steamer Room and for a Station House, to be expended under the direction of the Committee on City Property - said sum to be paid out of the appropriation for Public Buildings.

(Concurred.)

(Approved.)

Engine House on
Richmond St.
Appropriation for.

Paving, and
Sidewalks + Curbing
Appropriations for

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(Street)
234.
254.

The resolution making appropriations for paving, and for sidewalks curbing, which passed the Common Council at the last meeting are returned from the Board of Aldermen with their concurrence therein with amendments striking out the word "forty five" and substituting the word "twenty", and striking out the word "twenty" and substituting the word "ten"; which amendments are read and concurred.

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Broad Street
Contd)

lay out, widen and straighten Broad street from Greenwich street to the line of the town of Cranston, so that said street shall be sixty six (66) feet in width from said Greenwich street to the north line of Public street and eighty (80) feet in width from the south line of Public street to the line of the town of Cranston aforesaid.

And whereas certain real estate will be required for that purpose

Resolved.

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

Resolved.

That the City Clerk be hereby directed to give notice of such application

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as soon as he shall be informed thereof by the City Solicitor, according to the direction and in the manner required by said Act.

(Approved)

Resolved.

That the sum of Five Hundred Dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the reparation of the Building on Richmond street, used for a Ward Room, Steamer Room and for a Station House, to be expended under the direction of the Committee on City Property - said sum to be paid out of the appropriation for Public Buildings.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Engine House on
Richmond St.
Appropriation for.

Paving, and
Sidewalks + Curbing
Appropriations for

190.

(Voted)
234.

254.

The resolution making appropriations for paving, and for sidewalks curbing, which passed the Common Council at the last meeting are returned from the Board of Aldermen with their concurrence therein with amendments striking out the word "forty five" and substituting the word "twenty", and striking out the word "twenty" and substituting the word "ten"; which amendments are read and concurred.

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L. K. Joslin's line
on
Broad Street.

The following resolutions having passed the Board of Aldermen are sent down, read and passed in concurrence, viz:

Resolved.

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

Resolved

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

(Approved)

Eddy Street.
Extension of
189.
447.

The resolution to lay out and extend Eddy street, which at the last meeting was re-committed to the committee on Highways is reported back recommended by said committee, and is read and passed, as follows, viz:

Resolved.

That in the opinion of the City Council it is desirable and necessary to lay

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Eddy St. (cont'd)

out and extend Eddy street of its present width from Washington street to Core street,

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

Resolved,

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

Resolved.

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

(Concurred)

(Approved)

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Removal of obstructions from Highways.

Resolved.

That the Standing Committee on Highways be and they are hereby instructed to ascertain and report at the next meeting of the Common Council whose duty it is, to cause the removal of obstructions at the earliest practicable moment from such streets as may from time to time be obstructed by work connected with the laying of the water pipes and sewers in this city.

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Susan Street Reception of.

47.

The joint committee on Highways to whom was referred the petition of Preston E. Williams et al. for receiving Susan street, make report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution, which report is received and the following resolution is thereupon read and passed, viz: -

Resolved.

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

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Said committee to whom was referred a

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Parade Street Reception of.

47.

like petition for receiving Parade street, make report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution: which report is received and the following resolution is thereupon read and passed, viz: -

Resolved.

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

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Aborn Street Curbing & paving of.

166.

Said committee to whom was referred the petition of the N.S. Braiding Machine Co. for curbing a portion of Aborn street make report, recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution: which report is received and the following resolution is thereupon read & passed viz:

Resolved.

That the Surveyor of Highways, acting under the advice and direction of the Joint Committee on Highways, be, and he is hereby directed to cause the curb stones to be set and the gutters paved on Aborn street from Howell's Avenue to Steel Exchange street.

Concurred

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Raising Buildings

On the recommendation of the joint committee on the Fire department the petitions of

James Randall

C. A. P. Mason

to raise - certain wooden buildings are granted and resolutions in accordance therewith are thereupon read and passed.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

M. Prov. & F. R. Road.

Possession of

254

A draft resolution (from the Board of Aldermen) instructing trustees of Hartford, Providence & Fitchkill Railroad to take active possession and control of said road, is sent down for concurrence, read and referred to the joint committee on Finance.

Yoking District

A draft resolution in regard to establishing yoking districts is presented, read and referred to the joint committee on Ordinances.

Moving Buildings.

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Petitions of

The Perkins Sheet Iron Co.

Hiram F. Page,

Flagg & Ellis,

Michael Kenney,

Michael Mc Hale,

all for permission to move certain buildings, and of

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Raising buildings

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Elias Stoyles,

John W. Shields,

John C. Updike,

John Phillips,

to raise certain buildings, are presented, received and referred to the joint committee on the Fire Department.

George Weeden

Remission of tax.

240.

A petition of George Weeden for remission of tax is presented, received and referred to the joint committee on Claims.

Adjourn.

The Common Council adjourn till Monday May 8 1871 at 8 o'clock p.m.

Members present.

Present - all the members except Messrs Armington, Bradford, Dexter, and Street

J. M. Addiman
Clerk.

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The Common Council met pursuant to adjournment - the President in the chair and a quorum present.

Quorum present

Record.

The reading of the record of the last meeting is dispensed with.

Mo. Report of Chief

Eng of Fire Dept.

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

(Concurred,
(Approved)

Mo. Report of

Harbor-Master.

The Monthly Report of the Harbor-Master is presented, read and received.

(Concurred,
(Approved)

Do.

Dredging in River

The Report of the Harbor Master on Dredging the River is presented, read & received.

(Concurred,
(Approved)

North Burying Ground

Annual Reports

Receipts & Expenditures.

The Annual Reports of the Commissioners of the North Burying Ground of Receipts and Expenditures;

Trust Funds.

also of 'Trust Funds';

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Income from Trust funds

also, "Of Income from Trusts"; which reports are read, received and ordered printed in the usual pamphlet form.

(Concurred,
(Approved)

Summer Street

Lay out of.

210.

The joint special committee to whom was referred the report of the Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment on the lay out of Summer Street, make report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution: which report is received, and the following resolution is read and passed in concurrence, viz:-

Whereas, the Commissioners of estimate and assessment appointed by the Supreme Court at the October term 1869 to lay out Summer Street from Broad Street to Pine Street under and pursuant to the act entitled "An Act in relation to the laying out, enlarging, straightening or otherwise altering streets in the City of Providence", made their first report to said Court on Saturday April 15. 1871.

Now, therefore, within thirty days after the making of said Report to said Court.

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

(Approved)

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Unconfirmed police
Payment of.

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

Resolved.

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

William J. Booth	\$82.50
Isaac Weaver	82.50
Alfred S. Keach	57.75
Robert Flynn	82.50
Frank M. Horton	82.50
Byron M. Darling	82.50
Isaac S. Shippee	82.50
John V. Simonds	82.50

(Approved)

Sewers.
Joint Standing Com.

A communication is received from the Board of Aldermen announcing the appointment of Alderman Gardner as a member of the joint Standing Committee on Sewers.

Salary Ordinance
Amendment of.

A memorial of a committee of the School Committee in reference to salaries of certain teachers, accompanied by a draft ordinance, entitled "An Ordinance

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244.

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in amendment of an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance fixing the Salaries of the Officers of the City of Providence for the year ensuing the first Monday in June A.D. 1871, Approved March 24. 1871", is received and said Ordinance is read and passed; subsequently the vote that said Ordinance pass is reconsidered and the same with the accompanying memorial are referred to the joint committee on Education.

Ordinance relating to
Assessors of taxes
amended.

A bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of the several Ordinances relating to the Assessors of Taxes", is presented, read and passed (providing for clerk in the Transfer Office with salary of \$1000),
(Concurred)
(Approved)

Water Works
Appropriation for.

The joint Committee on Finance to whom on April 10th last, was referred the Sixth Quarterly Report of the Water Commissioners, make report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution: which report is received and the following resolution is read and passed, viz:—

Resolved.

That the sum of four hundred

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

Annual Reports of City Auditor & Treasurer

Said Committee to whom were referred the Annual Reports of the City Auditor and Treasurer make report that they have examined the same and compared with the vouchers and find the same correct, which report is received.

(Concurred).

(Approved)

Ordinance relative to Street Railroads, amended

235

The joint committee on Railroads, to whom was referred a petition of the Union Railroad Co. for repeal of the special tax for use of streets, make report recommending the passage of the accompanying Ordinance which report is received, and a bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance permitting the Providence and Cranston Railroad Company to lay

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rails in certain streets in the City of Providence" is thereupon read and passed. (suspending payment of special tax during pleasure of city council.)

Prov. & Worcester R. R.

Act for moving track.

Said Committee to whom on the 3^d of January last was referred an account of the Prov. & Worcester R. R. Co. for moving track on Water street, recommend that the petitioners have leave to withdraw; which report is received and it is ordered that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Mayor's Message

Contracts of Water Commissioners with Jas. MacDonald & Co.

A Message is received from the Mayor transmitting a communication from the Board of Water Commissioners, relative to contracts with James MacDonald & Co. which communication is read, and the following resolutions are read and passed, viz:-

Resolved.

That the communication from the Water Commissioners be and the same is hereby received.

Resolved,

That the Water Commissioners be and they are hereby au-

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thorized to make such change in the terms of the contract made by them with James Mac Donald & Co. for the construction of Sockanisset Reservoir as they may deem best for the interests of the city.

Decorative Day

Appropriation for

242

A communication is received from the Grand Army of the Republic asking for an appropriation for Decoration Day; and the following resolution is thereupon read and passed:

Resolved,

That the sum of six hundred dollars (\$600) is hereby appropriated to be paid out of the appropriation for Contingencies to Col. Henry Allen, Asst. Quartermaster General, Dept of R. I. Grand Army of the Republic, to defray the expenses of Decoration Day.

(Ara. concurred)

Lockwood Street

Lay out of

189.

The Joint Committee on Highways to whom on the 11th of April last was referred a petition of James Rotherwell et al for laying out Lockwood Street between Pine and Broad streets, report

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advised on the same; and on recommendation of said committee, it is ordered that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Increased School

accommodations.

Report of committee.

The joint committee on Education to whom were referred various requests of the School Committee for increased school accommodations, make report: that they do not recommend the proposed alteration of the Square St. School House, nor, for the present, any expenditure on the Eddy street School House; that there is very great need of a new building on Messer street, but they prefer waiting to ascertain the cost of the one just ordered for Thur. In Avenue, before deciding upon the style of building they would recommend for either Messer street or Atwell's Avenue; and that in relation to the house on Public street they recommend the passage of the accompanying resolution: which report is received, and the following resolution is thereupon read and passed:

Resolved,

Public St. School House

Appropriation for.

That the sum of seven thousand dollars is hereby appropriated for the enlargement and altera-

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after the plan of the Warren St. School House, said
tion of the Public St. School House, said
expenditure to be made under the direction
of the Committee on City Property, and
charged to the appropriation for the
support of Public Schools.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Writing Master for school.

186.

Said committee to whom was referred
a request of the School Committee
for authority to employ a writing
master, make report recommending
the passage of the accompanying
resolution: which report is received,
and said resolution is read and
not passed.

Raising buildings

223.

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The joint committee on the Fire De-
partment to whom were referred petitions of

John Phillips,

Elias Stogles,

John W. Shields,

John C. Updike

all for raising certain buildings; and of

Michael Kenney

N. G. Chapman

Perkins Street Iron Co.

Flogg & Ellis

Michael Mc Hale

John C. Grady

Moving buildings.

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Wiram F. Page

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all for moving certain buildings, make
reports recommending that the prayers of
said petitions be granted: which reports
are received and resolutions in accord-
ance therewith are thereupon read and
passed.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Petitions of

Almira G. Taylor,

Benjamin Greene,

Lurid P. Waterman,

Remission of tax.

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all for remission of certain taxes; of
Dennis J. Regan for re-
imbursement:

Dr J. Regan.

241.

are presented, received and referred to
the joint committee on Claims.

John R. Cooke

Moving buildings.

236.

A petition of John R. Cooke for

permission to remove a certain wooden
building is presented, received and
referred to the joint committee on the
Fire Department.

Uncollectable taxes

Abatement of

252.

A communication from the City
Treasurer relative to abatement of cer-
tain uncollectable taxes is presented,
received and referred to the joint

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Committee on Finance.

Barclay Street

249.

A petition of Henry Brown to the, for re-ception of Barclay street, and for paving & curbing thereon is presented, received and referred to the joint committee on Highways.

Veto Message

Appropriations for paving
and
Siderwalks & Curbing

217.

254.

A Message is received from the Mayor returning with his objections, resolutions which passed this Board on the 10th April last, transferring appropriations from the Reserve Fund to "Paving" and "Siderwalks and Curbing."

It is moved that said resolutions pass the Mayor's objections to the contrary notwithstanding.

It is moved that the further consideration of the subject be postponed till the next meeting. The President (Chas Waterman in the chair), ruling that the subject cannot be postponed, but that action must be taken thereon at this meeting, an appeal is taken from the decision of the chair, pending which the Common Council adjourn until Monday May 15th 1871 at 5 o'clock p. m.

Adjourn.

Present - all the members.

J. M. Coddman, Clerk

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The Common Council meet pursuant to adjournment. The President is in the chair and a quorum present.

Quorum present.

Record.

The reading of the record of the last meeting is dispensed with.

City Treasurer

Mo. Statement.

The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer is presented, read and received.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Ordinance permit-
ting Prov. & Granston
R.R. to use Street

228.

The bill entitled "An Ordinance in amend-ment of an ordinance entitled "An Ordinance permitting the Providence and Granston Railroad Company to lay rails in certain streets of the city of Providence," which passed this Common Council at the last meeting, is returned from the Board of Aldermen with their concurrence therein with an amendment, striking out the words "during the pleasure of the City Council and substituting the words "for one year;" which amendment is read, and it is thereupon ordered that said bill be referred to the joint committee on Rail-roads.

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Ordinance in relation
to the
Cove Lands.209
328.

The joint committee on Ordinances to whom on the 24 April last was referred a bill entitled 'An Ordinance in relation to the Cove Lands', make report recommending the passage of the accompanying substitute bill: which report is received, and said bill is laid on the table with order to print.

Remission of tax

Walter C. Simmons
331.
Elizabeth T. Jones.
297.

Petitions of Walter C. Simmons and Elizabeth T. Jones, for remission of certain taxes, are presented, received and referred to the joint committee on Claims.

D Street

Reception of.
374.

A petition of J. D. Craunston et al for reception of D. Street and for setting curbing and paving gutters thereon is presented, received and referred to the joint committee on Highways.

Moving Buildings

235.

Petitions of

Dennis Mc Carthy
Spencer P. Read
C. K. Richmond
Silas B. Wickes
John B. Cooke,

for permission to move certain buildings, are presented, received and referred to the joint committee on the Fire Department.

Subsequently said committee make re-

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ports recommending that said petitions be granted; which reports are received and resolutions in accordance therewith are thereupon severally read and passed.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Raising Building

C. K. Richmond.

A petition of C. K. Richmond for permission to raise a certain building is presented, received and referred to the joint committee on the Fire Department

Mayor Doyle's

Portrait

Exchange of
259.

A resolution in the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down, read and passed in concurrence, viz:—

Resolved.

That Alderman Ballou with such as the Common Council may add be appointed a committee to confer with His Honor the Mayor relative to exchanging the portrait of His Honor now in the possession of the City for one more satisfactory as a likeness and more creditable to the City as a work of art; with authority to make such exchange.

Whereupon it is resolved that Messrs Keep, Burgess and Persons be added to such committee on the part of the Common Council.

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J. McMillen

Reimbursement of

103

106.

The joint committee on Claims to whom was referred a petition of J. McMillen for reimbursement, make report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution: which report is received, and the following resolution is read and passed, viz:—

Resolved.

That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to pay to J. McMillen the sum of Four hundred ten 98/100 dollars, in full for his bill of damages, when satisfactory receipts in full from all parties interested are obtained, said receipts to be acceptable to the City Solicitor, and said sum to be charged to Contingencies.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Shubael K. Crowell

Claim for damages.

133.

Said committee to whom was referred on the 13th February last a petition of Shubael K. Crowell for damages make report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution: which report is received and the following resolution is thereupon read and passed, viz:—

Resolved.

That the joint committee on Claims be and they are hereby authorized to settle with Shubael Crowell for injuries

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sustained by him as per his petition, provided the sum does not exceed Eight Hundred dollars.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Thomas Miller

Reimbursement of

165.

Said committee to whom was referred a petition of Thomas Miller for reimbursement, make report, recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution: which report is received and the following resolution is read and passed, viz:—

Resolved.

That the joint committee on Claims be and they are hereby authorized to settle the claim of Thomas Miller provided the amount does not exceed the sum of Twenty Dollars, whenever said Miller shall execute the proper papers.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Remission of Taxes

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Said committee to whom at the last meeting were referred petitions of
Almira G. Taylor,
Luriel Waterman,
Benjamin Greene,

all for remission of certain taxes, make reports severally recommending the passage of the accompanying resolutions: which

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reports are received, and the following resolutions are read and passed, viz: -

Almira G. Taylor.

Resolved.

Tax remitted.

233.

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

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Zuriel Waterman

Resolved.

Tax remitted.

233

That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to remit to Zuriel Waterman the sum of Forty 50/100 dollars erroneously assessed in the tax of 1870

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Benjamin Greene

Resolved.

Tax remitted.

233.

That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to remit to Benjamin Greene 3 Ward Twelve 15/100 dollars from the tax of 1870.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Leave to withdraw.

Said committee to whom were referred petitions of

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Chas. C. & H. M. Taber,

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Wm B. Snell,

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George Peckham,

all for remission of certain taxes; also of

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W. R. Huston

Point St. Bridge.

157.

Joseph Capwell, for damages; of Dennis & Jeremiah Regan for reimbursement; and a claim of W. R. Huston for stock furnished and labor performed on the Point Street Bridge, make reports recommending that the petitioners severally have leave to withdraw: which reports are received, and it is thereupon ordered that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Opening & Closing Polls

Alteration of law.

257.

Resolved.

That the City Solicitor be and he is hereby directed to make application to the General Assembly at its next session for an alteration of the Statute in regard to opening and closing the Polls in the City of Providence on Election Day, viz: that they be open from 6 o'clock A.M. until 8 o'clock P.M. instead of from sunrise to sunset as at present.

The foregoing resolution, having passed the Common Council, is returned from the Board of Aldermen with their concurrence therein with an amendment, striking out the words "8 o'clock" and substituting the word "sunset"; which amendment is read and non-concurred.

Thereupon the Board insist on their amendment; and the Common Council is

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sist on their non-concurrence and ask for a committee of conference.

The Board agree to the conference and appoint Ald. Spicer and Snow conferees on the part of the Board.

Canvassing votes.

Alteration of laws.

189,
256.

The joint committee on Ordinances to whom on the 10th April last was referred a draft resolution for repeal of law relative to canvassing, make report recommending the passage of the same: which report is received, and the following resolution is read and passed, viz:—

Resolved.

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

(Concurred)

Resolved.

That Messrs Shaw, Vanslyck and Paine, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add to and they are hereby

Decoration Day

Appropriation for.

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appointed a committee to make, in connection with the officers of the Grand Army of the Republic, arrangements for a suitable observance of Decoration Day.

Resolved.

That the sum of Six Hundred Dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose of defraying the expenses of that day, to be paid by the City Treasurer to the order of said committee and charged to Contingent account.

The foregoing resolutions having passed the Board of Aldermen in concurrence with an amendment striking out the words "in connection with officers of the Grand Army of the Republic"; it is resolved that the Common Council do concur in said Amendment.

(Ald. Coggeshall is added to the Committee by the Board of Aldermen.)

(Approved)

Hemlock street

Lay out &c of.

The following resolution having passed the Board of Aldermen is sent down, read and passed in concurrence, viz:—

Whereas, the Commissioners of estimate and assessment, appointed by the Supreme Court at the October Term 1869, to lay out and widen Hemlock street from Beacon street to Mumford street, under and pursu-

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and to the Act entitled "An Act in relation to the laying out, enlarging, straightening or otherwise altering streets in the City of Providence"; made their first report to said Court on Monday May 15. 1871.

Now, therefore, within thirty days after the making of said report to said Court:

Resolved.

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

(Approved)

Salary Ordinance

amended.

226.

The joint committee on Education to whom at the last meeting was referred a Memorial of committee of the School Committee in reference to salary of certain teachers, make report recommending the passage of the accompanying Ordinance: which report is received and a bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of An Ordinance fixing the Salaries of the Officers of the City of Providence for the year ending the first Monday in June A.D. 1871," is thereupon read and passed.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Highway from Harris

Ave. to Broadway.

189.

The joint committee on Highways to whom on April 10th last was referred a petition of H. C. Snow, Agt. and others for receiving high-

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way from Harris Avenue to Broadway, report that when the petitioners will bring said street to the established grade, they recommend the prayer of the petitioners be granted: which report is received.

(Concurred)

Camp street

Lay out of

58.

Said committee to whom was referred Dec. 5. 1870, a petition of Alex. Burges & others relative to Camp street, make report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution: which report is received, and the following resolution is read and passed, viz:—

Resolved.

That in the opinion of the City Council it is desirable and necessary to lay out, widen and straighten in Camp street of a uniform width of fifty feet from Olney street to North street.

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

Resolved.

That the City Solicitor be hereby directed to make application to the Supreme Court of this State, for the appointment of Commissioners of estimate and assessment, under and according to the Act entitled "An Act in relation to the laying

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Camp street

out, enlarging, straightening and otherwise altering streets in the City of Providence; and the City Council hereby direct, that in said application, the City Solicitor shall make application, that said Commissioners shall apportion and assess their quarters of the loss and damage thereof upon the persons and estates benefited thereby in the ratio of the benefits conferred.

Resolved.

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

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Dudley street

Curbing &c.

188.

Said committee to whom on the 10th of April last was referred a petition of L. P. Hopkinson & others for curbing &c on Dudley street, make report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution: which report is received and the following resolution is read and passed, viz:-

Resolved.

That the Surveyor of Highways acting under the advice and direction of the Joint Committee on High-

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ways be and he is hereby directed to cause the curbstones to be set and the gutters paved on Dudley street from Friendship street east about four hundred and fifty feet.

(Concurred)

x

Almy Street

Curbing &c

Said committee to whom was referred a petition of Benj. Nichols & others for curbing on Almy street make report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution: which report is received and the following resolution is read and passed, viz:-

Resolved.

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

(Concurred)

x

Clemence Street

166.

248.

Parkis Avenue.

248.

Said committee to whom were referred petitions of
 Stephen Thurber & others to set curbstones and pave gutters on Clemence Street; of
 E. A. Groat & others to set curbstones and pave gutters on Parkis Avenue; of
 Henry Brown & others for receiving

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Barclay street; of
John H. Eddy to them for receiving
Bradford street; of

Samuel Woodbury to them relating to
Superior street; also

a draft resolution ordering curbstones
set and gutters paved on Prairie Avenue;
make reports severally recommending the
passage of the accompanying resolu-
tions: which reports are received, and
the following resolutions are severally read
and passed, viz:—

Resolved.

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

(Concurred)

Resolved.

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

(Concurred)

Clemence street

166.

Parkis Avenue.

247.

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Barclay Street

234.

Resolved.

That the Board of Aldermen be
and they are hereby requested to receive
Barclay street from Broadway to Abwell's
Avenue, and declare the same a public
highway, said street having been traveled
for more than twenty years.

(Non-concurred)

Bradford Street

188.

Resolved.

That the Board of Aldermen be
and they are hereby requested to receive
Bradford street from Federal street to Abwell's
Avenue and declare the same a public
highway, said street having been traveled
for more than twenty years.

(Non-concurred)

Superior street.

Resolved.

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

(Concurred)

Prairie Avenue.

189.

Resolved.

That the Surveyor of Highway
acting under the advice and direction of
the Joint Committee on Highways be and
he is hereby directed to cause the curbstones
to be set and the gutters paved on Prairie

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Avenue from the termination of the present curbing near Dudley street to Thurber Avenue.

(Concurred)

Hospital Street.

Removal of obstructions
133.

Said committee to whom was referred a petition of C. B. Manchester to have for widening sidewalk on Hospital street, make Report, recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution: which report is received, and the following resolution is read and passed, viz:—

Resolved.

That the Surveyor of Highway acting under the advice and direction of the joint Committee on Highway &c, and he is hereby directed to cause the obstructions to be removed on Hospital Street at the corner of South Street, forthwith.

(Non-concurred)

Leave to withdraw.

Nelson Hopkins

Pearl St. Sewer.
1103.

Arnold St.

Said committee to whom were referred petitions of Nelson Hopkins, for damages; of Essek Tallman, for Sewer in Pearl Street; of Almira J. Dexter to have for laying out Arnold street; of Patrick Kelly to have for reception

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McCanna Street.

Abby Street

Harris Avenue.

George Street.

Lippitt Street.

Dexter Street.

Thayer Street

Jane Smith-highway.

Wayland Avenue

Washington Street.

Tallman's Lane

Pearl Street

Cold Spring St.

Ives Street

Elingrove & Avenues

Hudson Street
188.

of McCanna street; of L. P. Mead to have for receiving of Abby street; of P. D. B. & C. Co. ^{et al.} for grading of Harris Avenue; of Almira J. Dexter ^{et al.} to receive, set curb and pave gutters in George street; of Edward Peane et al. for the drainage and reception of Lippitt street; of Caleb M. Anthony et al. for curbing of Dexter street; of J. M. Franceville et al. for the continuation of Thayer street; of Jane Smith for repair of highway; of W. A. Harris et al. for curbing and paving gutters on Wayland Avenue; of J. S. Arnold et al. for widening of Washington street; of Allen Shaw et al. for sewer and paving gutters in Tallman's Lane; of Daniel S. Hazard et al. for setting curbstone on Pearl street; of Seth Padelford et al. in reference to Cold Spring street; of W. McLaughlin et al. for grading and curbing of Ives street; of C. C. & H. M. Tabor for reception of Elingrove and Humboldt Avenues; of Jos. E. Handy et al. for receiving

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Williams Street
189.

Hudson street; of
Henry L. Foster et al. for receiving
Williams street from Governor street, East,
make reports recommending that the petitioners
have leave to withdraw: which reports
are received and it is thereupon ordered
that said petitioners severally have leave
to withdraw.

New paving to be
suspended.

Resolved.

That in any street where water
pipes are to be laid or a sewer built, all
new paving to be suspended until such
work be done.

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W.A. Burdick, Agt.

Bill for paving blocks
allowed.

Resolved.

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

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Uncollectable taxes
Abated.

The joint committee on Finance to whom
was referred a communication from the
City Treasurer for the abatement of certain

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uncollectable taxes of 1869, make report
recommending the passage of the accom-
panying resolution: which report is re-
ceived and the following resolution is
read and passed, viz:-

Resolved.

That the City Treasurer be and
he is hereby directed to abate the several
taxes of the year 1869, reported by the
Treasurer as uncollectable, and amount-
ing to Fifty six hundred and twenty
two 7/100 dollars.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Public Market

Report of committee

56.

The joint special committee on a
Public Market, make Report accom-
panied by a draft resolution and
Ordinance, which report is read, received
and ordered printed.

Invitation to join

in Convention.

Resolved.

That His Honor the Mayor and
the Board of Aldermen be invited to join
the Common Council in Convention for the
election of civil officers.

Accepted.

The foregoing invitation having been
accepted the two Boards join in Conve-
tion of the City Council.

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An Convention.

Constables elected.

Mr. Lloyd Bowers and Mr. W. Fletcher
are elected police constables.

Weigher of cotton &c

Samuel W. Pearce is elected a weigher of
cotton and coal.

The two Boards separate.

Mayor's Veto.

Appropriations for
paving &c.
217.
234.

The veto Message of the Mayor, upon
the resolutions transferring appropriations from
the Reserve Fund to "Paving", and "Sidewalks &
Curbing", which, at the time of adjournment
at the last meeting, was under consideration,
is taken from the table. The chair modifies
its ruling relative to postponement of the
subject, and the appeal from the decision of
the chair pending at said adjournment is
withdrawn.

On motion said resolutions are there-
upon indefinitely postponed.

Bills not paid.

Draft resolutions to pay bills of
Soak D. Payne,
Providence Press Co.

In printing for Highway Department, are
presented, read and not passed.

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Fountain street

Paving of.

166.

490.

The joint committee on Highways to
whom was referred, March 20th, a draft
resolution to pave Fountain street, make
report recommending the passage of the
accompanying substitute; which
report is received and said resolution
is read and laid on the table.

Adjourn.

The Common Council adjourn until
Thursday, May 24 1871 at 8 o'clock p.m.

Present - all the members.

J. M. Addeman

Clerk.

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The Common Council meet pursuant to adjournment - a quorum present.

Pres. pro tem.

The President being absent, Mr J. L. Spencer is elected President pro tem.

Record.

The Reading of the record of the last meeting is dispensed with.

Veto Message.

Repeal of law rel. alive to canvassing 189 242.

A Message is received from the Mayor returning with his objections the resolution which passed the City Council on the 15th inst. instructing the City Solicitor to petition the General Assembly for repeal of law in relation to canvassing.

Whereupon it is moved that said resolution pass, the Mayor's objections to the contrary notwithstanding.

Upon which motion the vote is taken by aye and nay, as follows, viz: -

Ayes.

The President pro tem, Messrs Aldrich, G. J. Barnaby, J. B. Barnaby, Clapham, Colwell, Cory, Dexter, Fenner, Hunt, Keef, Maurau, Metcalf, Persons, Potter, Shaw, C. S. Smith, Snow, W. Spencer, Sweet, Tucker, Waterman & White.

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Nays

Messrs Burgess, Daboll, Harris, Joslin, Lester, Paine, Root, & F. M. Smith. 8

Said resolution is therefore passed, the Mayor's objections to the contrary notwithstanding, (more than three fifths of all the persons elected to the Common Council voting in the affirmative.)

(Non-concurred)

Sewer in Point St. &c.

A resolution from the Board of Aldermen, requesting the Board of Aldermen to lay a sewer in Point and other streets, is sent down for concurrence, read and laid on the table to be referred to joint committee on sewers when appointed.

Opening & Closing of Polls. 241.

Upon the disagreeing votes of the two Boards on the resolution, passed at the last meeting, relative to the opening and closing of the Polls, the Common Council appoint as conferees on their part Messrs Waterman, Keef and J. B. Barnaby.

Federal St. Schoolhouse

Final report of Com.

The joint special committee appointed January 13. 1869 for the erection and furnishing of a Grammar School House at the junction of Dean and Federal streets, present their final

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report (showing an unexpended balance in their hands of \$1917.⁵²) which is read, received and the Committee discharged.

Concurred

Approved

H.P. & F. R.R.

Trustees to take active possession of.

222.

The joint committee on Finance to whom was referred April 24. 1871, a resolution from the Board of Aldermen, instructing the trustees of the Hartford, Providence and Fishkill Railroad to take active possession and control of said road; make report, and do not recommend concurrence therein: which report is received, and said resolution is read and non-concurred.

Payment of Coupons in Gold.

Resolution repealed.

87.

The following resolutions, recommended by said committee, are read & passed, viz:-

Resolved.

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

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of Providence, &c and the same are hereby repealed.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Resolved.

H. Prov. & F. R.R.

Payment of interest in currency.

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

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Mayor's portrait.

Exchange of.

237

The joint special committee appointed at the last meeting to confer with His Honor the Mayor relative to exchange of portrait, make report that they have exchanged the one painted

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by Mr Cretel for one painted by Mr John S. Arnold of this city, considered much more satisfactory. which report is received, and the following resolution is passed, viz:-

Resolved.

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

(Concurred)

Fee of Dexter Donahon

Purchase of.

206

The Report of the joint special committee relative to purchase of fee of the Dexter Donahon which on the 10th April last was postponed, is taken from the table, read and again postponed.

Remission of tax

331.

296.

Petitions of Charles Adams, of Cumberland, & Jeremiah A. Sheldon, for remission of certain taxes, are presented, received and referred to the joint committee on claims.

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Bradford Street.

Barclay Street.

Petitions of John H. Eddy & others for curbing a portion of Bradford street; and of Harry Brown & others for curbing and paving Barclay street, are presented, received and referred to the joint committee on Highways.

Bradford Street

Curbing & paving.

Thereupon said committee make report, recommending the passage of the following resolution: which report is received and said resolution read and passed, viz:-

Resolved.

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

(Concurred)

Barclay Street

Curbing & paving.

289.

A resolution to curb and pave Barclay street, recommended by said committee, is read and postponed till the next meeting.

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Penn Street
300.

A petition of Aaron French tothurs
for setting curb and paving gutters on
Penn street is presented, received and
referred to the joint committee on Highways

Sidewalks & Curbing
Appropriation for.

Resolved.

That the sum of six thousand
dollars be and the same is hereby trans-
ferred from the appropriation for highway
to the appropriation for sidewalks and
curbing.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Paving
Appropriation for

Resolved.

That the sum of five thousand
dollars be and the same is hereby trans-
ferred from the appropriation for highways
to the appropriation for paving.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

President W. Binney.
Res. of thanks to.

Resolved.

That the thanks of this Com-
mon Council be and they are hereby
tendered to the Hon. William Binney
for the able and impartial manner in
which he has discharged the duties of
President during the past municipal year.

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Unfinished Business
continued.

Resolved.

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

Adjourn sine die

The Common Council adjourn sine die.

Members present.

Present - all the members except the
President, and Messrs Armington, Brad-
ford and Parkhurst. 4

J. M. Addemare
Clerk.

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1871-72.

Organization of the City Government
for the year ensuing the first Monday in
June A.D. 1871.

City Council
assemble.

This being the day designated by law
for the organization of the city government
for the present municipal year, the members
of the City Council assemble in the Council
chamber at 3 o'clock p.m.

Hon. Thos. A. Doyle
Mayor-elect
engaged.

The certificate of the election of Hon.
Thomas A. Doyle as Mayor, is read by the
City Clerk and the oath of office is ad-
ministered by Hon. Amasa S. Prescott, Judge
of the Municipal Court.

Roll.

The roll of the Aldermen and members
of the Common Council elect is called,
and the following members of the Common
Council together with the Aldermen elect
are duly engaged by the Mayor, viz:—

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Roll of the
Common Council

First Ward

Stillman White Allen J. Brown
Elisha C. Moory

Second Ward

William Binney Amos A. Beckwith
Stephen Waterman Addison G. Fisher.

Third Ward.

Lewis Dexter Benj. W. Persons
Zachariah R. Sucker Clinton D. Sellers.

Fourth Ward

Abner J. Barnaby Wm W. Paine
Wm H. Fenner Chas. F. Phillips

Fifth Ward.

Nelson W. Aldrich Nicholas Van Slyck
Henry A. Long Joshua R. Brown

Sixth Ward

Fred. E. Keep Lewis W. Anthony
Nathl F. Potter Jr. David Cady

Seventh Ward

Jeremiah B. Barnaby John H. Joelin
Lemuel S. Harris James T. Murray

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Roll.

Eighth Ward

Benj. Hunt Jr. Ervin T. Case
Raymond C. Plaw Charles H. Perkins.

Ninth Ward.

Henry T. Root Wm G. Potter
Richard Hayward.

City clerk elected.

Samuel H. Brown is elected City Clerk.

Prayer.

Prayer is offered by Rev. E. M. Stone.

Inaugural address.

An inaugural address relative to Municipal affairs is made by the Mayor.

City officers elected.

The joint convention proceed with the election of city officers for the ensuing year, which being completed, the two Boards separate.

Common Council organized.

The Common Council is called to order by the clerk, J. M. Addeman.

President + Clerk elected.

Mr Nelson W. Aldrich is elected President, and Joshua M. Addeman is elected Clerk of the Common Council for the present municipal year and is engaged by the Mayor in the presence of

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The Board of Aldermen.

Standing rules of order

The Standing Rules of Order of the last Common Council are adopted for the government of the Common Council for the present municipal year.

Standing committees

The following joint standing committees are announced by the President, viz:

- On Finance, Messrs Waterman
Dexter } Ald. Spencer
Tucker
Bradford
- On Highways, Messrs Beckwith
J. R. Brown
Hunt } Ald. Snow
Joslin
- On Education, Messrs Vanslyck
Harris } Ald. Coggeshall
W. Y. Potter
Place
- On the Fire Department
Messrs Bradford
White } Ald. Spicer
Fenner
Keef
- On City Property, Messrs Root
Fisher } Ald. Carle
Perkins
Anthony

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- On Police, Messrs A. J. Barnaby
Case } Ald. Angell
Murray
Hayward
- On Ordinances, Messrs Binney
Case } Ald. Spicer
Mowry
Persons
- On Claims, Messrs Cory
Mowry } Ald. Sotoll
A. F. Potter
Whipple
- On Printing, Messrs J. B. Barnaby
Phillips } Ald. Sotoll
Sellew
A. J. Brown
- On the North Burying Ground
Messrs. Phillip
J. B. Barnaby } Ald. Carle
A. J. Brown
- On the Harbor, Messrs A. F. Potter
Persons } Ald. Sprouge
Cory
- On Railroads, Messrs Keef
Paine } Ald. Brayton
W. Y. Potter
- On Sewers, Messrs Harris
Perkins } Ald. Brayton
Cady
White

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On the reduction of the city debt. Mr Binney.

Resolved.

That Messrs J. B. Barnaby, Phillips, Sellow and A. J. Brown, of the Common Council, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a committee to wait upon His Honor the Mayor and request him to furnish for publication a copy of the address this day delivered by him to the City Council, and to cause the same to be published in such manner as they may deem expedient

Resolved.

That the above named committee be and they are hereby directed to cause
The Standing Rules of the City Council,
The Standing Rules of order of the Common Council,
A list of the Standing committees of the City Council,
A list of the city officers,
and such portions of the record of the organization of the city government as they may deem expedient, to be printed in pamphlet form for the use of the city council, - under the general title of the 'City Manual.'

(Concurred & Ald. Daboll added)

(Approved)

Committee on the
'City Manual'

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Resolved.

That Messrs J. B. Barnaby, Phillips, Sellow and A. J. Brown, of the Common Council, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a committee to contract for the city printing for the present municipal year.

(Concurred & Ald. Daboll added)

(Approved)

Committee to contract
for
City printing

Resolved.

That the joint committee who were appointed to cause the Mayor's address to be printed, be and they are hereby authorized to cause the following Reports to be printed in pamphlet form for the use of the City Council, viz: -

- The Annual Report of the Gauger General,
- The Annual Report of the Commissioners of the North Burying Ground,
- The Annual Report of the Superintendent of the North Burying Ground,
- The Annual Report of the ^{Boards of} Engineers of the Fire Department,
- The Semi-annual Report of the Overseer of the Poor.

(Concurred & Ald. Daboll added)

(Approved)

Committee to print
Annual Reports.

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No. of city documents
to be printed.Resolved.

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

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Bond of
City Treasurer.Resolved.

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

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Committee to expend
Harbor Money.Resolved.

That Messrs N. F. Potter Jr, Persons & Cory, of the Common Council, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a committee for the purpose of expending the money received from the Harbor Master, as already appropriated by Ordinances

(Concurred & Ald. Sprague added)

(Approved)

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Police Court.

Resolved.

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

(Concurred)

Committee on Accounts.

The following named gentlemen are elected by ballot members on the part of the Common Council of the joint committee on Accounts, viz:—

Messrs Henry A. Cory,

Frederick E. Keip,

William H. Paine

Clenton D. Sellar,

James T. Murray.

(In Board of Ald. Ald. Angell & Snow elected by ballot.)

Mayor's address
referred.Resolved.

That the several subjects mentioned in the inaugural address of His Honor the Mayor, delivered this day, be and the same are hereby referred to the proper standing committees (unless otherwise ordered) to examine and report thereon.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

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Fourth of July.

Resolved.

That Messrs Fisher, H. G. Potter and Sellow of the Common Council, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a committee of arrangements for a municipal celebration of the approaching anniversary of American Independence.

Resolved.

That the sum of Five thousand dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose of defraying the expenses of said celebration to be paid by the City Treasurer to the order of said committee from the appropriation for contingencies.

The foregoing resolutions having passed the Board of Aldermen in concurrence with an amendment striking out the word "Five" and substituting the word "Three", the Common Council non-concurs in said amendment.

The Board of Aldermen thereupon insist on their amendment, and the Common Council insist on their non-concurrence, and for a committee of conference, and appoint Messrs Paine, Van Slyck and J. B. Barnaby conferees on their part.

The Board of Aldermen agree to the conference and appoint Ald. Spicer, Spencer and Daboll conferees.

Subsequently, the conference committee

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report that they are unable to agree.

Monthly Report of
Harbor Master

The Monthly Report of the Harbor Master is presented, read and received

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Do.

Dredging.

The report of the Harbor Master on Dredging in May is presented, read and received.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Monthly Report of
City Treasurer.

The Monthly Report of the City Treasurer is presented, read and received.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Do.

Registered Bonds

The Reports of the City Treasurer and the committee on the reduction of the city debt relative to issue of Registered Bonds, are presented, read and received.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Do.

City notes.

The Report of the City Treasurer, relative to issues of city notes is presented, read and received.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

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Semi-annual Report
of
Overseer of Poor.

The semi-annual Report of the Overseer of the Poor is presented, read and received.

(Concurred,
(Approved)

Annual Report
of
Board of Engineers of
Fire Department.

The Annual Report of the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department is presented, read and received.

(Concurred,
(Approved)

Annual Report
of
Trustees of Sinking
Fund of 1893.

The Annual Report of Trustees of Sinking Fund to redeem city bonds due in 1893 is presented, read and received.

(Concurred,
(Approved)

Annual Report
of
Supt. of N.B. Ground.

The Annual Report of the Superintendent of the North Burying Ground is presented, read and received.

(Concurred,
(Approved)

Annual Report
of
Gauger General.

The Annual Report of the Gauger General is presented, read and received.

(Concurred,
(Approved)

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Annual Report of
Inspector of Kerosene.

The Annual Report of the Inspector of Kerosene is presented, read and received.

(Concurred,
(Approved)

Portrait of Hon.
S.W. Brigham.

The report of the special committee to procure a copy of the portrait of the late Samuel W. Brigham, first Mayor of this city, for the purpose of replacing the portrait now hanging in the Council chamber, is presented, read and received.

(Concurred,
(Approved)

Ordinance fixing
Compensation of
Board of Canvassers.

441.

A resolution in the words following having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down, read and passed in concurrence, viz:—

Resolved.

That the joint committee on Ordinances be hereby requested to report an Ordinance fixing the compensation of the Boards of canvassers and clerks.

(Approved)

Lighting Lamps.

A resolution in the words following having passed the Board of Aldermen is sent down, read and passed in con-

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Semi-annual Report
of
Overseer of Poor.

The semi-annual Report of the Overseer of the Poor is presented, read and received.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Annual Report

Board of Engineers of
the Fire Department.

The Annual Report of the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department is presented, read and received.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Annual Report

Trustees of Sinking
Fund of 1893.

The Annual Report of Trustees of Sinking Fund to redeem city bonds due in 1893 is presented, read and received.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Annual Report

Supt. of N.B. Ground.

The Annual Report of the Superintendent of the North Burying Ground is presented, read and received.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Annual Report

Gauger
of General.

The Annual Report of the Gauger General is presented, read and received.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

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Annual Report of
Inspector of Kerosene.

The Annual Report of the Inspector of Kerosene is presented, read and received.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Portrait of Hon.

S.W. Brigham.

The report of the special committee to procure a copy of the portrait of the late Samuel W. Brigham, first Mayor of this city, for the purpose of replacing the portrait now hanging in the Council chamber, is presented, read and received.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Ordinance fixing
Compensation of
Board of Canvassers.

441.

A resolution in the words following having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down, read and passed in concurrence, viz:—

Resolved.

That the joint committee on Ordinances be hereby requested to report an Ordinance fixing the compensation of the Boards of canvassers and clerks.

(Approved)

Lighting Lamps.

A resolution in the words following having passed the Board of Aldermen is sent down, read and passed in con-

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currence, viz: -

Resolved.

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

(Approved)

Payment of unconfirmed Police.

A resolution in the words following having passed the Board of Aldermen is sent down, read and passed in concurrence, viz: -

Resolved.

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

Benjamin F. North	\$85.25
Frank W. Carter	85.25
William J. Booth	85.25
Frank M. Horton	85.25
Isaac Traver	85.25
Robert Flynn	85.25
Byron M. Darling	85.25
Isaac S. Shippen	85.25
John V. Simonds	85.25

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Samuel G. Miller 85.25

(Approved)

Declination of Mr Daniel S. Whipple member-elect.

Mr Daniel S. Whipple, member-elect from the first ward, declines to accept by communication in writing, which is received and his declination accepted.

Election ordered in First Ward.

Resolved.

That an election be held in the first ward for the purpose of electing one member of the Common Council to represent said ward in the place of Daniel S. Whipple who has declined to serve.

Resolved.

That said election be held on the 21st day of June 1871 and that the ballots be sealed up and counted by the Board of Aldermen as provided for by law in the election of city council.

Ordinance to regulate Lamp department.

Resolved.

That the Standing Committee on Ordinances be and they are hereby instructed to report an Ordinance, providing for the administration of the Lamp Department, in like manner with other departments of the city government.

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by a joint standing committee of the City Council, and report ~~the~~ same at the next meeting of the Council.

(B. held. on 15th)

Resolved.

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

The foregoing resolution having passed the Common Council is returned from the Board of Aldermen with their concurrence therein with an

H. Prov. & F. R. R.

Payment of interest in currency.

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amendment adding after the word "gold" ^{the words} "and interest thereon at the rate of seven per cent. per annum."

Whereupon it is ordered that the same be referred to the joint committee on Finance.

A resolution (from the Board of Aldermen) for sewer for drainage of the Manchester street District, is sent down for concurrence, read and referred to the joint committee on Sewers with instructions to report at the next meeting of this Common Council.

The Annual Report of the School Committee, including semi-annual reports of Superintendent, Report on Evening Schools, Dedication of New School House on Federal street &c, together with a document entitled "Speeches at the Dedication of the Hughes School, Dec. 14, 1870," are presented, received and referred to the joint committee on Education.

Sewer for Drainage

of Manchester St. District.

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Annual Report of

School Committee.

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Moving Buildings.

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Petitions of

A. Keane com.

John Donley,

Sylvester Taylor,

Patrick McKeana

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For permission to move certain wooden buildings are presented, received and referred to the joint committee on the Fire Department.

Fourth Ward Room

Accommodations.

A copy of preamble and resolution adopted by the primary meeting of the Electors of the Fourth Ward, relative to the unsafe condition of the ward room thereof, is presented, received and referred to the joint committee on City Property.

James Rothwell

Lockwood + Pearl Str.

338.

A petition of James Rothwell, relative to Lockwood and Pearl streets, is presented, received and referred to the joint committee on Sewers.

Adjourn.

The Common Council adjourn until Monday, June 12, 1871 at 8 p.m.

Present - all the members except Messrs. Binney + Bradford 2.

M. Addeman
Clerk.

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Common Council - June 12, 1871

The Common Council met pursuant to adjournment - the President in the chair and a quorum present.

Record read.

The Record of the last meeting is read and approved.

Vacation Schools.

A communication from the President of the School Committee requesting an appropriation of \$4000 for maintaining six vacation schools is presented, received and referred to the joint committee on Education.

Said committee make report, recommending the passage of the following resolution, which report is received and said resolution read and passed:

Resolved.

That the sum of Nine Thousand and dollars is hereby appropriated out of the appropriation for public schools for the purpose of maintaining such number of vacation schools not exceeding six in all as the school committee may deem expedient.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

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Normal School.
1871.

Said committee to whom on the 10th day of April last was referred a communication from the Trustees of State Normal School relative to location of said school, make report that they do not deem any action necessary, - which report is received.

Annual Report of
School Committee
281.

Said committee to whom at the last meeting were referred the Annual Report of the School Committee and the documents accompanying the same, make report recommending the passage of the following resolution, which report is received and said resolution read and passed, viz: -

Resolved.

That one thousand copies of the Annual Report of the School Committee and the accompanying documents be printed under the direction of the joint standing committee on Printing.

(Concurred,

(Approved,

Boards of Canvassers.

Rules & for.

Resolved.

That Messrs Paine, Vanduyck, Watroman and such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and they are hereby appointed a committee to prepare a list of Rules and Regulations

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for the government of the different Boards of Canvassers of this City in order that the system of canvassing in each Ward shall be perfectly uniform.

(Non-concurred,

Resolved.Instruction to
City Clerk.
Printing resolutions.

That the City Clerk is hereby instructed not to print in pamphlet form any resolution of the City Council until it shall have become valid in accordance with the provisions of the City Charter.

(Concurred,

(Approved,

Decoration Day

Report of committee.

242.

The joint special committee appointed on the 15th of May last to make suitable arrangements for the commemoration of Decoration Day, make report that they have attended to the duty assigned them, and return to the City Treasurer the unexpended balance of \$4.88 as per accompanying vouchers, - which report is read and received.

(Concurred,

(Approved,

The joint committee on the Fire Department to whom at the last meeting were

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Normal School.
1871.

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School Committee
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Resolved.

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(Concurred,

(Approved,

Boards of Canvassers.

Rules & for.

Resolved.

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for the government of the different Boards of Canvassers of this City in order that the system of canvassing in each Ward shall be perfectly uniform.

(Non-concurred)

Resolved.

That the City Clerk is hereby instructed not to print in pamphlet form any resolution of the City Council until it shall have become valid in accordance with the provisions of the City Charter.

(Concurred,

(Approved,

Instruction to
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(Concurred,

(Approved,

The joint committee on the Fire Department to whom at the last meeting were

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Moving buildings.

referred petitions of

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281.

Patrick McKeena,

for permission to remove certain buildings, make favorable reports thereon, which reports are received, and resolutions granting the prayers of said petitions are read and passed.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Mo. Report of Chief
Eng. of Fire Dept.

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

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Mayor's Message on
Reform School.
referred.

Resolved.

That so much of the Message of His Honor the Mayor, delivered on the 5th inst. as relates to the Providence Reform School, be and the same is hereby referred to the joint committee on Police to examine and report thereon.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Resolved.

That Messrs Beckwith, Perkins and Cady and such as the Board of

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Detrimental use
of public streets.
313.

Aldermen may add to and they hereby are appointed a committee to examine and report whether any individuals or corporations are using our streets to the detriment of the public, and if so, what steps are necessary to be taken to prevent such use.

(Concurred & Ald. Brayton added)

(Approved)

Sewer for
Manchester St. District.

241.

The joint committee on Sewers to whom at the last meeting was referred a resolution (from the Board of Aldermen) for sewer for drainage of the Manchester street District, make report recommending concurrence with the Board of Aldermen in the passage of the same: which report is received and said resolution in the words following is thereupon read and passed in concurrence, viz:-

Resolved.

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

(Approved)

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Fourth of July.

The resolutions making appropriation for a municipal celebration of the Fourth of July, upon which at the last meeting the committee of conference reported that they were unable to agree, are taken from the table. Upon motion, the Common Council recede from their vote of non-concurrence and concur in the amendment of the Board of Aldermen.

(Approved)

Resolved.

Do.
Additional appropriation - for Fireworks.

That the sum of Two thousand dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for Fire Trunks for the approaching Municipal celebration of the 4th of July, said sum to be paid by the City Treasurer to the order of the committee of arrangements for said celebration out of the appropriation for contingencies.

Ordinance in relation to North Burying Ground amended.

A bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance in relation to the North Burying Ground'" is presented and referred to the joint committee on Ordinances.

Said committee thereupon make report

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recommending the passage of the same, which report is received and said Ordinance is read and passed.

Ord. in relation to the removal of wooden buildings

Amendment of.

314.

A bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of an ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance in relation to the removal of wooden buildings'" is presented, read and referred to the joint committee on Ordinances.

Allen Baker.

Bills paid.

Resolved

That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to pay to Allen Baker Two hundred and thirteen & 96/100 dollars, the same being the amount of his claim for bills rendered for material and labor furnished in the years 1865 + 1866 for repairs on city property and charge the same to the appropriation for contingencies.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Barclay Street

Curbing & paving.

261.

The Resolution to set curbstones and pave gutters on Barclay Street, reported by the joint committee on Highways on the 24th of May last

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and postponed till the next meeting is taken from the table, and in the following words is read and passed, viz:-

Resolved.

That the Surveyor of Highways, acting under the advice and direction of the joint committee on Highways, be and he is hereby directed to cause curbstones to be set and gutters paved on Barclay street from Broadway to Atwell's Avenue.

(Concurred)

x

A draft resolution to exchange the chandeliers in the Council Chamber, is presented, read and referred to the joint committee on City Property.

Chandeliers in the Council chamber. Exchange of. 297.

Bills of

William S. Haines, and John Howe,

for services as Engineers relative to Point St. Bridge, are presented, received and referred to the joint committee on Accounts.

Bills of Engineers. 312. 312.

A petition of Patrick Mulvey for permission to remove a certain wooden building is presented, received and re-

Patrick Mulvey Moving building. 298.

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ferred to the joint committee on the Fire Department.

Claims of

Claims of G.H. Copeland & Co. 312. W. Barstow & Co. 359.

G. H. Copeland & Co. for damages, Wm Barstow & Co. for carpeting office of Inspector of Milk, are presented, received and referred to the joint committee on Claims.

Petitions of

Ford Street 301. Gilmore Street 316.

Mary Hopkins & others for setting curb and paving gutters on Ford Street; of Hiram Taft & others for reception of Gilmore street, are presented, received and referred to the joint committee on Highways.

Adjourn.

The Common Council adjourn until Monday July 10, 1871, at 8 o'clock p.m.

Present - all the members except Messrs Bradford & Tucker 2.

M. Addeman Clerk

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Special Meeting.

called pursuant to the Mayor's Warrant, dated June 17. 1871.

Pursuant to said warrant the members of the Common Council assemble in their chamber this day at 8 p.m. the President in the chair and a quorum present.

Mayor's Warrant.

The reading of the Mayor's Warrant is dispensed with.

Record read.

The record of the last meeting is read and approved.

Mayor's Message

Reason for meeting

Fourth of July.

A Message from the Mayor in the words following is presented and read, viz

Mayor's Office
City of Providence June 21. 1871.

Gentlemen of the City Council.

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

Thomas A. Doyle
Mayor.

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Fourth of July

Additional appropriation

A resolution in the words following having passed the Board of Aldermen is sent down, read and passed in concurrence, viz

Whereas, a communication has been received from responsible parties offering to contribute from \$1000 to \$1500 for the purpose of providing an exhibition of fireworks for the evening of July 4th; therefore

Resolved.

That the City Council do hereby increase the appropriation for July 4th by adding thereto the sum of \$1000 the same to be used for fireworks.

Cory Brothers

Fireworks. 4th July.

A communication from Cory Bros relative to furnishing fireworks for July 4th is presented, received and referred to the joint special committee on the celebration of Fourth of July.

Mayor's Message.

Boundary Line between City and Cranston.

A Message from the Mayor in the following words is presented and read:

Mayor's Office
City of Providence June 21. 1871
Gentlemen of the City Council
The City Engineer has called my attention to the fact that since

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The annexation of a portion of the town of Cranston to this city, no permanent bounds have been placed on the present boundary line of the two towns, and the marks made by the City Engineer when surveying the line, are becoming obliterated.

I recommend that authority be given to a committee to cause suitable bounds to be placed on the line, provided the town of Cranston will appoint a similar committee for the same purpose, which I have no doubt will be done.

Thomas A. Doyle
Mayor.

Resolved.

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

(Concurred. Ald. Daboll added.)

A resolution in the words following

Bounds to be placed
on boundary line between
City and Cranston.

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Edward W. Serrell
Bill allowed.
214.

Having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down, read and passed in concurrence, viz: -

Resolved.

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to pay Edward W. Serrell of New York the sum of seven hundred and twenty dollars and eighty cents, being in payment in full for his expenses and services as civil engineer in making an examination and report upon the Point Street Bridge: said sum to be paid from the appropriation for said bridge.

Register of Transfers,
Appropriation for assistance.

A resolution in the words following
Having passed the Board of Aldermen is sent down, read and passed in concurrence, viz: -

Resolved.

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

The joint committee on Claims to whom was referred a bill of the Hope

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Hope Iron Works
Bill allowed. Iron Works make report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution, which report is received and the following resolution is read and passed, viz:—

Resolved

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to pay to Hope Iron Works Fifteen dollars and nine cents, the same being for labor and materials furnished in repairs at the Police Station on Richmond street, the same to be paid out of the appropriation for public buildings.

(Concurred)

Jeremiah A. Sheldon

Tax refunded.

260.

Said committee to whom was referred a petition of

Jeremiah A. Sheldon,

for remission of tax, make report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution: which report is received, and the following resolution is read and passed, viz:—

Resolved.

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to refund the sum of Thirteen dollars and fifty cents and interest to Jeremiah A. Sheldon, said amount having been erroneously assessed against

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him in the City tax of 1870, he being at the time of assessment of said tax a resident of the Town of North Providence.

(Concurred)

Elizabeth T. Jones

Leave to withdraw.

236.

Said committee to whom was referred a petition of

Elizabeth T. Jones, for remission of tax, report adversely upon the same, which report is received, and it is thereupon ordered that said petitioner have leave to withdraw.

Chandeliers in Council

Chamber.

Exchange of.

290.

The joint committee on City Property to whom at the last meeting was referred a draft resolution to exchange chandeliers in the Council chamber, make report recommending the passage of the same, which report is received, and said resolution read and passed, as follows, viz:—

Resolved.

That the joint standing committee on City Property be and they are hereby directed to exchange the chandeliers now in the Council Chamber for suitable gas reflectors, the cost of the same to be paid for out of the appropriation for Public Buildings.

(Concurred)

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Moving buildings.

A petition of the
Fletcher Mfg Co.

for permission to remove a certain building is presented, received and referred to the joint committee on the Fire Department.

Said committee to whom were referred the foregoing, and also petitions of

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Sydney Taylor,

Wm A. Harris,

290.

Patrick Mulvey,

281.

John Donley.

for permission to remove certain wooden buildings, make favorable reports thereon, which reports are received, and resolutions granting said petitions are read and passed.

(Concurred)

Resolved.

Invitation to join in Convention.

That His Honor the Mayor and the Board of Aldermen be invited to join the Common Council in convention for the transaction of such business as may legally come before them.

Accepted.

The foregoing invitation having been accepted, the two boards join in Convention of the city council.

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In Convention.

Deputy Gaugers

The nominations of Amos Potter and Robert Sherman as Deputy Gaugers, by the Gauger General, are confirmed.

Fence Viewer

Mr J. Erastus Lasker declines to accept the office of Fence Viewer, and Franklin Olds is elected in his stead.

Constables.

The nominations of Daniel G. Briggs, Samuel Merry, and Thos. Francis Landy for Constables are referred to the joint Committee on Police.

Do.

On the recommendation of the same committee, Charles Barrows, Michael Etadock and Jabez C. Potter are elected Constables, and Jabez N. Holmes a police Constable without power to serve civil process.

The two boards separate.

Courtland Street

Curbing etc. of.

The joint committee on Highways to whom was referred a petition of Eliza G. Richardson and others for curbing of Courtland street, make report recommending the passage of the accompa-

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nying resolution, which report is received and the following resolution is read and passed, viz:-

Resolved.

That the Surveyor of Highways acting under the advice and direction of the joint committee on Highways, &c. and he is hereby directed to cause curb stones to be set and gutters paved on Courtland street from Broadway to Penn that a distance of about seven hundred feet.

(Concurred)

Penn Street

Curbing &c. of.

262.

Said committee to whom was referred a petition of Aaron French & others to curb Penn street, make report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution: which report is received and the following resolution is read and passed, viz:-

Resolved.

That the Surveyor of Highways, acting under the advice and direction of the joint committee on Highways &c. and he is hereby directed to cause curb stones to be set and gutters paved on Penn street from Albany to Courtland that a distance of about four hundred feet.

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the expense of the same to be charged to the appropriation for highways.

The foregoing resolution is returned from the Board of Aldermen with their concurrence therein with an amendment striking out all after the word "feet", which amendment is read and concurred.

Ford Street

Withdraw.

291.

Said committee to whom was referred a petition of Mary Hopkins & others for setting curbing and paving gutters on Ford street, report adversely against the same, which report is received, and it is thereupon ordered that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Erection of School-houses.

The joint committee on Education to whom was referred on the 10th of April last a communication from the President of the School committee relative to the erection and reparation of certain school houses, make report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution to build school houses on Stwell's Avenue and Ellyer streets and to repair school house on Bridgman street, which resolution is read and recommended to said committee.

Said committee make report

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subsequently recommending the passage of the accompanying resolutions: which report is received and the following resolutions are thereupon read and passed, viz:—

Resolved.

Atwell's Avenue

School-house on

363.

That Messrs Root, Fisher, Perkins and Anthony with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a committee to cause a school house to be erected on Atwell's Avenue between Board and Tower streets in accordance with plans herewith submitted, the same to be used for primary and intermediate schools, providing the expense of building and furnishing the same shall not exceed the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars, which sum is hereby appropriated for the above named purpose, to be paid out of the appropriation for School Houses.

Resolved.

Messer & Willow Street

School-house on

186.

363.

That Messrs Root, Fisher, Perkins and Anthony with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a committee

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to cause a school house containing eight rooms similar in arrangement to the school house on Warren street to be erected of brick upon the city's land corner of Messer and Willow streets, providing the expense of building the same shall not exceed the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars, which sum is hereby appropriated for the above named purpose, to be paid out of the appropriation for School Houses.

Resolved

Bridgham Street
School House
to be repaired to

186.

That Messrs Root, Fisher, Perkins and Anthony with such as the Board of Aldermen may add be and they are hereby appointed a committee to cause the school house on Bridgham street to be altered and repaired in accordance with plans herewith submitted, provided the expense of the same shall not exceed the sum of Ten thousand dollars, which sum is hereby appropriated for the above purpose, to be paid out of the appropriation for School Houses.

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Adjourn

The Common Council adjourn until Monday July 10. 1871 at 8 o'clock p.m.

Present - all the members except Messrs Binney, Bradford, Murray, Perkins, N. F. Potter, Jr, Tucker and Washburn.

J. M. Alderman
Clerk.

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Quorum present

President pro tem.

Record read.

Mr. A. Metcalf engaged.

Mayor's Message.

Point St. Bridge Testing of.

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

The President being absent, Mr Van Slyck is elected President pro tem.

The Record of the last meeting is read and approved.

The certificate of election of Mr Alfred Metcalf as a member of this Common Council is presented and read; and Mr Metcalf being present he is duly engaged by the Mayor.

A Message from the Mayor in the words following is presented and read, viz:-
Mayor's Office
City of Providence July 10. 1871
Gentlemen of the City Council.

The committee appointed to superintend the erection of a bridge at Point Street are I understand nearly ready to report the completion of the bridge. In view of the severe structures made upon the character of the work by Genl Serrell it seems proper that the bridge

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should be thoroughly tested before being thrown open for public travel. This test should be under the direction of competent persons not connected with the city government. Fortunately we have such who are residents of our city and whose judgment can be taken as conclusive. I need only refer to gentlemen like Samuel B. Cushing, J. Albert Munroe or James C. Bucklin, either or all of whom I have no doubt would perform the duty if requested to do so by the City Council.

Such a test as I suggest would I think be approved by the committee now in charge of the work and I therefore invite your immediate attention to the matter.

Thomas A. Doyle
Mayor.

Res. to test the Point

Street Bridge.

A draft resolution appointing a committee for the foregoing purpose is presented, read and laid on the table.

School Committee
request for appropriation
for teaching
French + Penmanship
324.

A communication from the President of the School Committee asking for an appropriation of \$500. for instruction in French in the High School, and of \$250 for teaching penmanship in the public schools, is presented, received and referred to the Committee on Education.

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Mo. Report of
Harbor Master

The Monthly Report of the Harbor Master is presented, read and received.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Do

Dredging harbor. The Monthly Report of the Harbor Master on dredging the Harbor is presented, read and received.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Mo. Report of
City Treasurer

The Monthly Report of the City Treasurer is presented, read and received.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Mo. Report of
Chief Eng. of the
Fire Dept.

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

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Quarterly Report of
Surveyor of Highways.

The Quarterly Report of the Surveyor of Highways for quarter ending May 31. 1871 is presented, read and received.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Quarterly Report of
Water Commissioners

The Seventh Quarterly Report of the Water Commissioners is presented, received and

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ordered printed in pamphlet form for the use of the City Council.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Unconfirmed Police

Payment of.

A resolution in the words following having passed the Board of Aldermen is sent down, read and passed in concurrence.

Resolved.

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

Wm. T. Robinson	\$82.50
Benj. F. North	77.00
Wm. J. Booth	82.50
Frank W. Carter	82.50
Frank M. Horton	82.50
Isaac Weaver	82.50
Byron M. Darling	55.00
Robert Flynn	82.50
Saml G. Wilbur	13.75
Byron H. Arnold	82.50
Isaac S. Shipp	82.50
John V. Simonds	82.50

(Approved)

A resolution in the words following having

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

Cross-walks ordered.

Resolved.

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

Across C. Street at Central Street.

Across Market Square from the City Building to the south walk of Fry Street Bridge.

(Approved)

John H. Lonsdale's
Claim for damages
North Main St.
referred.

A resolution in the words following having passed the Board of Aldermen is sent down, read and passed in concurrence, viz:—

Resolved.

That Messrs Spicer and Prayton with such as the Common Council may add be appointed a committee to confer with John H. Lonsdale relative to his claim against the city of Andover for damages on account of change of grade in North Main Street and that said committee have full authority to settle and arrange the same, provided a satisfactory adjustment can be made.

Messrs Fisher, Mowry and Cory are added to said committee.

(Approved)

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East Turnpike
Reception of.

A resolution in the words following having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down, read and passed in concurrence, viz:-

Resolved.

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

(Approved)

Prospect Square

Improvement of
344.

A resolution (from the Board of Aldermen) to procure plans and estimates for improvement of Prospect Square is read and referred to the joint committee on City Property.

Drain pipe from Green-
wich St. to Bucklin St.

326.

A resolution (from the Board of Aldermen), for laying a drain pipe from Greenwich street to sewer in Bucklin street, is read and referred to the joint committee on Sewers.

Interest.
Appropriation for

The following resolutions recommended by the joint committee on Finance are read and passed, viz:-

Resolved.

That the sum of Thirty-five thousand dollars be and is hereby added to the appropriation for interest out of

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any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Resolved.Premium on gold
added to appropriation
for interest.

That the premium on gold paid on Coupons due January 1. 1871 on Bonds of City of Providence payable in 1876 amounting to Sixteen hundred and forty & 60/100 dollars be and is hereby added to the appropriation for interest on Bonds payable in 1876, and the premium on gold paid on coupons due March 1. 1871, on Bonds of City of Providence payable in 1885 amounting to Nineteen hundred and eighty dollars be and is hereby added to the appropriation for interest on Bonds payable in 1885 out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Hiring of money.

Resolved.

That the City Treasurer acting under the advice and direction of the Joint Standing Committee on Finance be and is hereby authorized to hire such sums of money as may be necessary to pay all notes of the City of Providence as they may become due.

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(Non-concurred)

W^m S. Haines v
John Howe.
Claims allowed.

290

The joint committee on Claims to whom on the 12th of June last was referred bills of William S. Haines and

John Howe

for services as Engineers on the Point Street Bridge, make report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution: which report is received and the following resolution is read and passed, viz:

Resolved.

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

(Concurred)

(Approved)

G. H. Copeland & Co.
Claim allowed.

291

Said committee to whom on the same date was referred a bill of

G. H. Copeland & Co.

for damages, make report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution: which report is received and the following

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resolution is read and passed, viz:—

Resolved.

That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to pay to G. H. Copeland & Co. the sum of Twenty two dollars and twenty five cents, the same being in full for their claim for damage to sleigh on the night of February 2^d 1891, said sum to be paid out of the appropriation for highways.

Detrimental use
of
Streets.
(P. & W. R. R. Co.)

287.
330.

The joint special committee appointed on the 12th June last to examine and report whether any individuals or corporations are using the streets to the detriment of the public make report and recommend the passage of the accompanying resolution directing the City Clerk to notify the President of the Providence & Worcester Railroad Corporation that on and after the first day of July 1892 they will not be permitted to carry their coal and other through freight across Market Square in this city, which report is received.

A motion to refer the foregoing report and resolution to the Joint Committee on Railroads is lost by vote of 14 to 14, and thereupon it is ordered that the same be postponed till the next meeting of the Common Council.

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Sewerage
Appropriation for.

Resolved.

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

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Ordinance in relation to
removal of wooden
buildings - amended.

289.

A bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance in relation to the removal of wooden buildings'", recommended by the joint committee on Ordinances, is presented, read and passed.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Ordinance prohibiting
certain animals from
going loose &c.

A bill entitled "An Ordinance prohibiting certain animals from going loose or unfastened in the streets of the city of Providence", is presented, read and referred to the joint committee on Ordinances.

Said committee subsequently make report recommending the passage of the same, which report is received and said bill is read and passed.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

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Ordinance in relation to
No. Burying Ground.
amended.

A bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of an ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance in relation to the North Burying Ground'", having passed the Board of Aldermen is sent down, read and referred to the joint committee on Ordinances.

Said committee subsequently make report recommending the same, which report is received and said bill is thereupon read and passed in concurrence.

(Approved)

Cove Street-
Work suspended.
166.

The joint committee on Highways to whom on the 20th March last was referred a draft resolution directing Surveyor of Highways to suspend work on Cove street, make report recommending the passage of the same: which report is received, and the following resolution is thereupon read and passed, viz: -

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

Resolved.

That the Surveyor of High-

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ways be & is hereby directed to suspend all action in the paving of Cove street, until ordered by this Council to proceed with the same

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Gilmore Street

Reception of 291.

Said committee to whom was referred on the 12th June last, a petition of Howard Lupton & others for reception of Gilmore street, make report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution which report is received and the following resolution is read and passed, viz:—

Resolved.

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

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Dyer St. Widening 325 69.

South Water St. Do 69. 325.

The Report of Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment on the widening of Dyer street; also, the Report of the Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment

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on the widening of South Water street, are presented and read.

Resolutions electing to widen Dyer street from Heybasset Bridge to Pine street, and South Water street from Heybasset Bridge to Crawford street, are presented, read and laid on the table.

Fourth of July

Report of Committee

The Report of the joint special committee on the municipal celebration of 4th of July inst. is presented, read and received.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Rt. Rev. Thos. M. Clark
Orator 4th of July.
Vote of Thanks.

Resolved.

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

Resolved.

That the committee of arrangements for said celebration be hereby instructed to wait upon the Right Reverend Bishop and request of him a copy of said

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oration for publication and to cause the same to be printed in such manner as they may deem expedient for the use of the City Council.

(Concurred,
(Approved)

Moving Buildings

Petitions of

Wm. D. Sherman,

E. G. W. Bartlett,

Timothy Hughes,

for permission to move certain buildings;

Raising buildings

Bela W. P. Bennett,

E. G. W. Bartlett,

Patrick Mc Gough,

John Dwyer,

for permission to raise certain buildings, are presented, received and referred to the joint committee on the Fire Department.

Said committee subsequently make reports recommending that the prayers of said petitions be granted: which reports are received, and resolutions in accordance therewith are thereupon read and passed.

(Concurred,
(Approved)

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Cove Basin:

A draft resolution relative to the Cove Basin is presented, read and laid on the table.

Petitions of

Hope Street
415.

Amos D. Smith & others for the widening and straightening of Hope street; of

Tallman's Lane.

Allen Shaw & others for grading and paving Tallman's Lane, and for drain in the same; of

Catharine Regan
373.

Catharine Regan for compensation for damages; of

Sprague Street.
457.

The Perkins Sheet Iron Co. and others for reception of Sprague Street; of

Harrison Street.

The Perkins Sheet Iron Co. and others for reception of portion of Harrison Street; also

Elm Street.
419.

a draft resolution for removing obstructions from Elm Street to the Harbor line, are severally presented, received and referred to the joint committee on Highway.

Sabin St. Sewer
338.

A draft resolution for making an opening in Sabin Street Sewer at corner of Sabin Street and Broadway; also

Waterman Street
Drainage of.
325.

a petition of S. S. Bradford & others for drain on Waterman Street, are sever.

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ally presented, received and referred to the joint committee on Sewers.

Limit of time of sale of liquor. 419.

A petition of James B. Wines & others to limit the time of sale of intoxicating liquors, is presented, received and referred to the joint committee on Ordinances.

Union R.R. Co.

Damage from introduction of water. 329.

A petition of the Union Railroad Co. for reparation and protection in relation to the introduction of water is presented, received and referred to the joint committee on Railroads.

Music stand on Cove Promenade.

Irving Street 354.

A draft resolution relating to music stand on the Cove Promenade; also a draft resolution to close up Irving Street, are presented, received and referred to the joint committee on City Property.

Margaret Wyke

Claim for damage. 375.

A petition of Margaret Wyke for compensation for damages is presented, received and referred to the joint committee on Claims.

Adjourn.

The Common Council adjourn till Monday July 17. 1871 at 8 o'clock p.m.

Present - all the members except the President, Messrs Anthony, Bigney, Bradford, White & Murray - 6. M. Aldermany Clerk.

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The Common Council met pursuant to adjournment - the President in the chair and a quorum present.

Record read.

The Record of the last meeting is read and approved.

Mr. Gideon Bradford

engaged.

Mr. Gideon Bradford, member-elect from the 9th ward, being present is duly engaged by the Mayor.

Estimate of receipts and Expenditures.

A communication from the City Auditor submitting an estimate of the Receipts and Expenditures of the City of Providence for the financial year ending on the 31st of September A.D. 1872, is presented, read and referred to the joint committee on Finance.

H. Prov. & F. R.R. Co.

Payment of coupons in current funds.

Resolved,

That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to receive in current funds from the trustees of that portion of the railroad of the Hartford, Providence and Fishkill Railroad Company located in the State of Connecticut, the amount due upon the coupons payable January 1. 1871, upon the bonds of

July 17, 1871.

Said railroad company held by the City of Providence with interest thereon at the rate of seven per cent. per annum from January 1, 1871 until the date of payment and after paying therefrom a sum equivalent to the amount by him paid in gold and interest thereon at the rate of seven per cent per annum to redeem the coupons due January 1, 1871 upon the City Bonds issued to said railroad company, to pay the balance to the trustees of the sinking fund for the redemption of said city bonds

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Tax Bill

1871 - 1872.

332.

A bill entitled "An Ordinance providing for the assessment and collection of a tax upon the real and personal estate in the City of Providence"; recommended by the joint committee on Finance, is presented, read and passed.

The foregoing bill is returned from the Board with their concurrence therein with an amendment striking out the words "one dollar and forty cents" and substitute the words "one dollar and thirty five cents," which amendment is read and non-concurred.

The Board insist on their amendment. The Council insist on their non-concurrence.

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ask for a committee of conference and appoint Messrs. Waterman, Dyer, Tucker and Bradford conferees on their part.

The Board agree to a conference and appoint Aldermen Snow, Sprague and Spicer conferees on their part.

Appropriation for

School Houses & Lots.

A resolution in the words following having passed the Board of Aldermen is sent down, read and passed in concurrence, viz:—

Resolved.

That the sum of seven thousand dollars be and the same is hereby transferred from the appropriation for Public Schools to the appropriation for School Houses and Lots, and that the expenses for the enlargement and alteration of the School House on Public Street (under the resolution approved May 11, 1871) be charged to the appropriation for School Houses and Lots.

A resolution in the words following having passed the Board of Aldermen is sent down, read and passed in concurrence, viz:—

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Lighting Lamps
Bills ordered paid

Resolved

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

(Approved)

Appropriations for
teaching writing
and French.

306.

487.

A resolution in the words following (recommended by the joint committee on Education), is presented, read & passed, viz:

Resolved

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

(Concurred)

(Approved)

The Report of the Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment on the widening of

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Dyer Street
*
So. Water Street
Widening of.

316.
333.

Dyer Street, and the Report of the Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment on the widening of South Water Street, which with draft resolutions relating to said streets were laid on the table at the last meeting, are taken from the table and referred to a joint special committee consisting of the President and Messrs A. J. Barnaby and Dexter of the Common Council with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon.

(Concurred. Ald. Coggeshall and Spencer added)

(Approved)

Drain in
Waterman Street.
319.

The joint committee on Sewers to whom at the last meeting was referred a petition of S. S. Bradford & others for drain on Waterman Street, make report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution, which report is received and the following resolution is thereupon read and passed, viz:—

Resolved

That the Board of Aldermen be hereby requested to lay a main drain or common sewer from Cook Street through Waterman Street & Gaus Street in accordance with the provisions of Chapter

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807 of the Public Laws.
(Concurred)
(Approved)

Drain pipe in
Greenwich Street.

310.

Said committee to whom at the last meeting was referred a resolution (from the Board of Aldermen) directing the Surveyor of Highways to cause a drain pipe to be laid from Greenwich street near Daboll street to connect with the drain in Bucklin street, the same to be done upon plans of J. Herbert Shedd Esq. Chief Engineer of the Water works, recommend that the Common Council concur therein with an amendment; which report is received and said resolution is then read and passed in concurrence with an amendment adding the words "and that the sum of Eleven hundred dollars be hereby appropriated to carry the same into effect to be paid out of the appropriation for Sewers."

Resolved.

That His Honor the Mayor and the Board of Aldermen be invited to join the Common Council in convention for the election of city officers.

Invitation to join
in Convention.

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The foregoing invitation having been accepted the two Boards join in convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

Police Constables
elected

John R. Oakes, Wm Lewis and Henry McElroy are elected police constables without power to serve civil process.

Constables nominated.

The nominations of Eber Bartlett, O. W. Prince and Thos. Landy for constables, and of John Shocum for police constable are referred to the joint committee on Police.

Inspectors elected.

Henry A. Grimwood and Thos. E. White are elected Inspectors of Carpenters, masons and painters work.

Fence Viewer

The declination of Franklin Olds as fence viewer is presumed and the consideration thereof postponed.

Trustee of Reform School.

Rev. Augustus Woodbury tenders his resignation as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Prisoner Reform School, which is accepted, and Rev. J. Lewis Diman is elected to fill the vacancy.

The two Boards separate.

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Ordinance in relation to the Covelands. 336. 336.

The bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the Covo Lands", which on the 24th of April last was referred to the committee on Ordinances, and on the 15th of May last reported back by said committee with a substitute which they recommended and was then laid on the table, is now taken from the table, and said substituted Ordinance is read, amended and passed.

Mr. Metcalf appointed on Committee on Claims.

Mr Metcalf is appointed to fill the vacancy in the joint committee on Claims, caused by the declination of Daniel S. Whipple.

Appropriations for Side walks + Curbing + Paving &c.

The joint committee on Highways submit a report that the appropriations for sidewalks and curbing and for paving are nearly exhausted, and recommend the passage of the accompanying resolutions, viz:

Resolution to hire \$5000 for sidewalks and curbing.

Resolution to hire \$10000 for Paving.

Resolution to hire \$15000 for Highways.

all of which are read and passed by the Common Council and by the Board of Aldermen read and non-concurred.

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Union R.R. Co. Reparation &c.

320. 332.

The joint committee on Railroads to whom at the last meeting was referred a petition of the Union Railroad Company for reparation and protection in matters relating to the introduction of water, make report recommending the passage of the accompanying bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of the several Ordinances by which the Union Railroad Company derived rights to lay rails in streets of the city of Providence", which report is received, and said Ordinance is read and the consideration thereof postponed till the next meeting.

Moving Buildings

336. 336. 335.

Petitions of

James H. Sabie

Patrick Gannon,

Second Free Baptist Society

Raising Buildings

336.

for permission to move certain buildings,

A. V. Potter,

for permission to raise a certain building, are severally presented, received and referred to the joint committee on the Fire Department.

Alice Gannon

Closing of Sexton St

A petition of Alice Gannon for damages on account of closing Sexton Street is presented, received and referred to the

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joint committee on claims.

Petitions of

Anthony Street

John S. Thurston to have to set curbstones and pave gutters on Anthony Street; of

Chas. W. Jencks

• Charles W. Jencks relative to overflow of water from Greenwich Street on his land;Overflow of water.
413.

Highway Work.

Also, a draft resolution in regard to Highway work, are presented, received and referred to the joint committee on Highways.

Street Obstructions

313.
333.

The report of the joint special committee on street obstructions with accompanying resolution is called from the table reading which the Common Council adjourn until Monday, July 24, 1871 at 8 o'clock p.m.

Adjourn.

Present - all the members except Messrs Anthony, Binney, Case, Fenner and Murray. 5

J. L. Adams
Clerk.

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Common Council - July 24, 1871.

The Common Council met pursuant to adjournment. The President in the chair and a quorum present.

Record read.

The Record of the last meeting is read and approved.

Water Commission

Leave to sign lease.

A communication from the Water Commissioners for leave to sign lease of property in Pawtucket purchased by them for the city is presented, received and referred to the joint committee on City Property.

Abatement of Taxes.

The joint committee on claims to whom were referred petitions of George W. Smith, & Walter C. Simmons,

236.

for abatement of certain taxes on ake reports recommending that the petitioners have leave to withdraw: which reports are received and it is thereupon ordered that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Remission of tax.

Chas. Adams

260.

Said committee to whom was referred a petition of Charles Adams of Cumberland for remission of tax, make report recommending the same, which report is received,

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and the accompanying resolution remitting said tax amounting to \$149.85 is read & passed.
(Concurred)

Ordinance relative to

Union Railroad Co.

329.

The Bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of the several ordinances by which the Union Railroad Company derived rights to lay rails in streets in the city of Providence", recommended by the joint committee on Railroads, and at the last meeting postponed till this day, is taken from the table, read and indefinitely postponed.

Tax Bill.

322.

The committee of conference appointed at the last meeting upon the disagreeing votes of the two Boards upon the bill entitled "An Ordinance providing for the assessment and collection of a tax upon the real and personal estate in the city of Providence," make report that they are unable to agree, which report is received.

Thereupon the Common Council recede from their vote of non-concurrence and concur in the amendment of the Board of Aldermen.

Resolved.

That the joint standing committee

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Joint St. Com. on

Water Works.

on Ordinances be instructed to report an Ordinance providing for the appointment of a joint standing committee on Water Works

to be taken from table

Street Obstructions

330.

The Report of the joint special committee on street obstructions, the consideration of which, with the accompanying resolution was postponed July 10 last, is taken from the table. Said report is received and the accompanying resolution indefinitely postponed by a vote of 14 ayes to 13 nays.

Resolution relative to
laying water pipes.
360.

A draft resolution requesting the Water Commissioners to withhold payments from contractors for laying pipes until the streets in which pipes have been laid have been put in suitable condition for travel, according to the contract, (reported by the joint committee on Highways), is presented, read and referred to said committee.

South Water &

Dyer Streets

Widening of.

325.

The special committee appointed at the last meeting to examine the Reports of the Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment on the Widening of Dyer and South Water streets, make a verbal report recommending that the Council elect to make said improvements in accordance

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with said reports of the Commissioners: which report is received, and the following resolutions are thereupon read & passed, viz:-

Dyer Street
Widening of.
325-

Whereas: the commissioners of Estimate and assessment appointed by the Supreme Court at the October term A.D. 1870 to widen Dyer street on the easterly side by including therein all the land lying between said street and the harbor from Wybosset bridge to a line in continuation of the southerly line of Pine street, made their first report to said court on the 5th day of July A.D. 1871, Now, therefore, within thirty days after the making of said report to said Court,

Resolved,

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

South Water St.
Widening of.
325-

Whereas, the commissioners of Estimate and assessment appointed by the Supreme Court at the October Term A.D. 1870, to widen South Water street on the West side, by including therein all the land lying between said street and the harbor, from Wybosset bridge to Cranford street, made their first report to said Court on the 5th day of July A.D. 1871, Now, therefore within thirty days after the making of said report to said Court,

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Resolved,

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

Broad Street
(near Snow St.)
Widening of.
205
347

A copy of the report of the commissioners of estimate and assessment to widen and straighten Broad Street near Snow street, together with a draft resolution electing to make said improvement are presented and temporarily laid on the table.

Point St. Bridge
Inspection and Test.
343.

Resolved,

That the committee on Point-st. Bridge be hereby authorized and directed upon the completion of said bridge and prior to its acceptance from the contractors, to employ Samuel B. Cushing, Esq. C.E. to make an inspection or test thereof, and report in full his opinion and advice in relation thereto.

Moving Building
Free Baptist Soc.
329.

A resolution granting permission to the Free Baptist Society to move a certain wooden building having passed the Board of Aldermen is sent down, read and passed in concurrence.

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On the recommendation of the joint committee on the Fire Department, resolutions granting permission to

Moving Buildings
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329.

James H. Sabin, &

Patrick Gannon,

to move certain buildings, and

Raising Building
329.

A. T. Potter,

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Petitions of

Moving Buildings
352.

Ebber Simmons

to move a certain building; and of

Raising Building
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Edward Pease, &

John H. Lonsdale.

to raise certain buildings are presented, received and referred to the joint committee on the Fire Department.

S.I. Sherman's Bill
359.

A bill of S. S. Sherman for carpeting is presented received and referred to the joint committee on Claims.

Ordinance in relation to Cove Lands
328.
344.

The bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the Cove Lands," which passed the Common Council at the last meeting is returned from the Board of Aldermen with their concurrence therein with an amendment, striking out the words "three persons," and substituting the words

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"five persons." Said bill is temporarily laid on the table.

Dorrance Street
Curbstones reset to

Resolved

That the Surveyor of Highways acting under the advice and direction of the joint committee on Highways be and he is hereby directed to cause the curbstones to be reset and the street repaved on Dorraue street from Broad street to Pine street, in order to conform to the sur-line of said Dorraue street, the work to be done forthwith.

Concurred,

Approved,

Sidewalk & Curbing
Appropriation for.

Resolved

That the City Treasurer acting under the direction of the joint committee on Finance be and he is hereby directed to hire the sum of Five Thousand dollars, and add the same to the appropriation for sidewalks and curbing.

Laid on Table

Highways
Appropriation for.

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Dorrance Street
Curbstones reset to

Resolved.

That the Surveyor of Highways acting under the advice and direction of the joint committee on Highways be and he is hereby directed to cause the curbstones to be reset and the street repaved on Dorrance street from Broad street to Pine street, in order to conform to the new line of said Dorrance street, the work to be done forthwith.

Concurred,

Approved,

Sidewalks & Curbing
Appropriation for.

Resolved.

That the City Treasurer acting under the direction of the joint committee on Finance be and he is hereby directed to hire the sum of Five Thousand dollars, and add the same to the appropriation for sidewalks and curbing.

B.O.M. on Table

Highways.
Appropriation for.

Resolved.

That the City Treasurer acting under the direction of the joint committee on Finance be and he is hereby directed to hire

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Common Council - August 14, 1871.

The Common Council met pursuant to adjournment - the President in the chair and a quorum present.

Quorum present.

Record read.

The Record of the last meeting is read and approved.

Mo. Report of

City Treasurer.

The Monthly Report of the City Treasurer is presented, read and received (Concurred) (Approved)

Mo. Report of Chief

Eng. of Fire Dept.

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

(Concurred) (Approved)

Mo. Report of

Harbor Master.

The Monthly Report of the Harbor Master is presented, read and received. (Concurred) (Approved)

Do.

Dredging

The Monthly Report of the Harbor Master on Dredging in the Harbor is presented, read and received.

(Concurred) (Approved)

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Gilmore Street

Curbing &c.

A petition of Nathan W. Parke et al for curbing, paving gutters and laying crosswalks on Gilmore street is presented, received and referred to the joint committee on Highways.

Cong. Sons of Israel

Reconstruction of fence

Henry C. Clark

Dorrance St. Sewer

Do. 360.

Petitions of the Congregation of Sons of Israel for reconstruction of fences; of Henry C. Clark for damages from Dorance Street Sewer &c; Also, Resolution appointing committee to settle claims of Henry C. Clark et al. for damages from Dorance Street sewer &c. are presented, received and referred to the joint committee on Claims.

J. C. Cutler

Jeffingwell Gas Governor

A petition of E. C. Cutler relative to introduction of Jeffingwell Gas Governor into buildings owned and occupied by the city is presented, received and referred to the joint committee on City Property.

Unconfirmed Police

Payment of.

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

Resolved.

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to pay from the appropriation for Police, for duty

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performed in July 1871, by policemen who have been appointed but not confirmed, as follows:

Byron H. Arnold	\$88.
John V. Simonds	88.
Isaac S. Shipped	88.
William P. Winslow	88.
John F. Tripp	88.
Isaac Wearer	88.
Mr J. Booth	88.
Frank M. Watson	88.
Frank W. Carter	88.
Mr S. Robinson	88.
Benj. F. North	88.
Robert Flynn	88.
Francis H. Maton	88.

(Approved)

Lamp Department

Payment of bills

A resolution in the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down, read and passed its concurrence, viz:—

Resolved.

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

(Approved)

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Paving
Appropriation for.

A resolution in the words following having passed the Board of Aldermen is sent down read and passed in concurrence, viz:—

Resolved.

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

Point St. Bridge

Inspection or test.

335.
392.

The resolution authorizing the committee on Point St. Bridge to employ Samuel S. Cushing, Esq. C. E. to make an inspection or test of said bridge before its acceptance, which resolution passed the Common Council at the last meeting, is returned from the Board of Aldermen with their concurrence therein with an amendment "adding after the words 'Samuel S. Cushing Esq. C. E.' the words 'and Ambrose C. Burnside Esq and George H. Corlies Esq';" which amendment is now read and passed in concurrence with an amendment striking out the words 'George H. Corlies' and substituting the words 'Abbe T. Greene'.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

A resolution in the words following having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent

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Discharge of judgment
agt.
John H. Porter et al

down, read and passed in concurrence, viz

Resolved.

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

(Approved)

A resolution in the roads following having passed the Board of Aldermen is sent down, read and passed in concurrence, viz:—

Resolved.

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

(Approved)

Money paid by Water
Comrs for work by
Highway Dept to be
transferred to appo-
riation for Highways

Ordinance in rela-
tion to Cove Lands.

336.

The bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the Cove Lands" which passed the Common Council on the 17th of July last is returned from the Board of Aldermen with their concurrence therein with

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an amendment striking out the words "three persons" and substituting the words "five persons," which amendment is read and passed in concurrence.

(Approved)

A resolution in the roads following having passed the Board of Aldermen is sent down for concurrence and is read, viz

Resolved.

That the Surveyor of Highways be hereby directed with the advice of the joint committee on Highways, to cause a dry well to be sunk in Daboll street, near Greenwich street, for the purpose of disposing of the surplus water which now floods the highway at the corner of said streets, the expense thereof to be paid from the appropriation for highways.

It is thereupon ordered that the foregoing resolution be referred to the joint committee on Sewers.

Said committee recommend concurrence in said resolution with an amendment: which report is received and said resolution is thereupon read and passed in concurrence with said amendment adding the words "Provided that the expense of the same shall not exceed the sum of

Dry Well on
Daboll Street.

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Three hundred dollars."

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Drainage of 9th Ward.

382.

A resolution (from the Board of Aldermen, relative to drainage of 9th Ward &c. is sent down, read and referred to the joint committee on Sewers.

Extra policemen

A resolution (from the Board of Aldermen) authorizing the employment of fifteen special policemen until the 1st of October next, is sent down, read and suffered to lie on the table.

Mayor's Message

City Attorney

A Message from the Mayor relative to the death on the 2nd inst. of Thomas J. Gros, Chief of Police, and recommending that the Chief of Police be relieved from the duty of conducting cases in the courts and further recommending that this duty be assigned to an officer to be styled the City Attorney, is presented and read.

(Do) Referred.

A resolution (from the Board of Aldermen referring said Message to the joint committee on Ordinances to examine and report thereon, is read and passed in concurrence.

(Approved)

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Mayor's Message

Cattle Driving &c.

A Message from the Mayor, directed to the Board of Aldermen and communicating the present condition of the business of slaughtering cattle and cattle driving in the streets of the city, is presented and read.

Broad Street

(near Snow St.)

Widening of.

335.

The Resolution electing to widen Broad street near Snow street, which at the last meeting was presented and laid on the table, is taken from the table and read.

Remonstrance agt.

A remonstrance of George Owen et al against the proposed widening is presented, read and received.

Said resolution in the words following is then read and passed, viz: -

Whereas, the Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment appointed by the Supreme Court at the March Term 1871 to widen and straighten Broad street near Snow street made their first report to said Court on Thursday July 20, 1871 - Now, therefore, within thirty days after the making of said report to said Court,

Resolved.

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

(Concurred)

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Water Works

Additional Appropriation

A communication from the Water Commissioners asking for an appropriation of \$200,000 is presented, received and referred to the Joint Committee on Finance.

Said committee make report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution: which report is received and the following resolution is thereupon read and passed:

Resolved.

That the sum of Two Hundred Thousand dollars be and the same is hereby added to the appropriation for the Prussian Water Works, and that the City Treasurer acting under the advice and direction of the Joint Committee on Finance be authorized to hire the same.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Prospect Square.

Improvement of

310.

418.

The Joint Committee on City Property to whom on the 10 July last was referred a resolution from the Board of Aldermen to procure plans and estimates for improvement of Prospect Square, make report recommending concurrence with the Board of Aldermen in the passage of the same: which report is received and said resolution in the words follow-

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ing is thereupon read and passed in concurrence, viz:—

Resolved.

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

(Approved)

City Building

Repairs of.

On the recommendation of said committee the following resolution is read and passed, viz:—

Resolved.

That the joint standing committee of the City Council on City Property be and they are hereby directed to cause such repairs to be made within the City Building as in their judgment may be necessary, providing the cost thereof shall not exceed the sum of one thousand dollars, to be paid from the appropriation for Public Buildings

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Ordinance in relation to the Police.

A bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance in relation to the Police'" (increasing the Police

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to one hundred and fifty men, recommended by the joint committee on Police, is presented read and passed by a vote of 16 to 15.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Sewer in Fountain Street. Order No. 357.

The joint committee on Sewers to whom was referred by the Board of Aldermen a petition of F. H. Richmond & others for sewer in Fountain street, make report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution: which report is received and the following resolution is read and passed, viz:—

Resolved.

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

(Concurred)

(Voted)

Williams Street Removal of water.

A resolution, from the Board of Aldermen, relating to the removal of water on Williams street is sent down for concurrence and read, as follows, viz:—

Resolved.

That the Joint committee on Highways be directed to provide for the sur-

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face water on Williams street east of Jones street in the same manner as the water on Power street is now cared for, and the sum of four hundred dollars be and hereby is appropriated for this purpose, said sum to be paid out of the appropriation for Highways and the work to be done forthwith.

Said resolution is referred to the joint committee on Highways who make report recommending concurrence with an amendment: which report is received and said resolution is passed in concurrence with an amendment striking out the words "Appropriation for Highways" and substituting the words "Reserve Fund."

(Concurred)

Moving Buildings.

Petitions of Thomas Cropper & Hugh Sweeney

for moving certain buildings; and of

James Tiffany,

John W. Shields,

Andrew Moore,

Wm. H. Read &

Elizabeth Wilkinson,

for raising certain buildings are presented, received and referred to the joint committee

Raising buildings.

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on the Fire Department.

On the recommendation of said committee, the petitions of Ebber Simmons

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for moving a certain building; and of

Raising Buildings
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357.

James Tiffany,
John W. Shields,
Andrew Moore, &
Wm. H. Read

for raising certain buildings, are severally granted and resolutions in accordance therewith are severally read and passed.

(Concurred),
(Approved),

Do.

John H. Lonsdale.
336.

On the recommendation of said committee, John H. Lonsdale, petitioner for permission to raise a certain building, has leave to withdraw.

Resolved.

Invitation to join
in convention.

That His Honor the Mayor and the Board of Aldermen be invited to join the Common Council in convention for the election of city officers.

Accepted.

The foregoing invitation being accepted, the two Boards join in convention of the City Council.

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In Convention.

John M. Knowles
elected
Chief of Police.

John M. Knowles is elected Chief of Police, he receiving 24 votes to 17 for Samuel S. Blairdell.

Police Constables.

On the recommendation of the joint committee on Police, John Slocum, John Nickerson, Stephen S. Salisbury, & Richard Barrett are elected police constables without power to serve civil process.

Do.

The nominations of
O. W. Prince,

Thos. F. Landy,

Eber Bartlett &

Samuel Merry

Daniel T. Briggs

for city constables are reported back by said committee without recommendation (Prince, Landy & Briggs being adversely reported on.)

Fence Viewer

Henry G. Gladding is elected Fence Viewer.

Constable

Lucius Dow Belack is nominated for police constable without power to serve civil process, and the nomination referred to the joint committee on Police. The two Boards separate.

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Irwin Street

Closing up of

320.

The joint committee on City Property to whom was referred, July 10 last, a draft resolution to close up Irving street, make report recommending the passage of the accompanying substitute: which report is received and the following resolution is thereupon read and passed, viz:—

Resolved,

That the joint committee on City Property be and they are hereby directed to take such action as may be necessary to close Irwin street and to add the same to the school estate on Greenwich street, and that the sum of twelve hundred dollars is hereby appropriated for this purpose, to be charged to the appropriation for School Houses & Lots.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Water Commissioners

Leave to sign lease.

331.

Said committee to whom at the last meeting was referred a petition of the Water Commissioners to sign lease & make report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution: which report is received, and the following resolution is thereupon read and passed, viz:

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Resolved,

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

(Concurred)

Adjourn.

The Common Council adjourn till Monday September 11th 1871 at 8 o'clock p.m.

Present— all the members except Messrs Binney, Dexter, Joslin, and N. F. Potter Jr.

J. M. Laddeman
Clerk.

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Special meeting

Special Meeting

called by the Mayor, pursuant to his warrant dated September 1. 1871.

Quorum present

Pursuant to said warrant, the members of the Common Council assemble in their chamber this day at 8 o'clock p.m. the President in the chair and a quorum present.

Record read.

The Record of the last meeting is read and approved.

Mayor's Message

A Message from the Mayor in the words following is presented and read, viz:-

Reasons for meeting
Appropriations for Fire
& Police Depts exhausted.

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Gentlemen of the Common Council

Having been informed by the City Auditor that the appropriations for the Fire and Police Departments are so nearly exhausted that there are not sufficient funds remaining in either to meet the monthly pay rolls, I have deemed it necessary to request your attendance at this time.

Thomas A. Doyle

Mayor.

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Mayor's Veto

Resolution for sewer
in
Fountain St.

350.

A Message is received from the Mayor returning with his objections thereto a resolution which passed this Common Council at its last meeting, for a sewer in Fountain Street, and is read: whereupon it is moved that said resolution pass, the Mayor's objections to the contrary notwithstanding: upon which motion the vote is taken by ayes and nays with the following result, viz:-

Ayes

Messrs Anthony, Harris, Hayward, Hunt, Paice, Perkins, and White 7.

Nays.

Messrs President, A. J. Barnaby, J. S. Barnaby, Bradford, A. J. Brown, J. R. Brown, Cady, Case, Cory, Dexter, Fenner, Fisher, Joslin, Mowry, Persons, Phillips, Place, A. F. Potter Jr, W. Y. Potter, Root, Sellow, Tucker & Waterman 23.

Said motion is therefore lost, and said resolution is not passed, three-fifths of the all the persons elected to the Common Council not voting in the affirmative.

Opening of street
from Superior to Dexter St.
407.

A petition of Perkins Street Iron Co. et al, owners of property abutting on Sprague and Superior streets to open a street from Superior to Dexter street is presented, received and referred to the joint committee on Highways.

John R. Kiernan.

375.

A petition of John R. Kiernan for allow.

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ance, is presented, received and referred to the joint committee on Claims.

Moving Buildings

Petitions of

S. W. Simmons,

Elizabeth Wilkinson,

Wm. J. Arnold,

Ges. B. Hull,

Henry C. Matherson,

all for permission to move certain building, &

Ges. B. Carle,

S. W. Simmons,

David Lingan,

to raise certain building, are presented, received and referred to the joint committee on the Fire Department.

Subsequently said committee make report recommending that the petitions of

S. W. Simmons &

Elizabeth Wilkinson

to move certain buildings, and of

S. W. Simmons,

to raise a certain building, be granted: which report is received, and resolutions in accordance therewith, are severally read and passed.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

The joint committee on Claims to whom was referred a bill of S. L. Sherman for carpeting

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Bill of S. L. Sherman
for carpeting &c
336
376.

furnished the Central Police Station, make report recommending that said bill be referred to the joint committee on City Property: which report is received and it is thereupon ordered that the same be referred to the joint committee on Police.

Acct of Wm Barstow & Co.
Carpeting &c
291.

Said committee to whom on 12 June last was referred a bill of Wm Barstow & Co for carpeting &c. furnished office of Inspector of Mills, make report recommending that the said bill be referred to the joint committee on City Property: which report is received, and it is thereupon ordered that the claimants have leave to withdraw.

Acct of W. A. Burdick.
Paving Blocks.

Said committee to whom was referred an account of W. A. Burdick for Paving Blocks make report recommending that the same be referred to the joint committee on Highways; which report is received, and it is ordered that said account be referred to the joint committee on Highways.

Point St. Bridge
Com. to make final report.

A draft resolution directing the joint special committee on the Point St. Bridge to make their final report at the next regular meeting of the Council, is presented, read and laid on the table.

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Water Comrs to with-
hold payments from
contractors &c.
333.

The joint committee on Highways to whom
on the 24 July last was referred a draft
resolution requesting the Water Commissioners
to with-hold payments from contractors, until
the streets have been put in proper condition
for travel according to contract, make
report recommending the passage of the
same with an amendment: which report is
received, and said resolution is read
and laid on the table by a vote of 14 to 11.

Resolved.

That the joint special committee
on Point Street Bridge are hereby directed to
transmit to the City Council any report or reports
that may be received by them, from the com-
mittee appointed to inspect and test
said bridge at the earliest possible mo-
ment, after their reception.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Com. on Point St. Bridge
to submit reports of
Committee of inspection.

392.

Henry C. Clark's
claim for damages
Dorrance St. Sewer &c.
341.

The joint committee on Claims to whom at the
last meeting was referred a bill of Henry C. Clark
for damage from Dorrance St. sewer &c. together with
a draft resolution appointing a committee to settle
same, make report recommending the passage of
said resolution: which report is received
and said resolution in the words following is
thereupon read and passed, viz:—

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Resolved.

That Messrs Bradford, Tucker
and Metcalf, with such as the Board of
Aldermen may add, are hereby constituted
a committee with full power to adjust and
settle all the outstanding unsettled claims
of Henry C. Clark and Clark & Webb
Trustees to said Clark against the city
for injuries to the property of said Clark
resulting from discharging the contents of the
Dorrance street and Ship street sewers into
the Dorrance street dock.

Resolved.

That said committee are hereby
authorized to draw upon the City Treasu-
ry for the payment of such sum as
they shall find to be due said Henry C.
Clark and the City Auditor is hereby
directed to audit the draft of said commit-
tee therefor without the approval of the
committee on accounts, the said amount
to be paid from the appropriation for
Contingencies.

(B. M. Concurred, & Mr. Coggeshall & Sprague added)

(Approved)

Geo. T. Benson.

Bills for medical aid &c.

Said committee to whom were referred
undry bills for medical attendance and
funeral expenses of Geo. T. Benson, who came
to his death in consequence of explosion of city

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steam fire engine, make report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution: which report is received and the following resolution is read and passed, viz:—

Resolved.

That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to pay to Walter E. Anthony one hundred and nineteen dollars, to Edmund T. Caswell fifty dollars, to Charles W. Parsons twenty dollars, to N. S. Fisher fifteen dollars, to Robert Miller ten dollars, to George W. Hopkins one hundred thirty nine dollars and sixty cents, and to Swan Point Cemetery (C. P. Drown Treasurer), fifteen dollars, the same being for medical attendance and funeral expenses furnished in the case of George T. Bennett, who came to his death in consequence of the explosion of a steam fire engine belonging to the city. The same to be paid from the appropriation for contingencies. And in passing the foregoing resolution, the City Council expressly disclaims any legal liability of the city in the above named case, being impelled to this action solely by the peculiarly distressing circumstances of the case.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

A draft resolution from the Board of Aldermen for constructing a reservoir on Wheaton

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Reservoir on
Wheaton Ave.

Avenue for fire purposes, is read and referred to the joint committee on the Fire Department.

Erection of School-houses
on Atwell's Ave. & Willow St.302.
379.

The resolutions, which passed the Common Council on the 2nd June last, making appropriations for the erection of school houses on Atwell's Avenue and at the corner of Messer & Willow streets, are returned from the Board of Aldermen with their concurrence therein with amendments striking out in each resolution the words "Messrs" to "Committee" inclusive, and substituting the words "Three Commissioners to be appointed": whereupon it is ordered that said resolutions be referred to the joint committee on Education with instructions to report at the next meeting.

Election of Comrs of
the Cove Lands.

A communication is received from the Board of Aldermen that they will meet on Monday evening next for the purpose of electing five persons as Commissioners of the Cove Lands, and also to elect commissioners to build the proposed school houses on Atwell's Avenue and Willow street.

In Convention.

Resolved.

That His Honor the Mayor and the Board of Aldermen be invited to join the Common Council in convention for the election of

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city officers.

The foregoing invitation being accepted, the two Boards join in convention of the city council.

In Convention.

Fence Viewer.

Henry G. Cladding, elected Fence Viewer at the last convention, declines to accept, and Lyman Arnold is elected in his stead.

Weighers of cotton.

Olive A. Lockwood and Morris B. Deming are elected weighers of cotton.

Constable

The nomination of Samuel Merry for city constable is referred to the committee on Police.

The two Boards separate.

Narragansett Hotel Co.

Exemption from tax.

425.

A petition of the Narragansett Hotel Co. to have their Hotel exempted from taxation for 10 years is presented and read; whereupon the following resolution having passed the Board of Aldermen is read and passed in concurrence, viz:—

Resolved.

That the petition of the Narragansett

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Hotel Co. asking that the improvements they propose to make upon their lot at the corner of Dorrance, Broad and Cady streets may be exempted from taxation for the term of ten years be referred to Aldermen Coggeshall and Brayton with Messrs J. B. Barnaby, Case and Binney of the Common Council to examine and report thereon.

(Approved)

Union R.R. Co.

Ordinance amended.

A petition of the Union Railroad Company for amendment of the ordinance permitting rail to be laid on Point street, is presented, received and referred to the Joint Committee on Railroads.

Said committee subsequently make report recommending the passage of a bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of An Ordinance permitting the Elmwood Horse Rail Road Company to lay rails in certain streets of the city of Providence", which report is received and said ordinance is read and passed.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Police Dept.

Additional appropriation

A communication in print is received from the joint committee on Police asking for a further appropriation, whereupon the following resolution is presented, read and passed, viz:—

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Resolved.

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

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Fire Department.
Additional appropriation.

A communication in print is received from the joint committee on the Fire Department, asking for a further appropriation: whereupon the following resolution is presented, read and passed, viz:—

Resolved.

That the sum of sixty two hundred and fifty dollars be and the same is hereby transferred from the reserve fund as an additional appropriation to the Fire Department.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

System of Sewerage in
Fountain Street,
Plan for
393.

Resolved.

That the joint committee on Sewers be and they are hereby requested to obtain of the Water Commissioners a plan for a system of sewerage in the Fountain Street District and report the same at the next meeting of this Council.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

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The following resolution, recommended by the joint committee on City Property is presented, read and passed, viz:—

Resolved.

That the sum of fifteen hundred dollars is hereby appropriated for furnishing the Public Street School House, said expenditures to be made under the direction of the Committee on City Property and charged to the appropriation for Public Buildings.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Appropriation for furnishing Public Street School House.

The following resolution, recommended by said committee, is presented, read and passed, viz:—

Resolved.

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

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Appropriation for fencing & Greenwich Street School House Lot.

The following resolution having passed the Board of Aldermen is sent down, read

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and passed in concurrence, viz:

Res. to pay lamp accounts

Resolved.

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

(Approved)

Ordinance relative to
Municipal Court
(amended)

A bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance appointing the times and the place for holding the Municipal Court,'" (authorizing the Court to meet in the Common Council chamber, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down, read and passed in concurrence.

(Approved)

Report on Water Loan.

The Committee on the City Debt present a report of their action in relation to the Water Loan, which report is read and received in concurrence.

(Approved)

Public St. School lot.

Filling of.

A communication from the President of the School Committee relative to filling school lot on Public street is received, and the following resolution, having passed the Board of Aldermen is sent down, read

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and passed in concurrence, viz:—

Resolved.

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

(Approved)

Additional appropriation
for Highways.

A resolution in the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen is sent down, read and passed in concurrence, viz:—

Resolved.

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

Adjourn.

The Common Council adjourn until Monday September 11th 1891 at 8 o'clock p.m.

Present—all the members except Messrs Beckwith, Binney, Keop & Van Slyck. H.

J. M. Addeman
Clerk.

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The Common Council met pursuant to adjournment - the President in the chair and a quorum present.

Quorum present.

Record read.

The record of the last meeting is read and approved.

Mo. Report of Harbor Master.

The Monthly Report of the Harbor Master is presented, read and received (Concurred)

Do.

Dredging.

The Monthly Report of the Harbor Master on Dredging in the Harbor, is presented, read and received. (Concurred)

Mo. Statement of City Treasurer.

The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer is presented, read and received (Concurred)

Registered Bonds.

The Report of the City Treasurer and of the Joint Committee on the City Debt, on the Issue of Registered Bonds is presented, read and received. (Concurred)

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City Treasurer's report: City's Notes.

The Report of the City Treasurer on Notes issued by the city is presented, read & received. (Concurred)

Mo. Report of Chief Eng. of Fire Dept.

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

Thos. W. Chace for repayment of tax 432.

Timothy O'Conner in re Thayer Street. 403.

R. Atkinson & J. Barker Thurburn Avenue. 432.

Payment of Ann Coghill. 387.

Petitions of Thomas W. Chace, for repayment of tax illegally assessed; of Timothy O'Conner, in the matter of Thayer street; of Richard Atkinson and John Barker for damages from cutting of Thurburn Avenue; Also, a draft resolution from the Board of Aldermen, to pay Ann Coghill, are severally presented, received and referred to the joint committee on Claims.

Sycamore Street 406.

Hudson Street. 421.

Superior Street.

Petitions of Oceana Proctor & others for receiving Sycamore street; of Asahel Fiske & others for receiving Hudson street; Also, a draft resolution to set curb-stones and pave gutters on Superior street.

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are severally presented, received and referred to the joint committee on Highways.

Ordinance to prohibit opening of places of entertainment on Sunday to amended.

449.

A bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance to prohibit the opening of places of trade or entertainment on Sundays or late at night'" is presented, read and referred to the joint committee on Ordinances.

Anson W. Aldrich Exemption of Aldrich House from taxation.

428.

A petition of Anson W. Aldrich to have the Aldrich House exempted from taxation on account of contemplated improvements, provided such immunity is extended to other Hotel property, is presented, received and referred to the joint special committee on exempting Narragansett Hotel Co. from taxation.

Moving Buildings

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Petitions of

George E. Hayward,

Olin G. Petts,

Elizabeth Wilkinson,

Job Kenyon

Patrick Mc Cann,

all for permission to move certain buildings; of

Patrick McKeena,

A. C. Brown,

Mr. A. Stevens,

Raising Buildings

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for permission to raise certain buildings, are presented, received and referred to the joint committee on the Fire Department.

Said committee make reports recommending that the petitions of

Job Kenyon &

Patrick Mc Cann,

to move certain buildings; and of

Patrick McKeena,

A. C. Brown,

Mr. A. Stevens,

George B. Earle

David Lingau,

to raise certain buildings be granted: which reports are received, and resolutions in accordance therewith are thereupon read and passed.

Moving Buildings

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Raising do.

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Catharine Regan

Compensation of.

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The joint committee on Highways to whom on the 10th July last was referred a petition of Catharine Regan for compensation make report recommending that said petition be referred to the joint committee on claims; which report is received, and it is thereupon ordered that said joint committee on Highways be discharged from further consideration thereof and that the same be referred to the joint committee on claims.

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D. Street
 Reception of.
 236.

Said committee to whom was referred a petition (May 15. 1871) of John D. Cranston & others for the reception of D. Street and for setting curbing and paving gutters, make report recommending that the petitioners have leave to withdraw: which report is received and it is thereupon ordered that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Daniel Remington
 Deduction for curbing.

The joint committee on Claims to whom was referred by the Board of Aldermen a petition of Daniel Remington for reduction of charge on curbing, make report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution: which report is received and the following resolution is thereupon read and passed, viz:—

Resolved.

That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to deduct from the bill of the city of Providence dated October 1st 1870, against Daniel Remington for 245 feet of curbing, the sum of 5 cents per foot, or Twelve Dollars and Twenty five cents, he being equitably entitled to said deduction according to the terms of the bill, having tendered payment of the same within thirty days of the date thereof.

(Concurred,
 Approved,

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John R. Kiernan
 Allowance on tax sale.
 357.

Said committee to whom at the last meeting was referred a petition of John R. Kiernan for allowance re. make report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution: which report is received and the following resolution is thereupon read and passed, viz:—

Resolved.

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

(Concurred,
 Approved,

Margaret Wyke.
 Compensation of
 320.

Said committee to whom on the 10th July last was referred a petition of Margaret Wyke

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for compensation for damages sustained by the grading of Thurber's Avenue, make report and recommend that the petitioners have leave to withdraw: which report is received, and it is thereupon ordered that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

S. L. Sherman's

Bill for carpeting

359.

The joint committee on Police to whom at the last meeting was referred a bill of S. L. Sherman for carpeting &c. furnished Central Police Station, make report and recommend the passage of the accompanying resolution, which report is received, and the following resolution is thereupon read and passed, viz:—

Resolved.

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to pay from the City Treasury the bill of S. L. Sherman, amounting to one hundred and eight & 2/100 Dollars (\$108.²/₁₀₀), and to charge the same to the appropriation for Police.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Appropriation Bill

The joint committee on Finance report with recommendation a bill entitled "An Ordinance making appropriations for the support of the government of the city of Providence, for the financial year ending

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September 30. A.D. 1872," which is thereupon read and passed.

(Concurred)

Land on Point & Plane St

taken for school purposes

The joint committee on Education to whom was referred by the Board of Aldermen a petition of the School Committee for the taking of land for schools, make report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution, which report is received, and the following resolution is thereupon read and passed, viz:—

Resolved.

That the City Council of the City of Providence fix upon the following described land in the said City of Providence, to wit: A certain tract of land described as follows: Beginning at the south east corner of Plane and Point streets, being also the north west corner of the estate of Laurence Murray; thence easterly in the southerly line of Point street 180⁰/₁₀₀ feet to a corner; thence southerly in a line parallel with Plane St. and 180 feet therefrom, bounding easterly on land of Henry C. Mathewson 245³/₁₀₀ feet to a corner in land of said Mathewson, thence westerly in range with the northerly line of Langley street con-

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tinued (from Hospital street) 184 $\frac{9}{10}$ feet bounding southerly on land of said Mathewson and of Bridget O'Donnell to the easterly line of Plane street; thence in said easterly line northerly 204 $\frac{9}{10}$ feet to the point of beginning as a location for a school-house, - and the same is hereby fixed upon as such location for said purpose.

(Concurred,

(Approved,

Land on Point & Plane St
taken for school-house
Negotiations for.

377

A resolution in the words following having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down, read and passed in concurrence, viz: -

Resolved

That the joint standing committee on Education are hereby authorized to negotiate with the owners of the land on Point and Plane streets this day fixed upon as a location for a school house and to obtain the terms upon which said owners will convey said land to the city.

(Approved)

Surveyor's Report
on Grades.

The Surveyor of Highways makes report that he proposes to establish grades on certain

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streets: which report is read and received in concurrence.

School-house cor.
of
Messrs & Willow St.

363.

The joint committee on Education to whom at the last meeting was referred the amendment of the Board of Aldermen to the resolution making appropriation for school-house, corner of Messrs & Willow streets make report recommending concurrence therein with an amendment; which report is received and it is thereupon resolved that the Common Council concur in said amendment with an amendment striking out the words "Three Commissioners be appointed" in the amendment and the word "to" in the fifth line of the original resolution and substituting the words "The Joint Standing Committee on Education."

School-house on
Atwell's Avenue.

363.

391.

Said committee to whom at the last meeting was referred the amendment of the Board of Aldermen to the resolution making appropriation for school house on Atwell's Avenue, make report recommending concurrence in said amendment with an amendment striking out the words "Three Commissioners be appointed" in the amendment, as also the word

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"to" in the fifth line of the original resolution and substituting the words "The joint Standing Committee on Education": which report is received, and it is thereupon ordered that the same be recommitted to the joint committee on Education with instructions to report on the necessity of the contemplated action.

Election of Comrs of Cove Lands.

Resolved.

That the Common Council proceed to the election of five commissioners of the Cove Lands.

Do.

Pursuant to the foregoing resolution the following named persons are elected ^{by ballot} on the part of the Common Council Commission of the Cove Lands, viz:-

- James G. Smith
- Charles Anthony
- Royal C. Taft,
- Esek Tallman,
- Joseph B. Matherson.

Comrs elected by the Board of Aldermen

A communication is received from the Board of Aldermen, announcing the election of them of the following named persons as Commissioners of the Cove Lands, viz:-

- Thomas A. Doyle
- Benjamin B. Knight

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- James G. Smith
- George H. Corlies
- George P. Tew.

2nd Election by B. Ald.

The action of the Common Council having been communicated to the Board of Aldermen, said Board sent a communication announcing the election by them on second ballot of the following named persons as Commissioners of the Cove Lands, viz:

- Thomas A. Doyle
- Benjamin B. Knight
- George H. Corlies
- George P. Tew.

2nd Election by the Common Council.

Thereupon the Common Council elect a second time as commissioners of the Cove Lands, Messrs

- Charles Anthony
- Royal C. Taft,
- Esek Tallman
- Joseph B. Matherson,

and their action is communicated to the Board of Aldermen.

East River Street Grading of.

A draft resolution from the Board of Aldermen, to grade East River street, is read and referred to the joint committee on Highways.

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Drainage of 9th Ward
and
Dorrance St. Sewer

346.

386.

The joint committee on Sewers to whom on August 14th was referred a resolution from the Board of Aldermen, relative to drainage of Ninth Ward and district drained by sewer in Dorrance street, make report ^{without} recommendation and offer an accompanying resolution as a substitute: which report is received, and said resolution is passed in concurrence with an amendment striking out all after the word "Resolved" and substituting the following, viz:-

"That Messrs Moses B. Lockwood, Charles E. Carpenter, Joseph J. Cooke and Samuel B. Cushing be hereby appointed a committee to examine and report a general plan of drainage and sewerage."

(Non-concurred)

Adjourn

The Common Council adjourn until Monday, September 25. 1871 at 7th o'clock p.m.

Present - all the members except Messrs Binney, Murray and Perkins. 3.

J. M. Addeman
Clerk.

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The Common Council met pursuant to adjournment - the President in the chair and a quorum present.

Quorum present

Record read.

The Record of the last meeting is read and approved.

Moving Buildings.

358.

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372.

The petitions of

Wm. J. Arnold,Elizabeth Wilkinson,Olive G. Pettis,

For permission to move certain buildings, reported back at the last meeting by the joint committee on the Fire Department, are taken from the table, and the accompanying resolutions granting the prayers of the same are thereupon read and passed.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Quarterly Report
of
Surveyor of Highways.

The Quarterly Report of the Surveyor of Highways for Quarter ending August 31. 1871 is presented, read and received.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

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Police Station on
Wickenden Street
400.

A draft resolution (from the Board of Aldermen), to purchase land for Police Station on Wickenden Street, is sent down, read and referred to the joint committee on City Property.

Potter Street
Re-lay & of
421.

Resolutions (from the Board of Aldermen), to re-lay and widen Potter Street;

Also, to relay, widen and straighten

Eddy Street
Re-lay & of
421.

Eddy Street from Broad St. to Pine St., are sent down, read and referred to the joint committee on Highways with instructions to report plans of the proposed widenings.

Introduction of water
into City Buildings.

The following resolution, approved by the joint committee on City Property, is presented, read and passed, viz: -
Resolved.

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

(Concurred)

(Approved)

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Moving Buildings

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Raising Building

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Petitions of

Thomas J. James

James Murphy

Jm. C. Petrie

James E. Crauston

Perkins Sheet Iron Co.

James Murphy,

James Barnes

James Lewis

Chas. W. Atwood.

For moving certain buildings, and of Thomas Miller,

to raise a certain building, are severally presented, received and referred to the joint committee on the Fire Department.

Petitions of

Patrick O'Conner
403.

Underwood & Arnold
405.

L.K. Joelin

Patrick O'Conner, for damages in the matter of the extension of Thayer St.

Underwood & Arnold for payment of accounts for painting Point St. Bridge; of

L.K. Joelin for compensation in the matter of widening Broad Street, are presented, received and referred to the joint committee on Claims.

Canal Street
Widening of Sidewalks
414

A petition of Geo. L. Howard et al. for the widening of sidewalks on Canal

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Street, is presented, received and referred to the joint committee on Highways.

Sewer in
Tallman's Lane.
402.

A petition of Allen Shaw et al for a sewer in Tallman's Lane is presented, received and referred to the joint committee on sewers.

Drainage of the
Ninth Ward re.
382.

The resolution relative to drainage of Ninth ward and District drained by sewer in Durance street, which passed the Board of Aldermen on the 7th August last, and at the last meeting was passed by the Common Council in concurrence with an amendment, is returned from the Board of Aldermen who non-concur in said amendment.

Now the Common Council recede from their amendment and concur in the passage of the original resolution.

(Approved)

School House Lot
Cor. of Point & Plane Sts.
Com. to purchase fee.

The following resolution having passed the Board of Aldermen is sent down, read and passed in concurrence, viz:—

Resolved.

That Messrs Charles Anthony, Benjamin B. Knight, and Esck Tallman being the three disinterested persons ap-

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pointed by the Board of Aldermen to decide upon the valuation of the land at the junction of Point and Plane streets fixed upon by the City Council as a location for a school house, be and they are hereby authorized and empowered to purchase the fee of said land provided the same can be done upon satisfactory terms and provided further that a title satisfactory to the City Solicitor can be obtained thereto.

(Approved)

Ann Coghill.
Payment of.
371.

The joint committee on claims to whom at the last meeting was referred a resolution (from the Board of Aldermen) to pay Ann Coghill, make report recommending concurrence therein. which report is received and said resolution in the words following is thereupon read and passed in concurrence, viz:—

Resolved.

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

(Approved)

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Catharine Regan.
Compensation of.

Said committee to whom at the last meeting was referred a petition of Catharine Regan for compensation for damages, make report recommending that the petitioner have leave to withdraw, which report is received, and it is thereupon ordered that said petitioner have leave to withdraw.

Broadway to be
paved with granite blocks

A resolution in the words following having passed the Board of Aldermen is sent down, read and passed in concurrence, viz:—

Resolved,

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

(Approved)

Williams Street
Reception of.

A resolution in the words following having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down, read and passed in concurrence, viz:—

Resolved,

That the Board of Aldermen

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to hereby requested to receive Williams street from Governor street to the Seekonk river and declare the same a public highway.

(Approved)

Summer Street

Curbings & Paving.

A resolution in the words following having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down, referred to the joint committee on Highways, and on the recommendation of said committee read and passed in concurrence, viz:

Resolved,

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

(Approved)

The following resolutions having passed the Board of Aldermen, are sent down, referred to the joint committee on City Property, and on the recommendation of said committee are read and passed in concurrence, viz:—

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Central Bridge
Wing Walls &
Keeper's House.

Resolved.

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

Resolved.

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

(Approved)

Mayor's Message

Revision of Ordinances.

A Message from the Mayor in the words following is presented and read, viz:

Mayor's Office

City of Providence, Septem. 25. 1871

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

The Commissioners who were appointed to cause a revision of the city ordinances to be made have nearly completed the work and herewith present printed copies of the revised ordinances which they respectfully

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request may receive the early examination of your honorable body.

In behalf of the Commissioners

Thomas A. Coydo

Mayor.

Waterman Street

Grading of.

The joint committee on Highways to whom at the last meeting was referred a resolution from the Board of Aldermen, relative to grading Waterman street, make report recommending concurrence in the passage of the same: which report is received and said resolution in the words following is thereupon read and passed in concurrence:

Resolved.

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

(Approved)

School House on

Atwell's Avenue.

379.

The joint committee on Education to whom at the last meeting was recommitted the resolution making appropriation for School House on Atwell's Avenue with instructions to report on the necessity of the contemplated action, make report that

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There is no existing necessity therefor and recommend that the resolution be laid upon the table, which report is received, and it is ordered that said resolution be indefinitely postponed.

Resolved.

That the Joint Standing Committee on Education be hereby directed to report a plan and estimates for a Primary and Intermediate School House on the Atwell's Avenue School lot.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

School House on Atwell's Avenue
Plans & Estimates for.

Point St. Bridge
Inspection and Test.
343.

A report of the committee on the Point Street Bridge transmitting reports of the special committee appointed to make an inspection and test of said bridge, is presented, read and received.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Point St. Bridge
Plan for strengthening.
413.

The draft resolution accompanying said report and recommended therein, appointing a special committee to cause the plan for strengthening the bridge, above reported, to be carried into effect, is read and laid on the table, and the following resolutions are thereupon presented, read and passed, viz:-

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Resolved.

That Messrs S. B. Cushing, A. T. Greene and A. E. Burnside are hereby requested to prepare and present to this Council detailed plans and specifications for any alterations and additions which they may deem necessary to properly strengthen the Point St. Bridge, said plans to be accompanied by an estimate of cost.

Resolved.

That the joint special committee on the Point St. Bridge are directed to forthwith suspend all work upon the Point St. Bridge.

The foregoing resolutions are returned from the Board of Aldermen with their concurrence therein with an amendment, striking out the name "A. E. Burnside", and substituting "Thomas J. Hill", in which amendment this Council concurs.

(Approved)

Fountain Street
Sewerage of.
366.

The joint committee on Sewers pursuant to instructions to obtain a plan for the Sewerage of Fountain street, submit a communication and plan from the Chief Engineer of the Water Works and recommend the passage of the accompanying resolution: which report is received, and the following resolution is read & passed, viz:-

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Resolved.

That the Board of Aldermen be hereby requested to lay a main drain or common sewer in Fountain and Cove streets, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 87 of the public laws.

Commissioners of the Cove Lands.

A communication is received from the Board of Aldermen, announcing the election by them of Messrs

- Thomas A. Doyle
- George W. Corlies
- Benjamin B. Knight
- George P. Tew,

as Commissioners of the Cove Lands.

Do. The Common Council thereupon elect as said commissioners, Messrs

- Charles Anthony,
- Royal C. Taft
- Ezek Tallman

Joseph B. Matthews, announce the same to the Board of Aldermen, and ask for a committee of conference on the subject of election of Commissioners of the Cove Lands.

A communication is received from the Board

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Do.

of Aldermen, announcing the election by them, as said Commissioners, of Messrs

- Thomas A. Doyle,
- Nelson W. Aldrich,
- George W. Corlies
- Joseph J. Cooke,

Do.

Thereupon the Common Council elect as said commissioners, Messrs

- Thomas A. Doyle
- Nelson W. Aldrich,
- Joseph J. Cooke,
- William Binney,

and announce the same to the Board of Aldermen.

Curbing & Paving of Tallman's Lane. 1110.

A resolution to set curbing and pare street in Tallman's Lane, is presented, read and laid on the table.

Adjourn.

The Common Council adjourn until Monday October 9th 1871 at 7 1/2 o'clock p.m.

Present - all the members except Messrs Binney, Dexter, Perkins, Tucker & Vanduyck. 5

J. M. Addeman
Clerk

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The Common Council meet pursuant to adjournment the President in the chair and a quorum present.

Quorum present.

The Record of the last meeting is read and approved.

Record read.

The Monthly Report of the Harbor Master is presented, read and received.

Mo. Report of Harbor Master

(Concurred)

(Approved)

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

Mo. Report of Chief Eng. of Fire Dept.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

The Monthly Report of the City Treasurer is presented, read and received.

Mo. Report of City Treasurer

(Concurred)

(Approved)

A petition of the Union Railroad Co. for an amendment of Ordinance is presented, received and referred to the joint committee on Railroads.

Union R.R.Co. Amendment of Ord.

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Ordinance relative to Union R.R.Co amended.

Subsequently said committee make report recommending the passage of the accompanying Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of the several ordinances by which the Union Railroad Company derive rights to lay rails in streets in the city of Providence," which report is received.

Said Ordinance is amended by striking out all after the word "suspected" in Sec. 2, and substituting the words "for the term of two years"; and is then passed by the following vote, viz: -

Ayes.

Messrs President, A. J. Barnaby, J. B. Barnaby, Beckwith, Bradford, A. J. Brown, J. R. Brown, Cady, Case, Fenner, Fisher, Harris, Hayward, Keef, Mowry, Murray, Paine Perkins, Phillips, Place, W. G. Potter, Root, Van Slyck

23.

Nays.

Messrs Binney, Cory, Dexter, Joslin, Persons, Sellow, Tucker, Waterman & White. 9

(Concurred)

(Approved)

(N.B. The foregoing ordinance exempts Union R. R. Co. from laying crosswalks and keeping streets in order for 2 years)

Water Commissioners & Qu. Report.

The Eighth Quarterly Report of the Water Commissioners is presented, read and received in concurrence.

(Approved)

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Payment to Mrs
Emily Gross.
On acct of the late
Thos. J. A. Gross.

A resolution in the words following
having passed the Board of Aldermen
is sent down, read and passed in con-
currence, viz: -

Resolved.

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

Thos. J. A. Gross.
Funeral Expenses.
420.

A resolution (from the Board of Aldermen)
to pay the funeral expenses of Thomas J. A.
Gross, is sent down for concurrence, read and
referred to the joint committee on Police.

H. J. Smith & Wife.
Bill for curbing
remitted.

A resolution in the words following
having passed the Board of Aldermen is
sent down, read and passed in concurrence

viz: -

Resolved.

That the City Treasurer be hereby
directed to remit the amount of the bill
against Henry J. Smith and wife, amounting
to one hundred and sixty dollars and
sixty nine cents for curbstones, provided said

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Smith and wife execute a release to the City
of Providence of all claims for damages
caused by changing the grade of Cent and
South Main streets near the Point street
bridge.

Mrs. Ed. B. Hall.
Setting of curbing

A resolution in the words following
having passed the Board of Aldermen, is
sent down, read and passed in concu-
rence, viz: -

Resolved.

That the Surveyor of High-
ways be hereby directed to set the curb-
ing at the corner of Benefit and Tower
streets in front of the estate of Mrs Ed-
ward B. Hall, provided she release to the
city the right of way over the portion
of her land which shall be included
in the street in changing the position of
the curbing.

James Miner
(Ex-policeman)
Gratuity to.

Resolved.

That the City Treasurer be
hereby directed to pay as a gratuity to
James Miner or his legal representatives
the sum of one dollar and twenty five
cents per day for such a period not exceed-
ing six months from the first day of June

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1871, as the Board of Aldermen may determine. Said payments to be made monthly and charged to the appropriation for Police.
(Concurred)

Wickenden Street

Land for Station to

384

The joint committee on City Property, to whom at the last meeting was referred a resolution from the Board of Aldermen, to purchase land for Police Station to be on Wickenden street, make report recommending concurrence with an amendment: which report is received and said resolution is thereupon read and passed with an amendment striking out the words "Public Buildings" in the last line thereof and substituting therefor the words "Reserve Fund".

(Concurred)

Tidal Drain in

Cove Street and Exchange Place

to be enlarged.

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

That Messrs Moses B. Lockwood, Charles E. Carpenter and Joseph J. Cooke be, and they are hereby appointed a committee to cause in their discretion the tidal drain, so called, in Cove Street and Exchange Place

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to be enlarged by deepening, and the direction of the inlets to be changed, substantially in accordance with the recommendation of the Water Commissioners, and that the expense thereof be charged to the appropriation for sewers.

Whereas,

Gift of land for Watering Trough to be on Greenwich Street.

417.

Ulysses Arnold a resident of the city of Providence and an owner of real estate on the corner of Greenwich and Public streets in said city has proposed to give to the said city of Providence a portion of said estate, to wit a part of the south westerly corner of said lot, to be added to and form a part of Public street, on condition that the said city of Providence will erect a suitable watering trough and drinking fountain similar to the one on Broad street, therefore

Resolved.

That the joint standing committee on City Property be and they are hereby authorized and directed to erect said Watering Trough and drinking Fountain, and to take a warranty deed of said land to the city of Providence. The sum of five hundred dollars is hereby

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appropriated to be paid out of the appropriation for contingencies, for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this resolution.

(Concurred)

(Retained 417.)

Sewer in
Tallman's Lane.
386.

The joint committee on Sewers to whom at the last meeting was referred a petition of Allen Shaw tothas for a sewer in Tallman's Lane, make report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution: which report is received and the following resolution is thereupon read and passed, viz:—

Resolved.

That the Board of Aldermen be hereby requested to cause a main drain or common sewer to be constructed in Tallman's Lane from Chestnut street to the river in compliance with Chapter 807 of the Public Laws: provided if in the opinion of the Chief Engineer of the Water Works that part of said Lane lying between Eddy street and the river is a proper place for running the sewage of that district to the river.

The foregoing resolution is returned from the Board of Aldermen with their concurrence therein with an amendment striking

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out the word "provided" and all after, which amendment is read and concurred in.

Sewer in
Pearl Street.
250.

Said committee to whom was referred by the Board of Aldermen a petition of Esel Tallman relating to sewer in Pearl street, make report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution: which report is received and the following resolution is thereupon read and passed, viz:—

Resolved.

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

(Concurred)

Thayer St.
Damages claimed
by widening of.

371

385.
482.
466.

The joint committee on Claims to whom were referred petitions of
Timothy O'Connor, &
Patrick O'Connor,

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T. P. O'Conner
re Thayer Street.

for damages in the matter of the extension of Thayer street, make report and recommend the passage of the accompanying resolutions: which report is received, and the following resolutions are thereupon read and passed, viz:—

Resolved.

That Messrs Murray, Cady, and Murray with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, are hereby constituted a Committee with full power to adjust and settle all claims of Patrick and Timothy O'Conner against the City, for damage to their property resulting from the extension of Thayer street.

Resolved.

That said Committee are hereby authorized to draw upon the City Treasurer for such sums as they shall find due to the said Patrick and Timothy O'Conner, and the City Auditor is hereby directed to audit the drafts of said Committee therefor without the approval of the Committee on Accounts. The said amount to be paid from the appropriation for opening streets.

Said committee to whom on the 14th of August last was referred a petition of

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Congregation of Sons
of Israel.
Reconstruction of fences.

341

Congregation of Sons of Israel for reconstruction of fences &c. make report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution: which report is received and the following resolution is thereupon read & passed, viz:—

Resolved.

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

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Underwood & Arnold.

385

Said committee to whom at the last meeting was referred a petition of

Underwood & Arnold

for payment of order for painting Point St. Bridge, report adversely thereon, which report is received, and it is thereupon ordered that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Raising Buildings.

406.

406.

Petitions of

Edward J. AllanH. F. Jones & M. E. L. Russell

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for permission to raise certain buildings are presented, received and referred to the joint committee on the Fire Department.

Moving Buildings

365

Said committee to whom were referred the foregoing, and also petitions of

James Lewis

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James Murphy

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do do

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Thomas T. James

Raising Building

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for permission to move certain buildings; and of

Thomas Miller

to raise a certain building, make reports recommending that the prayers of said petitions be granted: which reports are received and resolutions in accordance therewith are thereupon read and passed.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Sycamore Street

Reception of

371

The joint committee on Highways to whom was referred a petition of Oceanus Proctor et als. for receiving Sycamore street, make report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution: which report is received and the following resolution is thereupon read and passed, viz:—

Resolved

That the Board of Aldermen be and they are hereby requested to receive

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Sycamore street from Willow street to Hudson street and declare the same a public highway.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Vinton Street

Reception of.

Said committee to whom was referred a petition for receiving Vinton street, make report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution: which report is received, and the following resolution is thereupon read & passed, viz:

Resolved.

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

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Superior Street

Extension of.

357.

Said committee to whom on the 4th of September last was referred a petition of the Perkins Street Iron Co. et als. for opening a street from Superior street to Dexter street, make report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution: which report is received, and the following resolution is thereupon read and passed, viz:—

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Resolved.

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

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Hope Street

Widening &c. of

319.

Said committee to whom on the 10th of July last was referred a petition of Amos P. Smith & others for widening and straightening Hope street, make report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolutions: which report is received and the following resolutions are thereupon read and passed, viz:—

Resolved.

That in the opinion of the City Council, it is desirable and necessary to widen and straighten Hope street from John street to Thayer street of a width of not less than fifty feet.

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

Resolved.

That the City Solicitor be hereby directed to make application to the Supreme Court of this State, for the appointment of Commissioners of estimate

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and assessment under and according to the Act entitled "An Act in relation to the laying out, enlarging, straightening and otherwise altering streets in the city of Providence," and the City Council hereby direct, that in said application the City Solicitor shall make application that said commissioners shall apportion and assess three fourths of the loss and damage thereof upon the persons and estates benefitted thereby in the ratio of the benefits conferred.

Resolved.

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

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Elm St. to Harbor.

Removal of obstructions.

319.

Said committee to whom on the 10th of July last was referred a draft resolution "instructing the surveyor of Highways to cause the obstructions to be removed from Elm street to the Harbor line", make report recommending the passage of the same, which report is received and said resolution is thereupon read and passed.

(Non-concurred)

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Tallman's Lane
Curbing & paving.
395.

The resolution to curb Tallman's Lane, reported back by the Committee on Highways at the last meeting, is taken from the table and in the following words is read and passed, viz:--

Resolved,

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

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Battery Street
Widening of
Report of Comrs
99
202.

A copy of the Report of the Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment in the Widening of Battery street is presented.

Remonstrances of Thos Quayle et al, and of Mr C. Richmond against the same are presented, read and received.

The following resolution is then read and passed, viz:

Resolution to widen
Battery Street.

Whereas the Commissioners of Estimate and assessment appointed by the Supreme Court at the March Term A.D. 1871 to lay out and widen Battery street of a uniform width of forty feet from Fountain street to High street, under and pursuant to an

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act entitled "An act in relation to the laying out, enlarging, straightening or otherwise altering streets in the city of Providence", made their first report to said Court on Saturday, October 7, 1871.

Now therefore within thirty days after the making of said report to said Court.

Resolved,

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

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Roger Williams Square.

The joint committee on City Property to whom was referred by the Board of Aldermen a message of the Mayor relative to Roger Williams Square, make report and recommend for reasons therein stated that it is inexpedient to expend at this time any money on said square; which report is received in concurrence.

(Approved)

Comr of the Cove Lands.

A communication is received from the Board of Aldermen announcing the election by them of

George H. Corlies,

as Commissioner of the Cove Lands.

Do.

The Common Council elect as said

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Commissioner William Binney.

Edward Burr & Co.

Bill for harness

426.

A resolution (from the Board of Aldermen), to pay Edward Burr & Co. for harness for the Surveyor of Highways, is sent down, read and referred to the joint committee on Accounts.

Petitions of

Sherburn St.

E. H. Grafton wishes to extend Sherburn street to Ocean street; of

Thayer Street.

John S. Ormsby wishes for laying out and opening of Thayer street from Arnold to Pike street, are presented, received and referred to the joint committee on Highways.

Sever in Bowen St.

439.

A petition of Albert Dailey wishes for sever in Bowen street is presented, received and referred to the joint committee on Severs.

Petitions of

Mary E. Matherson

Mary E. Matherson for re-payment of taxes; of

M. E. Bartlett.

Miss M. E. Bartlett for compensation for damages caused by the widening of Broad street; of

Mary Davis.

432.

Mary Davis for payment of relief money, are severally presented, received

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and referred to the joint committee on Claims.

Ord. in relation to

Harbor Master.

A draft resolution providing for amending the Ordinance in relation to Harbor Master is presented, read and referred to the joint committee on the Harbor.

Chas. W. Jenckes

Overflow of water.

330.

446.

On the recommendation of the joint committee on Highways, said committee discharged from further consideration of the petition of Charles W. Jenckes relative to overflow of water from Greenwell street on his land, and said petition is referred to the joint committee on Claims.

Bell Towers.

211

422.

The joint committee on the Fire Department submit plans and estimates for Bell Towers, which together with the accompanying resolutions are temporarily laid on the table.

Point St. Bridge

Strengthening of.

392.

Pursuant to resolutions adopted at the last meeting the special committee on strengthening the Point Street Bridge present specifications and estimates for the same, which are received, and the following resolution is thereupon read and passed, viz: -

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Point St. Bridge

Strengthening of

Resolved.

That Messrs Samuel B. Cushing and Noble T. Greene be appointed a committee to strengthen the Point Street Bridge in accordance with a plan this day presented by them to the Council; provided the sum expended in executing said plan shall not exceed the sum of Ten thousand dollars.

(Amm - concurred)

Canal Street

Widening Sidewalk.

385.

The joint committee on Highways to whom was referred a petition of Geo. L. Stud others to widen sidewalks on Canal Street, make report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution: which report is received and said resolution is recommitted.

Adjourn.

The Common Council adjourn until Monday, November 13 1871 at 7 1/2 o'clock p.m.

Present - all the members except Messrs Anthony, Hunt, Metcalf & N. F. Potter Jr.

A. C. Adams
Clark

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The Common Council met pursuant to adjournment. The President in the chair and a quorum present.

Quorum present.

Record read.

The Record of the last meeting is read and approved.

Mr. Binney, the senior member from the Second Ward, announces the death of Stephen Waterman Esq. late a member of this Council from the second ward, and offers the following resolutions, which are unanimously adopted, viz: -

Resolved.

Stephen Waterman

Resolutions relative

to the
Death of.

That this Council has heard with profound regret of the death of Stephen Waterman, one of its most honored members.

Resolved.

That by his early death, the Second Ward loses an able and influential representative, the City an honest and energetic citizen, and every good interest a faithful fearless and conscientious supporter.

Resolved.

That this Council offers to the family of the deceased its profound and respectful sympathy in their great loss, and that the President

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is requested to convey to them its expression of sorrow and that the Clerk transmit to them a copy of these resolutions.

Second Ward.

Election in for
Councilman.Resolved.

That an election be held in the Second Ward for the purpose of electing one member of the Common Council to represent said Ward in the place of Stephen Waterman deceased.

Resolved.

That said election be held on the twentieth day of November 1871 and that the ballots be sealed up and counted by the Board of Aldermen as provided for by law in the election of City Council.

Mo. Statement of
City Treasurer.

The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer is presented, read and received.

Mo. Report of

Harbor Master.

The Monthly Report of the Harbor Master is presented, read and received.

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Mayor's Message

Vetoing resolution
to construct watering
trough etc. on Greenwich St.

461.

A message is received from the Mayor returning with his objections thereto, the resolution to construct a watering trough and drinking fountain at the corner of Greenwich and Public streets, which resolution passed this Common Council at its last meeting.

A motion is made that said resolution pass, the Mayor's objections to the contrary notwithstanding, whereupon the whole subject is indefinitely postponed.

Resolved.

That the deed of Lyman Arnold to the City of Providence of certain land at the corner of Greenwich and Public streets in said city for the purpose of a highway conditioned upon the erection of a drinking fountain thereon is hereby accepted.

Resolved.

That the sum of three hundred dollars is hereby appropriated for the erection of a drinking fountain upon said land under the supervision of the Water Commissioners to be charged to the appropriation for Contingencies.

Lyman Arnold's

Deed of land for drink-
ing fountain on Greenwich St.

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Prospect Park.
Improvement of.
344.
452.

The special committee to whom was referred the subject of improving Prospect Park report the following resolution, which is read and passed, viz: -

Resolved.

That the joint standing committee on City Property be and they are hereby directed to cause Prospect Park to be graded and laid out in conformity with the plan accompanying this resolution, and that the sum of ten thousand dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated to defray the expenses thereof, the same to be paid out of the appropriation for Public Grounds.

Prov. Water Works.
Appropriation for.

On the application of the Water Commissioners, recommended by the joint committee on Finance, the following resolution is read and passed, viz: -

Resolved.

That the sum of Two Hundred Thousand dollars be and the same is hereby added to the appropriation for the Provisional Water Works, and that the City Treasurer acting under the advice and direction of the joint committee on Finance be authorized to hire the same.

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Ordinance to prohibit
opening of places of trade
on Sundays + nights
amended.
372.

The joint committee on Ordinances to whom on the 11th of September last was referred a bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment, an ordinance entitled of, 'an ordinance to prohibit the opening of places of trade or entertainment on Sundays or late at night'", make report recommending the passage of the same; which report is received and said bill is thereupon read and passed. (includes barbershops.)

Ordinance establishing
Office of City Attorney

Said committee to whom was referred by the Board of Aldermen, a bill entitled "An Ordinance establishing the office of City Attorney", make report recommending the passage of the same; which report is received and said bill is read and indefinitely postponed.

Intoxicating liquors.
Limit to time of sale.
320.

Said committee to whom on the 10th July last was referred a petition of James B. Miner others to limit the time of sale of intoxicating liquors, make report recommending that the petitioners have leave to withdraw; which report is received and it is thereupon ordered that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

A bill entitled "An Ordinance in amend.

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Ordinance establishing Joint Rules Committee amended. (Com. on Water Works) ment of an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance establishing certain joint rules and joint Standing Committees of the City Council." is presented read and passed. (minutes for St. St. Committee on Water Works.)

Joint St. Committee Water Works.

Messrs Wm Binney
A. Vanslyck and
A. F. Potter Jr
are appointed members on the part of the Common Council of the joint Standing Committee on Water Works.

Thos. J. A. Gross

Payment of funeral exp. 398.

The joint committee on Police to whom at the last meeting was referred a resolution (from the Board of Aldermen, to pay the funeral expenses of Thomas J. A. Gross, make report recommending the passage of the accompanying substitute: which report is received and said resolution is passed in concurrence with an amendment striking out all after the word "Resolved" and substituting the following words, viz:-

"That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to pay to Mrs Emily A. Gross the sum of one hundred and sixty two dollars, being in full the bill of Messrs Knowles & Boyce,

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"for the funeral expenses of Thomas J. A. Gross, late Chief of Police. The same to be paid from the appropriation for Contingencies."

Hudson Street Reception of. 371.

The joint committee on Highways to whom on the 11th September last was referred a petition of Asabel Fiske et al for receiving Hudson street, make report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution: which report is received and the following resolution is thereupon read and passed, viz:
Resolved.

That the Board of Aldermen be and they are hereby requested to receive Hudson street from Parade street to Messer street and declare the same a public highway.

Potter Street. 447.

Eddy Street (from Broad to Pine) 448.

Said committee to whom were referred Resolutions to relay and widen Potter street, and to relay, widen and straighten Eddy street from Broad to Pine street, make reports recommending the passage of the same: which resolutions are read and recommended to said Committee.

Said committee to whom was referred by the

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Oak Street. Board of Aldermen a petition to declare a portion of Oak street a highway, make report recommending that the petitioners have leave to withdraw: which report is received and it is thereupon ordered that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Bell Towers. The resolutions relative to Bell Towers which at the last meeting were reported from the Joint Committee on the Fire Department, and laid on the table, are taken from the table, and in the following order are read and passed, viz:—

Resolved.

That the Board of Engineers acting under the advice and direction of the Joint Committee of the Fire Department be and they are hereby directed to procure for Fire Alarm purposes four alarm bells with suitable striking apparatus and Towers for same.

Resolved.

That the sum of Nineteen Thousand Dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose of carrying the foregoing resolution into effect, the same to be paid from the appropriation for the Fire Department.

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Point St. Bridge

Payment of Watchmen.

417

A resolution (from the Board of Aldermen) to pay watchmen on Point Street Bridge, is presented, read and referred to the joint committee on City Property.

Chief Eng. Fire Dept.

Reserve force.
436.

A communication from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department relative to Reserve force, a Fire Insurance brigade &c; also

Moving buildings.

432

434.

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452.

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Raising buildings.

petitions of

Primus Jones,

Chestnut St. M. E. Church,

Hugh Ougan,

H. K. Clark,

Samuel Hazard,

Talbot Bros.,

Hugh Gorman,

Wm. C. Taylor,

Wm. A. Wood,

Mrs. L. A. Proctor,

Geo. A. Mathewson,

Michael Gormley,

Michael McKenna,

for permission to move certain buildings; of

John F. Pitts,

Geo. A. Mumford,

Michael McKenna,

for permission to raise certain buildings, are severally presented, received and referred to the joint committee on the Fire Department.

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Petitions of

Thayer St. Anne A. Jones others for laying out and opening Thayer Street from Power to Pike streets; of

Crary & Mary Sts. Field, Mason & Son for grading Crary and Mary streets; of

Rhodes Street. A. B. Slater others for curbing Rhodes street between Eddy and Plane streets; of

Square Street. Manchester & Chase et al for the straightening of Square street; of

Humphrey Alley 447, Sand Catcher, &c. Humphrey Alley, for the removal of sand catcher and for damages; are severally presented, received and referred to the joint committee on Highways.

Petitions of

Frank Brastow 452, 453. Frank Brastow, Trustee for Remission of Tax; of

Chas. Gorton 452, 453. Charles Gorton, for remission of tax; of

N. A. Fisher. N. A. Fisher, for relief; of
Jarvis E. Gladding. Jarvis E. Gladding for relief from excessive assessment in the matter of widening and straightening Broad street; of

Est. Jacob T. Seagrave. Estate of Jacob T. Seagrave for damages from the maeving of South Main Street, are severally presented, received and referred to the joint committee on Claims.

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Present Post No. 1.

Burial lot in N.B. Ground

440.

A petition of Present Post, G. A. R. for grant of Burial lot in N. B. Ground is presented, received and referred to the joint committee on the North Burying Ground.

Petitions of

Marshall Woods' Aect.

460.

Marshall Woods, for payment of account for railing in office of Inspector of Milk; of

Win. Urquhart.

460.

William Urquhart, to buy part of lot 59 on Assessors Plat 8, are presented, received and referred to the joint committee on City Property to examine and report thereon.

Joint St. Bridge

Dischge of employees.

A resolution (from the Board of Aldermen) to discharge persons employed on the Point street Bridge, is sent down for concurrence, read and referred to the joint committee on Ordinances.

Do.

Pay of J. H. Norcross.

456.

A resolution from the Board of Aldermen, to pay J. H. Norcross for services on Point street Bridge, is sent down for concurrence, read and referred to the joint committee on Claims.

Water Comrs to take charge of Sewers constructed by them. 438.

A resolution (from the Board of Aldermen) authorizing the Water Commissioners

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to have charge of cleaning sewers constructed by them, is sent down for concurrence, read and referred to the joint Committee on Sewers.

Comr of Core Lands.

A communication is received from the Board of Aldermen, announcing the election by them of Mr George H. Corlies as a commissioner of the Core Lands.

Do.

The Common Council unanimously elect as said Commissioner - Hon. William Binney.

Edward Burr & Co.

Payment for harness.

412.

The joint committee on Accounts to whom at the last meeting was referred a resolution (from the Board of Aldermen) to pay Edward Burr & Co. for harness furnished the Surveyor of Highways, make report recommending concurrence in the passage of the same: which report is received, and said resolution is read and non-concurred.

Nonasquametucket river

Extension of wall.

494

A resolution in the words following having passed the Board of Aldermen is sent down, read and passed in concurrence, viz: -
Resolved.

That the joint Committee on City Property be hereby instructed to examine and report to the City Council upon the expediency

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of extending the river wall on the southerly side of Nonasquametucket river.

(Approved)

Mayor's Message.

F.W. & K.D. Cheney

in re

Doyle Avenue.

A Message is received from the Mayor transmitting a communication from Charles Hart, Esq. Counsel for F.W. & K.D. Cheney, relative to suit of city against them, and requesting appointment of a new committee on the subject, whereupon the following resolutions, having passed the Board of Aldermen, are read and passed in concurrence, viz:

Resolved.

That the special committee appointed November 7. 1870 to examine and report upon the claim of the city against F.W. & K.D. Cheney for the expense of Doyle Avenue, are hereby discharged.

(Approved)

Resolved.

Committee on claim

of City vs Cheney,

Doyle Avenue.

18.

That the communication of the City Treasurer dated November 7. 1870 relating to the claim of the city against Frank W. and Knight D. Cheney for the expense of opening Doyle Avenue, with the accompanying documents are hereby referred to Aldermen Snow & Eade and of the Common Council with instructions to hear the parties or their counsel and to report thereon to the City Council.

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(Messrs Vanduyck, Root, & Fisher absent,
(Approved)

Neil Harvey's premises

Overflow of water

491.

A resolution in the roads following
having passed the Board of Aldermen is
sent down, read and passed in concurrence:

Resolved,

That the joint committee on
Sewers be hereby instructed to examine the
premises of Neil Harvey No 167 Chickendo
street which are alleged to have been
damaged by an overflow of water thereon.

(Approved)

City Registrar's

Annual Report.

The Annual Report of the City Registrar
is presented, whereupon it is voted in concurrence:

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

(Approved)

Hotel Property.

Exemption from taxation

364.

The joint special committee to whom
were referred the petitions of
The Narragansett Hotel Co. and
Arson W. Aldrich,
for the exemption of certain hotel property,
make report recommending that the petitioners

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have leave to withdraw: which report is
received, and it is thereupon ordered in
concurrence that the petitioners have leave to
withdraw

(Approved)

Unconfirmed Police

Payment of.

A resolution in the roads following
having passed the Board of Aldermen
is sent down, read and passed in con-
currence, viz: -

Resolved,

That the City Treasurer be here-
by directed to pay from the appropriation for
Police for duty performed in October 1871
by men who have been appointed but not
confirmed, as follows-

James Braslin	\$74.25-
Edward R. South	85.25-

(Approved)

Pearl Street Sewer

Removal of obstructions

338.

The following Resolutions having passed
the Board of Aldermen are sent down read
and passed in concurrence, viz: -

Resolved,

That the resolution passed July
24. 1871 directing the surveyor of high-
ways to remove all obstructions in the
Pearl Street sewer is hereby amended by
striking out the words "joint committee on
Highways" and inserting in place thereof

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(Messrs Vandyke, Root, & Fisher added,
(Approved)

Neil Harvey's premises

Overflow of water.

491.

A resolution in the words following
Having passed the Board of Aldermen is
sent down, read and passed in concurrence.

Resolved.

That the joint committee on
Sewers be hereby instructed to examine the
premises of Neil Harvey No 167 Thicketwood
Street which are alleged to have been
damaged by an overflow of water thereon.

(Approved)

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Annual Report.

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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

(Approved)

Hotel Property.

Exemption from taxation

364.

The joint special committee to whom
were referred the petitions of
The Massachusetts Hotel Co. and
Arson W. Aldrich,
for the exemption of certain hotel property,
make report recommending that the petitioners

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have leave to withdraw: which report is
received, and it is thereupon ordered in
concurrence that the petitioners have leave to
withdraw.

(Approved)

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ways to remove all obstructions in the
Pearl Street sewer is hereby amended by
striking out the words "joint committee on
Highways" and inserting in place thereof

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the roads "joint committee on sewers."

(Approved)

Resolved.

That Aldermen Snow & Earle with such as the Common Council may add are hereby appointed a committee with full power to settle the suit of James Rothwell against the City for damages to his estate by reason of the overflow from the sewer on Pearl street, now pending in the Supreme Court of this State.

Resolved.

That the City Auditor is hereby directed to draw upon the City Treasurer for the amount that shall be found due to said Rothwell and to charge the same to the appropriation for contingencies.

(Upon Motion, Persons returning added from the Common Council)

(Approved)

Resolved.

That the joint special committee of the City Council appointed to settle the claim of James Rothwell be hereby empowered in like manner to settle the claim of Esck Tallman for damages sustained by him by the overflow of the sewer in Pearl street and that the joint committee on Claims be hereby discharged from further action on his claim.

(Approved)

Jas. Rothwell suit agt. the City. Com. to settle.

Esck Tallman's claim vs Pearl Street Sewer. Com. to settle.

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Mayor's Message

Re-organization of Fire Department

Erection of wooden bridges

A message is received from the Mayor, relative to a re-organization of the Fire Department in view of the introduction of water, and for more stringent legislation against the erection of wooden buildings in the compact part of the city.

Thereupon the same is read and referred in concurrence to the joint-committee on the Fire Department to examine and report thereon.

(Approved)

Matters on the table.

Bowen St. Sewer.

Meeting St. Do.

Arnold St. Do.

Water Comrs to have charge of Sewers.

Chas. W. Jenckes

Overflow of water.

J. Herbert Shedd.

Salary of Boards of Censors & Clerks.

On the table awaiting action at the next meeting, viz: -

Reports of the joint committee on Sewers with Resolution for sewer in Bowen street;

Also, Resolution for sewer in Meeting street;

Also, Resolution for sewer in Arnold and other streets;

Also, Resolution authorizing Water Commissioners to have charge of clearing sewers constructed by them.

Also, Reports of the joint committee on Highway on petition of Chas. W. Jenckes relative to overflow of water; and on

Communication from J. Herbert Shedd.

Also, Report from the Committee on Ordinances recommending an amendment to the Salary Ordinance (fixing compensation of Boards of Censors & Clerks)

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Also, Reports of the joint committee on the Fire Department on petition of Edward Pearce,

Raising building
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to raise a certain building; and of

Moving building
395.

James E. Cranston,

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H. K. Clark,

Chestnut St. M. E. Church,

Primus Jones,

Hugh Dugan,

to move certain buildings.

Mayor's Messages.

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437.

Also, Messages of the Mayor relative to sewer in South Main street, and to Water Celebration, with accompanying resolution.

Mary Davis
412.

Also, Reports of the joint committee on Claims, on petition of Mary Davis for payment of relief money; of

Thos. W. Chace.
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Thos. W. Chace, for repayment of tax; of

B. Atkinson et al.
271.
434.

Richard Atkinson of John Baxter for damages; of

Geo. Lewis Clarke
134.

Geo. Lewis Clarke for damages;

P. O'Conner et al.
403.
433.

Also, Resolution authorizing said Committee to settle with Patrick O'Conner & others in the matter of Thayer street.

Adjourn.

Pending the consideration of the last named, the Council adjourn until Monday, November 20, 1871, at 7 1/2 o'clock p.m.

Present - all the members except Messrs Murray, Perkins, Place, & W. G. Potter.

M. Adams Clerk.

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Council meet

The Common Council meet pursuant to adjournment. The President in the chair and a quorum present.

Record.

The reading of the record of the last meeting is dispensed with.

Mr. P. M. Mathewson engaged.

Mr Parley M. Mathewson, member elect from the second ward, presents his credentials and is duly engaged by the Mayor.

Mr. Mathewson appointed on Com. on Finance.

Mr Mathewson is appointed a member of the joint standing committee on Finance to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Stephen Trakeman Esq.

P. O'Conner et al

Damages in re Thayer St.

432.

The resolution (from the Board of Aldermen) authorizing the joint committee on Claims to settle claims of Patrick O'Conner & others for damages from retention of Thayer street, which at the last meeting was sent down for concurrence and laid on the table, is taken from the table read and non-concurred.

A motion to reconsider the foregoing vote is subsequently made and lost by a vote of 11 to 11.

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Geo. Lewis Clarke

Damages from Carving
in of North Main St.

432

The joint committee on claims to whom was referred a petition of George Lewis Clarke for damages, make report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution: which report is received and the following resolution is read and passed:-

Resolved.

That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to pay to George Lewis Clarke thirty seven dollars and ninety five cents the same being in full compensation for damages to horse, wagon, and harness by reason of the carving in of a certain portion of North Main street near Arsenal Lane on the first day of July 1871. To be paid from the appropriation for contingencies whenever the said Clarke shall give a receipt for the same, satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

R. Atkinson et al.

Damages from grading
of
Thurbers Avenue.

432.

371.

Said committee to whom was referred a bill of Richard Atkinson and John Baxter for damages from cutting down of Thurbers Avenue, make report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution: which report is received and the following resolution is read and passed, viz:-

Resolved.

That the City Treasurer is

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herely directed to pay to Richard Atkinson and John Baxter, three hundred and twenty five dollars, the same being in full compensation for all damage sustained by them, by reason of any change of grade on Thurber's Avenue. To be paid from the appropriation for highway whenever they shall give a joint receipt therefor, satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Thos. W. Chace

Repayment of tax.

571

432.

Said Committee to whom were referred petitions of Thomas W. Chace for repayment of tax; and of Leary Davis for payment of relief money, report adversely thereon, and on recommendation of said committee, said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Moving buildings

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Raising Buildings

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On recommendation of the joint committee on the Fire Department, the petitions of Primus Jones Chestnut St. M. E. Church, Michael Gormley, H. W. Clark, Hugh Segan, for permission to move certain buildings; and Edward Pearce to raise a certain building, are granted and resolutions pursuant thereto are there-

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upon read and passed.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Moving building.

On recommendation of the same committee
James C. Crauston,
 petitioner for permission to move a building,
 has leave to withdraw.

Two Steamers

Purchase of.

423.

Said committee to whom at the last
 meeting was referred a communication
 from the Chief Engineer of the Fire
 Department, relative to steamers for re-
 serve force etc. make report and recom-
 mend the passage of the accompanying
 resolutions: which report is received and
 the following resolutions are thereupon
 read and passed, viz:—

Resolved.

That the Board of Engineers,
 acting under the advice and direction of
 the joint standing committee on the Fire
 Department be and they are hereby directed
 to procure for the use of the Fire Depart-
 ment either by purchase or exchange, two
 Steam Fire Engines and two hose carts.

Resolved.

That the sum of Ten Thousand
 Dollars be and the same is hereby appropri-
 ated for the purpose of carrying the foregoing

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resolution into effect, the same to be paid
 from the appropriation for the Fire Department.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Mayor's Message

 Celebration of introduc-
 tion of Water.
 432.

A message from the Mayor in the words
 following is presented and read, viz:—

Mayor's Office

City of Providence Novem. 13. 1871

Gentlemen of the City Council

The introduction into this
 city of a supply of pure water is of
 sufficient importance to deserve recogni-
 tion by public services. I therefore rec-
 ommend the appointment of a committee
 to make arrangements for a proper celebra-
 tion of the event at an early day.

Thomas A. Doyle

Mayor.

Com. of Arrangements

 on
 Municipal celebration
 of introduction of Water.

Resolutions in the words following having
 passed the Board of Aldermen are sent down
 for concurrence, and are read, viz:—

Resolved.

That in conformity with the
 recommendation of His Honor the Mayor
 Aldermen Coggeshall and Brayton
 with such as the Common Council may
 add, be and they are hereby appointed
 a committee to arrange for a proper

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celebration in commemoration of the introduction of water into this city, and that this committee be authorized to draw upon the City Treasurer for a sufficient sum to defray the expenses of the same, to be charged to the appropriation for contingencies.

Resolved

That the Mayor be added to the aforesaid committee.

Whereupon it is Resolved that the Common Council do concur therein and that Messrs Binney, Vanduyck & F. Potter Jr. be added to said committee.

(Approved)

Mayor's Message

North Main St. Sewer

432

A message is received from the Mayor relative to removal of obstructions in sewer in North Main street, which is read, and on recommendation of the joint committee on Sewers, the following Resolution, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is read and passed in concurrence, viz:—

Resolved

That the Water Commissioners are hereby authorized and directed to keep all sewers constructed by them in repair and properly cleaned, until further orders from the City Council.

(Approved)

Water Commissioners to have charge of Sewers.

435

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Mo. Report of Chief Engineer of Fire Department

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

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Sewer in Bowen St.

412

The joint committee on Sewers to whom the 9th of October last was referred a petition of Albert Dailey to have a sewer in Bowen street, make report, recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution, which report is received and the following resolution is thereupon read and passed, viz:—

Resolved

That the Board of Aldermen be and are hereby requested to cause a main drain or common sewer to be laid in Bowen street from Prospect to Thayer street in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 807 of the public laws.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Sewer in Angell Street

Said committee to whom was referred a petition of Wm Grosvenor for sewer in Angell street, make report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution: which report is received and the following resolution is thereupon read and passed, viz:—

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Resolved.

That the Board of Aldermen be hereby requested to cause a main drain or common sewer to be laid in Angell street, commencing at or near the highest point in said street, east of Prospect street, and continuing through Angell street to Benefit street, through Benefit to Waterman and Waterman to North Main street in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 807 of the public laws.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Sewer to be laid in

Meeting Street.

Resolved.

That the Board of Aldermen be and are hereby requested to cause a main drain or common sewer to be laid in Meeting street from Congdon to North Main street in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 807 of the public laws.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Burial Lot for

Prescott Post No. 1.

425.

The joint committee on the North Burying Ground to whom at the last meeting was referred a petition of Prescott Post No. 1. for burial lot, make report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution which report is received and the following

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resolution is thereupon read and passed, viz:-

Resolved.

That the joint standing Committee on the North Burial Ground be and they are hereby instructed to locate a lot in the North Burial Ground for the use of Prescott Post No. 1. G. A. R., as a burial place; provided said Post agree with said Commissioners to place a suitable curbing around said lot before the delivery of the dead of said burial place.

(See p. 474)

Ninth Ward

Division into two wards.

Petition of Cyrus Harris & others citizens of the Ninth ward for a division of said ward into two wards, is presented and read, whereupon it is

Resolved

That the same is hereby referred to Messrs. W. G. Potter, Fisher and Murray of the Common Council and such as the Board of Aldermen may add to consider and report thereon.

(Concurred by Ald. Park & Dabell added)

(Approved)

Salary Ordinance

Amendment of.

277.

The joint committee on Ordinances report with recommendation a bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance

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entitled An Ordinance fixing the salaries of the officers of the City of Providence for the year ensuing the first Monday of June A.D. 1871, establishing salary of Boards of Assessors at \$5. per day each, and of clerks at \$4 per day, which report is received and said bill is read: whereupon a motion to strike out the first section of the same is lost.

It is then moved to amend the first section by striking out the words "five dollars" and substituting the words "three dollars", as the salary per day of each member of the Boards of Assessors; upon which motion the Ayes and Nays are ordered, as follows, viz:

Ayes.

Messrs Anthony, A. J. Barnaby, J. B. Barnaby, Beckwith, A. J. Brown, J. R. Brown, Cady, Fenner, Fisher, Harris, Joslin, Keep, Mathewson, Murray, Paine, Place, N. Y. Potter, Root, Sellev & Vanslyck. 20.

Nays.

Messrs President, Bradford, Case, Cory, Hayward, Hunt, Metcalf, Murray, Persons, N. F. Potter Jr. Tucker & White 12

Said motion is therefore passed.

It is then moved that said section stand as a part of the bill, upon which motion the ayes and nays are ordered with the following result, viz: -

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Ayes.

Messrs Anthony, A. J. Barnaby, J. B. Barnaby, Beckwith, Bradford, A. J. Brown, J. R. Brown, Cady, Case, Fenner, Fisher, Harris, Hayward, Joslin, Keep, Mathewson, Murray, Murray, Phillips, Place, N. Y. Potter, Root. 22

Nays.

Messrs President, Cory, Hunt, Metcalf, Paine, Persons, N. F. Potter Jr. Sellev, Tucker Vanslyck, & White 11.

Said motion therefore prevails.

The second section of said bill is amended by striking out "seven dollars" and substituting "five dollars" in the Compensation for clerks.

It is then moved to amend by striking out "1871" and substituting "1872", upon which motion the ayes and nays are ordered with the following result, viz: -

Ayes

Messrs J. B. Barnaby, A. J. Brown, Cory, Hunt, Metcalf, N. F. Potter Jr. Root, Tucker Vanslyck and White 10.

Nays

Messrs President, Anthony, A. J. Barnaby, Beckwith, Bradford, J. R. Brown, Cady, Case, Fenner, Fisher, Harris, Hayward, Joslin, Keep, Mathewson, Murray, Murray, Paine, Persons, Phillips, Place, N. Y.

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Said motion is therefore lost, and said bill as amended is thereupon read & passed, (B. Ord. Tab.)

Petition of

Raising Building
452.

Wm. A. Munroe, for permission to raise a certain building, is presented, received and referred to the joint committee on the Fire Department.

Petitions of

Summer Street
469.

David Cady for curbing and paving gutters on Summer street; of

Hudson Street.

Asahel Fiske & others for setting curbstones and paving gutters on Hudson street; of

Sycamore Street

Albert H. Parkhurst & others for setting curbing and paving gutters on a portion of Sycamore street; of

Vineyard Street
470.

H. V. Guile & others for receiving Vineyard street, are severally presented, received and referred to the joint committee on Highway.

Petitions of

Remission of tax.
453.
454.

Charles H. Barnes,
Francis Colwell Jr. Administrator
Erastus Edwards

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for abatement of certain taxes; and of Edward Wilson

Edward Wilson for damages - Pitman St. 454.

for damages for change of grade of Pitman St. are severally presented, received and referred to the joint committee on Claims.

J. Herbert Shedd

Private drain in S Main St.

On recommendation of the joint committee on Highways, the communication of J. Herbert Shedd relative to private drains in South Main street, referred to said committee by the Board of Aldermen, is referred to the joint committee on Sewers - the joint committee on Highways being discharged from further consideration thereof.

Tallman's Lane -

Curbing & forth with.

A resolution in the words following having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down, read and passed in concurrence, viz: -

Resolved.

That the Surveyor of Highways be hereby directed, under the advice of the Joint Committee on Highway, to cause the curbing to be set and the gutters paved on Tallman's Lane from Chestnut street to Eddy street, forthwith.

(Approved)

Broad & Battery Sts

Recommitment of Report

A resolution in the words following having passed the Board of Aldermen is sent down, read and passed in concurrence.

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Resolved.

That the City Solicitor is hereby directed to apply to the Supreme Court to recommit the reports of the Commissioners of estimate and assessment on Broad Street (new Snow street), and on Battery Street for the purpose of revising the same and correcting any errors in said reports respectively.

(Approved)

Special Water Tax
Legislation for.

A resolution for applying to the General Assembly for power to assess & collect a special tax on all lots in parts of which water pipes may be laid? Having passed the Board of Aldermen is sent down, read and postponed till the next meeting - a motion to refer to the joint committee on Ordinances being lost by a vote of 13 to 16.

Chas. W. Jenckes
Overflow of land.

413.
457.

On recommendation of the joint committee on Claims, said committee is discharged from further consideration of the petition of Charles W. Jenckes relative to overflow of water from Greenwich street on his land, and the same is recommitted to the joint committee on Highways.

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Eddy Street
Washington to Cove Sts.
Extension of

318.
451.

A copy of the Report of the Commissioners of estimate and assessment to lay out and extend Eddy street from Washington to Cove streets is presented.

A remonstrance of Caroline M. Rhodes others against the same is presented, read and received.

A resolution electing to make said improvement is presented, read and the consideration thereof postponed till the next meeting.

Phonographic reporter
Liquor Cases.

A resolution (from the Board of Aldermen) authorizing the Mayor to employ phonographic reporter in liquor cases, is sent down for concurrence, read and the consideration thereof postponed till the next meeting.

Humphrey Almy
Removal of Sand catcher

424.

On recommendation of the joint committee on Highway, said committee is discharged from further consideration of the petition of Humphrey Almy for removal of sand catcher and for damages, and the same is referred to the joint committee on Sewers.

Potter Street
Relay of.

421.
458.

The joint committee on Highway to whom at the last meeting was recommitted a resolution to relay and

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widen Potter street, make report recommending the passage of the accompanying substitute: which report is received and said resolution is re-committed.

Eddy Street
Broad to Pine St,
Widening of.

428.
455.

Said committee to whom at the last meeting was re-committed a resolution to lay out and widen Eddy Street from Broad to Pine streets, make report, recommending the accompanying substitute: which report is received and said resolution is passed in concurrence with an amendment.

(Re-committed)

Vinton Street

Curbing & paving

Said committee to whom was referred a petition of S. H. Manchester to the committee for curbing Vinton Street report the following resolution, which is thereupon read and passed, viz: -

Resolved. That the Surveyor of Highways, acting under the advice and direction of the joint committee on Highways be & he is hereby directed to cause curbstones to be set and gutters paved on Vinton Street from Asia Street to Geeler Street

(Concurred & approved)

Adjourn

The Common Council adjourn till Monday Dec. 11, 1871
Present - all the members except Messrs Binney, Drake Perkins, 3

M. Andersony Clerk.

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Special Meeting

called by the Mayor by his warrant dated December 1, 1871.

Pursuant to said warrant, the members of the Common Council assembled in their chamber December 1, 1871 at 9.15 p.m. - the President in the chair and a quorum present.

Quorum present

Clerk pro tem.

Mr Ervin T. Case is elected Clerk pro tem.

Mayor's Message

Reasons for meeting

A Message from the Mayor in the words following is presented and read, viz:

Mayor's Office

City of Providence Decem. 1, 1871

Gentlemen of the City Council.

I have convened you this evening in consequence of a proposition which has been made to me and which I deem of it of great importance to the interests of the city that some action should at once be taken by the City Council thereon.

Thomas Doyle
Mayor

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A resolution in the words following is presented, read and passed, viz:-

Resolved

Purchase of lots 12 & 13 on Dorrance St Association Plat:

495.

That the City Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to pay to Walter S. Burgess and others a sum not exceeding eleven thousand dollars (\$11,000) whenever they shall present to him a deed satisfactory to the City Solicitor of lots numbers 12 and 13 on the plat of the Dorrance Street Association in the City of Providence the same to be paid from the appropriation for Contingencies.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Union R.R. Co.

Running Cars on Dorrance Street to new Opera House.

A petition of the Union Railroad Co for permission to run cars over the tracks of the H. P. & F. R. R. on Dorrance Street is presented, received and referred to the joint committee on Railroads.

Adjourn.

The Common Council adjourn until Monday December 11. 1871. at 7 1/2 o'clock p.m.

Present all the members except Messrs J. R. Brown & Perkins 2.

From the minutes of E. I. Case clerk pro tem.

M. Bradley clerk

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The Common Council met pursuant to adjournment - the President in the chair and a quorum present.

Records read.

The Records of the meetings held, Nov. 20. and Decem. 1. are read.

Mo. Report of

City Treasurer.

The Monthly Report of the City Treasurer is presented, read and received.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Mo. Report of Chief

Eng. of Fire Dept.

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

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Mo. Report of

Harbor-Master.

The Monthly Report of the Harbor-Master is presented, read and received.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Eddy Street

(Washington to Green St)

Laying out etc.

447.

The resolution electing to make the improvement of laying out Eddy Street from Washington to Green Street, postponed from the last meeting is taken from the table

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read and indefinitely postponed.

Prospect Park

Grading of vt.

418.
465.

The resolution making appropriation of \$10,000 for grading and laying out Prospect Park, which passed this Common Council on the 13 day of November last, is returned from the Board of Aldermen with their concurrence therein with an amendment striking out the word "ten" and substituting the word "eight"; whereupon it is ordered that the same be recommitted.

The joint committee on the Fire Department to whom were referred petitions of

Raising Building

444.

Wm. A. Munroe for raising a certain building; and of

Moving Do.

423.

Talbot Brothers, for moving a certain building, make report recommending that the same be granted: which report is received and resolutions granting the same are read and passed.

Remission of taxes

404

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454.

The joint committee on claims to whom were referred the several petitions of

Erastus Edwards,

Frank Brastow, Trustee,

Charles Gorton,

F. E. Richmond,

Louisa Miller,

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for remission of certain taxes make reports recommending the passage of the accompanying resolutions: which reports are received and the following resolutions are thereupon read and passed, viz:-

Remission of tax

Erastus Edwards

444

Resolved

That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to deduct from the Tax assessed against Erastus Edwards, for the year 1871 the sum of eight dollars and ten cents, the same being for an error made in estimating a given number of feet of land at a given rate per foot.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Do.

Resolved

Frank Brastow, Trustee.

424

That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to remit, or, if the same has already been paid - to refund to Frank Brastow Trustee, the sum of Fifty Nine dollars and forty cents, the same having been twice assessed against him, first as Frank Brastow, Administrator, and again as Frank Brastow Trustee.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Do.

Resolved

Leah M. Sweet, Trustee.

424.

That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to remit, or, if the same has already been paid, to refund to Leah M. Sweet, Trustee, the sum of Twenty

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Dollars and twenty five cents, the same having been erroneously assessed first to Charles Eaton and wife, and again to Leah M. Sweet, Trustee.

(Concurred)
(Approved)

Resolved.

Remission of tax
Louisa Miller.

452.

That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to remit, or if the same has already been paid, to refund to Louisa Miller, Widow of the late Edward F. Miller, the sum of forty dollars and fifty cents. The same being for amount erroneously assessed against her, she having made her statement to the Board of Assessors as by law required, and said statement having been accidentally overlooked by said Board in making up the amount of her tax.

(Concurred & Approved)

Resolved.

Do.
F.E. Richmond:

452.

That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to remit, or if the same has already been paid, to refund to F. E. Richmond, the sum of One hundred seventy nine dollars and 20 cents, the same having been erroneously assessed for the years 1868, 1869, 1870 and 1871 upon property which now is and has been used solely for church purposes and is by law exempt from taxation.

(Concurred & Approved)

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Broadway Baptist Ch.
Damages from over-
flow of water.

Said committee to whom was referred a petition of the Broadway Baptist Church for remuneration, make report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution, which report is received and the following resolution is read and passed, viz:

Resolved.

That the City Treasurer is hereby directed to pay to the Broadway Baptist Society the sum of One Hundred Dollars. The same being in full compensation for all damages sustained by them by reason of the flowing of water from Broadway or otherwise. To be paid from the appropriation for Highways, whenever said Society shall give a receipt for the same, satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

(Concurred)
(Approved)

Leave to withdraw.

Chas. H. Barnes.

444

Edward Wilson.

445.

Said committee to whom were referred petitions of Charles H. Barnes for remission of tax; of Edward Wilson for damages for change of grade of Pitman street, make reports, recommending that the petitioners have leave to withdraw, which reports are received and it is ordered that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

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J.H. Norcross.

Services on Point St. Bridge

425.

On recommendation of said Committee the Resolution (from the Board of Aldermen) to pay J. H. Norcross for services on Point St. Bridge, is read and passed in concurrence as follows, viz:—

Resolved.

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to pay J. H. Norcross the sum of three hundred and six ^{90/100} dollars, being in full payment for his services on the Point street Bridge from September 28. to November 10, 1871, to be paid from the appropriation for the Point street bridge.

(Approved)

Unconfirmed Police

Payment of.

A resolution in the words following having passed the Board of Aldermen is sent down, read and passed in concurrence, viz:—

Resolved.

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

Joseph Gardiner	\$68.75
Charles G. North	41.25
James Braslin	82.50
Edward B. Soule	82.50.

(Approved)

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Point Street Bridge

W.R. Huston's contract

A resolution (from the Board of Aldermen) authorizing a contract with W. R. Huston to put the draw in Point street Bridge in making order for \$1000, is read and non-concurred.

Perkins Sheet Iron Co.

Reception of Sprague St.

319.

The joint committee on Highways to whom on the 10 of July last was referred a petition of Perkins Sheet Iron Co. others for reception of Sprague street, report the following resolution which on their recommendation is thereupon read and passed, viz:—

Resolved.

That the Board of Aldermen be and they are hereby requested to receive Sprague street from Greenwich street to Dexter street and declare the same a public Highway.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Chas. W. Jenckes.

Overflow of water.

446.

On the recommendation of said Committee, to whom at the last meeting was recommended the petition of Charles W. Jenckes relative to overflow of water from Greenwich street on his land, said petitioner has been to withdraw.

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Superior Street
Lay out of.

A resolution (from the Board of Aldermen) requesting Board of Aldermen to lay out Superior street, is read and referred to the joint committee on Highways, who report the same with recommendation: which report is received and said resolution in the words following is thereupon read and passed in concurrence, viz:—
Resolved.

That the Board of Aldermen be hereby requested to lay out Superior street from Cranston street to Dexter street.

(Approved)

Potter Street.

To re-lay & widen

447.

468.

Said committee to whom at the last meeting were re-committed the resolutions (from the Board of Aldermen) to re-lay and widen Potter street, make report recommending concurrence in the passage of the same: which report is received, and said resolutions are re-committed with instructions to report courses and distances.

Eddy Street
(Pine to Broad Sts)
Relay, widen, &c.

448.

Resolutions, from the Board of Aldermen, to relay, widen and straighten Eddy street from Pine street to Broad street by the courses and distances therein described, and assessing three

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fourths of the loss and damage upon the persons and estates benefitted thereby, are sent down, read and passed in concurrence.

(Approved)

Eddy Street.
Washington to Cove Sts.
Extension of it.

A draft resolution to lay out and extend Eddy street from Washington street to Cove street, is presented, read and referred to the joint committee on Highways.

Point Street Bridge

Pay of watchmen.

423

The joint committee on City Property to whom on the 13th of November last was referred a resolution (from the Board of Aldermen), to pay watchmen on Point street Bridge, make report recommending concurrence therein: which report is received and said resolution in the words following is thereupon read and passed in concurrence, viz:—

Resolved.

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to pay Walter S. Baxter the sum of sixty five dollars, and Lenas Baxter the sum of seventy five dollars, the same being for their services in watching the Point street Bridge to October 24. 1871. said sum to be paid from the Appropriation

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for bridges.

(Approved)

Marshall Woods

Aect for railing

425

Said committee to whom were referred a petition of Marshall Woods for payment of account for railing in office of Inspector of Milk, make report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution allowing the same; which report is received and said resolution is indefinitely postponed.

Wm. Vryghart

Purchase of land

425

On recommendation of said committee, to whom was referred a petition of William Vryghart to buy part of Lot No 59. on Accessor's Plat No. 8, said petitioner has leave to withdraw.

Comr of Cove Lands

A communication is received from the Board of Aldermen, announcing the election by them of William Binney, as a Commissioner of the Cove Lands.

Purchase of Slaughter House Estates

492

A resolution (from the Board of Aldermen), authorizing the purchase of Slaughter House estates. Also, a resolution (from said Board,

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River Walls.

for building river walls at Central and Washington Bridges, are severally sent down for concurrence, read and referred to the joint committee on City Property.

Henry C. Clark

Communication from

A communication from Henry C. Clark, relative to his suits against the City is sent down from the Board of Aldermen, read in part, received and referred to the joint special committee to settle outstanding claims with H. C. Clark et als.

Prov. Concrete Co's Bill

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Resolutions (from the Board of Aldermen), to pay the Providence Concrete Company for sidewalk of Mrs E. B. Hall; also

Purchase of land. Cor. Broadway & High St. 469.

In purchasing lot of land at junction of Broadway and High street;

Broad Street (near Snow St.) Further widening of

Also Petition of James R. Huges & others for additional widening of Broad street near Snow street; of

Elm Street Extension of

Wm. B. Cranston & others for extension of Elm street westerly to Maple street; of

Ring Street Reception of

James H. Chau & others for receiving Ring street, are severally presented, received and

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referred to the joint committee on Highways.

Remission of tax.

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Petitions of

E. H. Appleton,

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A. B. Waldron,

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John Wardwell,

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Mary A. Tellow, Executive

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Hezekiah Potter, Executor,

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Lloyd Cowers, Administrator,

all for the remission of certain taxes,

John R. Kiernan.
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and of John R. Kiernan, for reimbursement, are severally presented, received and referred to the joint committee on Claims.

Mayor's Message

Central Bridge Appri

A message is received from the Mayor transmitting a request from the Central Bridge Commissioners for appropriation to complete said bridge: whereupon it is Resolved (in concurrence, that said Message be referred to the joint committee on Finance.

(Approved)

Ninth Ward

Division of etc.

467.

A resolution (from the Board of Aldermen), inquiring into expediency of increasing the number of wards and adding the Ninth Ward to the Eastern Congressional District, is sent down for concurrence, read and laid on the table to await the action of the Board of Aldermen on a similar res-

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lution sent to them from this Council.

Ordinance permitting Union R.R. to use track of N.P. & F.R.R.

The joint committee on Railroads to whom at the last meeting was referred a petition of the Union R.R. Co. for permission to run cars over the tracks of N.P. & F.R.R. Co. on Dorranu street, make report recommending the passage of the accompanying bill entitled "An Ordinance permitting the Union Rail Road Co. to connect with and use the tracks of the Hartford Providence & Fiskill Railroad Co.", which report is received and said Ordinance is read and passed in concurrence.

(Approved)

Point St. Bridge

Report to Board of Ald.

A communication is received from the Board of Aldermen, transmitting a Report of a special committee of said Board together with a report of a board of engineers, made to said Board of Aldermen, which Reports are read.

Resolved.

Special Com. to report upon Centre Pier of Point St. Bridge.

482.

That Messrs Binney, Van Slyck and Metcalf be appointed a committee to obtain the opinion of Messrs Cushing and Greene as to strength and sufficiency of Centre Pier

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and other mason work of the Point & that Bridge to carry the new draw suggested by their former plans, and report the same to the Common Council as early as possible.

Resolved,

That when this Common Council adjourn, it adjourn to Thursday, Dec. 20. at 7 1/2 o'clock p.m. and that the Revision of the City Ordinances be the special order at that time.

Resolution of
Adjournment.

Prescott Post, No. 1.

Burial Lot.

470.

Pending the consideration of a resolution granting the petition of the Prescott Post, No. 1. G. A. S. for burial lot in the North Burying Ground, the Common Council adjourn.

Present - all the members except Messrs Fisher & Perkins 2.

A. M. Addams
Clerk.

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The Common Council meet pursuant to adjournment - the President in the chair and a quorum present.

Quorum present

Record.

The reading of the record of the last meeting is dispensed with.

Prospect Park.

Improvement of.

452.

The joint special committee on improving Prospect Park, to whom at the last meeting was re-committed the resolution for improvement of said Park, with the amendment of the Board of Aldermen, striking out the words "ten thousand dollars" and substituting "eight thousand dollars", make report recommending concurrence in said amendment, which report is received, and it is thereupon moved that the Common Council concur with the Board of Aldermen in said amendment.

It is then moved to postpone the further consideration of the subject until the next meeting, which motion is lost by a vote of 9 to 16.

It is then moved to concur with an amendment striking out the word "eight" and substituting "five", which motion

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(continued)

is lost by a vote of 9 to 15.

It is then moved to indefinitely postpone the whole subject, which motion is lost by a vote of 10 to 15.

Upon the motion to concur in the amendment of the Board of Aldermen, the ayes and nays are ordered with the following result, viz: -

Ayes.

Mesrs Anthony, Beckwith, J. R. Brown, Cady, Cory, Dexter, Finner, Harris, Keef, Mathewson, Metcalf, Mowry, Paine, Persons, Root, Sellow, Tucker 17.

Nays.

Mesrs President, A. J. Barnaby, J. L. Barnaby, Bradford, Case, Hayward, Hunt, Joslin, Murray, Perkins, Place, S. F. Potter Jr, W. G. Potter, & Van Slyck 14.

Said motion therefore prevails.

(Approved)

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

(Concurred)

The joint special committee appointed with full power to adjust and settle all claims of Patrick & Timothy O'Conner against the city for damages from

Quarterly Report
Surveyor of Highways

P. T. O'Conner
Report of Committee
to adjust claims of
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The extension of Thayer street, make their report to the effect that they have compromised said claims by allowing to each claimant \$1000. in addition to the amounts estimated by the Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment on said Extension, and that the appeals taken by said claimants have been discontinued: which report is read and received.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Increasing number
of Wards etc.
462.

The resolution (from the Board of Aldermen) relative to the expediency of dividing the Ninth Ward etc. which at the last meeting was laid on the table, is taken from the table, read and passed in concurrence as follows:

Resolved.

That Aldermen Carle and Daboll and Messrs W. G. Potter, Fisher and Murray of the Common Council be hereby appointed a committee to inquire into the expediency of applying to the General Assembly to increase the number of wards in the city, and also for causing the ninth ward to be included in the eastern congressional district.

(Approved)

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Broadway & High St.

Purchase of land

461.

The joint committee on Highways to whom at the last meeting was referred a resolution (from the Board of Aldermen) for purchase of lot at junction of Broadway & High street, make report recommending concurrence in the passage of the same: which report is received and said resolution is read and passed in concurrence, as follows, viz:-

Resolved

That Aldermen Brayton and Messrs Sellev, A. J. Brown and Place of the Common Council be hereby authorized to purchase a certain lot of land at the junction of Broadway and High street for the purpose of adding the same to the street, provided the cost thereof shall not exceed the sum of five hundred dollars, to be paid from the appropriation for opening streets.

(Approved)

Potter Street

Relay & widening of

458.

Said committee to whom at the last meeting was re-committed the resolution from the Board of Aldermen, to re-lay and widen Potter street, with instructions to report courses and distances, make report recommending the passage of the accompanying substitute, which report is received. Said resolution is thereupon

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read and non-concurred, and said substitute resolution is thereupon read and passed.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Summer Street

Curbing & paving of

444.

Said committee to whom on the 20th of November last was referred a petition of David Gady to cause curbstones to be set and gutters paved on Summer street from Pine street to Friendship street, make report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution directing the Surveyor of Highways to cause the same to be done: which report is received and said resolution is thereupon read and passed.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Greenwich Street

Lay out of

A resolution from the Board of Aldermen, requesting the Board of Aldermen to lay out Greenwich street, is sent down for concurrence, read and referred to the joint committee on Highways.

Said committee report adversely on the same, and said resolution is read and non-concurred.

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Vineyard Street

Reception of.

444.

Said committee to whom on the 20th of November last was referred a petition of N. V. Guile to have for receiving Vineyard street, make report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution which report is received and said resolution requesting the Board of Aldermen to receive Vineyard street and declare the same a public highway is thereupon read and passed.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Prescott Post No. 1.

G. A. R.

Lot for burial purposes

464.

The resolution to grant a lot in the North Burying Ground to Prescott Post No. 1. G. A. R. for burial purposes, which was under discussion at the adjournment of the last meeting is taken from the table, read and passed.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Revision of ordinances

The consideration of the report of the special committee on the Revision of the city ordinances is postponed till the next meeting.

Resolved.

That His Honor the Mayor and the Board of Aldermen be invited

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to be present with the Council informally at its next meeting and on any subsequent occasion when the subject of said Revision may be under consideration.

Resolved.

That the City Solicitor be requested to attend the meetings of this Council when said subject is under discussion.

City Solicitor to attend discussion of Revision of Ordinances

Remission of tax.

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489.

Neil Harvey et al.

491.

Edward Burr & Co.

489.

Petitions of

J. B. Coxy

Anstis P. Allanton,

Ellery C. Davis,

all for remission of tax; of Neil Harvey et al. for damage to estate on Tickendam street; of Edward Burr & Co. for allowance of account for harness furnished Highway Department, are severally presented, received and referred to the joint committee on claims.

Raising buildings

497.

497.

Petitions of

Sarah L. Reed,

John F. Hicks,

for permission to raise certain buildings are presented, received and referred to the joint committee on the Fire Department.

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Prov. Concrete Co. bill

461.
494.

The joint committee on Highways to whom were referred the Resolutions (from the Board of Aldermen), to pay the Providence Concrete Co. for sidewalk of Mrs E. B. Hall's estate; and, also,

Relay of Page St.

491.

petition of Mrs Amelia F. Palmer for relay of part of Page street, make reports recommending the passage of the accompanying resolutions:

Whereupon it is ordered that the same be recommitted.

Nathan B. Waldron

Remission of tax.

462.

The joint committee on Claims to whom at the last meeting was referred a petition of Nathan B. Waldron for remission of tax, make report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution directing the City Treasurer to remit the tax assessed against said Waldron, he having been at the time said tax was assessed a resident and taxpayer in the town of North Kingstown; which report is received and said resolution passed.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Elisha W. Appleton

Remission of tax.

462.

Said committee to whom at same date was referred a petition of Elisha W. Appleton for remission of tax make report and recom-

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mend the passage of the accompanying resolution directing the City Treasurer to pay to said Appleton the sum of nine 15/100 dollars for amount erroneously assessed against and paid by him on lot of land previously deeded by him to the city; which report is received and said resolution is read and passed.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Anna R. Boardman

Remission of tax.

Said committee to whom was referred a petition of Anna R. Boardman for abatement of tax, make report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution, directing the City Treasurer to remit, or - if the same has already been paid - to refund to said Anna R. Boardman the sum of Twenty 25/100 dollars, the same having been taxed against her twice, once in her maiden name Anna Rathbone, and again in her present name; which report is received, and said resolution is thereupon read and passed.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

John Wardwell

Remission of tax.

462.

478.

Said committee to whom was referred a petition of John Wardwell for re-

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mission of tax make report recom-
mending the passage of the ac-
companying resolution directing
the City Treasurer to pay to John
Hawdell the sum of Twenty one ⁷⁰/₁₀₀
Dollars the same having been erro-
neously assessed against and paid
by him for the years 1867, 1868, 1869,
1870 and 1871, by reason of a mistake
in estimating the number of feet con-
tained in the lot of land owned by
him and situated on Pine street, which
report is received and said resolution
is thereupon read and passed.

Concurred
(Vetoed)

Mary A. Tellow, Ex.

Remission of Tax.

462.

477.

Said committee to whom was refer-
red a petition of Mary A. Tellow,
Executrix, for remission of tax make
report recommending the passage of
the accompanying resolution directing
the City Treasurer to pay to Mary A.
Tellow, Executrix of the Will of John
Tellow, deceased the sum of \$24.25
the same being for an error whereby
a building situated on Custom House
street and belonging to another person
having the same name as her late
husband was taxed for the years 1867,

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1868, 1869 and 1870 to the last named in-
dividual or to his estate, which report
is received and said resolution is
thereupon read and passed.

(Concurred)
(Vetoed)

John R. Kiernan.

Reimbursement of:

462.

495.

Said committee to whom was referred
a petition of John R. Kiernan for reim-
bursement of money paid for deed of
land sold at tax sale, said land being
taxed to one Louisa St. Pierce, whereas
Elisha W. Pierce was the real owner
thereof and had paid the tax thereon,
make report recommending the pas-
sage of the accompanying resolu-
tion directing the City Treasurer
to pay to John R. Kiernan the sum
of Twenty five ⁵⁰/₁₀₀ dollars for the
above named purpose: which report
is received and said resolution is
thereupon read and passed.

(Concurred)

Leave to withdraw:

462.

462.

Said committee to whom were re-
ferred petitions of
Lloyd Bowers, Administrator, &
Hegeliah Potter, Executor,
for remission of certain taxes, make
reports, recommending that said pe-

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petitioners have leave to withdraw: which reports are received and it is thereupon ordered that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Use of certain streets by P.W. H.P.F.R.R. Co. 490.

A draft resolution relative to the use of certain streets by the Poughkeepsie & Hartford, Poughkeepsie and Fishkill R.R. Companies, is presented, read and referred to the joint committee on Railroads.

Adjourn.

The Common Council adjourns on Thursday, January 3^d 1872 at 7 1/2 o'clock p.m.

Members present.

Present - all the members except Messrs Binney, A.J. Brown, Fisher, Phillips & White

M. Mademan Clerk.

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The Common Council meet pursuant to adjournment - the President in the chair and a quorum present.

Quorum present.

Record read.

The record of the last meeting is read and approved.

Veto Message

Resolutions to remit taxes of Mary A. Tetlow, Ex. & J. Wardwell.

A Message is received from the Mayor returning with his objections to the same, the Resolution to remit tax of Mary A. Tetlow, Executrix; also, the Resolution to remit tax of John Wardwell.

Both of which passed this Common Council on the 20th day of December last, and on the following day were passed in concurrence by the Board of Aldermen.

Mary A. Tetlow, Ex.

Remission of tax.

474.

Upon the resolution to remit tax of Mary A. Tetlow, Executrix, it is moved, that the same pass, the Mayor's objections to the contrary notwithstanding. Upon which motion, the vote is taken by yeas and nays with the following result viz: -

Yeas.

Messrs Anthony, Cory & White

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Days.

Meprs President, A. J. Barnaby, J. B. Barnaby, Beckwith, Binney, Bradford, A. J. Brown, J. R. Brown, Cady, Case, Deiter, Fenner, Fisher, Hayward, Joslin, Keep, Mathewson, Metcalf, Murray, Paine, Persons, Phillips, Place, N. J. Potter, Jr. N. Y. Potter, Root, Sellen, and Vandyck. 28

Said motion is therefore lost.

John Wardwell

Remission of tax.
462.
473.

The resolution to remit tax of John Wardwell is read and indefinitely postponed.

Mayor's Message

Invitations of Irish Am. Societies to parade St. Patrick's Day.

A Message is received from the Mayor, transmitting an invitation of the Irish American Societies of this city for the City Council to take part in their procession on Saint Patrick's day.

Do
Resolution to accept.
non-concurred.

A resolution accepting the foregoing invitation, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, read and non-concurred.

Comrs of Cove Lands report organization to

The Commissioners of the Cove Lands make report that they have organized by the appointment of Thomas Adyle as chairman, Joshua M. Adde-

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man as clerk at a compensation to be hereafter agreed upon, and Samuel B. Cushing as chief engineer at a salary of \$2500 per annum; that they have taken rooms on both claim sheet in the building owned by James T. Rhodes Esq, at an annual rent of seven hundred and fifty dollars. They furthermore request, for reasons therein stated, authority to employ legal counsel, as they may deem expedient: which report is read and received in concurrence.

(Approved)

Cove Land Comrs authorized to employ legal counsel.

A resolution in the words following having passed the Board of Aldermen is sent down, read and passed in concurrence, viz:—

Resolved.

That the Commissioners of the Cove Lands be hereby authorized to employ such legal counsel as the Commissioners may deem necessary.

(Approved)

Overseer of the Poor Semi-Annual Report

The Semi-Annual Report of the Overseer of the Poor, is presented, read and received in concurrence

(Approved)

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Unconfirmed Police
Payment of.

A resolution in the words following having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down, read and passed in concurrence, viz: -

Resolved.

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

Joseph Gardiner	\$85.25
Edward B. Soule	85.25
James Braslin	85.25

(Approved)

Walter S. & L. Baxter
Services in watching
Point St. Bridge.

A resolution in the words following having passed the Board of Aldermen is sent down, read and passed in concurrence, viz: -

Resolved.

That the City Treasurer be hereby directed to pay Walter S. Baxter the sum of Ninety two & 5/100 dollars and Lewis Baxter the sum of Ninety two & 5/100 dollars the same being for their services in watching the Point Street Bridge to Dec. 31. 1871; said sum to be paid from the appropriation for Bridges.

(Approved)

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Point St. Bridge
Employment of watchmen.

A resolution in the words following having passed the Board of Aldermen is sent down, read and passed in concurrence, viz: -

Resolved.

That the Overseer of Bridges be and he is hereby authorized to employ such persons as he may think proper, as temporary watchmen of the Point Street Bridge, subject to the approval of the Board of Aldermen.

(Approved)

Portion of Dorrance St.
to be declared a public
highway.

A resolution in the words following having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down, read and passed in concurrence, viz: -

Resolved.

That the Board of Aldermen are hereby requested to declare that portion of Dorrance Street lying south-ely of Dyer Street and extending to tide water as laid out upon the plat of the Dorrance Street Association to be a public highway, by reason of the same having been quietly, peaceably and actually used and improved as a public highway for ~~some~~ twenty years.

(Approved)

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S. B. Cushing & M. T. Greene

Opinion on Draw-pier
of Point St. Bridge
Report of committee

463.

The special committee appointed to procure from Samuel B. Cushing and Noble T. Greene their opinion upon the present draw pier of the Point Street Bridge, so called, and its sufficiency to support the Draw contemplated in their plan and estimates presented heretofore to the Board of Aldermen, make report submitting therewith such opinion in the form of a Report in writing signed by those gentlemen: which report is read and received.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Committee to complete

the
Point Street Bridge

Resolutions in the words following, recommended by said committee, are presented, read and passed, viz:—

Resolved.

That Messrs Sinney, Van Slyck and Metcalf on the part of the Common Council, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they hereby are constituted a committee of the City Council whose duty it shall be under the supervision and direction of Samuel B. Cushing Esq. and the overseer of Bridges of the City of Providence, to proceed as soon as conveniently may be to erect and complete upon the site of the present Point

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Street Bridge, a drawbridge of material, form and construction in conformity with the plan, specifications and estimates for a bridge having a draw span of one hundred feet as presented to the Board of Aldermen by said Samuel B. Cushing and Noble T. Greene on the day of November AD 1871, and in conformity with and reliance upon the professional opinion of said Cushing and Greene as expressed in their communication in writing dated Dec. 30. 1871 and signed by them, directed to a special committee of the Common Council.

Also that the committee hereby constituted be and they hereby are authorized and directed to use so much of the material now in said Point Street Bridge as may be needed or capable of being used in the performance of their duties hereunder, or to sell any or all of such material and apply the proceeds thereof in such performance.

Also, that said committee make report to this Council once in each month, of the progress of their work, and of the amount expended up to such time in its prosecution; and that they make a final report to said

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Council within one month of their receiving from said Cushing and said Overseer of Bridges a certificate in writing signed by them, that said Bridge and draw are complete and ready for use.

Resolved.

That the sum of Thirty thousand dollars be and the same hereby is appropriated out of the city Treasury and charged to Loan account, to meet the expense of completing said Bridge, said money to be expended under the direction of the committee hereby constituted.

(Concurred) A. A. Clark and Spencer added,
(Approved)

Resolved.

That all committees of the City Council, who have heretofore been appointed relative to the Point street Bridge be and the same are hereby discharged.

(Concurred)
(Approved)

Water Commissioners
9th Quarterly Report.

The Ninth Quarterly Report of the Water Commissioners is presented, read & received
(Concurred)
(Approved)

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Remission of tax.

Petitions of
Abby D. Bradford,
Michael Brophy,
Asabel Peck,

all for remission of certain taxes, are presented, received and referred to the joint committee on claims.

C. H. Hammonway

Use of room under
Second Ward room

Petitions of

C. H. Hammonway, to hire room under Ward Room of the Second Ward for sculptor's studio; of

Union R.R. Co. et al.

Alteration of Depot.

Union Railroad Co. and Providence, Pawtucket and Central Falls R.R. Co. for leave to make alterations in Depot Building, are presented, received and referred to the joint committee on City Property.

R.I. Concrete Pavement Co.

Bill for Knight St
Police Station

A petition of Noah J. Arnold, agent of R.I. Concrete Pavement Co. for payment of bill for concreting in front of the Knight St. Police Station, is presented, received and referred to the joint committee on Police.

Wm. W. Northrup Agt.

Raising building.

A petition of Wm. W. Northrup Agent for permission to raise a certain building is presented, received and referred to the joint committee on

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The Fire department.

Mrs Sarah Gill.

Damages from change of grade on Cranston St. 493.

A resolution, from the Board of Aldermen, to pay Mrs Sarah Gill for damages sustained in changing grade of Cranston street, is presented for concurrence, and referred to the joint committee on claims.

Ordinance creating a Water Loan.

The committee on the City Debt make report relative to the balance of the Water Loan, which they have placed with Messrs Blake Bros of Boston, bearing interest at five per cent per annum, the sum of ninety three dollars being the price agreed on for said balance.

The committee recommend the passage of the accompanying bill entitled "An Ordinance creating a Water Loan," which is thereupon read and passed.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

In Convention to consider the Revised Ordinances.

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen are announced and the two Boards join in convention informally to consider the report of the committee on revision of the ordinances.

Chapters III, V, VII, X, and XI, are

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read, amended and adopted as a part of the ordinance for recommendation.

Adjourn.

The two Boards separate, and the Common Council adjourn until Monday evening, January 8-1872 at 7 1/2 o'clock.

M. Caddeman
Clerk.

M.B. Present - all the members except Messrs Harris, Hunt, Mowry & Tucker 4.

Ma. Ch.

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The Common Council meet pursuant to adjournment - the President in the chair and a quorum present.

Quorum present.

Record read.

The Record of the last meeting is read and approved.

Appropriation for teacher in French in High School.

324.

A draft resolution "appropriating additional compensation to the Teacher in French in the High School" is presented, read and referred to the joint

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Committee on Education.

Subsequently said committee make report recommending the passage of said resolution with an amendment: which report is received, and said resolution in the words following is read and passed, viz:—

Resolved.

That the sum of one hundred dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated in addition to the former appropriation for the salary of the Teacher in French in the High School of this city; the appropriation for the same to be paid from the former appropriation for the support of Public Schools. Provided, however, that the whole appropriation for the said purpose for the present fiscal year shall not exceed the sum of five hundred dollars.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

North Burying Ground.

Removal of loam.

A communication from the Commissioners of the North Burying Ground relative to removal of loam to said Ground from Thayer street, is with an accompanying resolution, referred to the joint committee on Highways.

Cornelius Galvin

Living Building.

A petition of Cornelius Galvin for permission to remove a certain building

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is presented, received and referred to the joint committee on the Fire Department.

Sewers in Power Street.

in Washington St.

Petitions of Henry G. Russell others for constructing sewer on Power street from Brown to Beaufit streets; and of

Joseph Lovell others for sewer on Washington street;

are presented, received and referred to the joint committee on Sewers.

Benj. G. Dexter

Refunding tax.

A petition of Benjamin G. Dexter for refunding of tax is presented, received and referred to the joint committee on Claims.

Leave to withdraw.

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The joint committee on claims to whom were referred Decem. 20. petitions of Ellery C. Davis, W. B. Corey,

for remission of certain taxes, make reports adversely to the same, which reports are received and it is advised that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Edward Burr & Co.

Bill for harness.

471.

Said committee to whom December 20th was referred a bill of Edward Burr & Co. for harness furnished Highway Department, make report recommending the passage of the accompanying resolution allowing the sum of \$65. for the same: which report is received, and

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said resolution is thereupon read and indefinitely postponed.

Use of Streets by

Railroad Companies.

476.

The joint committee on Railroads to whom on the 21st Decemba last, was referred a draft resolution with regard to the use of streets by the P. & W. R. R. Co. and H. P. & W. R. R. make report that after having given a public hearing upon the question and carefully considering the whole subject - they return the resolution without recommendation: which report is received; and said resolution is thereupon read and indefinitely postponed by the following vote, viz: -

Ayes.

Meprs President, Anthony, J. B. Barnaby, Binney, Bradford, J. R. Brown, Cady, Case, Cory, Dexter, Fenner, Keep, Metcalf, Moury, Person, N. F. Potter Jr, W. G. Potter, Root, Sellen, Tucker, Vanslyck and White. 22

Nays.

Meprs Beckwith, A. J. Brown, Fisher, Harris, Hayward, Joslin, Mathewson, Murray, Paine, Phillips & Place. 11

Fountain Street.

Curbing & paving of

255.

The Resolution upon Fountain street, which on the 15th of May last was laid on the table, is taken from the table, read and passed in the following words, viz: - Resolved,

That the Surveyor of Highways

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acting under the advice and direction of the joint Committee on Highways be and he is hereby directed to cause Fountain street from Mathewson street to Cotton street to be re-curbed and paved with granite blocks.

Page Street

Relay of a portion of

472.

The joint committee on Highways to whom on the 20th Decemba last was recommended the petition of Amelia F. Salens for re-lay of portion of Page street, with accompanying resolution, now make report recommending the passage of the accompanying substitute: which report is received and the resolution read and laid on the table.

Neil Harvey.

Sewerage of 2nd & 3rd

Wards.

428.

471.

The joint committee on Sewers, who by resolution of November 13th were instructed to examine the premises of Neil Harvey at 117 Third street, alleged to have been damaged by overflow of water, make report and after remarking on the insufficient drainage, recommend the passage of the accompanying resolution appointing the Water Commissioners a committee to examine and report a plan for the drainage and sewerage of the second and third wards, which resolution is thereupon read & passed.

Concurred

(Approved)

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Monthly Reports

The Monthly Reports of
The Chief Engineer of the Fire Department; and of the Harbor Master, are severally presented, read and received

(Concurred)

(Approved)

City Treasurer's Monthly Report referred.

The City Treasurer's Monthly Report for December 1871 is presented, received and referred to the joint committee on Finance with instructions to report why the City Auditor's certificate is omitted.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Do. - Communication from City Auditor.

A communication from the City Auditor relative to the City Treasurer's Monthly Report is received.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Slaughter House Estates

Res. for removal of 460.

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The joint committee on City Property to whom on the 11 December last was referred a resolution (from the Board of Aldermen), referring the subject of purchasing the slaughter house estates of J. F. & A. Comstock, Moore & Perkins, H. K. Clark & Wm. L. Wood, to Aldermen Daboll & Brayton with Messrs of the Common Council, with power and authority to purchase the same, the cost to be charged to the loan account, make report and recommend concurrence in the passage of the same: which report is received, and it is thereupon moved that the same be indefinitely postponed: upon which motion the yeas and nays are ordered, with the following results viz:—

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Yeas

Messrs President, J. B. Barnaby, Case, Cory, Dexter, Fisher, Mathewson, Metcalf, Murray, Paine, Persons, Place, Tucker & White. 14

Nays

Messrs Anthony, Beckwith, Binney, Bradford, A. J. Brown, J. L. Brown, Cady, Fenner, Harris, Hayward, Joslin, Keep, Moory, Phillips, N. F. Potter, J. W. G. Potter, Root, Tellew, Vanslyck. 19

Said motion is thereupon lost.

Said resolution is thereupon read and passed in concurrence with an amendment, striking out the words "with power and authority to purchase the same, the cost to be charged to the loan account," and substitute the words "to examine and report thereon."

Messrs Mathewson, J. B. Barnaby and Dexter are added on the part of the Common Council.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Mrs Sarah Gill

Payment of damages

Cranston Street.

456.

The joint committee on Claims to whom at the last meeting was referred a resolution (from the Board of Aldermen) to pay Mrs Sarah Gill four hundred and fifty dollars for damage sustained by her in change of grade of Cranston Street, make report recommending concurrence therein: which report is received and said resolution is thereupon read and concurred in.

(Approved)

January 8, 1872.

Wanasquatucket river

Extending South Wall.

426.

The joint committee on City Property who were instructed to examine and report upon the expediency of extending the river wall on the southerly side of Wanasquatucket river, make report and recommend that the subject be referred to the Commissioners of the Cove Lands: which report is received in concurrence.

(Approved)

Do.

Cove Land Comrs to examine and report.

A resolution (from the Board of Aldermen, requesting the Commissioners of the Cove Lands to examine and report upon the expediency of extending the river wall along the southerly side of Wanasquatucket river, is sent down read and passed in concurrence.

(Approved)

Do.

Report of Cove Land Commissioners.

The Commissioners of the Cove Lands, pursuant to the foregoing request, make report that they have examined the subject referred to them, and that in their opinion there is no immediate necessity for the erection of said wall: which report is received.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Prov. Concrete Co.

Bill for sidewalk of Mrs. E. B. Hall.

472.

The joint committee on Highways to whom on Decem. 20. was re-committed the resolution (from the Board of Aldermen) to pay the Providence Concrete Co. the sum of thirty one 90/100 dollars, for laying concrete sidewalk in front of the estate of Mrs. E. B. Hall, on Benefit & Penn streets, make report recommending concurrence therein: which report is received, and said resolution read & concurred.

(Approved)

January 8, 1872.

John R. Kiernan

Compensation of.

475.

The resolution to pay John R. Kiernan for money paid on tax sale, which passed the Council on the 20th of December last, is returned from the Board of Aldermen, with their concurrence therein with an amendment adding the words "provided said Kiernan convey all his rights, title and interest in said estate to Elisha W. Pierce without additional compensation": which amendment is read and concurred in.

(Approved)

Third Ward

Building for Ward room.

Resolved.

That Messrs Sellev, Root and Keef with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a committee to report plans and estimates for a suitable building to be erected upon the land owned by the City on Tickenaw street, to be used for a Ward Room, Fire & Police Station.

(Concurred & Ed. Angell & Spicer added)

(Approved)

Purchase of Lots on

Dorrance & Asso^d lands

T. A. Doyle, Trustee.

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A communication in the words following is presented, read and received, viz:—

To the Honorable the City Council of the City of Providence: The undersigned, for himself and Messrs. Henry J. Angell, James H. Coggeshall, George B. Parle, George T. Spicer, William Spencer, Samuel S. Sprague, Amos W. Snow, Lodowick Brayton and William V. Baboll, respectfully represent that they have purchased of Hon. Walter S. Burges and others the two lots of land known as lots numbers twelve (12) and thirteen (13) of the Dorrance Street Association lands, with all the rights belonging thereto, being the same property which your honorable body voted to purchase by resolution approved December 1, 1871; that the undersigned and his associates were aware before they bought said property that the purchase of the same by the City Council would have been highly advantageous to the city, and with the rights of wharfage belonging thereto would have been of great use not only for the purposes of the highway, but other departments of the government; that they were also aware that by the action of two of the Justices of the Supreme Court of this State the city would not be able to complete the purchase of said lots within the time specified in the contract of sale made by them with Mr. Burges, and they would therefore be unable to secure the advantages to be derived as aforesaid; that in view of these facts the undersigned and his associates

desire to buy said lots and hold the same until your honorable body should be at liberty to purchase them, or in case they were not so purchased, to retain them as an investment; that the undersigned therefore, under instructions from his associates, informed Mr. Burges prior to the hour fixed for the completion of his contract with the city, that they were ready in case the city could not conform to their contract, to pay the price fixed in said contract and take the deeds of said lots upon the express condition that the same should be offered to your honorable body at the same price paid to him; and that the city should be allowed all the time they might desire to decide whether or not they would buy said lots; that upon this condition the said Burges made said sale, and deeds were executed in due form to the undersigned as trustee for himself and the parties aforesaid; and that now, in conformity to said condition, the undersigned hereby offers to your honorable body to convey to the city of Providence the two lots of land aforesaid, with all the rights thereunto belonging, for the exact cost thereof to the undersigned and his associates, whenever within a reasonable time hereafter your honorable body shall desire to purchase the same. Respectfully submitted for the parties in interest, THOMAS A. DOYLE, Trustee. Providence, January 8, 1872.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

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(Approved)

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(Approved)

Third Ward

Building for Ward room.

Resolved.

That Messrs Sellow, Root and Keef with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a committee to report plans and estimates for a suitable building to be erected upon the land owned by the City on McKean street, to be used for a Ward Room, Fire & Police Station.

(Concurred & Ed. Angell & Spicer added)

(Approved)

Purchase of Lots on

Dorrance & Asso: lands

T. A. Doyle, Trustee.

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Respectfully submitted for the parties in interest, THOMAS A. DOYLE, Trustee. Providence, January 8, 1872.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

A Resolution in the words following is there-

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upon presented, read and passed, viz: -

Resolved,

Purchase of Lots
on
Dorrance St. Asso: lands

That whereas in the opinion of the City Council and in the exercise of their powers under the Charter of the City of Providence, it has become for the interest of the City in its Highway Department and for other municipal uses to purchase own and make use of the Real Estate referred to in the proposition in writing to all the same, made to the City Council this day by Thomas A. Doyle for himself and certain associates, - this City Council hereby accepts such offer on the part of the City of Providence, at its terms as contained in said written propositions, and that the City Treasurer be and he hereby is authorized to pay to said Thomas A. Doyle the sum fixed in said proposition upon the tender to said Treasurer of a deed of said Real Estate by said Thomas A. Doyle, approved by the City Solicitor, and that the amount so paid be charged to the Loan Account.

(Concurred)

(Approved)

Purchase of Derricks
to for Dorrance St.
Asso: lands.

A resolution (from the Board of Aldermen) instructing the Joint Committee on Highways, when the purchase of the land on Dorrance Street wharf is completed, to examine and report upon the cost of suitable derricks, skutes and bins for the landing and storage of materials for the Highway Department thereon, is sent down, read and passed in concurrence.

(Approved)

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Old tax books to
be bound.

A Resolution (from the Board of Aldermen) directing the City Clerk to cause the old tax books in his office to be suitably bound for preservation, is sent down, read and passed in concurrence.

(Approved)

Appropriation for
fish way on Dam of
Pawtuxet River.

A resolution (from the Board of Aldermen) appropriating the sum of five hundred dollars for the purpose of building a fish way on the dam owned by the City at the mouth of the Pawtuxet River, the same to be built under the direction of the Water Commissioners, to be charged to the appropriation for contingencies, is sent down, read and passed in concurrence.

(Approved)

Raising Buildings

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On the recommendation of the joint committee on the Fire Department, the petitions of John F. Hicks, and Sarah L. Reed,

to raise certain buildings are granted, and the accompanying resolutions read and passed.

(Concurred & Approved)

City Building

Introduction of water

Resolved,

That the Supt. of Public Buildings acting under the advice and direction of the joint committee on City Property be and is hereby directed to introduce water into and cause the City Building to be properly plumbed. And that the sum of one thousand dollars or so

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much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated for this purpose, to be charged to the appropriation for Public Buildings.

(Concurred)

(Approved.)

A. W. Sprague et als.

Memorial relative to
Point Street Bridge.

A Memorial from A. W. Sprague & others requesting that a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars be spent in making necessary changes in the locking gear of the Point Street Bridge, and that the bridge be opened to ordinary travel; and in case of failure in the experiment, offering to refund the money to the city: is presented, received and referred to the special committee on the Point Street Bridge.

Adjourn.

The Common Council adjourn until Monday January 22. 1872 at 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ o'clock p. m.

Present - all the members except Messrs A. J. Barnaby, Hunt, & Perkins, 3.

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(Concurred)

(Affirmed)

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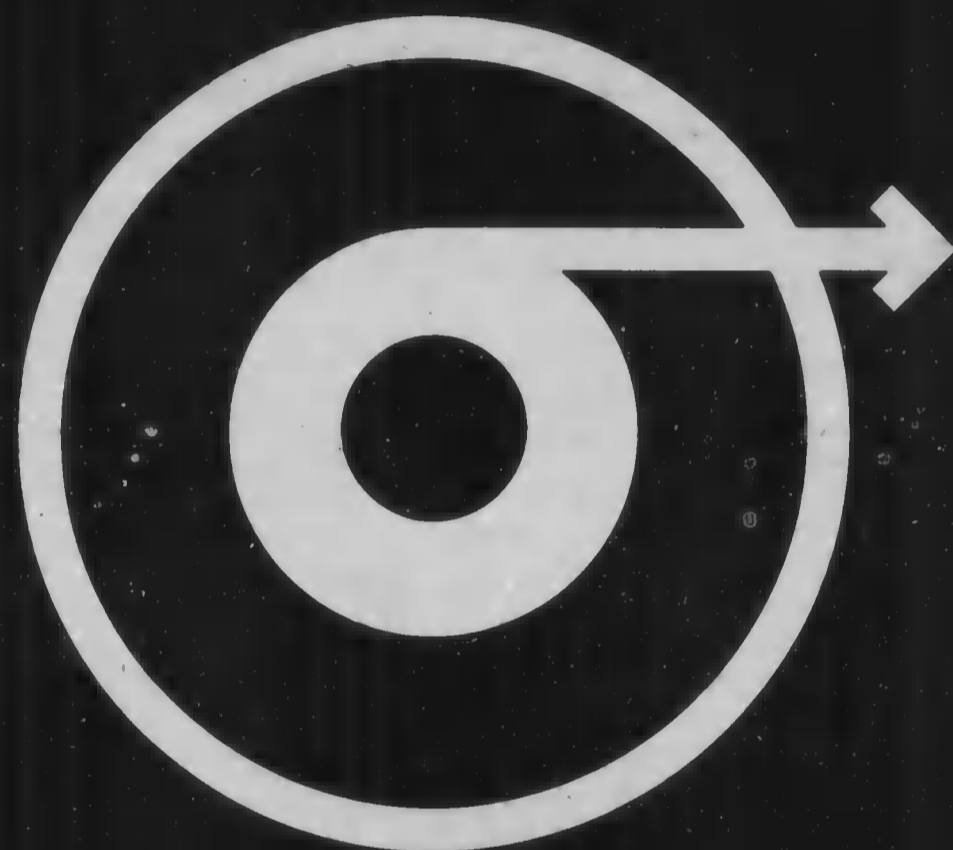
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