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1853.

Common Council, December 12th 1853.

The Common Council met pursuant to adjournment a quorum present.

Res. No. 1. } The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20th 1853, is presented read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

Res. No. 2. } The Quarterly Report of the City Treasurer, of the Issues and Payments of the City Debt, is presented and read whereupon it is ordered that the same be received. (Concurred.)

Surveys. } The Monthly Report of the Surveyor of Highways is presented, read and received. (Concurred.)

Report of Chief Eng. } The Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer is presented read and received. (Concurred.)

Report of Com. on Finance } The Standing Committee on Finance present a Report on the state of the City Debt, Receipts, Expenditures & Appropriations; in conformity with the 5th Standing Rule of the City Council, requiring said Committee "to enquire into, and from time to time, to report upon, the state of the City Debt, of the Receipts & Expenditures, and of the several Appropriations which may be made by the City Council"; which Report is accompanied by the following Resolution: viz. Resolved, that the City Treasurer be authorized,

2. Under the advice and direction of the Committee on Finance, to add the sum of Fifty two Thousand Dollars to the permanent Debt of the City; - being the amount of temporary Loan falling due from the 18th of January to the 14th of February, 1854, inclusive; - which Report is read. Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received, and that the same be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City Printing.

The Resolution, so reported, is read and passed.
(Concurred.)

Do Mr Anthony of the Standing Committee on Finance presents a Minority Report, accompanying the Report this Day made by that Committee relative to the City Debt, &c. which Minority Report is accompanied by a Resolution that the Board of Aldermen, (if they approve) be requested to cause Ward Meetings to be held in the several Wards in the City; and make such arrangements as they may deem necessary, as may enable the tax paying voters to vote, whether or not, they approve of the purchase of the Dyer Lot (so called) at the head of Exchange Place, for a location for the proposed City Hall; - which Report is read and received; and a motion for the passage of said Resolution, is put and lost.

Salaries of Teachers. A communication from the School Committee requesting authority to increase the salaries of all the male Teachers, not exceeding \$100 each, and of all the female Teachers, not exceeding \$50 each; - is presented and read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on Public Schools, to examine and report thereon.

Engine Co. No 10. The joint Committee to whom on the 14th of November last, was referred the communication from the Mayor, enclosing a Memorial from Engine Company No 10; -

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3. make Report, accompanied by a Resolution to direct the Chief Engineer "to cause the fence now standing on the North West side of Engine House No 10 to be removed and placed on a line with the House, commencing on the North East corner, and running westerly to the rear end of the Lot; and to furnish Blinds for the three lower windows on the North West side of the House;" which Report is read and received.
(Concurred.)

Do. The Resolution, so reported, is read; and a motion for the passage of the same, is put and lost.

Notch Bass. The City Solicitor who was, on the 15th of August last, requested to report to the City Council, on or before this Day, what title the City has to the lands known as the "Notch Beds," lying westerly of the western portion of the Grand Promenade; makes Report.
114. And it is ordered, that said Report be received, and that the same be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City Printing.

Reform School. The Standing Committee on Finance report the following Resolution, which is read and passed: is approved. Resolved, that Five Thousand Dollars be added to former Appropriations, for the ^{Reform} School; and that the same be paid out of any monies in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated.
(Concurred, January 9th 1854.)

Do. Resolved, that the Report of the joint Committee upon the system of labor and instruction in the Reformed Reform School, which was made to the City Council on the 28th of November last, be referred to the Standing Committee on Police.
(Concurred.)

Notch Bass. The joint Committee who were, on the 28th of November last, appointed to examine the Report of the

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Book 6, page 393. City Solicitor, then made, relative to the Mortgages executed to the City, by the Hartford, Providence and Fishkill Rail Road Company; and to report thereon at this Meeting. Make Request, in writing, for further time in which to make their Report. Whereupon, it is ordered, that further time be allowed for making such Report; (Concurred.)

Harbor. Ordered, That the Resolution from the Board of Aldermen, for an Appropriation of \$25,000, for clearing the mud from the River, from Highgate Bridge to the Crook; which was on the 15th of August last, referred to the next meeting of the Common Council; - be referred to the Standing Committee to engross Ordinances.

Do. A Communication from the Harbor Master, relative to the condition of the Harbor; is presented read, and received. And it is ordered, that the same be referred to Messrs. W. Paine Jr., Pillinghart and Williams, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon. (Concurred. Alderman Hall added)

Esch Tallman Treasurer. The Standing Committee on City Property, to whom, on the 14th of November last, was referred the Resolution from the Board of Aldermen, authorizing the purchase from Esch Tallman, Treasurer, of a strip of land extending from Friendship to Clifford Street; - make Report, recommending that the Common Council concur therein; - which Report is read and received; and it is thereupon resolved, that the Common Council do concur in the passage of said Resolution.

Pioneer Fire Co. A Petition from "The Pioneer Fire Company" attached to Engine No 11, praying that a sidewalk be ordered to be

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be laid in front of the building owned by them on land leased by them on South Main Street; may be laid at the expense of the City; - is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, - to examine and report thereon.

Police & Watchmen. Resolved, That the Standing Committee on Police be directed to report at the next regular Meeting of the Council, - whether the Police and Watchmen of the City, conform to the provisions of the "Ordinance in relation to Police". (Concurred.)

Mason's Hall. A Resolution which was on the 24th of October last, presented read, and postponed until this day for consideration; is now called up, amended, and as amended, is read; as follows: viz:

Book 6 page 379. Resolved, That the Committee to whom was referred the subject of the alterations of the Market House, be, and they hereby are directed to cause the same to be altered, in conformity with the Report of the Committee, with such variations as they may deem necessary; and that the sum of thirty five thousand Dollars be appropriated to defray the expenses thereof; to be paid out of any moneys in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated.

Whereupon, it is moved that the same be indefinitely postponed; - On which motion, the question is taken by yeas and nays; and it is ordered, that the same be entered upon the Journal, as follows: viz,

Ayes.
Messrs Blodget, Johnson, Lister,
W. Paine Jr. Williams 5.

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<u>Ways.</u>		
Alfred Allen,	Moran,	
Anthony,	Pabodie,	
Bush,	A. Payne,	
Doyle,	Taylor,	
Goddard,	Tillinghast,	
Guinnell,	Walker,	13.
Hunt,		

Said motion is therefore lost.
Whereupon, said Resolution is again read, and is passed.
(None concurred.)

Joined in Convention of the City Council,

In Convention,

13. The Resignation of George B. Gastrom, City Auditor, is presented, read and laid upon the Table.

Engine Co No 9 Standby persons are elected firemen of the City, and attached to Engine Co No 9.

Engine Co No 5 Standby persons are elected firemen of the City, and attached to Engine Co No 5.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday the 9th day of January next, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr. President,	" Budget
Allen,	Bush,
Anthony,	Carpenter,

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Doyle,	Pabodie,
Goddard,	W. Paris Jr,
Guinnell,	A. Payne,
Hunt,	Taylor,
Jensen,	Tillinghast,
Lester,	Walker,
Mason,	Williams,

20.

Albert G. Greene,
Clerk

1854.

Common Council, January 9th 1854

The Common Council not pursuant to adjournment: a quorum present.

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

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

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

Memorial of Frank W. Cheney, requesting the City Council to take measures for a partition of land

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in the North part of the City, held in common by him and his brother Knight Dexter Cheney & the City as devisee of Ebenezer Knight Dexter deceased; is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon.

Refers School The Annual Report of the Trustees of the Providence Free School is presented and read. Whereupon, it is Resolved, that the same be received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Police, with direction to cause the same to be printed in pamphlet form, for the use of the City Council, (concluded.)

Appr. The Standing Committee on Finance report the following Resolutions; which are severally read and passed: viz. Resolved, that the sum of Five Thousand Dollars be added to former Appropriations for Highways; and that the same be paid out of any money in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated. (concluded.)

Appr. Resolved, that the sum of Four Thousand Dollars be added to former Appropriation for Public Watch; and that the same be paid out of any money in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated. (concluded.)

Appr. Resolved, that the sum of Nine Thousand Dollars be added to former Appropriations for Fire Department; and that the same be paid out of any money in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated. (concluded.)

Fence around the Resolved, that the Committee appointed to cause an Iron Fence to be erected around the Case Promenade,

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be and they are hereby authorized, in their discretion, to contract for a sufficient quantity of Fence, to complete the circle. (concluded.)

Ch. Cobb A Resolution having been passed by the Board of Select Aldermen, upon a petition of Charles A. Cobb, grant West St. ing him liberty to connect a drain from No 171 Westminster Street, with the Culvert in Watmin Street, under the usual regulations; and the same having been sent down, for concurrence; is read. Whereupon, it is Resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein.

Westmin. Street. The Standing Committee on Highways not having made Report respecting the private drains connected with the Culvert in Westminster Street; as directed by the Resolution passed by the City Council on the 27th of August last; It is Resolved that such Report be made at the next meeting of the City Council. Book No. 6 page 357.

Do. Resolved, that the Mayor of the City for the time being, be authorized to grant permission to individuals, to enter the Westminster Street Culvert, with private drains; upon the payment of one dollar and fifty cents per front foot of the estate to be drained thereby. (concluded.)

City Mar. The Annual Report of the City Marshal, of the business of the Police Department for the year 1853, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is Ordered, that the same be received, and that the same be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing. (concluded.)

Snow. Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause the snow to be removed from the sidewalks adjoining the public buildings and public lands belonging to the City, as soon as may be after the same has ceased falling.
(Concurred.)

Streets. Resolved, That Messrs Doyle, A. Payne and Walker, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be a Committee, to make application to the Legislature of this State, at its present session, for the passage of an Act authorizing the City Council to open and otherwise improve Streets, by opening not exceeding one half of the cost thereof, on estates benefitted by said improvement.
(Concurred, & the Mayor assented.)

Salaries of Teachers. The Standing Committee on Public Schools, to whom on the 12th of December last, was referred the communication from the School Committee, respecting the salaries of the teachers; report the following Resolution: which is read and passed: viz:
Resolved, That the School Committee be authorized to add to the salary of each of the female teachers in the Grammar, Intermediate and Primary Schools of this City, a sum not exceeding fifty dollars.
(Concurred.)

Fire Wells. A communication from the Board of Engineers recommending the construction of Fire Wells near the lower end of Pearl Street, and in the yard in the rear of Engine House No 10, &c. is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee and the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon.

See Book No 6, page 257. in "Dorland Street."

Fire Wells. A Petition of William Sheldon and others, praying that measures may be taken for securing a sufficient supply of water in case of fire in that part of the Sixth Ward West of the Hoyle Tavern (so called); is presented by the Board of Engineers; and is read. Whereupon it is ordered that the same be received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon.

Pearl Street. A Memorial of Charles Jackson and William W. Bishop, proposing to contribute towards the construction of a drain through Pearl Street, if the City will cause said Pearl Street and the drain to be continued to Plane Street; - is presented and read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be received and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Surveyor of Highways. 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, under the direction of the Committee on Highways, be and he is hereby directed to hire a lot of land in the central part of the City, for the purpose of storing stocks used by him on Highways.
Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein.

H. B. & F. Fishkill Co. Mutgeys. Resolved, That the Committee on the subject of the Rail Road Bonds of the Hartford, Providence and Fishkill Rail Road Company, be authorized to procure copies of such papers as they may deem necessary to complete the investigation; and that the cost of the same be paid out of the Appropriation.

-tion for "Contingencies."
(Concurred, January 16. 1854.)

Harbor. The Standing Committee to enquire Ordinance, to whom
on the 12th of December last, was referred the Reso-
lution from the Board of Aldermen for an Appro-
priation of \$25000. for clearing the Mud from the
River, from Weybosset Bridge to the Crocks, along
the margin of the wharves. - make Report, recommend-
ing that the Common Council concur therein, with
three amendments: - which Report is read and
received. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Com-
mon Council do concur in the passage of said
Resolution, with the following Amendment: viz,
That all the words after the word "mud" in the
third line of the Resolution, be stricken out;
and the following words inserted in their place;
viz: "from Providence Harbor, providing the like
sum of twenty five thousand dollars shall be ap-
propriated by the General Government, for a like
purpose; - said sum so appropriated by the City
Council, to be paid from the City Treasury, under
the direction of a Committee of the City Council"
(The Board of Aldermen concurred in the
Amendment: - Jan'y 16. 1854.)

Firemen. Resolved, That the City Treasurer pay to the Treasurer
of the Providence Association of Firemen,
one hundred and twenty six Dollars; - that being
the amount required to constitute one hundred and
twenty six firemen who have been appointed since
June, members of that Association.
(Concurred.)

Fire
Escape. 19. Resolved, That the Standing Committee on the Fire
Department, be and they are hereby directed to enquire
into and report upon, the propriety and expediency
of furnishing the Reform School, Asylum, and

other public buildings, with "Lepiens's Fire Escape"
(Concurred.)

joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention,

Trustees of Sinking Fund. H.P.T. R.H.C. The following named persons are appointed Trustees
of the Sinking Fund, for the payment of the bonds
of the Hartford Providence and Fish Kill Rail
Road Company, secured by the City, in exchange
for the Bonds of the City: under the provisions
of the 3^d Section of the Act of the General Assem-
bly, of January Session, 1851, entitled "An Act
authorizing the City of Providence to loan its
credit in aid of the Providence and Plainfield
Rail Road and for its extension": viz:
Ezekiel Aldrich,
Man D. Smith
Henry B. Anthony.

City Auditor. The Resolutions of George B. Fortran, City Audi-
tor, which was laid upon the Table, on the 12th
6. of December last, is taken up, read and
accepted.

J.G. Paris John G. Paris is elected City Auditor, for
the remainder of the present Municipal year.

Hydrant Co No 2. The members of Hydrant Company No 2, are
transferred and attached to Engine Co No
12. (The name of said Hydrant Co, having been so altered.)

Hook and Ladder Co No 2. Landy persons are elected firemen of the City,
and are attached to Fire Hook and Ladder
Company No 2.
58. The two Bords separate.

14. January 9th January 25th 1854.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Wednesday the 25th day of January instant, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr. President.

Allen

Anthony

Blodget

Bush

Carpenter

Doyle

Goddard

Ginnell

Hollbrook

Hopkins

Vaunt

Johnson

Leiter

Mason

Pardee

W. Paine Jr.

A. Payne

Taylor

Tillinghast

Walker

Williams

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Albert G. Greene
Clerk

Common Council, January 25th 1854.

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

Tax Bill. Resolved, That the Standing Committee on Finance be, and they are hereby directed to report, at the first meeting of the City Council in February next, a bill providing for the assessment and collection of a City Tax, for the year ensuing the first Monday in March next.

Resolved, That the Standing Committee on Police report the following Resolutions, which is read and passed: viz:
Resolved, That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby

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directed to pay to J. Crawford Potter, the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars; said sum to be in full for all claims for services rendered, and for money expended by him, in the arrest of the persons concerned in the robbery of Jennings Grover &c. - Also to pay to William G. Mewether, the sum of fifty dollars; to Thomas W. Hart, the sum of twenty five dollars; and to George W. Wightman, the sum of twenty dollars; in full for services rendered in said arrest; to be paid out of the Appropriations for the Police Department.
(Concurred.)

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to J. Crawford Potter, the sum of twenty five dollars; and to Thomas W. Hart, the sum of twenty five dollars, for services rendered in endeavoring to arrest the persons who committed the homicide at the fire which destroyed the Newell Building; - said sums to be paid out of the Appropriation for the Police Department.
(Concurred.)

Normal School. 64. A communication from the School Committee recommending the establishment of a Normal School, for the education of Teachers, as a part of the system of Public School Education in the City; is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Public Schools, to examine and report thereon.

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed, to cause that portion of the Cove Promenade now lying open, to be enclosed with a fence similar to that already standing on the out

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side of the Circle; that he cause the grounds to be prepared, and procure such trees as he may judge proper; and complete the laying out of said grounds and planting said trees, as soon as can be conveniently done. And the sum of fifteen hundred dollars is hereby appropriated to defray the expense of the same; payable out of any moneys in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated.

(Concurred.)

Harbor Master. The joint Committee to whom, on the 12th of December last, was referred the communication from the Harbor Master, relative to the condition of the Harbor; make Report accompanied by sundry Resolutions: which Report is read and received.

Do. Upon the Report of the joint Committee to whom, on the 12th of December last, was referred the communication from the Harbor Master, - it is ordered, that the same be received, and referred to the City Solicitor, with instructions, to examine, and report to the City Council, at their next meeting, - the title which the City has to the land lying between the Hospital Lands, (so called,) and the Harbor Line.

(Concurred.)

Edwards. A Petition of Richard J. Edwards, for remission of part of a tax upon ^{certain} billiard tables, is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

Swill. A Memorial of Augustus E. Field, relative to his contract with the City, made in May last, for the removal of the soil and house offal within the City; - is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received and referred to Messrs W. Parise Jr, A. Payne & Doyle, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add,

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to examine and report thereon, (Concurred, & Alderman Gilmore added.)

Sliding on Streets & Highways. Petitions of Thomas J. Abbott & others and of F. W. Knowles & others, for such amendment of the "Ordinance in relation to the Streets and Highways," as will permit the sliding on sleds &c. in certain of the Streets in the City; are presented, read and severally received.

Do. A bill entitled "An Ordinance in Amendment of an Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance in relation to the Streets and Highways.'" is presented, read and amended; and, as amended, is read and passed. Said bill excepting from the operation of said Ordinance, so far as the same prohibits the sliding on sleds &c. in the Streets of the City, the following Streets, viz. Atwell's Avenue, Solin, Prospect, John, Hospital, Clifford, Friendship, Congdon & Lenches Streets; Concurred; with the following Amendment, viz. that the words "with Sheet & Arms Sheet" be added.

The Common Council concur in the Amendment.

Police + Watchmen. The Standing Committee on Police, who were, on the 12th of December last, directed to report whether the Police and Watchmen of the City conform to the provisions of the Ordinance in relation to Police; make Report; which is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received.

Do. Resolved, That the Standing Committee to engross Ordinances be, and they are hereby directed to report an Ordinance in Amendment of the "Ordinance in relation to Police;" and to provide therein, for an increase of the number of Watchmen for patrol duty, from forty to fifty. (Concurred.)

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Police & Watchmen } The Standing Committee on Police, (as this day directed,) report a bill entitled "An Ordinance in Amendment of an Ordinance entitled An Ordinance in relation to Police: - (to increase the number of the Watchmen of the City, to fifty six.)" which Report is read and received; and it is ordered, that the same be postponed to the next meeting of the Common Council.

Fire Dept. } The joint Committee who were, on the 14th / 28th of November last, appointed to report to the City Council, an Ordinance establishing a paid Fire Department, make Report, accompanied by a bill entitled "An Ordinance establishing a Fire Department."

Books, No. 383 } 43. Whereupon, it is resolved that the same be received; and together with the bill accompanying the same, be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City Printing.

Resolved, that said bill be printed in sheets, for the use of the City Council.

Reservoir } The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to whom on the 18th of December, 1852, was referred the petition of Lucius Weaver and others, report the following Resolution; which is read and passed: viz.

Resolved, that the Chief Engineer be instructed to contract for the building of a cistern, at or near the junction of Broadway and Bright Streets; whenever an arrangement can be made by him with the residents in that neighborhood, for ensuring a supply of water for the same, from their houses; and that the cost thereof be paid out of the Appropriation for the Fire Department; provided, said cost shall not exceed the sum of twelve hundred Dollars.

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Reservoir, } The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to whom on the 9th of January instant, was referred the petition of William Sheldon and others; report the following Resolution, which is read and passed: viz.

Resolved, that the Chief Engineer be directed to contract for the building of a cistern in the yard of the School House in Bright Street; and that the sum of eight hundred dollars be, and is hereby appropriated for that purpose; to be paid out of the Appropriation for the Fire Department.

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Fire Wells, } The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to whom, on the 9th of January instant, was referred the communication from the Board of Engineers, relative to the building of Fire Wells at the foot of Pearl Street: &c, report the following Resolution; which is read and passed: viz.

Resolved, that the Chief Engineer be directed to cause two Fire Wells to be built in the ravine which is now being filled up, at the lower end of Pearl Street; and the sum of three hundred dollars be, and is hereby appropriated, to defray the expenses of the same; to be paid out of the Appropriations for the Fire Department.

(Continued.)

Sepien's } The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to whom, on the 9th of January instant, was referred the subject of "Sepien's Fire Escape"; - make Report; which is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received.

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Granite } Memorandum, in the words following, having passed the

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

"Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be directed to purchase such a quantity of small granite blocks as are found at the quarries where granite and other stone are trimmed for building stone, - as he may deem necessary, to be used for cross walks and with the pebble pavements which are to be laid during the ensuing season of street improvements; provided the same can be procured on reasonable terms, under the advice of the Committee on Highways; Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein

Harlow Tefft. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 11th of November last, was referred the Memorial of Harlow Tefft; report the following Resolution; which is read and passed: viz:

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Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to Harlow Tefft, the sum of four dollars and fifty cents; it being for the damage of a carriage on Brandon Street; upon his giving a receipt that is satisfactory to the Mayor; - the same to be paid out of any money in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated. (Concurred.)

Pumps. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 11th of July last, was referred the petition of Bradford C. Shaw and others; report the following Resolution; which is read and passed: viz:

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Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways, acting under the advice and direction of the Standing Committee on Highways, be directed to cause the Pumps situated at the junction of Hospital and Poppet Streets, to be repaired and improved; and that the sum of

five hundred dollars be appropriated, out of any moneys in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated, to defray the expenses of the same.

do. Main Street } (Concurred, with the following Amendments, viz: That the following words be added after the word "Street" in the 6th line; viz: "And the Pumps at the junction of North Main and Benefit Street": - And that all the words after the words "sum" in the 8th line, be stricken out; and the following words inserted in their place: viz: "of one thousand dollars, be and the same is hereby appropriated, for the repair of Pumps and Wells; and that the expense of said repairs be paid out of said Appropriation.")

The Common Council concur in the Amendments.

Police Constables }

Petition of Jabez P. Peter William B. Hudson Thomas W. Thert

Horses & Carriages }

and Nancy G. Black, } Police Constables relative to the provision in the "Ordinance in relation to Police", requiring horses and carriages to be kept at the expense of the Police Constables; - and praying for relief. - is presented, read received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Police, to examine and report thereon.

A Resolution in the words following, is presented

City Hall }

and read: viz: "Resolved, That the Committee appointed on the 26th of September, 1853, to recommend a lot of land for a location for a City Hall, and to ascertain the cost of the same; be and they are hereby authorized and directed to purchase the lot of land bounded on Exchange Place, Fulton, Baker and Washington Streets, at a price not exceeding

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the sum of seventy five thousand Dollars." Whereupon, it is moved, that the consideration of the same be postponed to the next meeting of the Common Council. On which motion the question is taken by ayes and noys; and it is ordered, that the same be entered upon the Journal, as follows:

<u>Ayes.</u>	<u>Noys.</u>
Messrs. Anthony,	Messrs. Blodget,
Bush,	Carpenter,
Goddard,	Doyle,
Guinnell,	Hephins,
Hedbrook,	Johnson,
H. Payne,	Lester,
Taylor,	Manchester,
Tillinghast,	Pabodie,
Wages,	W. Paine Jr,
9	Samuels,
	Walker,
	11.

Said motion is therefore lost.

It is moved, that said Resolution pass. Pending which motion, it appearing that there is not a quorum present, the Common Council adjourns to meet to-morrow, (January 26th) at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr President,	Guinnell,	H. Payne
Anthony,	Hedbrook,	W. Paine Jr,
Blodget	Hephins,	Samuels
Bush	Johnson	Taylor,
Carpenter,	Lester,	Tillinghast
Doyle	Manchester	Walker,
Goddard	Pabodie,	

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Abat G. Greene
Clerk

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

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The motion for the passage of the Resolution to authorize and direct the purchase of a lot of land in Exchange Place, for a location for a City Hall; which was pending at the adjournment of the Common Council, on the 25th of January instant: is taken up. Whereupon, it is moved, that said Resolution be amended by striking out all the words after the word "purchase", and by inserting the following words in their place; viz: - a lot of land for that purpose, in accordance with a vote of the tax-paying citizens in April 1852: provided, such a lot as, in their opinion, shall be a suitable one for said building, - can be purchased at a cost not exceeding the sum of twenty five thousand dollars."

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

<u>Ayes.</u>	<u>Noys.</u>
Messrs. Anthony,	Messrs. Blodget,
Carpenter,	Doyle,
Goddard,	Hephins,
Guinnell,	Johnson,
Hedbrook,	Lester,
Manchester	Samuels,
Pabodie	Walker,
H. Payne,	7.
Tillinghast	
Wages,	10.

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Said Resolution is therefore so amended: - And as amended, is read, as follows: viz:

"Resolved, that the joint Committee appointed on the 26th of September, A.D. 1853, to recommend a lot of land for a location for a City Hall, and to ascertain the cost of the same, be, and they are hereby authorized and directed to purchase a lot of land for that purpose, in accordance with a vote of the tax paying citizens in April, 1852; provided such a lot as in their opinion, shall be a suitable one for said building, can be procured at a cost not exceeding the sum of seventy five thousand dollars."

Whereupon, it is moved, that said Resolution pass, as amended. On which motion, the question is taken by ayes and nays, and it is ordered, that the same be entered upon the journal, as follows: viz:

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| <u>Ayes</u> | <u>Nays</u> |
| Mr. Anthony, | Deputy Blodget, |
| Carpenter, | Boyle, |
| Quinnell, | Goddard |
| Hollbrook, | Hopkins, |
| Johnson, | Lester, |
| Manchester, | Saunders, |
| Pabodie, | Walker, |
| W. Paine Jr., | |
| A. Payne, | |
| Fillinghant, | |
| Boyes, | |
| 11 | 7 |

Said Resolution is therefore passed.
(Conceded, February 13th 1854.)

28. A Memorial from the City Clerk, requesting an appropriation for additional wages for the Clerk employed in his Office; is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine.

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and report thereon.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the 13th day of February next, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

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| Mr. President | Johnson, |
| Anthony, | Lester, |
| Blodget, | Manchester |
| Carpenter, | Pabodie, |
| Boyle | W. Paine Jr. |
| Goddard | A. Payne, |
| Quinnell | Saunders |
| Hollbrook | Fillinghant |
| Hopkins, | Walker, |
| | 18. |

Albert Greene,
Clerk

Common Council, February 13th 1854.

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

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

30. The Monthly Report of the Surveyor of Highways, is presented, read and received.
(Conceded, Feb 20, 1854.)

31. The Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer, is presented,

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read, and received.
(Concurred.)

Frank W. Cheney, The Standing Committee on City Property, to whom, on the 9th of January last, was referred the Memorial of Frank W. Cheney, make Report, that they do not recommend any action by the City Council thereon; which Report is read and received; and it is thereupon resolved, that said memorialist have leave to withdraw.

Oppn. The Standing Committee on Finance report the following Resolutions; which are severally read and passed, viz.
Resolved, That the sum of One Thousand Dollars be added to former Appropriations for "Contingencies" and that the same be paid out of any money in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated.
(Concurred.)

Oppn. Resolved, That the sum of One Thousand Dollars be added to former Appropriations for "Highways;" and that the same be paid out of any money in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated.
(Concurred.)

Oppn. Resolved, That the sum of Fifteen Hundred Dollars be added to former Appropriations for "Public Watch;" and that the same be paid out of any money in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated.
(Concurred.)

Oppn. Resolved, That the sum of One Thousand Dollars be added to former Appropriation for "Police;" and that the same be paid out of any money in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated.
(Concurred.)

City Council, The Standing Committee on Finance who were on the 25th of January last, directed to report, at this meeting, a bill

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providing for the assessment and collection of a City Tax for the year ending the first Monday in March next; make Report, accompanied by such Bill; - which Report is read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be read, and that the same be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing.
(Concurred.)

36. The Bill so reported, entitled "An Ordinance providing for the assessment and collection of a Tax of fifty eight cents on each One Hundred Dollars in value, of the taxable property in the City of Providence," is read. Whereupon it is moved, that said bill be amended, by striking out the words "fifty eight;" and inserting the words "fifty six" in their place; which motion is put, and lost. And, thereupon, said bill, as reported, is read, and passed.

37. A Petition of John W. Lonsdale, for liberty to move certain wooden buildings, and a Report against the granting of the prayer of said petition, signed by D. D. Sweet & others; - are severally presented and read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be severally received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the File Department, to examine and report thereon.

Report of The Surveyor General of Lumber presents his Annual Report of Lumber Surveyed during the year ending on the 6th Day of February instant; which Report is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be read and recorded.
(Concurred.)

G. Bestiney A Petition of Garrett Bestiney, Administrator of the Estate of Michael M. Mahon, deceased; for remission of the City's claim for the expenses of a coroner's inquest upon the body of said deceased; is pre-

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

Resolved, That the sum of Thirty six Hundred Dollars be appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated, to pay the salary of the members of the City Council for the year ending the first Monday in March next. (Continued.)

R. J. Edwards. The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 25th of January last, was referred the petition of Poland J. Edwards, for remission of part of a tax upon certain bills and tables; make report by the following Resolution; which is read and passed: viz:

Resolved, that the petition of Poland J. Edwards be referred to the Board of Aldermen, for their action in the premises.

City Clerk. The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom on the 26th of January last, was referred the Memorial of the City Clerk; report the following Resolution, which is read and passed: viz:

Resolved, that the sum of One Hundred Dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated, to be paid out of the Appropriation for "Contingencies," to the order of the City Clerk, as additional wages to the Clerk employed in his office, for the present municipal year. (Continued.)

Chart of the Harbor. A communication from the Mayor, stating, that he has received from Lieut W. S. Rosencrans, the copy of the Hydrographical Chart of the Survey of Providence Harbor, which the Mayor has authorized to purchase by the Resolution of the City Council of the 26th of September last; - is presented and read. Whereupon,

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It is resolved, that the same be referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, with instructions to take such action as may be necessary thereon. (Continued.)

A communication from the Mayor, is presented and read: as follows: viz.

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City Charter

Gentlemen of the City Council. You are aware of the fact, that a bill is before our State Legislature, which contemplates the addition of another Ward to the City, and making important alterations in our present system of City Government. I deem it my duty to call your attention to this subject, and to submit to your consideration, whether it would be expedient for the Council to have any action in this matter.

Very respectfully to, W. N. Beaufort, Mayor. Whereupon it is moved, that the same be referred to a special Committee: which motion is indefinitely postponed.

Do. Resolved, that Messrs Hollnosh, Goddard, Mason, Anthony, Williams and Lester, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to recommend to the City Council, a plan for a revision and alteration of the Wards of the City, in such manner as to preserve as nearly as may be, an equal number of voters for members of the City Council in each; according to the provision in the eighth section of the City Charter. (Continued; & Aldermen James & Wall added.)

Harbor. The City Solicitor, to whom, on the 25th of January - 16. last, was referred the report of the joint Committee upon the communication from the Harbour Master,

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upon the condition of the Harbour, with instructions to examine and report to the City Council, the title which the City has to the land lying between the Hospital Lands (so called) and the Harbour Line; - makes Report, that he is "of opinion, that the premises lying between the Hospital Land and the Harbour Line, belong to the City of Providence"; - Which Report is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received.
(Concurred.)

Do. Orders, That the Resolutions which were on the 29. 25th of January last, reported by the joint Committee upon the communication from the Harbour Master, be put upon to the next meeting of the Common Council.

Market. Resolved, That the Committee appointed November 28th, to ascertain the cost of erecting a range of Market Stalls, be instructed to report a plan and the cost of erecting a free Market, over the water between the Bridges,
(Concurred.)

Market House. Resolved, That the Standing Committee on City Property be and they are hereby directed to cause the rooms in the third story of the Market House to be properly prepared for the meetings of the Aldermen and Common Council; and that the sum of one thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated out of any moneys in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated, to defray the expense of the same.
(Concurred.)

Cells at Police Office. The Standing Committee on Police, who were on the 26th of September last, directed to cause alterations to be made in the cells in the Town House, and to

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cause additional cells to be constructed, make Report, that they have discharged that duty, which Report is read and received.
(Concurred.)

30. Resolved, That the sum of one thousand and thirty six, 6³/₁₀₀ dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated, (in addition to a former appropriation for the same purpose) to defray the expense of new cells and alterations in the Watch House; - to be paid out of any money not otherwise appropriated, to the order of the Standing Committee on Police,
(Concurred.)

Wm. H. Allen. A Memorial of Rev. John Thomson & others, for the Peace Street Methodist Church, preferring a complaint against William G. Newell - one of the Police Constables, is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Police, to examine and report thereon.
Rev. J. Thompson and others.

Rev. J. Co. Resolved, That the Standing Committee on City Property be and they are hereby directed to report, at the next regular meeting of the City Council, the terms of the present contract with the Providence Gas Company; and when the same will expire; and also, whether any change in the size of the burners in the Street Lamps has been made, to correspond with the reduction in the price of gas furnished to ordinary consumers.
(Concurred.)

Police. The Bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance in relation to Police,'" which was on the 25th of January

February 13th 1854.

Res. postponed to the next meeting, is taken up, amended, and as amended, is read and passed

Salaries } The Standing Committee on Public Schools, report the
Teachers } following Resolution; which is read and passed; viz.
High } Resolved, That the School Committee be
School. } authorized to add to the salary of each of the
10. } female teachers in the High School, a sum
36. } not exceeding fifty dollars.

Referrence of Resolution fixing the Salaries of the Officers of
Schools } the Providence Reform School; is presented, read
Salaries } and referred to the Standing Committee on Fi-
34. } nance, to examine and report thereon.

35. } Attention for an appropriation for compen-
sation of the Matron and female Assistants in
the Providence Reform School; is presented, read,
and referred to the Standing Committee on Fi-
-nance, to examine and report thereon.

Shed } Attention in the words following, having passed
at } the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence
Dexter } and is read; viz:

"Resolved, That the sum of one hundred and
eighty two, ²³/₁₀₀ dollars be, and the same is hereby
appropriated, in addition to a former appropri-
ation for the same purpose, - to defray the ex-
-pense of the Shed, to be paid out of any money
in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated, -
to the order of the Building Committee."

Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Coun-
cil do concur therein, with the following Amend-
-ment: viz; That the words "on the Baylins Farm",
be inserted after the word "Shed."

(The Board of Aldermen concurred in the Amendment, Feb'y 20th 1854)

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The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Wednesday
the 22nd day of February instant, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present:

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| Mr. Pinbert, | Johnson, |
| Allen, | Lester, |
| Anthony, | Manchester, |
| Bart, | Mason, |
| Carpenter, | Parsons, |
| Doyle, | W. Paris Jr, |
| Gouldard, | Taylor, |
| Ginnell, | Tillinghast, |
| Holbrook, | Williams, |

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Albert Greene
Clerk.

Common Council, February 22nd 1854.

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

Streets } The joint committee who were, on the 9th of Janu-
-ary last, appointed to make application to the Legis-
-lature of the State, at its present January Session,
for the passage of an Act authorizing the City
33. } Council to open and otherwise improve Streets,
by opening not exceeding one half of the cost
37. } thereof on estates benefitted by said improve-
-ment; - make Report that, an Act for that
purpose, has been passed by the General Assem-
-bly, at its present session, entitled "An Act
in relation to the laying out, enlarging, straightening
and otherwise altering Streets, in the City of Pro-
-vidence." - which Report is accompanied by Drafts

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of sundry Resolutions, the passage of which is recommended by said Committee, - which Report is read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received.

(Concurred, Feb'y 22, 1854) / Approved by the Mayor

39. A Resolution, reported by said Committee, to direct the City Solicitor, to make Application to the Supreme Court, under the provisions of said Act, for the appointment of five Commissioners of estimate and assessment, for the laying out & extension of Dor-rance Street, from Broad to Cove Street; - is read.

Whereupon, it is moved, that said Resolution be amended, by providing therein for an application also for the appointment of five Commissioners for the laying out and extension of South Water Street, from Monton & Hallett's Row to a street al-ready laid out by the Fox Point Association.

Whereupon, it is ordered, that the whole subject be postponed to the next meeting of the Common Council, and be made the special order of the Day.

64. Resolved, That the Standing Committee on Public Schools be directed to inquire into the expediency of establishing a High School, in the Western part of the City; and that they report to this Council, at as early day as convenient.

(Concurred) / (Approved by the Mayor)

32. The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 13th of February instant, was referred the Resolution for fixing the salaries of the Officers of the Providence Reform School, make Report, by the following Resolution, which was

35. Resolved, That annual salaries, payable quarterly to the Order of the Trustees, be paid to the Officers of the Providence Reform School, not exceeding the following amounts respectively: - to be paid out of the Appropriation for the Reform School: viz:

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Superintendent. Eight Hundred Dollars;
Teacher, Four hundred Dollars;
Assistant Teacher, Three Hundred Dollars;
Overseer of Labor, Two Hundred Dollars.

(Concurred) / (Approved by the Mayor)

32. The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 13th of February instant, was referred the Resolution for an Application for compensation of the Matron and Female Assistants in the Providence Reform School, make Report, by the following Resolution, which is read and passed: viz:

Resolved, That the sum of Six Hundred and Twenty Dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated for the payment of the salaries of the Matron and Female Assistants in said School, payable to the Order of the Trustees, out of the Appropriation for the Reform School.

(Concurred, with the following Amendments, viz: That the word "said" in the 4th line, be struck out; and the word "Reform" inserted in its place; - and that the word "said" be inserted before the word "Reform," in the 5th line.)

The Common Council concurred in the Amendments, (Approved by the Mayor.)

36. The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom on the 13th of February instant, was referred the petition of Ganett Cabine, Administrator, &c, make Report, in favor of granting the prayer thereof, which Report is read and received.

27. Upon the Report of the Standing Committee on Finance upon the Petition of Ganett Cabine, Administrator of the Estate of Michael M. Mahon, deceased; - it is Resolved, That the claim of the City upon the Estate of said Michael M. Mahon, for the expenses

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of the Council's request upon the body of said Mr. Maken, amounting to seventy eight dollars and sixty four cents, he and the same is hereby relinquished and remitted; and that the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to discharge the same accordingly.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Salaries of Teachers. The Resolution to authorize the School Committee to add to the Salary of each of the Female Teachers in the High School, a sum not exceeding fifty

dollars; - which passed the Common Council, on the 13^d of February instant, and was then sent

up, for concurrence; - is now returned by the Board of Aldermen; who concur therein, with the following Amendment: viz: that the following words be added after the word "Dollars;" viz: "to commence with the quarter just ended." Which Amendment is read; Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein.

(Approved by the Mayor)

Ward. The Standing Committee on Police, to whom, on the 13^d of February instant, was referred the Memorial of Rev John Dawson & others, for the Power Street Market

edit Church, preferring a Complaint against William G. Mercereker, one of the Police Constables; - make Report, that after hearing testimony relating thereto, they are of opinion, that no further action is required of the Council, in the premises; - which Report is read, Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

(Concurred) (Approved by the Mayor.)

Do When the Report of the Standing Committee on Police upon the Memorial of Rev John Dawson & others, against William G. Mercereker; it is resolved, that the Memorialists have leave to withdraw.

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Act in Relation to Streets. Resolved, That the City Clerk be, and he is hereby directed to cause one thousand copies of the

Act in relation to the laying out and enlarging, straightening or otherwise altering Streets, in the City of Providence; passed by the General Assembly, at its January Session, A.D. 1854, to be printed in pamphlet form, for the use of the City Council.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Market. The joint Committee who were on the 13^d of February instant, instructed to report a plan for the location of a Free Market, over the water,

between the Bridges; and the cost thereof, make Report accompanied by plans and an estimate; which Report is read and received, and it is ordered that the same be postponed to the second Monday in March, next.

City Tax. The Bill, entitled "An Act to amend providing for the assessment and collection of a Tax of fifty-eight cents on each one hundred Dollars in value, of the rateable property in the City of Providence;" which passed the Common Council, on the 13^d of February instant, and was then sent up, for concurrence; - is now returned by the Board of Aldermen, who concur therein with the following Amendments; viz:

1. That the words "fifty eight" in the 1st line of the first section, be stricken out; and the words "fifty six" be inserted in their place;

2. That the words "three and one quarter" in the 1st line of the third section, be stricken out; and the words "three and one half," be inserted in their place;

Which Amendments are read, Whereupon, it is ordered, that the Common Council do concur

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therein, with the following Amendment thereto, viz: That the words "fifty eight" in the title of the Bill, be stricken out; and the words "fifty-six" inserted in their place.

(The Board of Aldermen concur in the Amendment of the Common Council.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Downe & Orange Streets, } The joint Committee who were on the 20th of Decem-
ber 1852, appointed to cause plans and estimates to
be prepared, of the cost of opening Downe Street in
its present width, from its termination in Broad Street
to Case Street; and who were on the 14th of No-
vember last, authorized to expend the sum of forty thou-
sand dollars for said extension, or the sum of twenty
five thousand dollars for the extension of Orange
Street; make Report, that they have been un-
able to accomplish either of said objects in
the manner contemplated by said Appropri-
ation: - which Report is read. Whereupon, it
is resolved, that the same be received.

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41.

(Concurred, Feb'y 24, 1854)
(Approved by the Mayor)

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Fri-
day, the 24th day of February instant, at 7 o'clock
P.M.

Members present.

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| Mr. President, | " Holbrook | " W. Paine Jr. |
| Anthony, | " Hopkins | " A. Payne, |
| Blodget | " Hunt, | Laundus |
| Burk, | " Johnson, | Taylor |
| Carpenter, | " Lester | Fillingham |
| Deyle | " Mansarter, | Walker, |
| Goddard, | " Mason, | Wilwams |
| Grinnell | " Pabotie, | |

23.

Albert Greene
Clerk

February 24th 1854,

Common Council, February 24th 1854.

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

Downe Street, } The Resolution to make application to the Supreme
Court, for the appointment of five Commissioners
of estimate and assessment for the laying out
and extension of Downe Street; and the
Amendment to said Resolution, prepared on the
27th day of February instant; which were
presented to this meeting, and made the special
order of the day: - are taken up, and read;
and by leave of the Council, are severally
withdrown.

South West
Street }
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Resolved, That, in the opinion of this City Council,
it is desirable and necessary, to lay out a street
in this City, from Broad Street opposite the
termination of Downe Street, to the termina-
tion of Case Street in Exchange Place, of the
width of sixty four feet (64 feet); and whereas,
certain real estate will be required for that purpose: -

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That the City Solicitor be, and he is hereby direct-
ed 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 alter-
ing Streets in the City of New York"; and
the City Council hereby direct, that application
shall be made by the City Solicitor to said Court,
in the application for said appointment, ad-
vised, that said Commissioners shall appor-
tion and apportion one half of the cost and charge
thereof, upon the persons and estates benefitted
thereby, in the ratio of the benefits conferred.

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

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

South Water Street.

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Resolved, That in the opinion of the City Council, it is desirable and necessary to straighten South Water Street, from Martin & Hallett's Store to Martin Greene & Co's Machine Shop; and to lay out and extend a street from the termination of said South Water Street, to meet a street already laid out by the Fox Point Association, of the same width that South Water Street will be when straightened at its termination; 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, an Act entitled "An Act in relation to 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 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, 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 of, and in the manner required by, said Act.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

West Water Street.

Resolved That in the opinion of this City Council it is desirable and necessary to widen West Water Street, in this City, from the point at the North East corner of the brick block owned by Alexander Bancroft on Dyer Street in said City, to the North side of Union Block on Westminster Street, to a width of forty feet; 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 and 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 benefitted thereby, in the ratio of the benefits conferred.

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

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Brown Street.

39.

Resolved, That the Resolution passed by the City Council 14th November, 1853, appropriating the sum of forty thousand dollars for the extension of Brown Street, or twenty five thousand dollars for the extension of Orange Street, be and the same is hereby rescinded.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Orange Street.

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February 24th 1854.

Evening School. } A Resolution to appropriate \$120 to pay the expenses of a Public Evening School which had been held for some time past, in the Free Chapel, in Beaufort Street; is presented read, and referred to the Standing Committee on Public Schools, to examine and report thereon.

Steam Fire Engine. } A Resolution to direct the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to ascertain the cost of a Steam Fire Engine, and to report thereon; - is presented, read, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon.

Police. } The bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance in relation to Police,' (increasing the number of Watchmen of the City to fifty-six)" which passed the Common Council, on the 13th of February instant, and was then sent up, for concurrence, is now returned by the Board of Aldermen, who concurred therein, with the following Amendment, viz: "That all the words in the first Section, after the words 'fifty six,' be struck out; - which Amendment is read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein.

Do. } A bill entitled "An Ordinance in Amendment of an Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance in relation to Police,'" having passed the Board of Aldermen, - is sent down, for concurrence, and is read. (said bill providing for a repeal of so much of the 14th Section of the present Ordinance, as requires the Captain of the Watch to visit the several Watch Stations, once in each night.) Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be referred to the Standing Committee on Police, to examine and report thereon.

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John West. } A Memorial from Rev. John West, claiming compensation for injuries sustained by him by falling through an opening in the sidewalk adjoining the Fall River Iron Works Company's Store; is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

John Tillon. } A Memorial of John Tillon, claiming compensation for injuries sustained by him by falling into a hole in South Water Street; is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

Fire Department. } A Communication from the Board of Engineers, relative to that alteration proposed in the organization of the Fire Department in the bill reported to the City Council on the 25th of January last, entitled "An Ordinance establishing a Fire Department: - is presented and read. (in which communication said Board recommended, "as a measure essential to the safety of the City, that if any change in the present organization is contemplated; - it may be done as soon as possible; that the Board of Engineers may be enabled to act understandingly;" - Whereupon, it is resolved, that said communication be received, (conceded, February 25, 1854)

Do. } Resolved, That the Board of Engineers be directed to proceed immediately to execute the requirements of the fifth Section of the Ordinance in relation to the Fire Department; and to pay such salaries as in their judgment they think necessary. (conceded, February 25, 1854)

Do. } Resolved, That in proposing certain changes in the

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organization of the Fire Department, of this City, the City Council have had in view the removal of the evils incident to the present system; and have not intended to cast any reflections upon the general good character of the members of the Department, or to undervalue the services which the Department has rendered to the City, (Concurred, February 25. 1854)

40. Resolved, That the thanks of the City Council be, and they are hereby tendered to the officers and members of the Fire Department, for their services rendered to the City, in their several capacities, (Concurred, February 25. 1854.)

Compensation of Assessors. Resolved, That the Assessors of Taxes shall be allowed (three hundred dollars each, as a full compensation for appertaining the City Tax ordered on the twenty-second day of February instant, and also, for appertaining the Registry Tax and enrolling the Militia, for copying of Tax Books, and for obtaining all necessary information for the proper and just appertinent of said Taxes; and for all other services in relation thereto.

(Concurred, with the following Amendment: That the words "three hundred" in the 2^d line be stricken out; and the words "two hundred and fifty" inserted in their place.) The Common Council now concurred in the Amendment.

41. Resolved, That the Standing Committee on Finance be, and they are hereby directed to report, at the first meeting of the City Council in March next, a bill making Appropriations for the year ensuing the first Monday in March next, (Concurred, February 25. 1854.)

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Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

44. 46. Messrs. } Isaac Barber, John J. Stinson, Nathan Weston, Abner Peckham, Ephraim S. Jackson, Esq. Tallman and William Sheldon are elected Messrs. to assess the City Tax ordered on the 22^d day of February instant.

49. S. Messrs. } George S. Mackintosh Hardy declined serving as a member of the School Committee, John J. De Wolf is elected a member of the School Committee, for the remainder of the present municipal year.

50. Messrs. } Robert Monckton is elected Lawyer General of Lumber.

51. Messrs. } James Mansford is elected Collector to collect the City Tax ordered on the 22^d day of February instant.

52. Engine Co. } A list of persons desiring to be elected firemen No. 2 } & attached to Engine Co. No. 2; & a list of 57. 53. persons desiring to be elected firemen and attached to the Engine Co. No. 1, are presented; received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to report thereon.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Thursday, the second day of March next, at half past 8 o'clock P. M.

46. February 24th March 2^d 1854.

Members present.

Mr. President,	Johnson,	
Anthony,	Leiter,	
Blodgett,	Masson,	
Bush,	Rabouin,	
Carpenter,	W. Paine Jr.,	
Dayle,	A. Payne,	
Giddard,	Saunders,	
Guinnell,	Jayner,	
Hollensh,	Richardson,	
Hopkins,	Walker,	
Hunt,	Williams,	22.

Albert Greene Clerk

Common Council, March 2^d 1854.

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

Seventh Ward, { Stephen Brown,
Samuel A. Winsor,
29. Martin C. Stokes,
and Lucius Weaver, } who were on the 28th of February last, elected members of the Common Council from the Seventh Ward, (which Ward was established by an Act of the General Assembly, at their January Session, A.D. 1854.) severally appeared, and duly engaged, and took their seats.

Officers, A communication from Isaac Thayer, John J. Stein
Taxes, son, Nathan Mason, Abner Peckham, Ephraim H. Jack,
45. son, Esch Tallman and William Medden; who were
47. on the 24th of February last, elected Officers to assist

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The City Tax added on the 22^d Day of said February, declining to accept said appointments; is present, read, and laid upon the Table.

40. Resolved, That Messrs W. Paine, Williams and Rabouin, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to confer with the Officers elected to assess the City Tax ordered on the 22^d Day of February) instant, and report to the City Council, as soon as may be.
(Consent. of Aldermen Boston added.)
(Appointed by the Mayor pro Tempore.)

Compensations of the Officers elected on the 24th of February last, to assess the City Tax ordered on the 22^d Day of said February which was on the 24th of February last; sent to the Board of Aldermen, with the non concurrence of the Common Council in the Amendment of the Board of Aldermen thereto; - is now returned by the Board of Aldermen, who insist upon their Amendment. - Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do insist upon their non concurrence in said Amendment; and do request a Conference respecting the disagreement between the two Boards; and do appoint Messrs Nathan Guinnell and Hopkins, conferees on their part.

(The Board of Aldermen consent to a Conference, and appoint Alderman Bathbone conferees on their part.)

South Water Street. Resolved, That in the opinion of the City Council, it is desirable and necessary to lay out a street of the width of fifty feet, from the Westward end of the continuation of India Street as laid down on the Plat of the Fair Point Association, and passing Northward over the Street laid out on said Plat, between the water and South Main Street, and parallel with South

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Main Street, and continuing straight, or nearly straight, as may be, without touching Marston Green's (or principal Machine Shop, to the gangway which is the present termination of South Water Street, and also, to enlarge to the width of forty feet and therein alter South Water Street from Marston & Holbert's Store at the South East corner of Rowntree and South Water Streets, so that it shall run on, or nearly on, a straight line to meet the street to be laid out as aforesaid: - 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 or otherwise altering Streets in the City of Providence," passed by the General Assembly, at its January Session A.D. 1854; 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 the cost and damages thereof, upon the persons and estates benefitted thereby, in the ratio of the benefits conferred.

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

20. Resolved, That the Resolutions passed on the 24th of February last, in relation to the straightening of said South Water Street, and to laying out of a street in extension thereof, be and the same are hereby rescinded.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor pro tempore.)

Evening School. The Resolution to appropriate \$100 to pay the expenses of a

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Public Evening School, which was referred to the Standing Committee on Public Schools, on the 24th of February last; is reported by said Committee, who recommend the passage thereof: - and is read and passed, as follows: - viz:

Resolved, That the sum of One Hundred and Twenty Dollars be appropriated from the Appropriation for Public Schools, payable to the order of the Standing Committee on Public Schools; to pay the expenses of a public Evening School which has been held for some time past, in the Free Chapel in Benefit Street.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor pro tempore.)

63. A Petition of William J. Harris & others, for the opening of a road through the City's Lands, in continuation of Waterman Street, easterly towards Central Bridge, Waterman and adjoining lands of the Cold Spring Purchase and of said Harris; is presented, read, advised, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Let on Rowntree Street. Resolved, that the City Treasurer, under the direction of the Standing Committee on City Property, be authorized to sell and convey the lot of land and improvements thereon, situated on the westerly side of Rowntree Street, lately purchased of William W. Mar- ray; whenever a reasonable price can be obtained therefor, over and above the cost thereof.

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(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor pro tempore, March 3^d 1854.)

Grammar School. Resolved, that the Standing Committee on Public Schools be directed to enquire into the expediency of establishing an additional Grammar School on the West side of the River, and to report at some future meeting of the City Council.

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(Continued)
Approved by the Mayor, pro tempore)

Resolved, That the Committee appointed by the City Council, July 11 1853, to accept and approve the work done by the Hartford Providence and Fishhill Railroad Company, be and they are hereby authorized to accept and approve, as properly completed by said Company, so much of said work as relates to the filling between the Bridge abutment marked M N on the Plat and Solin Street, one hundred and thirty feet in width, from the elliptic well, westerly, through its whole length; - Elisha H. Duffer, the contractor with said Company, for said work, having agreed to fill, in such other places as the City Council shall direct the same number of cubic yards of earth as would be necessary to raise the grade of the said work now completed by said Company, two feet, to the grade formerly agreed on. And said Committee are further authorized to give their certificate to said Company, that said filling has been properly completed, as provided in the Resolution appointing said Committee; which certificate shall be deemed a full release and discharge to said Company, from any contract, duty and obligation to fill and complete said work above described; and shall fully acquit and exonerate the said Company, from any and all further liability respecting the completion of the same.

Resolved, That the said Committee shall not give the Certificate aforesaid, until the said Duffer shall have given bond to the satisfaction of the City Treasurer and the City Solicitor, that he will perform his agreement aforesaid.

(Continued)
(Approved by the Mayor pro tempore)

Resolved, That the Standing Committee on City Property be, and they are hereby directed to examine the work

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done in the Cove by the Hartford, Providence and Fishhill Railroad Company, and to report to the City Council, whether, in their opinion, the same has been done by said Company, in conformity with their contract with the City - and also, what alterations have been made in said contract, and what alterations in said work have been made in conformity thereto.

(Continued)
(Approved by the Mayor pro tempore.)

Resolved, That certain Firemen elected by this Council, and attached to the Hydraulic Engine No 1, and Engines Nos 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11 and 12, having refused to do duty as firemen and returned the keys of their Engine Hooks containing said Engines and Apparatus, to the Chief Engineer; which is an act of misconduct requiring their removal: -

It is Resolved that the persons elected as Firemen and attached to the Hydraulic Engine No 1, and Engines Nos 3, 4, 5, 7, 9, 11, 12, 6 and 10, since the commencement of the present municipal year; be and they are hereby removed from their said offices and trust as members of the Providence Fire Department.

A preamble and Resolution in the words aforesaid, are presented and read: and it is moved, that the same pass. On which motion the question is taken by yeas and nays, and it is ordered, that the same be entered upon the Journal, as follows: viz.

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| Yeas | | |
| Wm Allen | Yeddaid | Taylor |
| Anthony | Quinnell | Tillinghast, |
| Bloodet | Jehasen, | Williams |
| Bull, | Paladin, | Wason. |
| Gray, | W. Paine Jr. | Hayes. |
| Boyle, | A. Payne, | |

Nays.

Mr. Carpenter,
Hopkins
Leiter
Saunders,

Stokes,
Walker
Weaver,

7.

Said preamble and Resolutions are therefore passed,
(more than two thirds of the members present voting
in the affirmative.)

(Concurred: more than two thirds of the Board
of Aldermen, voting in the affirmative.)

(Approved by the Mayor pro tempore.)

Board of Engineers } Communication from the Board of Engineers, rela-
Fire De- } tire to the present condition of the Fire Department;
partment } is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that
the same be received.

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(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor pro tempore, March 4 1854)

Board of Finance } Resolved, that the Standing Committee on Finance
Officers } be and they are hereby directed to take such
action in the matter of the Fund of the Providence
Association of Firemen, for mutual assistance, as
they may find expedient for the interests of the
City.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor pro tempore.)

Order of the joint Committee who were, on the 19th of September
1852, appointed to revise the Ordinances of the City; re-
port sundry bills, which Report is read and received.

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The following bills reported by said Committee, and
severally read and adopted: viz.

53.

A bill entitled "An Ordinance prescribing the Duties
of the City Clerk;"

A bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the Bonds
of Collectors of Taxes;"

A bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to
the City Debt;"

A bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to
the City Pumps and Wells;"

A bill entitled "An Ordinance to prohibit the
depositing Animal or Vegetable Substances in
certain waters of the City;"

A bill entitled "An Ordinance establishing the
office and prescribing the Duties of City Auditor;"

A bill entitled "An Ordinance to prevent
injury to Lamps, Lamp Posts, Fences and
Buildings;"

A bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation
to the Burial of the Dead bodies of Animals;"

A bill entitled "An Ordinance to prevent
Reverling and other disturbances in the
Public Streets;"

A bill entitled "An Ordinance relative to
the removal of the contents of Privy Vaults;"

A bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation
to Nuisances;"

A bill entitled "An Ordinance prescribing
the Duties of the Assessors of the Public Budgets;"

A bill entitled "An Ordinance establishing
Street Commissioners; prescribing the Duties
thereof; and for other purposes."

joined in Convention of the City Council.

Convention.

The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to
whom on the 24th of February last, was referred the
List of certain persons desiring to be elected Fire-
men and attached to Engine No. 2, & Hydrant No. 1,
make Report: which is received.

Engine
Co No 2
45
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Hydrant
Co No 1
45
54

54.

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Sundry persons are elected Piemen of the City and are attached to the following Engines, respectively: viz:

53 Hydrantion Company No 1.

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61.5 Engine Company No 2.

86. Engine Company No 5.

85. Engine Company No 6.

Engine Company No 10.

58. Engine Company No 12.

Following Joseph Martin is elected a pieman, and is attached to the Steam Traction Rotary Engine at the Steam Mill on Eddy Street.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the 6th of March instant, at half past 6 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr. President.

" Allen

Anthony

Blodget

Bush

Carpenter

Crory

Dayle

Goddard

Ginnell

" Hopkins,

Johnson

Leiter,

Robbie,

W. Paine Jr.

A. Payne

Lawrence

Stokes,

Taylor

Pillinghat,

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" Walker,
Weaver

" Williams
Winnor.

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Albert Greene, Clerk

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

Ordinance The joint Committee who were on the 13th of September, 1852, appointed to revise the Ordinances of the City; report sundry bills; which Report is read and received.

The following bills, reported by said Committee, are severally read and adopted: viz;

A bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the Streets and Highways;" (the same having been first amended.)

A bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the Bay Market;"

A bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the Intestment of the Dead;"

A bill entitled "An Ordinance respecting Quarantine;"

A bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the Loan of the credit of the City of Providence in aid of the Providence and Plainfield Rail Road, and for its extension;"

A bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the Harbor of the City of Providence, and powers and duties of the Harbor Master thereof;"

A bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the

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election of Justices of the Peace;

A bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the sale of Junk and other second hand Articles;" (the same having been first amended); -

A bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the Financial Year;" -

A bill entitled "An Ordinance to prohibit the opening of places of Tease or Entertainment on Sunday or late at night;" -

A bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to Police;" (the same having been first amended);

A bill entitled "An Ordinance fixing the Compensation of Aldermen and Members of the Common Council."

The following bills reported by said Committee, are severally read, and recommended; viz;

A bill entitled "An Ordinance establishing the Hospital Ports;" -

A bill entitled "An Ordinance for the preservation of Sidewalks."

A bill to provide for the removal of ice and snow from the Sidewalks, is presented read, and referred to the joint Committee to revise the Ordinances of the City.

A Memorial of Zachariah Allen and others, relative to the establishment of a paid Fire Department, and the pay of laborers at Fires, and to the means of securing a supply of water for the extinguishment of Fires; is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, - to examine and report thereon.

A Petition of Engine Company No 4, for the payment of money expended by them on Engine House No 4, over the sum appropriated for the erection of said house

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by the City Council; is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon.

Reservoir } Resolutions to direct the Chief Engineer to con-
Badding } tract for the Building of a Reservoir in Badding
Street } Street, opposite the Baillet's Iron Foundry; and

18. to rescind the Resolution passed January 25. 1854, for the building of a Cistern on the yard of the

Cistern } School House in Bought Street; - and presented

14th } and read. (the same having been recommended
Night } by the Board of Engineers.) Whereupon, it is

19. } ordered, that the same be referred to the Board of Engineers, with instructions to report thereon at the next meeting of the City Council.

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

Market } Petition of John Larcher & others, for the re-
Square } paving of Market Square, to conform to the
708. } present grade of the Sidewalks; -

Pine } Petition of South Baptist Society & others; for
Street } repairs and curb walks in Pine Street.

The joint Committee who were on the 2^d of March instant, appointed to confer with the Assessors elected to assess the City Tax agreed on the 22^d of February last, relative to the assessment of said Tax; make Report, recommending that said Assessors be authorized to assess said Tax in the manner and form which has been followed for some years past; and that they be authorized to employ a Clerk; - which Report is read and received.

The Conference appointed on the 2^d of March instant,

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to confer upon the disagreement between the two Boards upon the Resolution fixing the compensation of the Assessors elected on the 24th of February last, to assess the City Tax ordered on the 22^d of said February; - make Report; Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do recede from their vote of non concurrence in the Amendment of the Board of Aldermen, to said Resolution; and do concur in said Amendment.

Resolved, that leave be given to the Assessors elected to assess the City Tax ordered on the 22^d of February last, - to withdraw their communication which was on the 2^d of March instant, presented, read, and laid upon the Table.

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Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

Sundry persons are elected Firemen of the City, and are attached to the following Engines respectively: viz.
Engine Company No 3,

- 55. Engine Company No 4.
- 65. Engine Company No 11.
- 54. Engine Company No 12.

The resignation of sundry persons elected firemen & attached to Fire Hook Ladder Company No 2; is tendered, and accepted; and sundry other persons are elected firemen & attached to said Company.

Hook & Ladder Co No 2.
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The two Boards separate.

The Common Council

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday, the 13th day of March instant, at half past 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

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| Mr President | .. Mason, |
| Anthony, | Palmer, |
| Budget, | W. Paine, |
| Bush, | A. Payne, |
| Crane, | Stokes, |
| Doherty, | Taylor, |
| Gouldard, | Tillinghast, |
| Ginnell, | Walker, |
| Hollbrook, | Weaver, |
| Hopkins, | Williams, |
| Hunt, | Wison |
| Jepson | 24 |
| Lester, | |

Albert J. Greene,
Clerk

Common Council, March 13th 1854

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

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

By Mr. Ginnell.

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For 24. The Quarterly Report of the City Treasurer, of the Expenses & Payments of the City, Deltd. is presented, read & received.
(Concurred, March 22nd 1854)
(Approved by the Mayor pro tempore)

Surveyor The Monthly Report of the Surveyor of Highways, is presented, read & received.
(Concurred, March 22nd 1854)
(Approved by the Mayor pro tempore)

Chief Eng. The Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer is presented, read and received.
(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor pro tempore)

Fire Dept. A bill entitled "An Ordinance in Amendment of an Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance establishing a Fire Department,'" is presented, read and passed, (the same relating to the mode of giving alarm at night.)
(Concurred, March 16.1)
(Approved by the Mayor pro tempore)

Do. A bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance establishing a Fire Department,'" is presented, read, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon; (the same relating to the salaries of Assistant Engineers.)

Engine Board. A Resolution to authorize the City Treasurer to lease such portions of the Engine Houses of the City, as are not necessary for the purposes of the Fire Department, is presented, read, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon.

Steam Fire Engine. The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to whom on the 24th of February last, was referred the subject of a Steam Fire Engine: make Report, accompanied by the following Resolution: - which Report is read, and

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received: - and said Resolution is read and passed.
viz:

Resolved, That the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, be and they are hereby directed to confer and arrange with Mr. George W. Cortiss, to go to Cincinnati, for the purpose of examining the Steam Fire Engine of that City; - and, through them, to report his opinion of the same, as well as the amount he will contract to build one for.
(Now concurred, April 15th 1854)

Engine Co. Resolved, That the action of Engine Company No. 2, No. 2, (in declining) to withdraw from the Fire Department, meets with our hearty approbation.

54. Resolved, That they be, and they are hereby invited to join the paid Fire Department, under the rules and regulations recently established by the Board of Engineers.
(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor, pro tempore)

Reservoir in Godding Street. The Board of Engineers, to whom on the 6th of March in- that, was referred the subject of building a Reservoir in Godding Street, &c. with instructions to report thereon, at this meeting; make Report in favour thereof: - which Report is read and received: and it is ordered that the same be postponed to the next meeting of the Common Council.

Cond Street. A Petition of Isaac Lohr and others for the continuation and laying out of Cond Street, through to Stewart Street; is presented, read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Richmond Street. Resolved, That the Standing Committee on Highways, be, and they are hereby directed, to report, at the

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next meeting of the City Council, on the expediency of opening the portion of Richmond Street between Point Street and Eddy Street, under and according to the Act entitled "An Act in relation to the laying out and enlarging, straightening or otherwise altering Streets in the City of Providence,"

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor pro tempore.)

Treasurer The Annual Account of the City Treasurer with the City, Annual Account for the year ending on the first Monday in March instant, is presented and read: And the same having been audited and certified by the City Auditor, It is resolved, that the same be received and recorded.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor, pro tempore.)

Appra. The Standing Committee on Finance, who were on the 24th of February last, directed to report a bill making Appropriations for the year ensuing the first Monday in March instant; make Report by bill, appropriating \$220,000, for the purposes therein named; which Report is read and received; and said bill is read and passed.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor pro tempore.)

Insuper. The Report of the Overseer of the Poor, of the Poor at the Butler Hospital for the Town, at the expense of the City, during the year 1853, is presented and read, together with a Resolution of the Board of Aldermen ordering that the same be received and placed on file. Whereupon it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur in the reception of said Report.

Pro. Geo. Resolved, That the Standing Committee on City Property

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be and they are hereby directed to ascertain upon what terms the Providence Gas Company will continue to supply the City with Gas, after the termination of the present contract.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor, pro tempore.)

City Hall. Resolved, That Mr. Cray, from the Seventh Ward be added to the Committee appointed September 26th 1853, on the subject of a location for a City Hall; and that he be authorized and directed to act with said Committee as provided by a Resolution passed February 13th 1854.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor, pro tempore.)

30. Resolved, That the joint Committee appointed on the 26th of September last, to select a location for a City Hall, be and they are hereby directed to report on the subject, at the next meeting of the City Council.

(Concurred March 22nd 1854.)

(Approved by the Mayor pro tempore.)

W. H. Harris The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 2nd of March instant, was referred the Petition of William J. Harris and others, for the opening of a road through the City's land lying Easterly of Watermen Street; make Report in favor thereof, which Report is received; and referred to the next meeting of the Common Council.

Turpin's Brook Calvert. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom was referred by the Board of Aldermen, a Memorial of Edward P. Knowles, relative to a quantity of water which has been turned into Turpin's Brook, - make Report by Resolution to direct the Surveyor of Highways to rebuild the part of the Turpin's Brook Calvert, lying between North Main and

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Russell Street; which Report is read and received, and it is ordered, that the same be re-committed for further Report.

High School on the 22^d of February last, directed to enquire into the expediency of establishing a High School in the Western part of the City; make Report that in their opinion, it is inexpedient to establish such School: which Report is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received.

Resolved, That the Standing Committee on Public Schools be, and they are hereby directed to enquire and report upon the expediency of a removal of the High School from its present location. (Non concerned.)

Normal School on the 25th of January last, was referred the Communication from the School Committee recommending the establishment of a Normal School; - made Report in favour of the establishment of such a School; which Report is read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received, and be committed to said Committee; with instructions to report in relation to the location, and estimated cost of the establishment of such School, and the reasons for its establishment, and the rules which should govern it; with all other information which they may obtain, in relation to the subject.

(Concerned)
(Approved by the Mayor, pro tempore.)

Grammar Schools The Standing Committee on Public Schools, who were,
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on the 2^d of March instant, directed to enquire into the expediency of establishing an additional Grammar School on the West side of the River; make Report, that, in their opinion, such a School is at present unnecessary; - but that they recommend the establishment of an additional Intermediate, and an additional Primary School, in the North West part of the City; - which Report is read. Whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.

50. Resolved, That an additional Intermediate and Primary School be established by the City Council; to be located in such part of the North Westly section of the City, as may be determined by the Standing Committee on Public Schools.

June 13th in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention,

51. Robert Manchester, Surveyor General of Lumber, Charles Remondet and sundry persons as his Deputies, the same are now approved by the City Council.

58. The persons attached to Engine No 11, on the 6th of March instant; are now detached from said Engine.

Sundry persons are elected Firemen of the City; and are attached to the following Engines respectively; viz:

- 54. Engine Company No 6.
- Engine Company No 7

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Engine Company No 9.

65. Engine Company No 11.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Wednesday the 22^d Day of March instant, at half past 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present,

Mr President,

Allin
Anthony,
Mudgett
Bark,
Carpenter,
Crang,
Dafle,
Finnell,
Hopkins,
Kant,
Johnson,
Lester,

Manchester,
Mason,
Pebody,
W. Paine Jr
A. Payne,
Saunders,
Stokes,
Taylor,
Dillingham,
Walker,
Warner,
Williams,
Winsor.

Albert G. Greene, Clerk, 2^d.

Common Council March 22^d 1854.

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

Ordinances. The joint Committee who were on the 13th of September 1852, appointed to revise the Ordinances of the City.

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Report (Sunday) bills, which Report is read and received.

The following bills, reported by said Committee, are severally read and adopted: viz:

A bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the Depot Training Ground": -

A bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to Wood and Coal Carts: -

A bill, entitled "An Ordinance to prevent the firing of Guns and Pistols in the Streets and other public places: -

A bill entitled "An Ordinance to prevent overcrowded Tenements: -

A bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to Swill and House Offal: -

A bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to Insane Persons, chargeable to the City: -

A bill entitled "An Ordinance to prevent the ringing of bells for Auctions: -

A bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to Dogs: -

Referred to the Committee on Sidewalks, & (28) A bill (so reported), entitled "An Ordinance in relation to Sidewalks", is read & amended: and the further consideration thereof postponed to the next meeting of the Common Council.

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby authorized to demand and receive from the Hartford, New-Haven and Fitchburg Railroad Company, and to give said Company a full discharge for the sum of One Hundred Dollars, which was awarded to the City of Providence, by John G. Stinson, George W. Jackson and Oliver Peckham, Commissioners, as reported by them to the Court of Common Pleas, for Providence County, at the December Term, A.D. 1852, for damages sustained by said City, in consequence of said Company's railroad track passing by or through a portion of said City's land.

(Concurred,
(Approved by the Mayor pro tempore.)

Normal School. The Standing Committee on Public Schools, to whom, on the 13^d of March instant, was recommended their Report upon the expediency of the establishment of a

64. Normal School, with instructions, &c., now make
71. Report, which is read, together with certain Resolutions for the establishment of such School, reported by said Committee. Whereupon it is ordered, that said Report be received; and that the consideration of the same be postponed to the 31^d Day of March instant and made the special Order for that Day; and that the same be printed for the use of the Common Council.

20. A Communication from the Superintendent of the Public Schools, inviting the members of the City Council, by request of the Trustees of the Normal School, to attend the final examination of that School on the 30th inst. is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved that said invitation be accepted.

(Concurred.)
(Approved by the Mayor pro tempore.)

Public Schools. The Resolution for the establishment of a new Intermediate & a new Primary School, in the North-Westerly part of the City; which passed the Common Council, on the 13^d of March instant, and was then sent up for concurrence; is now returned by the Board of Aldermen; who concur therein, with an Amendment; which is read. Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be postponed to the second Monday in April next.

Abel Oaks. A Memorial of Abel Oaks, claiming compensation for injuries sustained by him by falling upon ice, in Wickenden Street, is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee to enquire Ordinance

-ces, to examine and report thereon.

Merrim Building. Petitions of Lewis Carr & Luther Pearson, for liberty to move certain tenement buildings; are presented and read; and are severally referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon.

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

High St. 112. Petition of Arroyo & others, for the repairing of High Street from Fenner to Stewart Street. -
Petition of William Foster & others, for the opening of Washington Street, between Tenight and Bear Streets.

John H. Leardale. The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to whom on the 13^d of February last, was referred the petition of John H. Leardale, for liberty to move certain tenement buildings; make Report, that they do not recommend the granting of the prayer thereof; -
27. which Report is read and received; and it is
106. thereupon ordered, that said petitioner have leave to withdraw.

Bill Posters. The Standing Committee on Police, to whom was referred by the Board of Aldermen, a petition of William C. Forbes & others; make Report, accompanied by a Bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to Bill Posters;" - which Report is read and received; and together with said bill, is referred to the joint Committee appointed to revise the Ordinances of the City

Police Committee. The Standing Committee on Police, to whom on the 25th of January last, was referred the petition of Jacob J. Peller & others, Police Constables; make Report, rec-

announcing that said petitioners have been to withdraw, which Report is read and received; and it is thereupon ordered, that said petitioners have been to withdraw.

Compensation of Communication from the Mayor, pro tempore, returning, to the Common Council, unapproved, the Resolution of the City Council, fixing the compensation of the Officers appointed to assess the City Tax ordered on the 22^d of February last, with his objections thereto; - is presented and read. Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be laid upon the table; and also, that the same be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing.

Resolution to appropriate \$15000 for the building of a Market, over the water, North of Washington Bridge, is presented, read, and postponed to the next meeting of the Common Council.

Joined in Conventions of the City Council.

In Convention,

The Resignation of John M. Shaw, Police Constable, is tendered and accepted.

John M. Shaw is elected a City Constable.
John C. Potter is elected a Police Constable.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourns to meet on Friday the 31st day of March instant, at half past 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present,

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| Mr. President, | Manwiler, |
| Anthony, | Robie, |
| Blodget, | W. Paine, |
| Bush, | A. Payne |
| Carpenter | Layden, |
| Cray, | Stiles, |
| Dyke | Taylor |
| Giddard, | Tillinghast, |
| Guinnell, | Walker |
| Hopkins, | Weaver, |
| Jehonson, | Williams |
| Leiter, | Winn. |

Albert G. Greene, Clerk.

Common Council, March 31st 1854.

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

The Report of the Standing Committee on Public Schools, upon the expediency of establishing a Normal School; with certain Resolutions for the establishment of such School; the consideration of which was, in the town-meeting second day of March instant, postponed to the day and made the special order for the day; with an Order that the same be printed for the use of the Common Council; - having been printed pursuant to said order; - is now taken up and read; - and said Resolutions are read and amended, and, as amended, are read and passed, as follows, viz: Resolved, that a Normal School be established, under such regulations as may, from time to time,

be adopted by the School Committee; said Regulations to be approved by the City Council.

Resolved, That pupils from other States, and from other towns in this State, may enter such School, upon the payment of such fees for tuition, as may be determined by the Standing Committee on Public Schools.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor, pro tempore)

Mayor's Salary. Resolved, That the Salary, of the Mayor, for the year ensuing the first Monday in June next, shall be Fifteen Hundred Dollars, payable quarterly.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor, pro tempore)

Market. The Resolution for the building of a Market, North of Wash 70. ington Bridge: which was on the 22nd of March instant postponed to this meeting; is read and passed; as follows.

Resolved, That Fifteen Thousand Dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of building a Market between Washington Bridge and the one North of it; payable to the order of the Committee appointed to procure plans and estimates for a Market; and that said Committee be, and they are hereby directed to cause the same to be built as soon as practicable.

Schools. The Standing Committee on Public Schools, (upon the Communication from the School Committee referred to them Salaries of Teachers of on the 12th of December last,) report the following Resolutions, which is read and passed; viz:

Resolved, That the School Committee are hereby authorized to increase the Salaries of the male teachers in

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the Public Schools, not exceeding one thousand dollars each.

Meeting Building. The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to whom, on the 22nd of March instant, were referred the several petitions of Lewis Carr & Luther Peason, for liberty to move certain wooden buildings; make Reports in favor of granting the prayers thereof; which Reports are received, and Resolutions granting the prayers of said petitions respectively, are read and passed.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor pro tempore)

Police. 106. Petition of the Best Light Safety Company, for an appropriation of \$377.50, for certain expenses incurred on the 1st of July last; is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

Police. 106. A Communication from the Board of Engineers, stating that there has been "a want of efficiency manifested at Fires by the City Police"; and requesting the action of the City Council, in relation to the subject; is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Police, to examine and report thereon.

Point Street. 112. A Petition of Mella Richards and others, for the setting of cobblestones and paving gutters, in Point Street, from the Capitol to Plant Street, - is presented and read; received and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

The Report of the Standing Committee on Highways, upon

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W. Harris the Petition of William J. Harris & others, for the opening of a road through the City's land lying E. of Waterman Street, which was on the 18th of March instant referred to the next meeting of the Common Council, is taken up, and read, together with a Resolution reported by said Committee. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report as to the expediency of opening said Street; the probable expense of the same; and also, as to the expediency of selling the said land.

The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to whom on the 13th of March instant was referred the Bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance establishing a Fire Department,' (the same relating to the salaries of the Assistant Engineers,) make a verbal Report, in favour thereof. Whereupon, it is moved, that said Bill pass; which motion is put, and lost.

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby authorized to pay to each of the Assistant Engineers of the Fire Department, the sum of sixty two Dollars and fifty cents in full compensation for the services rendered by them in their said capacity, up to the first Monday in June next; - the said sum to be paid out of the Appropriation for the Fire Department.
(Concurred, June 12 1854.)
(Approved by the Mayor)

A Resolution, to direct the Standing Committee on City Property to notify the Providence and Worcester Rail Road Company, that the open space between Washington Bridge and the one North of it, is wanted for the use of the City; and to request them to remove their rails therefrom; - is presented, read, and laid upon the Table.

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Resolved, That the Standing Committee on City Property be directed to report to the Council, at their next regular meeting, the terms of the permission granted to the Providence and Worcester Rail Road Company, under which the said Company laid a railroad track across the space prepared to be occupied by a Market House, in conformity with a Report to the Council.
(Concurred, April 3rd 1854.)
(Approved by the Mayor pro tempore.)

The Report of the Board of Engineers relating to the building of a Reservoir in Godding Street; which was on the 13th of March instant, presented to the next meeting of the Common Council; is taken up and read; and the following Resolutions, the papers of which was recommended by said Board, are read and passed; viz:
Resolved, That the Chief Engineer be, and he is hereby directed to contract for the building of a Cistern on Godding Street, opposite the Builders' Iron Foundry; and that the sum of one thousand Dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated for that purpose; to be paid out of the Appropriation for the Fire Department.
Resolved, That the Resolution passed on the twenty fifth of January last, in relation to a Cistern in the Yard of the School House on Knight Street; be and the same is hereby rescinded.
(Concurred April 13. 1854.)
(Approved by the Mayor, pro tempore.)

Resolved, That the Standing Committee on Public Schools be directed to report, at the next meeting of the City Council, the names of fourteen persons; (two to be selected from each Ward,) as candidates for election as members of the School Committee.
(Concurred.)
(Approved by the Mayor pro tempore.)

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to lease, under the direction of the Board of Aldermen, such portion of the several Engine Houses of the City, as may not be necessary for the purposes of the Fire Department.

(Concurred) (Approved by the Mayor pro tempore.)

The Communication from the Mayor pro tempore, relative to the Resolution of the City Council passed on the 6th of March instant, fixing the Compensation of the Assessors appointed to assess the City Tax ordered on the 22nd of February last; with his objecting thereto; - which Communication was, on the 21st of March instant, laid upon the Table, with an order that the same be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing; - Having been printed pursuant to said order; - is now taken up; and together with said Resolution, is read. - Where upon it is moved, that said Resolution again pass; - which motion is put, and lost.

Resolved, That in the opinion of the City Council, it is desirable and expedient that a new appraisal be made of the taxable property in the City, previous to the opening of the Tax which was ordered on the twenty second day of February last; and that the said taxable property be made the subject of regular book and plat entries, as contemplated by the Order of the City Council passed in March 1853, ordering a survey of the City; - and it is hereby ordered, that said Tax be so assessed.

Book 306, page 317.

Resolved, That the City Clerk, acting under the direction of the Committee appointed in March last, to make the survey aforesaid, be and he is hereby authorized and directed to procure such books and employ such assistance as may be necessary to carry the foregoing Resolution into effect.

(Concurred) (Approved by the Mayor, pro tempore.)

Resolved, That the Assessors of Taxes shall be allowed three hundred dollars each, as a full compensation for ascertaining the City Tax ordered on the twenty second day of February last; and also for ascertaining the Registry Tax and enrolling the Militia; for copying of Tax Books, and for obtaining all necessary information for the proper and just assessment of said Taxes, and for all other services relating thereto.

(Concurred March 30, 1854. (Approved by the Mayor pro tempore.)

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday the 10th day of April next, at half past 11 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

- Mr. President
- Allen
- Anthony,
- Bloodget,
- Bush,
- Carpenter
- Crang,
- Doble,
- Goddard,
- Ginnell,
- Hollbrook,
- Hopkins,
- Hunt,
- Johnson,

- Leifer,
- Manchester,
- Mann,
- Raford,
- W. Paine
- A. Payne,
- Saunders,
- Stokes,
- Taylor,
- Tillinghast,
- Weaver
- Wetmore,
- Winn.

Attest: [Signature] Clerk.

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Council, April 10 1854.

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

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

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

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(Approved by the Mayor pro tempore)

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

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(Approved by the Mayor pro tempore)

The Annual Report of the City Auditor for the financial year ending on the first Monday in March last, is presented, read and received.

Resolved, that the Annual Report of the City Auditor, this day made to the City Council; it is resolved, that the same be received.

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

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(Approved by the Mayor pro tempore)

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A petition of Edward Solan, for permission to keep up his sign at No 52, Westminster Street, which now projects into the street beyond the limit allowed by the Ordinance of the City, is presented, read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on Police, to examine and report thereon.

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p. 82.

Resolved that the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby authorized to purchase and take a Deed thereof, in behalf of the City, for the special purpose of being improved as a public highway, the following described real estate: viz: beginning on the southerly side of College Street, at a point in continuation of the southerly line of Prospect Street; thence running southerly 139 1/2 feet, to the North Westerly corner of land owned by Seth Adams Jr. - thence southerly, with the Westerly line of the land of said Adams, 132 feet, to the southerly line of Garry Street; thence, Westerly, along the southerly line of Garry Street, 48 feet; thence southerly, and of a uniform width of 48 feet, on a line parallel with the Westerly line of said Adams aforesaid, 132 feet; thence southerly, 2 feet; thence southerly, on a line parallel with the first-mentioned line, 139 1/2 feet, to College Street; thence Easterly, 50 feet, to the first mentioned point.

Resolved, that the cost of the same to the City, shall not exceed the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500)

Resolved, that whenever said Deed or deeds shall be duly received, acknowledged and recorded, - the Board of Aldermen are hereby requested, to cause to be removed, all impediments thereon, and the same to be opened as a public highway.

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(Approved by the Mayor pro tempore)

The Resolutions for the removal of obstructions in the

Harbour
Hospital
Lands
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30. Channel of the River, and for the filling up of the flats in front of the Hospital Lands (as aforesaid), which were on the 13th of February) last, postponed to the next meeting of the Common Council; are taken up; and are referred to the Standing Committee to engross Ordinances, to examine and report thereon.

87. Having Petition of Allen J. Brown & Joseph Bogges for liberty to move certain wooden buildings; - are presented read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon.

90. A petition of St. Andrew's Church, for liberty to move a certain wooden building; is presented, read, received & referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon; which Committee make Report in favour thereof; and said Report is received, and a Resolution granting the prayer of said petition, is read and passed.

(Concurred)

Approved by the Mayor pro tempore

74. The Standing Committee on City Property, to whom, on the 31st of March last, was referred the Report of the standing Committee on Highways, upon the petition of William Harris & others, for the opening of a road through the City's land lying eastward of Waterman Street; together with a Resolution reported by the Standing Committee on Highways; - with instructions; - make Report, accompanied by a Resolution; - which Report is read and received.

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The Resolution (as reported) for the opening of Waterman Street through said land) is read, and it is moved that the same pass; - which motion is put and lost.

113. A Communication from the Board of Engineers, recommending the granting of the prayer of a Petition of William C. Richardson & others, for a Reservoir in Carpenter Street;

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is, together with said Petition, presented and read. Whereupon it is agreed, that said petition be received and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon.

Washington Monument Association) A Communication from the "Board of Managers of the Washington National Monument Association," is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee to engross Ordinances, to examine and report thereon.

Approved That Messrs W. Peine Jr, W. W. W. and Bush, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to confer with the persons appointed to open the City Tax ordered on the 22nd of February) last; and to ascertain if they intend to accept said appointment.

77. 86.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor, pro tempore)

Normal School) A Communication from the School Committee enclosing a copy of Rules and Regulations for the Government of the Normal School; requesting that the same may be approved by the City Council; - is presented and read. And said Rules and Regulations are read; and it is thereupon resolved that the same be, and are, approved.

77.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor, pro tempore)

Pioneer Fire Co. A Communication from the Trustees of the Pioneer Fire Co. "Fire Company," offering to sell to the City, the building occupied by said Company, in South Main Street; - is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property; - with instructions to report at the next meeting of the City Council.

113.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor, pro tempore)

P.H. & R.A. (c.) The Standing Committee on City Property, who were, on the 3rd of March last, directed to report, at this meeting, the terms of the premium granted to the Providence and Worcester Rail Road Company, under which the said Company laid a rail road track across the space now proposed to be occupied by a Market House, above Washington Bridge; - make Report; which is read, and

75. It is thereupon resolved, that the same be received.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor, pro tempore)

Mentgag. The joint Committee to whom on the 28th of November last, was referred the Report of the City Solicitor, in reference to the Mortgage made by the Hartford, Providence, and Fitch Hill Railroad Company to the City; make Report.

11. which is read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be received.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor, pro tempore.)

Stearns Fire Engine. Attention in the words following, having proposed (the Board of Aldermen, in said steam for convenience) and is read: -

60. 115. "Resolved, that the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, be and they are hereby directed to confer with Col. J. Nightingale & Co, or some other persons or Company, and learn upon what terms they will build a Steam Fire Engine similar to the one now used in Cincinnati; and report at the next meeting of the Council."

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

(Approved by the Mayor, pro tempore.)

Schools. The Resolution to authorize the School Committee to increase the salaries of the male Teachers in the Public Schools, not exceeding one hundred Dollars each; - which passed the Common Council on the 31st Day

of March last, and was then sent up, for concurrence; - is now returned by the Board of Aldermen, who concur therein, with the following Amendment, viz: that the following words be added thereto, viz: "provided that such increase shall, in no case, apply to any teacher who has not served the City, in such capacity, at least five years." - which Amendment is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein, with the following Amendment: viz that the words "five years," in the last line, be struck out, and the words "one year" be inserted in their place.

Stearns & Primary Schools. The Amendment proposed by the Board of Aldermen, to the Resolution for the establishment of a new Intermediate and a new Primary School in the North

Westerly part of the City; the consideration of which was, on the 22nd of March last, referred to this meeting, is now read: - said Amendment being, - that the following words be added after the word "Schools" in the fifth line, viz: "and that the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby authorized, under the direction of the Committee aforesaid, to contract for the building of a brick School House, in the section of the City aforesaid, sufficiently large to accommodate a Grammar, Intermediate, and Primary School."

Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do not concur in said Amendment.

Turnpike. The Standing Committee on Turnpikes, to whom, on the 13th of March last, was decommitted their Report

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recommending the rebuilding of a part of the Turpin's Brook Culvert: - report the following Resolution, which is read and passed: viz:

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways, he, and he is hereby directed to rebuild that part of the Turpin Brook Culvert (lying) between North Main and Randall Streets.

(Carried)
(Approved by the Mayor pro tempore.)

The Standing Committee and Highways, to whom were referred the following named petitions for cross walks, viz:

- of George A Howard letter (opened April 18. 1853.)
- of George W Whippin letter (opened August 15 1853)
- of Walter Humphrey. (opened Oct 10. 1853.)
- of A. B. A. Whitaker letter (opened Oct 13. 1853)
- of Anthony Dexter letter (opened Nov 8. 1853)
- of William Kial letter (opened Nov 14. 1853)
- of New England Bolt Co letter (opened Nov 28 1853.)

make Report by the following Resolution: which is read and passed: viz:

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways he, and he is hereby directed to cause cross walks to be laid in the following places: viz.

- Four at the junction of Washington & Jackson Streets.
- One cross Bessitt, South side of Sheldon Street.
- One cross Walker, South side of Fountain Street.
- One cross Pearl, North side of Perkins Street.
- One cross Carpenter, East side of Lemon Street.
- One cross Lemon, South side of Carpenter Street.
- One cross Tide, North side of Pacer Street
- One cross Payer, East side of Hope Street.
- One cross Hope, North side of Benevolent Street.
- One cross Benevolent, East side of Hope Street.
- One cross Hope, North side of George Street.
- One cross George, East side of Hope Street.
- One cross Broad, opposite No 12.

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One cross Angell, West side of Congdon Street.
(Carried)
(Approved by the Mayor pro tempore.)

The joint Committee who were, on the 13th of September, 1852, appointed to revise the Ordinances of the City; report sundry bills: - which Report is read and received,

The following bills, reported by said Committee, are severally read and adopted: viz.

A bill entitled "An Ordinance providing for the appointment of a City Solicitor, and prescribing his Duties: -"

A bill entitled "An Ordinance prescribing the Duties of the City Stenographer: -"

A bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to Swine: -"

A bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to Public Schools."

A bill (so reported) entitled "An Ordinance establishing a Fire Department:" is read; and the further consideration thereof is postponed to the next meeting of the Common Council.

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Jared in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

The Standing Committee on Public Schools who were on the 31st of March last, directed to report the names of fourteen persons, as candidates for election as members of the School Committee; report the names of fourteen persons; and said Report is received and said persons are elected members of said Committee.

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Engine No 5. The Board of Engineers report the names of sundry persons who have withdrawn from Engine Company No 5; and also a list of new members added to said Company.

Engine No 2. A Communication from Engine Company No 2, accepting the invitation of the City Council to them, to join the paid Fire Department of the City, is presented and read.

81. A Communication from John G. Stinson, who was, on the 24th of February last, elected one of the Assessors to assess the City Tax ordered on the 22^d day of said February; - declining to accept said appointment, is presented and read.

93. Edward C. Manton is elected an Assessor to assess the City Tax ordered on the 22^d day of February last, in the place of John G. Stinson.

The two boards separate.

The Common Council adjourns to meet, on Wednesday, the 19th day of April instant, at half past 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr. President,
Anthony,
Bloodst,
Bark,
Carpenter
Cray,
Daffer,
Goddard,
Ginnell,
Hobbs.

Hopkins,
Johnson
Lester,
Manchester,
Mason,
Palodie,
W. Paine Jr.,
A. Payne
Lauden
Stokes,

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Taylor,
Tillinghast
Walker,

Weaver
Wheeler,

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Albert Greene, Clerk

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

Allen & Brown The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to whom on the 10th of April instant, was referred the petition of Mr. Allen & Brown, for liberty to move a certain wooden building, make Report, recommending the granting of the prayer thereof: which is received; and it is advised that the same be postponed to the next meeting of the Common Council.

J. Hodges. The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to whom on the 10th of April instant, was referred the petition of Joseph Hodges, for liberty to move a certain wooden building, make Report, in favor of granting the prayer thereof: which Report is received and it is thereupon resolved, that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

S. Bunnell Petitions of Stephen Bunnell and Isaac S. Botley, for liberty to move certain wooden buildings: - and of William Fletcher, for liberty to move a certain brick building: are presented, and received, and severally referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine & report thereon.

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John A Memorial of John Tilton, claiming compensation for injuries sustained by him, by falling into a hole in South Water Street; is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee to enquire and report thereon, 197.

Ordered, That the Standing Committee on Finance be discharged from the consideration of the Memorial of John Tilton, which was referred to them on the 24th of February last, 197.

Charles A Memorial of Charles H. Edson, claiming compensation for injuries sustained by him by falling over a heap of laths in Westminster Street; is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon, 197.

Abner A Petition of Benjamin Hoppin and others, for the paving of Abner Street, from Sabin to Westminster Street; is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon, 199.

Canal A Petition for an application to the Supreme Court for the appointment of Commissioners of estimate and assessment, for the widening of a portion of Canal Street; is presented, read, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon, 101.

Pond The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 13th of March last, was referred the petition of Isaac Lobo and others, for laying out and continuing Pond Street; make Report, by the following Resolutions; which are read and passed: viz.

Resolved, That in the opinion of this City Council, it is desirable and necessary to lay out Pond Street,

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from Fenner Street to Stewart Street, a width of forty feet; - 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 or otherwise altering Streets in the City of Providence"; and the City Council hereby direct that Application shall be made by said City Solicitor to said Court, in the Application for said appointment as aforesaid, that said Commissioners shall appraise and assess one half of the life and damage thereby, upon the persons and estates benefitted thereby, in the ratio of the benefit 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 of, and in the manner required by said Act.

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(Approved by the Mayor, pro tempore.)

Richmond The Standing Committee on Highways who were, on the 13th of March last, directed to report upon the expediency of opening a part of Richmond Street; - make Report, by the following Resolutions; which are read and passed: viz.

Resolved, That in the opinion of this City Council, it is desirable and necessary to lay out and extend Richmond Street, from Point Street to Eddy Street, of a width of forty feet; 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

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and agreement under and according to the Act entitled "An Act in relation to the laying out, enlarging, straightening or otherwise altering streets in the City of Providence"; And the City Council hereby direct, that Application shall be made by the 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 benefitted thereby, in the ratio of the benefits conferred.

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

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor pro tempore.)

Harbour The attending Committee to enquire Ordinance, to whom, on the 10th of April last, was referred the Resolutions for the removal of obstructions in the channel of the River, and for the filling up of the flats in front of the Hospital Lands (so called,) make Report in favour of the passage of the first of said Resolutions; and request further time in which to report upon the second of said Resolutions; - which Report is read and received; and so far as the same relates to said second Resolution, - is recommended for further Report; - and said first Resolution (so reported) is read and passed: as follows: viz:

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Resolved, That Messrs W. Paine Jr, Manchester and P. Kinghart, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to cause the obstructions to be removed from the channel of the River, commencing at the North end of Messrs A. D. and J. Y. Smith's wharf, and proceeding up the River as far as the Bridge: - that they cause the mud and sand taken from said channel, to be deposited on the flats oppo-

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sites the Hospital Land owned by the City, unless in their judgment, the same can be disposed of, more to the interest of the City; And the sum of fifteen hundred Dollars is hereby appropriated for said object, payable out of any money in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated.

(Concurred: & Alderman Hall added)

(Approved by the Mayor pro tempore.)

Schools The vote of concurrence by the Common Council, on the 10th of April instant, in the amendment of Salaries of the Board of Aldermen, to the Resolution to Teachers, authorizing the School Committee to increase the salaries of the male Teachers in the Public

82.

Schools, not exceeding one hundred Dollars each, with an amendment to said Amendment of the Board of Aldermen: which was on said 10th of April sent up, in concurrence; - is now returned by the Board of Aldermen, who concur in said Amendment of the Common Council. Whereupon, it is Resolved, that the Common Council do insist upon their Amendment, and do request a Conference upon the disagreement of the two Boards, and do appoint Messrs Quinnell, Taylor and Johnson conferees on their part.

(The Board of Aldermen agree to a conference, and appoint Alderman James, conferees on their part.)

The Committee of Conference make Report: - Whereupon it is Resolved, that the Common Council do recede from their vote concerning in the Amendment of the Board of Aldermen, with an amendment; - and do concur in said Amendment of the Board of Aldermen, with the following Amendment thereto, viz: that the words "five years" therein, be stricken out, and the words "four years" be inserted in their place.

(The Board of Aldermen concur in the Amendment of the Common Council)
(Approved by the Mayor, pro tempore)

83. The vote of the Common Council, now concurring in the Amendment of the Board of Aldermen in the Resolution for the establishment of a new Intermediate and a new Primary School, in the South Western part of the City, - which was sent to the Board of Aldermen on the 10th of April instant, is now returned by the Board of Aldermen, who insist upon their Amendment, and request a Conference upon the disagreement of the two Boards, they having appointed Aldermen Hodder conferees on their part. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do insist upon their now concurrence; and do comply with the request of the Board of Aldermen, for a conference; and do appoint Messrs. Ginnell, Winsor and Williams conferees on their part.

Wardens & Clerk. Resolved, that the City Treasurer be directed to pay to each of the Wardens and Clerks of the several Wards in the City, the sum of three Dollars, in addition to the amount now allowed them by law, for their services on the fifth day of April instant; to be paid out of the Appropriation for Contingencies."

(Conceded, April 24, 1854.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

City Hall Location. A Resolution in the words following, is this day presented and read: viz:
"Resolved, that the joint Committee who were, on the 26th of September, Oct. 1853, appointed to recommend a location for a City Hall; and who were on the 13th of February last, authorized and directed to purchase a lot of land for that purpose."

for a sum not exceeding seventy five thousand dollars; - he and they are hereby directed to withdraw all offers which they may have made for the purchase of any such lot of land; unless such offer shall be accepted by eight o'clock P.M. on Saturday the twenty second day of April instant."

It is moved, that said Resolution pass: - in which motion, the question is taken by ayes and noys; and it is voted that the same be entered upon the Journal, as follows viz: -

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|------------------|-------------------|
| <u>Ayes.</u> | <u>Noys.</u> |
| Messrs Allen, | Messrs Carpenter, |
| Anthony, | Clary, |
| Blodget | Cothran, |
| Bush, | Johnson, |
| Doyle | Lester, |
| Goldard | W. Lane Jr, |
| Ginnell | Landers, |
| Hollark | Stokes, |
| Hooper, | Williams |
| Ugent, | Winsor, |
| Manchester, | |
| Parodie, | |
| Taylor | |
| Villinghart, 14, | 10, |

Said Resolution is therefore, passed.

Appraisers of Real Estate. A Resolution in the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down, for concurrence, and is read: viz:
"Resolved, that seven persons, (one from each Ward,) be appointed, in Convention, as Appraisers, to assist the Assessors of Taxes in appraising the Real Estate in the City; and

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that said Appraisers be allowed three Dollars per day, while so engaged."

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

(Approved by the Mayor pro tempore.)

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention,

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A communication from Isaac Thumber, Erik Tallman, William Sheldon, Abner Peckham, Nathan Mason and Ephraim S. Jackson, who were elected to assess the City Tax assessed on the 22^d of February last, (with Edward E. Monton) - declining to accept said appointment; - is presented and read: and it is advised that the same be received.

Do. Daniel Angell
James W. Mumford
100. Thomas Brown.
Daniel Field.
100. John F. Phillips
& Amos E. Bradley, are elected Assessors (together with Edward E. Monton) to assess the City Tax assessed on the 22^d of February last.

Appraisers
The following named persons are elected, (under the Resolution this day passed) Appraisers to assess the Taxes in appraising the Real Estate in the City: viz

- 93. From the 1st Ward, Jobey Graham,
- 100 From the 2^d Ward, Edward H. Greene,
- 100 From the 3^d Ward, William Bate,
- From the 4th Ward, Philip Saw,
- 100 From the 5th Ward, Ephraim S. Jackson,

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From the 6th Ward, Erik Tallman,
From the 7th Ward, William Sheldon,

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The Common Council adjourn to meet on Wednesday the 26th day of April instant, at half past 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present,

Mr. President,

- Allen,
- Anthony,
- Blodgett
- Bush,
- Carpenter,
- Cray
- Dyble,
- Goddard
- Ginnell
- Hallbrook,
- Hopkins,
- Hunt,
- Johnson
- Lester,

- Manchester,
- Peabody,
- W. Paine Jr,
- Haynes,
- Lambert,
- Stokes,
- Taylor
- Pillingham,
- Walker,
- Weaver
- Williams
- Winsor.

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Abner Greene,
Clerk

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

Read a Memorial of George W. Jackson, stating that his daughter, Carrie C. Jackson has been excluded from the High School in the City, without good cause, and praying for an enquiry into the matter, and for relief. - is presented and read.

102. Whereupon it is moved that the same be referred to the School Committee; which motion is put, and lost.

Whereupon it is moved, that the same be referred to the Standing Committee on Public Schools, - which motion is put, and lost.

Whereupon it is moved, that the same be postponed to the next meeting of the Common Council; which motion is put, and lost.

Whereupon it is moved, that the same be postponed indefinitely. On which motion, the question is taken by ayes and nays, and it is ordered that the same be entered upon the Journal, as follows: viz:

Ayes: Messrs Bark, Carpenter, Doyle, Goddard, Ginnell, Johnson, Lester, Pabodie, Saunders, Taylor, Winsor, 11.

Nays: Messrs. Anthony, Blodgett, Cary, Hayes, Holbrook, Hopkins, Hunt, Mason, W. Paine Jr, S. Payne, Stokes, Tillinghast, Walker, Williams, 14.

Said motion is therefore lost.

Whereupon it is moved, that the same be referred to a special Committee, to examine and report thereon; - On which motion, the question is

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

Ayes: Messrs Anthony, Blodgett, Cary, Hayes, Holbrook, Hopkins, Hunt, Mason, S. Payne, Tillinghast, Walker, Williams, 12.

Nays: Messrs Bark, Carpenter, Doyle, Goddard, Ginnell, Johnson, Lester, Pabodie, W. Paine Jr, Saunders, Stokes, Taylor, Winsor, 13.

Said motion is therefore lost.

Whereupon, it is ordered, that said Memorial be laid upon the Table.

87. The Report of the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, upon the petition of Allen J. Brown, for liberty to move a certain wooden building; - which was on the 19th of April instant, referred to the meeting; is called up and read; and a Resolution granting the prayer of said petition, is read and passed.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

88. The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to whom on the 19th of April instant, were referred the petitions of Stephen Brownell

+ Isaac S. Batty, for liberty to move certain wooden buildings; - which Reports, in favour of granting the prayers thereof; - which Reports are severally received; and Resolutions

granting the prayers thereof severally, are read and passed.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Opening Resolutions, in the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen, are sent down for concurrence and are read.

Resolved. That the Assessors of Taxes, in making the Tax on Real Estate in the City, for the year 1854, be and they are hereby advised to proceed with their Assessments, to review all the estates in their several Wards, and to fix a fair market valuation on each lot or parcel of land, according to the number of square feet and location, and also, to appraise the improvements on each lot or parcel of land as numbered on the Plots made by the City: - said valuation and appraisal to be made upon the basis of sales made within the last twelve months.

Resolved, that in case the Assessor and Assistant in either Ward cannot agree upon the valuation of any lot or parcel of land & Improvements thereon; - a third person shall be chosen from the Board of Assessors, who shall proceed with them to the premises, and re-appraise the same: a majority of whom shall decide the taxable value of said premises."

Whereupon it is ordered that the same be referred to the Standing Committee to engross Ordinances, to examine and report thereon.

The bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to Side walks, (reported by the joint Committee to revise the Ordinances of the City) which was on the 22^d of March put upon to the next meeting; - is taken up, read, and adopted.

The bill entitled "An Ordinance establishing a Fire Department, (reported by the joint Committee to revise the Ordinances of the City) which was on the 10th of April instant, postponed to the next meeting; - is taken up, read, and adopted.

103.

The joint Committee appointed to revise the Ordinance of the City, report a bill entitled "An Ordinance establishing the Hospital Park"; - which bill is read and adopted.

Said Committee report a bill entitled "An Ordinance fixing the salaries of certain Officers"; which is read and postponed to the next meeting of the Common Council.

Resolution that the Board of Aldermen be requested to extend Watermen Street across the lot of land belonging to the City, near the Central Bridge; (as recommended by the Report of the Standing Committee on City Property in their Report, made on the 10th of April instant; - is read, and laid upon the Table.

Resolved, that the Board of Aldermen be requested to take the necessary measures to call a Town Meeting, to take into consideration, the expediency of selling the Lot of Land belonging to the Decker Donation property, situated near Central Bridge, in the Eastern part of the City.

Passed in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

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86. Edward C. Manton, Thomas Beun and John F. Phillips having declined accepting their appointments as three of the Assessors to assess the City Tax on land in the 2^d of February last; the following persons are elected in their places, viz:

Benj Packard,
Abner Peckham,
Ezek Aldrich.

Appraisers of Real Estate
94. John Graham, Edward A. Greene and Ephraim S. Jackson having declined accepting their appointments as three of the Appraisers to appraise the property of Taxes in appraising the real estate in the City; - the following persons are elected in their places, viz:

From the 1st Ward, Leonard Blodget,
From the 2^d Ward, Cyrus Fisher,
From the 3^d Ward, James Salisbury.

Firemen
94. Landing persons are elected Firemen and attached to Engine Companies.

The resignations of sundry Firemen, are accepted.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet to-morrow (April 27th) at half past 7 o'clock, P.M.

Members present:

Mr President,

Anthony,

Blodget,

Bush,

Carpenter,

Crany,

Boyle,

Goddard,

Kinnell,

Kalbrock,

Kapkins,

Went,

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Jepson
Lester
Mason
Palmer
W. Parry Jr.
A. Payne
Saunders,
Steele,

Taylor,
Thurman,
Walker
Williams,
Winsor.

25.

Albert J. Greene,
Clerk,

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

112. A petition of William W. Hopkins & others, to compel State, to walk in Plane Street, is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

108. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, Canal Street, on the 19th of April instant, was referred the proposed

88. Resolutions relating to the widening of a part of Canal Street; make Report recommending the passage thereof; which Report is read and received, and it is ordered that the same be laid upon the Table.

City Hall
92. The joint Committee who were on the 13th of February last, directed to purchase a lot of land for a location for a City Hall at a cost not exceeding \$75,000; make Report that they have contracted to purchase the lands bounded on Exchange Place

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and Baker, Fallon & Washington Streets, for that sum; and also report a Resolution to direct the payment of the purchase money therefor; - which Report is read and received. Whereupon it is moved that said Resolution be amended by a provision for the issue of Bonds of the City, for such payment. And it is thereupon ordered that the subject be postponed to the next meeting of the Common Council.

The Memorial of George W. Jackson, relative to the withdrawal of his daughter Carrie C. Jackson, from the High School; - which was laid upon the Table on the 26th of April instant; - is taken up. And a Resolution relative thereto, is moved, amended, and as amended, is read, as follows: viz

96. Upon the Petition of George W. Jackson Esq; - it is Voted and Resolved, that a Committee of six from each Ward, consisting of Messrs Hunt, A. Payne, Mason, Anthony, Williams, Walker & Gray, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to confer with the School Committee, relative to the subject matter of said petition, and also, to make such further examination into the subject as they may deem expedient; and to report to the City Council, what action they deem advisable in the premises."

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

<u>Ayes.</u>			
Messrs.	Anthony,	Hunt	Walker
	Blodget	Mason,	Williams,
	Gray	W. Payne Jr.	
	Hoyes,	A. Payne,	
	Hopkins	Tillinghast,	12,

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<u>Nov.</u>			
Messrs	Boul,	Ginnell,	Pabodie,
	Joyce,	Johnson,	Saunders,
	Goldson	Leiter,	Winnon

9. Laid Resolution is in the file paper, (Concurred, Aug 18, 1854, & Alderman Bates, Rathbone and Gilman added) (Approved by the Mayor.)

Ordinances. The print Committee who were on the 13th of September, 1852, appointed to revise the Ordinances of the City; report sundry bills; - which Report is read and received.

99. 104.

The following bills (so reported, are severally read and adopted: viz:

- A bill entitled "An Ordinance defining the limits of the City Market Place: -"
- A bill entitled "An Ordinance for the regulation of the City Market and Market Place."
- A bill entitled "An Ordinance to prevent the ringing of Bells, between sunset and one hour after sunrise: -"
- A bill entitled "An Ordinance for the prevention of Fires: -"
- A bill entitled "An Ordinance establishing a public Pound: -"
- A bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the use of certain Rooms in the Market House: -"
- A bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the Ordinances of the City."

Salaries. The bill (so reported) entitled "An Ordinance fixing the Salaries of certain Officers"; - which was on the 26th of April instant, postponed to this meeting; - is taken up, amended; & as amended, - is adopted.

April 27, 1854.

City Charter. Resolved, That the Committee appointed to revise the City Ordinances, be directed to make a revision of the City Charter, and present the same for the consideration of the Council.

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(Concurred, May 1, 1854)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Overseer of the Poor. Resolved, That the Standing Committee on City Property be and they are hereby, directed to cause the room in the Market House now occupied by the Overseer of the Poor, to be connected with the Office of the City Clerk; and proper cases furnished for the accommodation of the books necessary for the Assessors of Taxes; and also, to provide a proper room in the Town House, for the said Overseer. And the sum of two thousand dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated out of any money in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated, to defray the expense of the same.

(Concurred May 1, 1854)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Residence of Artillery. Resolved, That the City Solicitor be directed to examine, and report to the City Council, what claim (if any) the heirs of the late William Jenkins have upon the lot of land granted to the Providence Artillery, on the 14th of November 1853, for the purpose of erecting an Artery thereon; and also, to report, what action is necessary, to make said grant available to said Company.

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(Concurred, May 1, 1854)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

The Common Council adjourn, & meet, on Monday the 8th of May next, at half past 7 o'clock PM.

April 27th May 8th 1854.

Members present.

W. President,
Anthony,
Blyden,
Bark,
Cory,
Duff,
Goldard,
Ginnell,
Hephins,
Hunt,
Johnson,

Leiter,
Mason,
Parker,
W. Parson,
A. Payne,
Sandus,
Tillinghast,
Walker,
Williams,
Winsor.

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Abner Greene,
Clerk.

Common Council May 8th 1854.

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

Res. M. The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 25 1854, is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

Surveyor's Report. The Monthly Report of the Surveyor of Highways, is presented, read and received; and is referred to the Standing Committee on Highways.

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

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

First Light Safety Company, to whom, on the 31 of March last, was referred the petition of the First Light Safety Company, - report the following Resolutions, which is read and passed: viz

Resolved, that the sum of three hundred and seventy seven dollars and fifty nine cents be paid to the First Light Safety Company, to defray in part, certain expenses incurred by said Company, on the 4th day of July last, - the same to be paid out of the Treasury, from the Appropriation for "Contingencies", upon the order of the Commandant of said Company.

(Continued.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Resolved, that the Standing Committee on City Property be directed to cause copies of the Plats of the original Proprietors of the Town of Providence to be made, and deposited in the Office of the City Clerk, provided the cost of the same shall not exceed fifty dollars.

(Continued.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

A communication from D. D. Sweet & others, with their views on the moving of a certain wooden building by John W. Lonsdale, is presented and read.

Resolved, that permission be, and is hereby granted, to John W. Lonsdale, to remove a certain wooden building owned by him, and now standing on land belonging to the heirs of Anna A. Jenkins; - to the rear of the same lot.

(Continued.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

A petition of George W. Bull, for liberty to move a certain wooden building; is presented, read, received, and referred

to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, which Committee report the following Resolution, which is read and passed: viz.

Upon the Petition of George W. Bull, it is resolved, that the prayer of said petition be so far granted, that said petitioner have liberty to move the building therein named; provided, the same shall not be placed within five feet of the boundary line of said lot.

(Continued.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Petitions of Daniel Martin, and Sanders and Grant, for liberty to move certain wooden buildings; are presented and read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon; which Committee make Reports in favor of granting the prayer thereof; and said Reports are severally received; and Resolutions granting the prayer of said petitions severally, are read and passed.

(Continued.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 19th of April last, was referred the Petition of Charles W. Edison, ask leave to be discharged. Thereupon, it is ordered that said Committee be discharged from further consideration of the subject; - and that said petition be laid upon the Table.

The Standing Committee to enquire into the case of John Tillen, to whom on the 19th of April last, was referred the petition of John Tillen, for compensation for injuries sustained by him; - make Report; which is read and received; - and it is thereupon ordered, that said petitioner have leave to withdraw.

May 8th 1854.

A. S. Field } The Joint Committee to whom on the 25th of January
 16. } last, was referred the Memorial of Augustus S. Field
 relative to his Contract for the collection of Sewer
 and House offal; make Report, that they do not
 recommend any action of the City Council there-
 on. (The Board of Aldermen having power, by
 the Ordinance, to make compensation to the memo-
 rialist.) - which Report is read and received,
 and it is thereupon ordered, that said Memorial
 be laid on the table.

Engineers } Petition of the Late Engine Company No 12, (for
 Co. } (merely) Engine Company No 2) for the payment
 No 12. } of \$150, being money paid by them for silver
 mountings for the Engine formerly in their charge,
 is presented, read, received, and referred to the
 Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to
 examine and report thereon.

Canal } The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on
 Street } the 19th of April last, was referred the Resolutions for
 101. } an application to the Supreme Court, for the appoint-
 ment of Commissioners of estimate and assessment
 for the widening of a portion of Canal Street; -
 make Report, in favour of the passage of said Res-
 olutions; - which Report is read and received; -
 and it is thereupon ordered, that said Resolutions
 pass: - which motion is put, and lost.

Market } The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the
 Square } 5th of March last was referred the petition of John Lar-
 57- } chow and others, for the repairing of Market Square
 make Report in favour thereof, which was, there-
 upon it is ordered that the same be recommended,
 with instructions, that said Committee report upon
 the expediency of using blocks pavement for the work.

May 8th 1854.

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

Power
 Street }
 (Book No 6,
 page 395)

Power
 Street }
 (Book No 6,
 page 395)

(Upon the petition of Allen C. Mathewson & others,
 referred November 28 1853.)
Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be,
 and he is hereby directed to cause a suitable
 Drain to be built through Hope Street, from
 Charles Field, to Power Street, and through
 Power Street, from Hope to Brook Street:
 the same to be done under the advice and
 direction of the Standing Committee on High-
 ways.

(Concurred.)
 (Approved by the Mayor.)

Hewes
 Street }

Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be
 and he is hereby directed to cause the curb stones
 to be set and the gutters paved on that part
 of Hewes Street lying between the termi-
 nation of the curbing already set, and North
 Main Street; whenever the owners of the ad-
 joining estates shall furnish suitable curb
 stones for the same.

(Concurred.)
 (Approved by the Mayor.)

Aborn
 Street }

88.

(Upon the petition of Benjamin Coppin & others, referred
 April 19th 1854.)
Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be and
 he is hereby directed to cause that part of
 Aborn Street lying between Solin and Wat-
 minister Street, to be paved, whenever the
 owners of the adjoining estates shall find suit-
 able curb stones for the same.

(Concurred.)
 (Approved by the Mayor.)

May 8th 1854.

Allen Street.

(Upon the petition of William Coffey & others, referred May 30 1853.)
Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to cause the curb stones to be set and the gutters paved, on that part of Allen Street lying between Capital and Eddy Streets, whenever the owners of the adjoining estates shall furnish suitable curb stones for the same.

(Concurred.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Portland Street.

Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed, to cause curb stones to be set and the gutters paved, on that part of Portland Street lying between Broad and Friendship Streets, whenever the owners of the adjoining estates shall furnish suitable curb stones for the same.

(Concurred.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Prince Street.

(Upon the petition of the South Baptist Society & others, referred March 6th 1854.)
Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause the gutters to be paved, and the curb stones set, on Prince Street, whenever the owners of the adjoining estates shall furnish curb stones for the same.

(Concurred.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Lockwood Street.

(Upon the petition of John Whipple and others, referred July 12th 1852.)
Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed, to cause the curb stones to be set and the gutters paved, on Lockwood Street, from Windmill to Pine Street, whenever the owners of the adjoining estates shall furnish curb stones for the same.

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(Continued.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Providence Street.

(Upon the petition of Frederick B. Barber & others, referred by the Board of Aldermen.)
Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to cause the curb stones to be set and the gutters paved, on that part of Providence Street, lying between Lockwood and Windmill Streets, whenever the owners of the adjoining estates shall furnish curb stones for the same.

(Concurred.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Angell Street.

(Upon the petition of Edward J. Cushing & others, referred February 14 1853.)
Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause the curb stones to be set and gutters paved, on that part of Angell Street lying between Brown and Hope Streets, whenever the owners of the adjoining estates shall furnish suitable curb stones for the same.

(Concurred.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Benefit Street.

(Upon the petition of William R. Staples & others, referred Nov. 14 1853.)
Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause a cross walk to be laid across Benefit Street, at the South side of the Camp-post opposite No 68.

(Concurred.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

(Upon the petition of William H. Hopkins & others, referred April 27 1854: - And upon the petition of

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Cross
walks
101.

Nathan Gutten & others, opened September 12th 1853;
Resolved, That the Survey of Highways be, and
he is hereby directed to cause cross walks to be
laid in the following places: viz:-

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page 364.

- One at the junction of Pine & Plane Streets.
- One across New York Street, on the North side of Friendship St.
- One across Main Street, on the North side of Friendship Street.
- One across Friendship Street, on the East side of Plane Street.
- One across Cliffland Street, on the East side of Plane Street.
- One across Elm Street, on the East side of Plane Street.

(Continued.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Paul Street. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the
31st of March last, was referred the petition of Melissa
73. Richmond & others, for repairs on Paul Street; make
119. Report in favor thereof, by Resolution; which Re-
port is read & received, and put over to the next
meeting of the Common Council.

Lindum Street. The Standing Committee on Highways report a Resolu-
tion for paving the gutters and setting curb stones in
Lindum Street; which is read & received, and put over
to the next meeting of the Common Council.

West Cliffland Street. The Standing Committee on Highways report a Resolu-
tion for paving the gutters and setting curb stones in
112. West Cliffland Street, from Lockwood to Paul Street;
which is read, received, and laid upon the Table.

Do A Resolution to direct the Survey of Highways
to proceed to repair High Street, from the Catholic
High St. Church to Stewart Street; and to pave the
69. gutters &c. in West Cliffland Street; - and to
Granting pave Cranston Street; - pursuant to orders al-
Street ready passed; - is presented, read, and referred to
the Standing Committee on Highways, to exam-
ine and report thereon.

May 8th 1854.

Highway. Resolved, That the Standing Committee on High-
ways, Surveyors be and they are hereby directed to report,
119. at the next meeting of the Common Council,
a Resolution presenting the order in which the
work on Highways, already ordered, shall be
done, during the next Municipal year.
(Continued.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Reservoir. The Standing Committee on the Fire Department,
to whom on the 10th of April last, was referred the
Petition of William E. Richmond and others, for
a Reservoir in Carpenter Street, together with
80. a communication from the Board of Engineers,
relative thereto; - report the following Reso-
lution; which is read and passed: viz:
Resolved, That the Chief Engineer be, and
he is hereby directed to contract for the build-
ing of a Reservoir in Carpenter Street, in front
of the School House; and that the cost there-
of be paid out of the Appropriations for the
Fire Department; provided the same shall
not exceed the sum of nine hundred Dollars.
(Continued.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Piscataway. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on
the 12th of December last, was referred the Memorial of
the Piscataway Fire Company, praying that the side-
81. walk added to be laid in front of their building
123. on South Main Street, may be laid at the ex-
pense of the City; - make Report that they
do not recommend the granting of the prayer
thereof; - which Report is read and received;
and it is thereupon ordered, that said Memorial-
ists have leave to withdraw.

Residence
Artillery. The City Solicitor who was on the 27th of April last,
104.

directed to examine and report what claim, (if any) the heirs of the late William Jenkins have upon the lot of land granted to the President Artillery, for the purpose of erecting an Armory thereon; - makes Report that the land upon which it is proposed to erect the Eastern end of said Armory, belongs to the owners of the adjoining estate: - which Report is read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be retained.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Market & Exchange } A Resolution to appoint a Committee to enquire into the expediency of establishing a Market in the middle of Exchange Place: is presented, read, and laid upon the Table.

Cypress Street } A Resolution to direct the Surveyor of Highways to open and continue Cypress Street through the Sepulchres Lot (the colleds,) is presented and read, and it is ordered, that the same be indefinitely postponed.

Public Grounds } Resolved, That the sum of fifteen hundred dollars be added to former Appropriation for the Improvement of the Public Grounds; and that the same be paid out of any moneys in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Thatch Rights } Resolved, That the Standing Committee on City Property be directed to report to this Council, the terms upon which the title to the Thatch Rights at the head of the Cove, can be extinguished; - with a view of filling the waters now remaining above the Cove circle, for the use of the public, as a park and pleasure grounds.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Hydraulic No 1. } Resolved, That the Board of Engineers be and they are hereby authorized to sell, or otherwise dispose of, Hydraulic No 1, upon such terms as they may deem for the interests of the City.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Steam Fire Engine } The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, who were, on the 10th of April last, directed to ascertain on what terms a Steam Fire Engine can be procured, similar to the one now used in Cincinnati; - make Report, accompanied by the following Resolution; - which Report is received, and said Resolution is read and passed viz: -

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Resolved, That the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, be and they are hereby directed to contract, on the most favorable terms, for a Steam Fire Engine; provided that the cost does not exceed the sum of seven thousand, five hundred dollars.

Flag Staff } Resolved, That the Standing Committee on City Property be and they are hereby directed, to purchase the Flag Staff now standing on Page Street, near Engine House No 3, and the flag belonging to the same; - and cause the said Staff to be placed at the junction of Westminster and High Streets; provided, that the cost of the same shall not exceed two thousand Dollars.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Salaries of Aldermen } Resolved, That the City Treasurer be directed to pay to the Council men from the Seventh Ward, the sum of twenty five Dollars each, and the Aldermen of the 7th Ward.

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from the same Ward, the sum of fifty dollars, being for their services as members of the City Council, up to the first Monday in June, 1854; and that the same be paid out of the appropriation for Salaries.

(Continued.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Wednesday the 24th day of May instant, at half past 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr. President,

Allen

Ruthing,

Blodgett,

Burk,

Carpenter,

Crane,

Coffin,

Goddard

Guinnell

Hallmark

Hopkins,

Leant,

Johnson,

Secretary,

Newchester,

Blair,

Palmer,

W. Paine, Jr.

A. Payne

Saunders

Stokes,

Taylor

Tillinghast,

Walker

Weaver

Williams

Winnor.

28,

Abraham Greene,
Clerk

Common Council, May 24th 1854.

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

117. May 24th 1854.

Moving & Building } Petitions of James P. Bartingame,
William Walton,
and Joseph F. Gilmore, for liberty to move certain wooden buildings, are presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon; - which Committee make reports in favor of granting the prayers thereof; which reports are received, and Resolutions granting the prayers of said petitions, respectively, are read and passed.

(Continued, May 26, 1854.)
(Approved by the Mayor)

57. The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to whom, on the 19th of April last, was referred the petition of William Fletcher for liberty to move a certain building; make Report in favor of granting the prayer thereof; which Report is received; and a Resolution granting the prayer of said petition, is read and passed.

(Continued, May 26, 1854.)
(Approved by the Mayor)

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

Watermen
Street

Petition of Ezra P. Lyon & others, relative to the work done on Watermen, Hope, Cooke & Manning Streets.

Watermen
Street

Petition of Benjamin Potter et al. for cross walk in Westminster Street.

A Communication from the City Auditor enclosing a bill of William Howles, for expenses of a coroner inquest on the body of George B. Moulton, is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine & report thereon.

May 24. 1854.

Elm Street. Resolved That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause that portion of the Sidewalk on the North side of Elm Street, between Hospital and Chestnut Streets, to be widened to conform to the sidewalk on the same street, above and below said streets.

(Concurred, May 26. 1854.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Markon. A Resolution relative to the refuse matter discovered in the Moshannon River, from the houses, &c, and for the appointment of a Committee "to ascertain the source of the evil, and to take such measures to remedy it, as may be necessary and legal": - is presented and read, and it is moved that the same pass: - which motion is put and lost.

Markon. A Memorial of Nathan C. Case, proposing to purchase from the City, a part of the lot on Transit Street, on which the Engine House No 4 stands: - is presented, read, and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon.

Loan. Resolved, That the City Treasurer be authorized, under the advice and direction of the Committee on Finance, to borrow temporarily, a sum of money, not exceeding thirty thousand dollars, for the use of the City.

(Concurred.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Appr. Resolved, That the sum of Fifteen Hundred Dollars be added to former Appropriation for Public Bridges, and that the same be paid out of any money in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated.

(Concurred, May 26. 1854.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

May 24. 1854.

Highway Works. The Standing Committee on Highways, who were at the 8th of May instant directed to report, at this meeting, a Resolution prescribing the order in which the work on Highways, already ordered, shall be done saving the next municipal year, request to be excused from making such report at this meeting: - which request is granted.

Markon. Upon the Petition of Charles W. Colson, for compensation for injuries sustained by him in Water Street:

107. Resolved, That the same be referred to the City Solicitor, to examine and report to the City Council, upon the question of the liability of the City, in the premises.

(Concurred, June 12. 1854.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

The following Resolution, which was laid upon the Table on the 8th of May instant: is called up, amended: and as amended, is read and passed.

112. Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause the curb stones to be set, and the gutters paved, in that part of Point Street lying between Hospital and Hopkin Streets, and in that part of Hopkin Street lying between Point and Bassett Streets; whenever the owners of the adjoining estates shall find suitable curb stones for the same.

(Concurred, May 26. 1854.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Mud in Sicks. A Resolution for the removal of the Mud from the Docks at the foot of James & Ship Streets; is presented, read, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Ordinances The first Committee who were on the 13th September 1852. appointed to revise the Ordinances of the City;

104. report sundry bills; - which Report is read and received.

The following bills, so reported, are severally read and adopted: viz

A bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the North Burial Grounds: -"

A bill entitled "An Ordinance designating the officers to be appointed annually, by the City Council, in addition to those specially designated and required to be appointed by the City Charter; -"

A bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the removal of Wooden Buildings: -" (the same having been first amended.) -

A bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the firing of Guns, Pistols, and other Firearms; -"

A bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the Keeper of the Public Grounds."

Do

The following bills, heretofore reported by the Committee to revise the Ordinances of the City, and adopted by the Common Council; are returned by the Board of Aldermen; who have concurred in their adoption, with Amendments thereto: viz

The bill entitled "An Ordinance establishing a Fire Department: -"

The bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to Sidewalks: -"

The bill entitled "An Ordinance to prohibit the depositing of animal and Vegetable Substances in certain Waters of the City: -"

The bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the Harbor of the City of Providence, and the Powers and Duties of the Harbor Master thereof: -"

Which amendments are read: and the Common Council do concur therein.

Do.

The following bills heretofore reported by said Committee and adopted by the Common Council; are also returned by the Board of Aldermen, who have concurred in their adoption, with Amendments thereto: viz,

(124)

The bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to Swine: -"

(124)

The bill entitled "An Ordinance establishing Street Commissioners, prescribing the duties thereof, and for other purposes; -"

Which Amendments are read: and the Common Council do not concur therein.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Wednesday, the 31st of May instant, at half past 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

- Mr. President,
- Allen,
- Anthony,
- Blodget,
- Bark,
- Carpenter,
- Cray,
- Dayce,
- Giddard,
- Ginnell,
- Hollbrook,
- Hopkins,

- Johnson,
- Lester,
- Manchester,
- Tabodie,
- W. Paine jr.
- A. Payne,
- Lawrence,
- Stokes,
- Taylor,
- Weaver,
- Williams,
- Wisor,

24.

Robert Greene
Clerk

May 31, 1854.

Common Council. May 31, 1854.

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

Reading
and
writing

Petitions of Richard Waterman and Pugh, Tophins for liberty to remove certain wooden buildings, are presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon: which Committee make Reports, in favor of granting the prayer thereof: which Reports are severally received, and Resolutions granting the prayers of said Petitions respectively are read and passed.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

20. Petition of Thomas J. Kasper, for liberty to move a certain wooden building; is presented received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon.

George W. Jackson, The joint Committee appointed on the 27th of April last upon the Memorial of George W. Jackson, relative to the exclusion of his daughter Carrie C. Jackson from the High School: - make Report: which is read, whereupon it is agreed that the same be received and laid upon the Table.

Wacker, Petition of J. A. Brooks and others, praying for the passage of an Ordinance to license and regulate Hack, Omnibuses, carts, Drays &c: is presented and read. Whereupon it is ordered that the same be received, and referred to the Standing Committee to engross Ordinances, with instructions to report by Bills.

A Resolution for the covering the Canal Dam, at the

May 31, 1854.

Dam Canal Basin. A Report of the Canal Basin, one foot from its present height: - having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and is read. Whereupon it is agreed, that the same be referred to the Standing Committee on City Property: with instructions to report thereon at the next meeting of the Common Council, if practicable.

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

108. "Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to Augustus & Field, the sum of One Thousand Dollars, out of any money in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated, - for Exp. sustained by him on his contract for garbage Swill and Board of Pal, up to June 1st 1854." -

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

Pioneer Fire Co. The Standing Committee on City Property, to whom, on the 10th of April last, was referred the communication from the "Pioneer Fire Company," offering to sell to the City, their Building on South Main Street: make Report, that they do not recommend the purchase of said Building: - which Report is read. Whereupon, it is Resolved, that the same be received and adopted.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Edward P. Knowles. Resolved, That the sum of Two Hundred Dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated as compensation to Edward P. Knowles Esq, for his services as Acting Mayor of the City, during the illness

of this Board, Walter R. Sampson; - the same to be paid out of the Appropriation for "Contingencies."

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Ordinary The bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the Streets and Highways," heretofore reported by the joint Committee to revise the Ordinances of the City, & which was adopted by the Common Council on the 6th of March last, is now returned by the Board of Aldermen, who have concurred in its adoption with an Amendment thereto: which Amendment is read: and the Common Council do concur therein.

Street Commis- sioners. The bill entitled "An Ordinance establishing Street Commissioners, prescribing the duties thereof; and for other purposes;" reported by said Committee; - which was on the 24th of May instant, sent to the Board of Aldermen, with the non-concurrence of the Common Council in the Amendment of the Board of Aldermen thereto; is now returned by the Board of Aldermen; who have receded from their Amendment, and have concurred in the adoption of the Bill.

Swine? Bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to Swine", having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and is read: and Amendments thereto adopted. Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be postponed to the next meeting of the Common Council.

Ordinances. The following Bills, heretofore reported by the joint Board of Commissioners appointed on the 13th of September 1852, to revise the Ordinances of the City, having been

severally adopted by the Common Council and by the Board of Aldermen: - are now read and passed: viz:

"An Ordinance in relation to the Ordinances of the City of Providence."

"An Ordinance designating the Officers to be appointed by the City Council, in addition to those specially designated and required to be appointed by the City Charter: -"

"An Ordinance appointing the times and places for holding the Municipal Court: -"

"An Ordinance establishing the City Seal, and the Seals of the Board of Aldermen, and Municipal Court: -"

"An Ordinance prescribing the duties of the City Clerk: -"

"An Ordinance providing for the appointment of a City Solicitor, and prescribing his duties: -"

"An Ordinance prescribing the manner of notifying Ward Meetings, for the purpose of Elections: -"

"An Ordinance appointing Town Meetings in relation to the Decker Donation: -"

"An Ordinance in relation to the election of Justices of the Peace: -"

"An Ordinance establishing the Office and prescribing the duties of the City Auditor: -"

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"An Ordinance prescribing the Duties of the City Stewards:"

"An Ordinance in relation to the Financial Year:"

"An Ordinance in relation to the City Debt:"

"An Ordinance in relation to the Bonds of the Collector of Taxes:"

"An Ordinance in relation to the Loan of the Court of the City of Providence, in aid of the Providence and Plainfield Rail Road, and for its extension:"

"An Ordinance fixing the Salaries of certain Officers:"

"An Ordinance in relation to the Public Schools:"

"An Ordinance in relation to the prevention of Fires:"

"An Ordinance establishing a Fire Department:"

"An Ordinance in relation to the Harbor of the City of Providence, and the powers and duties of the Harbor Master thereof:"

"An Ordinance to prohibit the depositing of Animal and Vegetable Substances in certain portions of the City:"

"An Ordinance providing for the appointment of Street Commissioners, prescribing their Duties; and for other purposes:"

"An Ordinance in relation to Streets and Highways:"

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"An Ordinance in relation to Sidewalks:"

"An Ordinance in relation to the removal of Wooden Buildings:"

"An Ordinance to prevent injury to lamps, lamp posts, fences and Buildings:"

"An Ordinance in relation to Wood and Coal Bats:"

"An Ordinance in relation to the firing of Guns, Pistols and other Firearms:"

"An Ordinance defining the Limits of the City Market Place:"

"An Ordinance providing for the regulation of the City Market and Market Place:"

"An Ordinance in relation to the use of certain rooms in the Market House:"

"An Ordinance in relation to the City Pumps and Wells:"

"An Ordinance in relation to the Bay Market:"

"An Ordinance in relation to the District Raising Guards:"

"An Ordinance establishing the Hospital Park:"

"An Ordinance in relation to the Keeping of the Public Grounds:"

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"An Ordinance prescribing the Duties of the Officers of Public Bridges."

"An Ordinance to prohibit the opening of places of Trade or Entertainment on Sundays, or late at night"

"An Ordinance respecting Quarantine;"

"An Ordinance in relation to the Interment of the Dead;"

"An Ordinance in relation to the North Burial Ground;"

"An Ordinance in relation to Police;"

"An Ordinance in relation to Nuisances;"

"An Ordinance to prohibit bathing in certain places;"

"An Ordinance to prevent over crowded Tenements;"

"An Ordinance to prevent Revelling and other disturbances in the Public Streets;"

"An Ordinance establishing a Public Pond;"

"An Ordinance to prevent the going at large of certain Animals;"

"An Ordinance in relation to Swill and House Offal;"

"An Ordinance in relation to the removal of the contents of Privy Vaults;"

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"An Ordinance in relation to the Burial of the dead Bodies of Animals;"

"An Ordinance in relation to Dogs;"

"An Ordinance to prohibit the ringing of certain Bells, between sunset and one hour after sunrise;"

"An Ordinance to prohibit the ringing of bells for Auctions;"

"An Ordinance in relation to Juvenile Persons chargeable to the City;"

"An Ordinance in relation to Weights, Measures, Scales and Balances;" and the Duty of the Sealer thereof;"

"An Ordinance in relation to the sale of Junk and other second hand articles."

do. A Bill entitled "An Ordinance establishing the Ordinances of the City of Providence, prescribing the time when they shall take effect; and the manner of publishing the same;" is made and passed.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

do. Resolved, That the Committee to revise the Printing City Ordinances, are hereby authorized to employ some suitable person to prepare the Ordinances reported by said Committee and passed by the City Council, and also the Acts of the General Assembly and the City Charter, for the press, and oversee the printing, and

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make a suitable Index and marginal notes
for the same. And they are hereby authorized
to draw upon the Treasury for such sum as
said Committee shall deem proper, as com-
-pensation to such person for his services.

(Amended)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Resolved, That the thanks of the Common Coun-
-cil be, and the same are hereby presented to
Wingate Hayes Esq. for the able, dignified, and
impartial manner in which he has discharged
the duties of President of the Common Coun-
-cil, during the past year.

Resolved, That all business lying unfinished
before this Council, be and the same is here-
-by referred to the Common Council to meet
on the first Monday in June next.

The Common Council adjourn, "without Day."

Members present.

Mr President.	Goldard,	W. Partridge,
Allen	Grinnell,	A. Payne,
Anthony,	Grant,	Stokes,
Bledget	Johnson,	Taylor,
Bark,	Leiter,	Pillinghast,
Carpenter,	Manterlet,	Wether,
Gray	Marion,	Weaver,
Dodge.	Pobodie,	Winsor.

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Abel J. Greene,
Clerk.

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June 5th 1854.

Organization of the City Government
of the City of Providence, for the Muni-
-cipal Year commencing on the first
Monday in June, A.D. 1854.

Monday, June 5th 1854.

This being the day designated by the City Charter
for the organization of the City Government for the
ensuing municipal year, the Mayor and
Aldermen elect and members elect of the Com-
-mon Council, assembled in the Council Cham-
-ber at 3 o'clock P.M.

The certificate of the election of Edward P. Knowles
as Mayor for said year, is read; and the oath
prescribed by law is administered to him, by Wal-
-ter R. Sanborn, Mayor.

The certificates of the election of Isaac Warner,
Varnum J. Bates,
George W. Hall,
George S. Rathbun,
Samuel James,
Joby C. Knight,
and Zebulon W. Hoeden,

as Aldermen, for said year, are presented and
read; and they are severally engaged by the
Mayor according to law.

Certificates of the election of the Members of the Com-
-mon Council, are presented and read; and all of
said members (excepting William A. Williams and
Stephen Gray) are present, and are engaged by the

June 5th 1854.

Mayer, according to law,

Albion Pabodie is, by ballot, elected City Clerk for said year.

An Address is delivered by the Mayor, relative to the Municipal affairs of the City.

The two Boards separate.

Members of the Common Council
of the
City of Providence,
for the Municipal Year commencing on
the first Monday in June, A.D. 1854.

First Ward.	John W. Taylor, Charles W. Holbrook, Henry S. Webster, Anna S. Watcott.
Second Ward	Richard W. Bush, William T. Ginnell Abraham Payne, William Goddard.
Third Ward.	Wingate Hayes, Charles S. Fillingham, Stephen G. Mason, Samuel Allen,
Fourth Ward	Stephen Council, Amos C. Barstow, Oliver Johnson, Walter Paine Jr.

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Fifth Ward	David E. Carpenter Thomas A. Doyle, William A. Williams, Charles Anthony,
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Sixth Ward.	Arnold Saunders, John B. Lester, John N. Francis, James M. Hopkins.
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Seventh Ward.	Stephen Gray, Samuel M. Winsor, Martin C. Stokes, Charles M. Stone.
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The Members elect of the Common Council, except Messrs. Williams and Gray, having been engaged by the Mayor, in the presence of the Board of Aldermen, are called to order.

Wingate Hayes is elected Chairman, to preside during the election of a President.

Thomas A. Doyle is elected President of the Common Council, for the present municipal year.

Albion Pabodie is elected Clerk of the Common Council for the present municipal year; and is sworn by the Mayor, in the presence of the Board of Aldermen, according to law.

Standing Rules. Resolved, that Messrs. A. Payne, Hayes and Johnson, with such of the Board of Aldermen may add, be a Committee to revise the Standing Rules of the City Council.

(Continued, & Alderman Ruskline added.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

do. Resolved, That Messrs J. Payne, Boyes and Johnson be appointed a Committee to revise the Standing Rules of Order of the Common Council.

do. The Committee, this day, appointed to revise the Standing Rules of Order of the Common Council, report sundry Rules. Whereupon, it is ordered that the same be revised and adopted as the Standing Rules of Order of the Common Council, for the present municipal year.

do. The joint Committee this day, appointed to revise the Standing Rules of the City Council, report certain ¹³³ Rules. Whereupon, it is ordered that the same be revised and adopted as the Standing Rules of the City Council, for the present municipal year.
(Continued)

Standing, Pursuant to the Standing Rules this day, adopted, the Committee following joint Standing Committees, are now appointed, according to the respective Rules of the two Boards: viz:

On Finance

Messrs Goddard
W. Payne Jr.
Westcott
Stone } Alderman Ruskline.

On Highways

Messrs Carpenter
Lester,
Holbrook. } Alderman Thresher

To enquire into

Messrs Boyes,
Payne,
Hosier.

Alderman Wright,

On Education

Messrs Grinnell
Johnson,
Winsor,
Francis

Alderman James,

On the Fire Department

Messrs Taylor
Tillinghast,
Williams.

Alderman Holden

On City Property

Messrs Bash
Allen
Arling.

Alderman Hall.

On Police

Messrs Bowler
Hepkins
Gray,
Walker.

Alderman Bates.

On the Walk Band Guard

Messrs Mason,
Laudan,
Cancell.

Alderman Hall.

Mayor's Resolved, That Messrs Grinnell, Johnson and Andrews, they, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to wait upon the Mayor, and request him to furnish, for publication, a copy of the Address this day delivered by him to the City Council.

-cil; and to cause the same to be published in such manner as they may deem expedient (Concurred, & Alderman Wright added.)

City Printing Resolved, That Messrs. A. Payne, Webster & Crang, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to contract for the City Printing, for the present municipal year. (Concurred, & Alderman James added.) (Approved by the Mayor.)

Resolving Resolved, That Messrs. Goddard, W. Paine Jr. Webster & Stone, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to take a Bond of the City Treasurer, for the faithful discharge of the duties of his office, for the present municipal year; and that said Bond be for the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars. (Concurred, & Alderman Rathbone added.) (Approved by the Mayor.)

Whereas Messrs. Goddard, W. Paine Jr. Webster and Stone, have been, this day, appointed by the Common Council, as the Committee, on their part, for the reduction of the City Debt, for the present municipal year, pursuant to the requisition contained in the first Section of the Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the City Debt;" - It is Resolved, That the names of said Committee be communicated to the Board of Aldermen; in order that said Board may add an Alderman to said Committee, pursuant to the requisition contained in said Section. (Alderman Rathbone added.) (Approved by the Mayor.)

Police Resolved, That from the justices assigned to keep the Peace Court, in this City, Samuel W. Peckham and Charles Hart

he and they are hereby selected to compose the Police Court of this City, during the present municipal year. (Concurred.) (Approved by the Mayor.)

Fourth July. Resolved, That in account of the passage of the Nebraska Bill, by Congress, and the recent proceedings under the Fugitive Slave Law; - the City Council will make no Appropriation for the public celebration of the Declaration of American Independence; but that, on the fourth of July next, they will cause the bells of the several Churches of the City to be tolled for one hour, at sunrise, at noon, and at sunset. (Concurred.) (Approved by the Mayor.)

Report of the Board of Engineers. The Annual Report of the Board of Engineers is presented and read. Whereupon it is ordered that the same be received, and that the same be printed in the newspapers, employed to do the City printing. (Concurred, June 12, 1854.) (Approved by the Mayor.)

Report of the Superintendent of the North Burial Ground. The Annual Report of the Superintendent of the North Burial Ground, is presented read and received. (Concurred.)

50 cents per each Fireman. Resolution to direct the payment of fifty cents to the Treasurer of the Residence Association, for Mutual Assistance, for each of the Firemen of the City; is presented and read. Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be put upon to the second Monday in September next.

Patent
W. D. Sanborn
to the Mayor
Resolved, That Messrs Hayes, Goddard and Francis
with such as the Board of Aldermen may add,
be and they are hereby appointed a Committee
to wait upon Hon. Walter R. Sanborn, and in-
vite him to sit for his portrait, and that said
Committee be authorized to draw upon the Treas-
ure, for the amount necessary to defray the ex-
pense thereof.

(Continued. & Alderman Hall added.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Patent
G. H. Munroe
Linger
Resolved, That Messrs Hayes, Goddard and Francis, with
such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and
they are hereby appointed a Committee to wait
upon Hon. Edward P. Knowles, and request
him to sit for his portrait; and that said Com-
mittee are hereby authorized to draw upon the City
Treasurer, for such sum as may be sufficient to
carry this Resolution into effect.

(Continued. June 12 1854. & Alderman Hall added.)

Mining
buildings
Petitions of Nathaniel Stearns,
of Smith & Pease, for liberty to mine
certain wooden buildings, are presented read &
referred, and severally referred to the Standing Com-
mittee on the Fire Department, to examine and re-
port thereon.

Calvert
in
Larkin
Street
Resolved, That the sum of Two Thousand Dollars be,
and the same is hereby appropriated for the construction
of the Calvert in Larkin Street, to be paid out of any
monies in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated,
on the order of the Committee appointed on said
BRAIN.

(Continued)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Mining
said
J. G. Hayward
The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to

When, on the 31st day of May last, was referred the
petition of Thomas G. Hayward, for liberty to remove a
certain wooden building; - make Report, that
they do not recommend the granting of the prayer
thereof; which Report is received; and it is then
upon ordered, that said petitioner have leave
to withdraw.

Resolved, That Messrs Hayes, Johnson and Westcott,
together with the City Solicitor be a Committee
to apply to the General Assembly, at its next
Session, for such an alteration in the Act
entitled "An Act concerning Sidewalks in the
City of Providence" and the Acts in amendment
thereof, or in addition thereto, as shall autho-
rize an Appeal from the decisions of the Street
Commissioners, to the Board of Aldermen, or
to such other tribunal as to the General Assem-
bly shall seem proper.

Poor.
Resolved, That said Committee be further
authorized to apply to the General Assembly,
at its next Session, for an Amendment of
the Act entitled "An Act providing for the re-
lief, employment and removal of the Poor", as
to vest in the City Council, or in such other per-
son or persons as said City Council shall appoint,
the power given in said Act to the Overseers
of the Poor, of affording relief to such poor and
indigent persons, as are not supported and em-
ployed in the Dexter Asylum; - said power to
be exercised under such rules and regulations
as the City Council of the City of Providence shall,
from time to time, prescribe.

Resolved, That said Committee be further
instructed, to apply to the General Assembly,
at its next Session, for the passage of an Act
authorizing the City Council to make such Ordin-
ances as they shall deem proper, for the regula-

Backs,
Drays
Committee
to.

tion of Backs, Omnibuses, Drays, &c.
(Carried June 19. 1854.)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Fire Dept. A bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of
an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance establishing
a Fire Department;" is read and passed: (the
same providing for the election and compensation
of a Secretary of the Board of Engineers.)
(Carried June 12. 1854.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

The City Council proceed to the election of City Offi-
-cers for the present municipal year; and com-
-plete the same, with the following exceptions viz:
Overseer of the Poor,
Jurors of Courts,
Inspector of Logs, to ascertain proof,
Sixth Assistant Engineer.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday,
the 19th day of June instant, at 8 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

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| Mr President | Cornell |
| " Allen | Francis |
| Anthony, | Goddard |
| Baxter, | Ginnell |
| Bush | Hayes. |
| Carpenter. | Hollbrook. |

- " Hopkins,
- Johnson
- Lester,
- Mason
- W. Parie Jr,
- A. Payne,
- Founders.

- " Stokes,
- Stone.
- Taylor,
- Tiffinhart
- Webster
- Westcott
- Wincer 26.

Robert Greene,
John Clark,

Common Council, June 12. 1854.

Special Meeting.

^{Copy} State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations,
City of Providence,

To the Members of the Common
Council of the City of Providence,
Meeting.

Whereas, it is deemed advisable, that the Coun-
-cil meet at an earlier day than that to
-which the said Council stands adjourned.
-You and each of you are therefore hereby
-requested and required to meet, on the twelfth
-day of June inst, at 7 1/2 o'clock P.M.
-1854, in the Council Chamber, to trans-
-act such business as may legally come
-before said Council.

L. J.

Given under my hand and the seal
-of the City of Providence, this 10th day of
-June, 1854. Edward P. Howland,
-Mayor.

June 12th 1854.

"Pursuant to the resolution contained in the foregoing Warrant, the Common Council are now assembled at 8 o'clock P.M.
James C. Hendon,
City Sergeant

Pursuant to the resolution contained in the foregoing Warrant, the Common Council are now assembled at 8 o'clock P.M.

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

Mr. Stephen Gray, member elect of the Common Council, from the Seventh Ward, appears; and having been duly engaged by the Mayor, - takes his seat.

Communication from the Mayor, respecting the Resolution passed by the City Council on the 5th of June instant, relative to the approaching Anniversary of American Independence, (enclosing a Memorial addressed to him by Samuel Foster and others,) is presented and read.

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

"Resolved, That the Resolution relating to the approaching Anniversary of American Independence, - which passed the City Council on the fifth day of June instant, - be and the same is hereby rescinded and annulled."

Whereupon, it is moved, that the consideration of the same be postponed to the next meeting of the Common Council: - On which motion the question is taken by ayes and nays: and it is agreed that the same be entered upon the

June 12th 1854.

Journal: as follows: viz.
Ayes,
Men Bastow,
Bark,
Canell,
Ginnell,
A Payne,
Winser. 6.
Nays,
Anthony,
Gray,
Francis,
Goddard,
Hollbrook,
Hopkins,
Lester,
W. Paris Jr.,
Laudus,
Stokes,
Stone,
Taylor,
Tillinghast,
Webster,
Westcott. 15.

Said motion is therefore lost.

It is moved, that said Resolution pass: On which motion, the question is taken by ayes and nays: and it is agreed, that the same be entered upon the Journal, as follows:

viz. Ayes,
Mr. Anthony,
Gray,
Francis,
Goddard,
Hollbrook,
Hopkins,
Lester,
W. Paris Jr.,
Laudus,
Stokes,
Taylor,
Tillinghast,
Webster,
Westcott. 14.
Nays,
Mr. Bastow,
Bark,
Canell,
Ginnell,
A. Payne,
Stone,
Winser. 7.

Said Resolution is therefore passed,
(Concurred)

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

"Resolved, that Aldermen Knight, with such as the Common Council may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to make arrangements for a proper celebration of the Anniversary of American Independence, and that Two Thousand Dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated for that purpose; subject to the Order of said Committee? Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein; and that Messrs. Rans, Webster and Hopkins be added to the Committee. (Approved by the Mayor)

Do. Resolved, That the Committee of Arrangements for the Celebration of the Anniversary of American Independence, be directed to make no expenditure for Fireworks or for a Public Dinner. (Not concurred)

A Memorial from George W. Wightman and others, Police Constables of the City, for an increase of compensation; is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Police, to examine and report thereon.

Jenkins. A Resolution to direct the Surveyor of Highways to cause the curb stones to be set and the gutters paved in Jenkins Street; having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and is read. Whereupon, it is agreed, that the same be referred to the Standing Committee on High-

-ways, to examine and report thereon.

With } A Bill entitled "An Ordinance in amend-
Board } ment of an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance
Guards } and in relation to the North Burial Ground," is presented, and read. Whereupon, it is ordered that the same be referred to the Standing Committee on the North Burial Ground, to examine and report thereon.

Steam } The Resolution directing the Standing Committee
Fire } on the Fire Department to contract for a Steam
Engine } Fire Engine; which passed the Common Council on the 8th day of May last, and was then sent up for concurrence, is now returned by the Board of Aldermen, who have encumbered therein with the following Amendment: viz: that the preceding words be added after the word "dollars," in the 5th line: viz, "provided one half of the cost be paid by the Insurance Companies of this City." Which Amendment is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein. (Approved by the Mayor)

The Common Council adjourn, to meet pursuant to the order adjournment passed on the 8th day of June instant; - to wit, to meet on Monday the 19th day of June instant, at 8 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

- Mr. President
- Anthony
- Bartow,
- Bark
- Canell
- Craig,

- Francis
- Goldard,
- Guinnell,
- Holbrook
- Hopkins,
- Lester,

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W Paris Jr.
A Payne.
Saunders
Stipes
Stone,
Taylor
Tillinghast,
Webster
Watcitt
Winer.

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Abel Greene,
Clerk,

Common Council, June 19th 1854.

The Common Council not pursuant to adjournment,
a quorum present.

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

The Quarterly Report of the City Treasurer of the Expenses
and Payments of the City Debt: is presented and
read. Whereupon, it is ordered that same be received.
(Concurred.)

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

The Annual Report of the School Committee is pre-
sented and read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same
be received, and referred to the Standing Committee on
Education; and that said Committee be and they

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are hereby authorized to print the same, in such
manner as they may deem expedient.
(Concurred.)

The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to
whom on the 5th of June instant, were referred the
Petitions of Nathaniel Stearns
of Smith and Pierce, for liberty to move
certain wooden buildings; make Reports, in
favor of granting the prayers thereof; - which
Reports are received; and Resolutions granting
the prayers of said petitions severally, are read
and passed.
(Concurred.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

A Petition of N. G. Thorsie & others, for the repeal of the
provision of the Ordinance which prohibits cows
from going at large; is presented, read, received,
and laid upon the Table.

The following Petitions, are presented, read, received
and referred to the Standing Committee on High
ways, to examine and report thereon; viz:

- Petition of Josiah F. Barker & others: for a
cross walk across Church Street.
- Petition of Stephen Chase, for liberty to
connect a private Drain with the Culvert
in Solin Street.

A Petition of Edward Carington & others, for the es-
tablishment of a Public Hospital, to be sustained
by private subscription; and recommending that
the estate at Rockwotten, now occupied by the
Pseudonia Reform School, be appropriated for
the location of such Hospital: is presented &
read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same
be received, and referred to Messrs. Ballrook, A. Payne,

June 19th 1854.

Mayor, W. Paris Jr. Carpenter, Lester and Stone, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon, (Concurred by the Mayor, and Aldermen Burt & Rockline 23rd.)

Do. Resolved, That His Honor, the Mayor be requested to invite Doctor Asher Parsons and such other members of the Medical profession as he may think proper, - to meet the City Council of this City, at such time as he may deem expedient; - to make such statement of facts, and suggest such action as to them may seem expedient, relative to the petition of C. Barington & others, for a City Hospital, (Concurred.)

Augustus E. Field, for an allowance for his contract for gathering Silt and Base offal, up to June 1st 1854, - in addition to the amount allowed him on 21st of March last; - is presented and read, whereupon, it is ordered, that the City Treasurer pay to said Augustus E. Field, the sum of six hundred and fifty one ²⁵/₁₀₀ dollars, on receiving from him a full discharge of all claims which he may have against the City. (Concurred)

The joint Committee appointed on the 19th of April last, to cause the obstructions to be removed from the channel of the River, from the Smith end of Mays St. D, to the Smith's Wharf to the Bridge, - having this day made Report; - and a Resolution of the Board of Aldermen accepting the same, having been sent down for concurrence, and read; - It is resolved,

June 19th 1854.

That the Common Council do concur in said Resolution. (Approved by the Mayor)

Do. Resolution in the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and is read; viz: "Resolved, that the sum of Three Thousand Dollars be added to former Appropriation for digging the mud from the channel of the River, between Mays Street Bridge and Smith's Wharf at Fox Point; to be paid to the order of the Committee, out of any money in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated; Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein. (Approved by the Mayor.)"

Police The Standing Committee on Police, to whom, on the 12th of June instant, was referred the Petition of George W. Wightman and others, Police Constables, for an increase of compensation, make Report in favour thereof; which Report is read and received, and it is ordered, that the same be postponed to the next meeting of the Common Council.

Printing Standing Rules Committee Resolved That the joint Committee to whom was referred the subject of printing the Mayors Address, be and they are hereby authorized and directed to cause the Rules of Order of the Common Council, and the Standing Rules of the City Council, the List of the Standing Committee, and such portion of the Organization of the City Government as they may deem expedient, - to be printed, in pamphlet form, for the use of the City Council. (Concurred)

Highway Resolved, That the Standing Committee on Highways
Work, be, and they are hereby directed, to report to the
City Council, at their next meeting, all the un-
finished work that has been ordered by the Council
to be done on the Streets; the time at which
said work was ordered; and, as near as may be,
the probable expense of each piece of said work,

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

City Clerk Resolved, That the City Clerk be authorized to employ
suitable persons to ascertain the number of Births
Deaths, from the first day of June 1853, to the 31st day of
May, 1854, in conformity to an Act of the General
Assembly, entitled "An Act to provide for the Regis-
-tration of Births, Marriages and Deaths," passed
January 22^d 1852; and that he be authorized
to draw upon the City Treasurer, for an amount
necessary to pay the expense of obtaining the said
information; not exceeding the sum of one hund-
-red and fifty Dollars.

(Concurred.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Ventilator Resolved, That the Standing Committee on City Property
be, and they are hereby directed to cause a sufficient
number of Emerson's Ventilators to be placed upon
the Market House, to secure the proper venti-
-lation of the same; and that they be authorized to
draw upon the City Treasurer, for the cost of the
same.

(Concurred)

Poor, The Committee appointed on the 5th of June instant, to
offer to the General Assembly, for the passage of cer-
-tain Acts: make Report, what they have procured

the passage of an Act in amendment of the Act for
the removal, relief and employment of the Poor:
an Act in relation to Boards, Manufories,
to be, which Report is read. Whereupon, it
is ordered, that the same be received.

(Concurred)

Resolution in the words following, having passed
the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for con-
-currence, and is read: viz;

"Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be
and he is hereby directed to cause the gutters
to be paved and the curbing stone set, in Bacon
Street; whenever the proprietors of the adjoining
estates shall furnish the curbing stone for said
Street."

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

Resolution in the words aforesaid, having passed
the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for con-
-currence, and is read: viz;

"Whereas, in the opinion of this City Council
the public convenience requires that Bacon
Street should be widened to the width of
thirty three feet; - Therefore it is resolved,
That the Board of Aldermen be and they
are hereby requested to proceed under the
Act entitled "An Act for laying out High-
-ways," and cause said Bacon Street to
be laid out and widened to the width
of thirty three feet."

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

Minutes in Convention of the City Council.
In Convention.

Landy presents an elected City Constables, for
the present municipal year.

The two Boards separate.

In Common Council.

Received a communication from the Board of Engineers, etc.
Hall. recommending the purchase by the City of the build-
ing belonging to the Pioneer Fire Company, stand-
ing on leased land, on South Main Street, -
it presented, read, received, and referred to the
Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to
reconsider and report thereon:

Said Committee make Report, by Resolution
recommending such purchase: - which Resolu-
tion is read, amended, - and, as amended, is
again read, and it is moved that the same pass.

Pending the question on said motion, - the Common
Council adjourns to meet on Monday, the 26th
day of June instant, at 8 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr. President,

Allen,

Anthony

Barstow

Buck,

Carpenter,

Cornell

Crory

Francis,

Goddard,

" Ginnell,

Hayes,

Hodbrook,

Hopkins,

Johnson,

Letter,

Mason,

W. Payne Jr,

A. Payne,

Launders,

" Stokes,
Stens,
Taylor,
Tillinghast,

" Webster,
Wetcutt,
Winsor,

Albert Greene,
Clerk,

Pioneer
Hall.

Common Council, June 26th 1854.

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

The Resolution for the purchase of the building
belonging to the Pioneer Fire Company, which
was under consideration at the adjournment of
the Common Council on the 19th of June instant,
is taken up, read and passed, as follows, viz:

Resolved, That the City Treasurer, acting un-
der the direction of the Standing Committee on
the Fire Department, be, and he is hereby di-
rected to purchase for the City, the Building
on South Main Street, owned by "Pioneer
Fire Company," together with all the right,
title and interest of said Company in and
to the lot of land on which said Building
stands: - and that the sum of Five thou-
sand Dollars be, and the same is hereby
appropriated, for the purchase of the same,
to be paid out of any moneys in the Treasury,
not otherwise appropriated.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Fire
Department

A bill entitled "An Ordinance in Amendment of an

Wisconsin entitled "An Ordinance establishing a Fire Department." is reported by the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, - and is read. Firemen
&c of
Engine
Co. 5.
Salem St. Whereupon it is ordered that the same be referred to the Standing Committee to enquire Ordinance, to examine and report thereon: (said bill relating to the compensation of firemen & other officers of Engine Companies.)

Attacker's Petition of the Providence Dyeing, Bleaching and Calendering Company of George M. Richmond, for the grading of Shull's Avenue, near the rail road bridge, is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

W. Jackson A bill for the re-admission of Carrie C. Jackson, daughter of George W. Jackson, into the High School, is presented, read, and put forward to the next meeting of the Common Council.

Public Schools A communication from the School Committee, re. granting liberty to increase the salaries of the Superintendent of the Public Schools, and of sending Salaries teachers in the schools, is presented, read, referred, received and referred to the Standing Committee on Education, to examine and report thereon.

School House Communication from the School Committee, re. asking that a School House may be built at a point near the junction of Hought Street and Atwell's Avenue, for an Intermediate and a Primary School: is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Education, to examine and report thereon.

Nathan C. Case The Standing Committee on City Property, to whom, on the 24th of May last, was referred the Memorial of the

then C. Case: report the following Resolution, which is read and passed: - viz:

Resolved, That the Board of Aldermen be and they are hereby authorized to loan to Nathan C. Case, a strip of land off the East side of the town Transit Street, occupied by Engine House No 4, on such terms and terms as they shall think expedient.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Iron Pipes for Water for Fires. A communication from the Mayor, relative to the laying of iron pipes for the conducting of water for the extinguishment of fires, - is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the same be referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department; and that the same be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing.

(Concurred)

City Printing. The joint Committee who were on the 5th of June instant, appointed to contract for the City printing for the present municipal year: make Report that they have contracted with the publishers of the Providence Journal, Post and Tribune: - which Report is read and received.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Cases. The Petition of A. G. Boss's letters, for the repeal of the provision of the Ordinance which prohibits cows from going at large; which was laid upon the Table on the 19th of June instant: is taken up, and referred to the Standing Committee on Police, to examine and report thereon.

Rowland A Petition of Rowland Evans, for the repayment of
Evans, \$ 3, 24, paid by him to the Pound Keeper, for im-
pounding his Car, - is presented, read, received and
referred to the Standing Committee on Police to
examine and report thereon.

Lucine The Bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to
Lucine," which passed the Board of Aldermen,
and was on the 31 of May last sent down
for concurrence, and then postponed to the next
meeting of the Common Council, - is taken up, and
reads, Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common
Council do not concur therein.

Charles The City Solicitor, to whom on the 24 of May last, was
referred the Petition of Charles C. Colson, for compensa-
tion for injuries sustained in Westminster Street, -
makes Report, that he is "of opinion that the City
is not liable." Whereupon, it is ordered that
said Report and Petition be laid upon the Table.

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

"Resolved, that the sum of nine $\frac{87}{100}$ Dollars
be allowed the late Harbor Master, for boat-
hire, distributing Harbor Regulations, and
amounts refunded. And that the City Treasurer
be and he is hereby directed to settle with
N.S. Mauran late Harbor Master, agreeable
to this Resolution."

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

(Approved by the Mayor.)

North The Standing Committee on the North Burial Ground, to
Burial Ground, whom on the 12 of June last, was referred the bill

entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of an
Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance in relation
to the North Burial Ground;" - make Report
recommending the passage of said bill, - which
Report is read and received; and it is ordered
that the same be postponed to the next meeting
of the Common Council.

Prudence The Standing Committee on City Property, who were,
Gas Co, on the 13 of March last, directed to ascertain
upon what terms the Prudence Gas Company
Gas, will continue to supply the City with gas, after
the termination of their existing contract, -
present a Communication from said Gas
Company, - which is read, Whereupon, it
is ordered, that the same be postponed to the
next meeting of the Common Council.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Mon-
day the 10th day of July next, at 8 o'clock PM,

Members present

Mr. President

Allen

Anthony

Bailew

Bush

Carpenter

Cornell

Francis

Giddard

Ginnell

Hayes

Kellnook

Hopkins

Johnson

Lester

Mason

W. Parise Jr.

Poyne

Saunders

Stokes

Stear

Taylor

Tillinghast

Walter

Webbitt

Winnor

26.

Robert Greene,
Clerk

July 10th 1834.

Common Council, July 10, 1834,

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

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

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

M. A. Mead, A Petition of M. A. Mead, for Liberty to move a certain wooden building, is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon.

Pumps at High & Cranston Streets. Resolved, That the sum of one hundred and twenty dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated, in addition to a former Appropriation, for the erection of Pumps and a fence, at the junction of High and Cranston Streets: - to be paid from the Appropriation for "Pumps and Walls."
(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Paul & July. A Petition of Asa Fairbanks and others, for an additional Appropriation of \$1000, for defraying the expenses of the recent celebration of the Anniversary of American Independence, to be expended for the expenses of the "Citizens' Celebration": - is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

July 10th 1834

Charles W. Colson has presented his Petition to the City Council, for compensation for certain injuries received by him, from a fall in one of the streets of this City: -

And whereas, in the opinion of the City Solicitor, the facts do not constitute a legal claim against the City: -

And whereas, the infirmities of the petitioner, and the circumstances under which he received the injuries complained of, do, in the opinion of this Council, constitute a strong equitable claim upon the City, for relief: -

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to Charles W. Colson, the sum of Two Hundred Dollars out of any moneys in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated; upon receiving from said Colson, a discharge of all claims against the City, arising from the injuries complained of in his petition.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Reservoir at Pratt & Volney Streets. A Communication from the Board of Engineers, enclosing a Petition of Charles Wodges & others, for a Reservoir at or near the junction of Pratt and Volney Streets; and recommending the granting of the prayer thereof: is presented, read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon.

Highway Work. The Standing Committee on Highways, who were on the 8th of May last, directed to report a Resolution prescribing the order in which the work on Highways, already ordered, shall be done during the present municipal year: - make such Report, which is read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that

the same be received, and postponed to the next meeting of the City Council; and that the same be printed in the newspapers employed to do the city printing; And that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to commence the paving of Clarendon Street immediately after finishing Union Street,

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Resolution for an additional Appropriation, for the Iron Fence around the Court, is presented, read, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

Resolution for an additional Appropriation, for the expense of the alterations in the third story of the Court House, is presented, read, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 12th of June last, was referred the Resolution from the Board of Aldermen, for setting the curbs, stumps and paving the gutters in Jenkins Street, make Report, recommending a concurrence therein: - which Report is read, received, and laid upon the Table.

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

The Bill for the readmission of Carrie C. Jackson, daughter of George W. Jackson, into the High School, as pupil in said School: - which was, on the 26th of June last, postponed to this meeting; - is taken up and read. Whereupon, a Memorial of John

Barnum and others, praying "that the exclusive Administration and discipline of the Public Schools may be left to the discretion of the School Committee, as already provided by the Ordinances of the City:" is presented, read, and received.

It is moved that said bill for the readmission of Carrie C. Jackson, into the High School, pass. On which motion, the question is taken by ayes and nays: and it is ordered that the same be entered upon the Journal; as follows:

Ayes.
Messrs. Allen
Crosby,
Francis,
Hayes,
Hallowell,
Hopkins,
A. Payne,
W. Lister,
Westcott, J.

Nays.
Mr. President,
" Anthony,
Barnum
Bark,
Carpenter,
Canell,
Gedwards,
Ginnell,
Johnson,
Lester,
W. Paine
Lauders,
Stone,
Tillinghast,
Winsor.

15.

Said motion is therefore lost.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday the 14th day of August next, at 8 o'clock P.M.

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Members present.

Mr. President,
Allen
Anthony
Barnes
Bark.
Carpenter
Canell
Cray,
Francis.
Giddard.
Ginnell.
Hayes.
Holbrook.

Hopkins
Johnson
Lester.
W. Paine Jr.
A. Payne
Lauders,
Stone,
Taylor
Tillinghast.
Webster
Webster,
Winton

25-

Albert Greene,
Clerk

Common Council August 14. 1854.

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

Meeting held in
9 Barnes
of P. Field
Petitions of James Barnes
& Simcox Field, for liberty to move certain
wooden buildings, are presented, read, received, &
referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire De-
partment, to examine and report thereon: - which
Committee make Report in favor of granting the
prayer thereof, and also in favor of granting the
prayer of B. Mead, for liberty to move a certain wooden
building, which was referred on the 10th of July last, -
which Reports are received. - and Resolutions grant-
ing the prayers of said petitions, severally, are read
& passed.
(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

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Meeting
School.
The Standing Committee on Education report the
following Resolutions, which is read and passed: -
Resolved that a sum not exceeding Twenty
Dollars, payable to the order of the Committee
on Education, from the Appropriation for
Public Schools, is hereby appropriated for
the repairs of a Public Evening School, held
during the past winter.
(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

New
Primary
&
Intermediate
Schools.
A Communication from the School Committee
recommending the establishment of a Primary
& an Intermediate School in the 1st District, -
a Primary School in the 3^d District, - and an
Intermediate School in the 6th District, is
presented, read, received, & referred to the Standing
Committee on Education, to examine and
report thereon.

School
House
Lot.
The Standing Committee on Education report
the following Resolutions: which are severally
read and passed: -
Resolved, That the City Treasurer, acting
under the advice and direction of the Stand-
ing Committee on Education, is hereby au-
thorized and directed to purchase from Seth
Packard and others, four lots of land situa-
ted at the junction of Bridge and Surf
Streets; and to pay from the Appropriation
for "School House & Lots" a sum not ex-
ceeding thirteen hundred Dollars, upon re-
ceiving a good and sufficient deed, in fee
simple of the same: - said lots to be
used for a Public School House.
(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

School House, Bridge & Swift Streets.

Resolved, That the City Treasurer acting under the advice of the Committee on Education, is hereby authorized and directed to contract for the erection of a brick School House, for the accommodation of a Primary and of an Intermediate School, on the lot situated at the junction of Ridge and Swift Streets; - and to pay for the same, from the Appropriation for "School Houses & Lots," not exceeding three thousand dollars.

(Concurred) (Approved by the Mayor.)

Primary School including Church.

Resolved, That a Primary School, to be located on Wickens Street, in the hall of Engine House No 4, is hereby established by the City Council.

(Concurred) (Approved by the Mayor.)

High School Knight Street.

The Standing Committee on Education, to whom, on the 26th of June last was referred the communication from the School Committee recommending the erection of a School House at or near the junction of Knight Street and Stuelli Avenue, report the following Resolution, which is read and passed.

Resolved, That an Intermediate School, to be located on Knight Street, in the hall of Engine House No 10, is hereby established by the City Council.

(Concurred) (Approved by the Mayor.)

Primary School Upper Lot.

The Standing Committee on Education report a Resolution for the erection of a Primary and an Intermediate School on a part of the "Delicious Lot" (so called) which Report is received, and concurred.

mitted with instructions to said Committee, to report another location for such building.

Salary Superintendent Public Schools. The Standing Committee on Education, to whom on the 26th of June last, was referred the communication from the School Committee, requesting liberty to increase the Salaries of the Superintendent of the Public Schools and of sundry Teachers in the Public Schools, - report a Resolution relating to the Salary of the Superintendent; - which Resolution is read, and laid upon the Table.

Salary of Principals High School. Said Committee also report the following Resolutions, which are severally read and passed.

Resolved, That the School Committee are hereby authorized to pay to the Principal of the High School, in quarterly payments, an annual Salary not exceeding Eighteen Hundred Dollars.

Salary of Principals School for Colored Children.

Resolved, That the School Committee are hereby authorized to pay, in quarterly payments, to the Principal of the Grammar School for Colored Children, an annual salary, not exceeding Seven Hundred Dollars.

(Concurred) (Approved by the Mayor.)

State Bond Fund. The Bill entitled "An Ordinance in Amendment of an Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance in relation to the State Bond Fund,'" which was on the 26th of June last, postponed to the next meeting; - is taken up, read and passed.

(Concurred) (Approved by the Mayor.)

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Capitol Lands. A communication from the Mayor, relative to the erection by Cyrus B. Manchester, of a building upon a part of the Capitol Lands (so called) with a view to contesting the title of the City streets; -

Police Constables. And also, relative to the requisition of the Ordinances requiring the Police Officers, as a body, to keep a certain number of horses and carriages for the use of the Department; - is presented and read,

Do. The Report of the Standing Committee on Police, upon the Petition of George W. Weylman & others Police Constables; which was on the 19th of June last, put off to the next meeting; - is taken up, and read; and the following Resolution is, thereupon, read and passed: viz

Resolved that the Standing Committee to enquire Ordinance, be directed to report an Ordinance in amendment of the Ordinance respecting Salaries, providing that, hereafter, the salaries of the Police Constables be Six hundred and twenty five Dollars; - and also, the Ordinance in relation to Police, so as to relieve them from the obligation to keep any Horses and carriages,

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Market House. The Standing Committee on City Property, who were on the 13th of February last, directed to examine the rooms in the third story of the Market Chamber House to be properly prepared for the meetings of the Aldermen and Common Council, make Report, which is read and received.

Do. Resolved that the sum of Twenty five Hundred

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Dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated (in addition to former Appropriations,) for alterations in the Market House; - the same to be expended under the direction, and subject to the order of the Standing Committee on City Property.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Ordinance. Resolved that the Committee to publish the Ordinances of the City, be and they are hereby authorized and directed, to publish the Ordinances as heretofore ordered; - to publish the same in substance and effect as they shall be, after any Amendments which have been, or may hereafter be, made to the same; - instead of publishing the Ordinances as they were originally enacted, and the Amendments separately.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Finance and the Court. Resolved that the sum of Seven Thousand Dollars be and the same is hereby added to former Appropriations, for the Iron Railing around the Court; - said sum to be expended under the direction, and subject to the order of the Special Committee appointed to supervise the erection of said Railing.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Loan. Resolved that the City Treasurer, acting under the advice of the Standing Committee on Finance, be authorized to borrow, temporarily, a sum of money not exceeding Fifty Thousand Dollars, for the use of the City.

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(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor?)

Aborn Street. A Petition of Luther Pearson and others, praying that Aborn Street, from Westminster to Washington Street, may be gravelled, instead of being paved; - is presented, read, received, and laid upon the table.

City Tax } Petitions of Robert Houghton & others,
Benjamin Carell & others,
Donald McGehee & others,
& Thomas Barqoff & others, praying for a reduction in the rate of Taxation in the City Tax assessed on the 22^d of February last; are presented and read. Whereupon, it is ordered that the same be received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine the same, and to report thereon at the next regular meeting of the City Council.

Wm. Howland. The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 24th of May last, was referred the bill of Wil. Bone Howland for the expenses of a Corner's Request upon the bridge of Longrich St. Marlton; - make Report recommending that the same be not allowed; - which Report is read and received and it is resolved that the same be adopted, (Concurred.)

Fourth July. The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 10th of July last, was referred the Petition of Asa Fairbanks & others, for an Appropriation of \$100 for defraying the expenses of the "Citizens' Celebration" on the 4th of July last; make Report, requesting to be discharged from further consideration of said petition; - which Report is received and it is ordered that said Com.

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mittee be discharged.

Do. A Resolution in the words following, is presented and read, viz:
"Resolved That the sum of One Hundred Dollars be added to the former Appropriation for the payment of the expenses of the recent Celebration of the Anniversary of American Independence; - and that the same be paid from the City Treasury, to the Committee of Arrangements for the "Citizens Celebration", (so called.) to be expended in payment of the expenses of that Celebration."
Whereupon, it is ordered, that said Resolution pass.

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

- Ayes.
- Sup. Barstow,
- Carpenter
- Johnson
- W. Paine Jr.
- Stone
- Wentworth b.

- Nays.
- Allen,
- Anthony,
- Bark,
- Carell,
- Coxey,
- Francis,
- Goodard,
- Guinnell,
- Hays,
- Holbrook,
- Hopkins,
- Lester,
- Mason
- Samuels,
- Stokes
- Taylor
- Walter
- Watcutt, 18.

Said motion is therefore lost.
Whereupon it is advised that said petitioners
have leave to withdraw.

City Hall. } The Resolution to direct the City Treasurer to pay
Location, } to the owners of the lots of lands bounded on
Exchange Place and on Fulton, Baker and
Washington Streets, the sum of \$75,000 for
said lots of land with the buildings thereon, -
and to appropriate \$75,000 for that purpose, -
which was on the 27 of April last, postponed
to the next meeting, - is taken up and read,
together with the Amendment prepared thereon.
Whereupon said Resolution is amended, and
as amended, is read, as follows: viz.

"Resolved, That the Standing Committee on
Finance be and they are hereby directed to
report at the next meeting of the City Council,
an Ordinance providing for the issue of City
Bonds, to the amount of Seventy five Thousand
Dollars, payable in equal sums, for ten
successive years, bearing interest payable
annually, - the said Bonds, or the proceeds
thereof, to be used for the payment for the
lots purchased by a Committee of the City
Council, located on Exchange Place, and
bounded by Washington, Baker and Fulton
Streets and Exchange Place; - provided, a
good and valid title, in fee simple, of the
premises, in the opinion of the City Solicitor,
can be obtained; - provided, also, that the
said deeds of the same, shall not contain
any provision relating to the creation of a City
Hall, or any stipulation that the land, or
any portion thereof, is purchased for any
specific purpose; - And to provide, in
the said Ordinance, for an annual specific
Tax, in addition to the Tax ordered from time

to time, by the City Council, of an amount
sufficient to pay the said Bonds and in-
-terest thereon, falling due, until the whole
are paid."

It is moved, that said Resolution pass,
as amended.

Upon which motion the question is
taken by yeas and nays, and it is advised,
that the same be entered upon the jour-
nal; as follows: viz:

- | | |
|---|---|
| <p><u>Yeas.</u>
Mr. President,
" Anthony,
Bartow,
Carpenter,
Connell,
Clary,
Francis
Hapkins,
Johnson,
Lester,
W. Paine Jr.,
Sawyers,
Stokes,
Stone,
Walter,
Winst. 16.</p> | <p><u>Nays.</u>
Messrs. Allen,
Bark,
Goddard,
Ginnell,
Hayes,
Mason,
Taylor,
Whitcomb. 8.</p> |
|---|---|

Said Resolution is therefore passed.
(Concurred, August 16, 1854)
(Approved by the Mayor)

The Common Council adjourn to meet, on
Wednesday, the 23^d day of August instant,
at half past 7 o'clock P.M.

- Members present,
Mr. President
" Allen
" Anthony
Bartow,

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Bush,
Carpenter
Carnell
Clary,
Francis,
Goddard
Ginnell
Hayer,
Hedbrook
Hopkins,
Johnson,

Lester
Mason,
W. Paine Jr.
S. Payne,
Lambert,
Stokes,
Stone
Taylor,
Webster,
Watcutt,
Winston. 26.

Albert G. Greene,
Clerk

Common Council, August 23rd 1854.

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

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

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

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

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Twice. A bill, entitled "An Ordinance in relation to Swine," having passed the Board of Aldermen, and having been sent down for concurrence; is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be laid upon the Table.

Do. A bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to Swine," is read and passed. (Continued)

Resolved, that the Standing Committee on City Property be, and they are hereby, directed to re-examine the Office of the Overseer of the Poor to the room prepared for that office, in the Town House; and that said Committee be directed to proceed with the alterations already ordered. (Continued, October 16, 1854.) (Approved by the Mayor.)

Resolution of Richard Waterman and Elizabeth Waterman, relative to the Drain in President Street, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be received.

Do. Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby authorized, under the advice and direction of the Standing Committee on Highways, to make such alteration in the location of the City Drain in President Street, on any portion thereof, and upon such terms and conditions as they may deem advisable. (Continued)

Unsubscribed communication from the Messrs of Texas for the year 1854, recommending the remission of certain Taxes.

Taxes assessed in that year, amounting to \$1747.⁹⁵/₁₀₀ is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance to examine and report thereon.

Schub. No. 214. or Petition moved. Resolved, That the City Treasurer, acting under the advice of the Standing Committee on City Property, be authorized to sell the lot on Peter's Avenue, which was occupied by the School House recently destroyed by fire.

Wachs. A Bill for the regulation of Hackney Carriages, Omnibuses, Drays, Trucks, &c. is presented and read. Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be postponed to the next meeting of the Common Council; and that the same be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing.

Cowg. The Standing Committee on Police, to whom on the 26th of June last, was referred the petition of N.Y. Hoosie and others, for a repeal of the Ordinance which prohibits the going at large of Cows; make Report recommending that said petitioners have leave to withdraw. And Mr. Hopkins of said Committee, makes a Minority Report, in favour of an amendment of said Ordinance; - which Reports are severally read and received. And it is thereupon ordered, that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Rowland Evans. The Standing Committee on Police, to whom on the 26th of June last, was referred the petition of Rowland Evans, for the repayment of \$3.²⁴/₁₀₀ paid by him to the Pound Keeper, for impounding his cow; - make Report, recommending that said petitioner have leave to withdraw. And Mr. Hopkins, of said Committee, makes a Minority Report, recom-

mending the granting of the prayer of said petition; - which Reports are severally read and received.

To. Resolved, That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby, directed to pay to the Order of Rowland Evans, the sum of three Dollars and twenty-five cents, upon receiving from him, a Discharge of all claim for Damages against Nathan M. Briggs, for impounding his cows. (Concluded.)

P.W. N. Co. Resolved, That the Standing Committee on City Property be, and they are hereby, directed to enquire and report to the City Council, whether any of the buildings erected by the Providence and Worcester Railroad Company, upon the land filled into the Cove, - are used for other than railroad purposes; - and if so, whether the same is done by virtue of any lawful right of said Company. (Concluded.)

Barling Stand. A Resolution relative to the purchase and delivery of Carting Stone, by the Sawyer of Highways; is presented read, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Rowland in Holesey Stand. The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to whom on the 10th of July last, was referred the petition of Charles Hodge, and others, with the accompanying Communication from the Board of Engineers; - report the following Resolution, which is read and passed: viz: Resolved, That the Chief Engineer of the

Fire Department cause a Well similar to that in Bowen Street, to be constructed in Walsey Street, for the use of the Fire Department; provided that the cost of the same shall not exceed the sum of five hundred dollars; to be paid out of the Appropriation for the Fire Department.

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clocks ⁱⁿ ^{the} ^{Market} ^{Place} A Petition of O. W. Prince ^{father} for a clock on the Market Place; is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon.

Docks ⁱⁿ ^{Dodge} ^{Street} A Petition of O. W. Prince, relative to the Dock in Dodge Street, at the foot of Pine Street, is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Public ^{Grounds} ^{Appropriation} Resolved, That the sum of Fifteen Hundred Dollars be added to former Appropriation for Improvement of Public Grounds; and that the same be paid out of any moneys in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated.

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Reservoir ⁱⁿ ^{Concord} ^{Street} Communication from the Board of Engineers enclosing a Petition of Jonathan Congdon & others, for an iron fence around the Reservoir in Concord Street: - is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon.

Fountain ⁱⁿ ^{Richmond} ^{Street} Communication from the Board of Engineers

relative to the Fountain in Richmond Street near Messrs. A. C. Barstow & Co's Foundry; - is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon.

Granting ^{Street} A Petition of Josiah Chopin and others, praying that the paving heretofore ordered in Cranston Street, may be continued from Dodge to Brigham Street; is presented, read and received.

Do ^{Resolved} That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to continue the paving of Cranston Street, from Dodge to Brigham Street.

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joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

Surveyor ^{of} ^{the} ^{City} The Surveyor General of Lumber having nominated standing persons as his Deputies, - the same are now approved by the City Council.

W. W. ^{of} ^{the} ^{City} Thomas J. Stead is elected a Trustee of the President's Chapel School, in the place of William T. Stead, who declines serving.

A Petition of James W. Winsor & others requesting that John B. Shaw may be made an honorary member of the Fire Department; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department.

Undertaker ^{of} ^{the} ^{City} William Wallace & Horace B. Knowles are elected

Un Settled.

The resignation by James M. Clarke, of the office of City Solicitor, is presented, read, and accepted. The two Boards separate.

In Common Council.

Resolved, That the Mayor be, and he is hereby authorized, in his discretion, to employ counsel, to attend to the legal business of the City, until the office of City Solicitor shall be filled by the City Council. (Concurred)

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Wednesday the 30th day of August instant, at half past 5 o'clock, P.M.

Members present.

- Mr President.
- Anthony,
- Bartow,
- Bark,
- Carpenter,
- Cain W.
- Francis,
- Goddard,
- Guinnell,
- Hollbrook,
- Hopkins,
- Johanson.

- Leiter,
- Mason,
- W. Paine Jr.
- A. Payne,
- Stables,
- Stone,
- Taylor,
- Tellinghant,
- Wetzel,
- Westcott,
- Wisor.

Albert G. Greene, Clerk.

Common Council. August 30 1854.

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

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

- Somerset St. Petition of Thomas M. Hawkins & others, for repairs to on Somerset Street.
- Charles St. Petition of Franklin Foundry & Machine Co. & others, for repairs on Charles Street.
- Pallas St. Petition of Thomas Paine Jr. & others, for the grading of Pallas Street.
- Park St. Petition of Thomas R. Holden & others, for repairs on Park Street.

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to cause so much of the work now on hand ordered on the Public Square at the junction of Beaufit and India Streets, as requires the grading and fencing of the same, and removing the earth and rubbish therefrom, to be performed immediately: and that the remainder of the work thereto now ordered thereon, be done as soon as practicable.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

A communication from the Mayor, relative to the Town House: - is presented and read, and a resolution to appropriate \$400 for repairs of the Town House, is presented, read, and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, with instructions to report thereon, at the next meeting of the City Council.

Salary } The Resolution to authorize the School Committee to pay
 Principal } to the Principal of the High School an annual
 High } Salary not exceeding \$1800. - which passed the Com-
 School } mon Council on the 14th of August instant, and
 was then sent up for concurrence, - is now returned
 by the Board of Aldermen, who concurred therein
 with the following Amendment: - viz. that the words
 "eighteen hundred" be struck out, and the words
 "sixteen hundred and fifty," be inserted in their
 place: - Which Amendment is read, Where-
 upon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do
not concur therein.

Teachers } The Bill for the regulation of Hackney Carriages, Am-
 omnibus } quettes, Drays, Trunks, &c. - which was, on the 23rd
 of } August instant, postponed to this meeting, with
 an order that the same should be printed in the
 newspapers employed to do the City printing: - hav-
 ing been printed pursuant to said order; - is
 taken up. Whereupon, a Remonstrance of Charles
 H. Childs & others, interested in the Livery business,
 is presented, read, and received. And it is there-
 upon ordered, that said Bill together with the
 Remonstrance be referred to the Standing Committee
 to express Ordinances, with instructions to report,
 at the next meeting of the Common Council,
 such alterations of said Bill as they may deem
 necessary.

City } The Standing Committee on Finance, who were on the
 Hall, } 14th (16th) of August instant, directed to report and Or-
 - } dinance providing for the issuing of City Bonds to
 Location } the amount of \$75000: the same, or the proceeds
 thereof, to be used for the payment for the estate
 } purchased by a Committee of the City Council, on
 Exchange Place, &c. - being made Report by Bill
 as directed: - the same is read. Whereupon, a Res-

olution for the recommitment of said Bill with
 instructions; is presented, read and amended; and
 as amended, is read; as follows: - viz.

Resolved, That the Ordinance reported by
 the Committee on Finance, providing for the
 issue of Bonds, for the payment for the Lots of
 Land known as the Dyer Lot, be recom-
 mitted to said Committee; with instructions
 to consult counsel, and obtain from
 them, a written opinion as to the title
 thereto.

It is moved, that said Resolution, as amended,
 pass. On which motion the question is
 taken by Ayes and Nays; and it is or-
 dered, that the same be entered upon the
 Journal; as follows: - viz.

- | | |
|---|--|
| <p><u>Ayes.</u>
 Mr. President,
 Allen,
 Anthony,
 Goddard,
 Ginnell,
 Hayes,
 Hallbrook,
 Payne,
 Taylor,
 Tinspart,
 Walter,
 Westcott, 12.</p> | <p><u>Nays.</u>
 Stephen Barstow,
 Carpenter,
 Cornell,
 Francis,
 Hopkins,
 Johnson,
 Lister,
 W. Pain Jr.,
 Stoper,
 Stone,
 Winsor 11</p> |
|---|--|

Said Resolution is therefore passed,
 (Passed Sept 8. 1854)
 (Approved by the Mayor)

City Clerk } Resolution in the words following, having passed
 the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concur-
 rence, and is read: - viz.
 Ordinance } "Resolved, that the City Clerk be, and he is
 authorized to employ some person to

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Record the Ordinances recently passed by the City Council; and that the expense be paid to the order of the City Clerk, out of the Appropriation for "Contingencies."

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

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

Members present.

Mr. President.

Allen

Anthony.

Barstow.

Carpenter

Canell

Francis,

Gordard.

Ginnell.

Hayes.

Hedbrook.

Hopkins.

Jehonson

Lester,

W. Parise Jr

A. Payne.

Stokes,

Stone,

Taylor.

Tillinghast

Walter,

Webbott

Winsor.

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Abner G. Greene,
Clerk

Common Council, September 11, 1854.

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

A communication from the Assessors of Taxes, is presented, read and received.

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A bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance providing for the Assessment and collection of a Tax of fifty six cents on each One Hundred Dollars in value of the Notable Property in the City of Providence,' passed on the twenty-second day of February 1854, and thousand, eight hundred and fifty four," is read and passed. (said bill extending the time for the Assessment of said Tax, from the first Monday in September instant, to the 14th day of September instant.)

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

William A. Williams

Resolved, that the Common Council has received, with deep regret, the intelligence of the death of William A. Williams, late a member of this Body; and bear willing testimony to the prompt and faithful manner in which he discharged the duties of his office.

Resolved, that the ^{Common} Council tender to the family of the deceased, their warmest sympathy and condolence, in their bereavement.

Resolved, that the officers and members of the Common Council, in a body, will attend the funeral of William A. Williams, on Tuesday next.

Resolved, that these Resolutions be communicated to the Board of Aldermen, and a copy thereof transmitted to the family of the deceased, by the Clerk.

Resolved, that, as a further mark of respect, the Council do now adjourn.

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Adjourned to meet on Monday the 18th day of September instant, at half past 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr President.
Allen,
Anthony,
Berklin,
Bush,
Cornell
Crary,
Francis,
Goldard,
Ginnell
Hayes,
Hollister

Jehason,
Lester,
Lann,
W Paine Jr.
A Payne,
Laudens,
Stokes,
Tayler,
Perryhart,
Walter,
Watcutt,
Wisor, 24,

Abner Greene,
Chas J. Child

Common Council, September 18th 1854.

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

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

Par M. The Quarterly Report of the City Treasurer, of the Issues & Receipts, Payments of the City Debt: is presented, read and received (Conceded / Approved by the Mayor)

Par M. The Monthly Report of the Surveyor of Highways, is

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presented, read and received. (Conceded / Approved by the Mayor)

The Engineer's Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer is presented, read and received. (Conceded / Approved by the Mayor)

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

- Hoyle St. Petition of John F. Phillips, others, for repairs on Hoyle Street: -
- Park St. Petition of James Lewis, others, for a new walk in Park Street: -
- Charles St. Petition of Cyril B. Southwick, agent, others, for the paving of Charles Street, North West of Randall Street.

Par M. A Communication from the City Auditor, enclosing two accounts of Edward G. Farmer, for gauging oaks: is presented, read, and received. Whereupon, it is moved, that said bills be paid by the City Treasurer: - which motion is put, and lost.

Watchmen. A Memorial of Joseph W. Saunders and others, City Watchmen, praying for an Amendment of the Ordinance in relation to Police: is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Police, to examine and report thereon.

Fire Alarm. A Communication from the Board of Engineers, relative to the "American Fire Alarm Telegraph": is presented, read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon.

City Disbursements. A Resolution relating to the Salary and compensation of the City Clerks: having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence: and

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is read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be referred to the Standing Committee to engraft Ordinances, to examine and report thereon.

Reading Petition of H. W. Hocum, for liberty to move a certain wooden building, is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon: which Committee make Report in favor of granting the prayer thereof, - which Report is read and received; and a Resolution granting the prayer of said petition, is read and passed.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Resolved, That the sum of three thousand dollars be added to former Appropriations, for clearing the mud from the channel of the River, between Weehuset Bridge and Smiths Wharf, Fox Point; and the same be paid from the Treasury, to the order of the Committee appointed to Superintend said work.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is, hereby directed to cause a curb with blue laid cross Dyer Street, opposite Wankley & Prouty's Store.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

The Standing Committee to engraft Ordinances report a Bill entitled "An Ordinance prescribing the mode of Temporary Relief to Poor Persons;" and recommend the passage thereof. Whereupon, said bill is read and passed.

(Concurred, with the following Amendment: viz

That the following words be added, viz: "Sec. 12,

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This Ordinance shall go into effect on the first Monday in October next.
The Common Council concur in the Amendment.

(Approved by the Mayor.)

The Standing Committee to engraft Ordinances, to whom, in the 30th of August last, was referred the bill for the Regulation of Hackney Carriages, Omnibuses, Cabs, Rickshaws, &c. Together with the Memorials of Charles H. Child's father, against the passing of the same; with instructions; - make Report accompanied by a new Bill in relation to the subject, and recommend the passage thereof; which Report is read and received. And it is ordered, that said bill be laid upon the Table.

The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 25th of August last, was referred the Communication from the Mayor of Taxes for the year 1853, recommending the remission of certain Taxes imposed in that year; - report a Resolution remitting said Taxes, amounting to \$1747⁹⁵; - which Report is received, and said Resolution is read and passed.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

A bill entitled An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance providing for the Assessment and collection of a Tax of fifty-six cents on each One Hundred Dollars in value of the Rateable Property in the City of Providence;" passed on the twenty second day of February A.D. one thousand eight hundred and fifty-four; - is read and passed. (Said bill extending the time for the collection of said Tax,

from the first Monday in October next, to the fourth Monday in October next.)
(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Do. A Bill providing that the Collector of Taxes shall make his bills for the Tax ordered on the 22^d of February A.D. 1854, at fifty cents for each one hundred dollars, instead of fifty six cents, as ordered by the Ordinance for the Assessment and collection of said Tax; - having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and is read, Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

School House Lot Graham Street. The Standing Committee on Education, to whom, on the 14th of August last, was recommended the Resolution then reported by them for the erection of a School House on the Sepirous Lot, (so called) with instructions to report another location for such building; - now report the following Resolutions: which are severally read and passed: -

Resolved, that the City Treasurer, acting under the advice and direction of the Standing Committee on Education; he and he is hereby authorized and directed to purchase from John A. Toff & others, four lots of lands situated on Graham and Grace Streets; and to pay for the same from the Appropriation for "School Houses & Lots," a sum not exceeding ten hundred Dollars; upon receiving a good and sufficient Deed in fee simple, of the same.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

School House Graham Street. Resolved, That the City Treasurer, acting under the advice and direction of the Standing Committee on Education; is hereby authorized and directed to contract for the erection of a School House, of brick, for the accommodation of a Primary and an Intermediate School, on the lot of land purchased of John A. Toff and others, on Graham Street; and to pay for the same, from the Appropriation for "School Houses & Lots," not exceeding three thousand Dollars.
(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

City Hall Location Dyer Lot. The Standing Committee on Finance, who were, on the 30th of August (Sept 8) last, instructed to consult counsel, and obtain from them, a written opinion as to the title to the Dyer Lot (so called,) on Exchange Place; make Report enclosing the written opinion of Samuel Snow and Samuel Carver, Esq; which Report is read. Whereupon, it is ordered that the same be received.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Do. A Resolution to withdraw the offer for the purchase of the Dyer Lot, on Exchange Place, made by a Committee of the City Council to the owners of said lot; and to direct the City Treasurer to communicate the decision of the City Council to said owners; - is presented and read. Whereupon, it is ordered that the same be postponed to the next meeting of the Common Council.

Iron Fence and Gas Pipes. Resolved, That the Committee appointed to build the Iron Fence around the Cove, be and they are hereby directed to lay sufficient gas pipes in the

Comes Preamble, to supply said Preamble with light.
A Resolution in the words foregoing, 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.

Clocks? Resolved That the Standing Committee on City Property be, and they are hereby directed to procure for the Council Chamber, a good and suitable clock; and to draw upon the Treasury, for the payment of the same; to be paid out of the appropriation for "Contingencies."

(Concurred; with the following Amendments; that the words "and Board of Aldermen's Room," be inserted in the 3^d line; - that the letter "s" be added to the word "clock" in the 4th line; - and that the letter "a" be struck out in the 3^d line.)

The Common Council concur in the Amendments.

(Approved by the Mayor)

Geo. G. A Memorial of George G. Hawkins, claiming compensation for injuries sustained by him, by falling in High Street; is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

Town House. The Standing Committee on City Property to whom on the 30th of August last was referred the Resolution to appropriate \$400 for the repair of the Town House: make Report, recommending the passage of said Resolution: which Report is read and received; and a motion that said Resolution pass, is put and lost.

Resolved That the Standing Committee on City

Police Report be, and they are hereby directed to report, at the next meeting of the City Council, a plan for the temporary accommodation of the Police, and other officers of the City, who are now stationed at the Town House.

(Concurred Sept 26th 1854)

(Approved by the Mayor)

Residence of Artillery. A Petition of the Residence Artillery, stating that they have not been permitted to occupy the lot of lands leased them by the City Council, as a location for an Armory, and requesting that another lot may be provided for that purpose; together with a Resolution for the appointment of a Committee to report what action is necessary to make the grant of said lot available to said Company; - are presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon.

City Hospital. The joint Committee, to whom, on the 19th of June last, was referred the Memorial of Edward Cunningham and others, relative to the establishment of a City Hospital; make Report by Resolution, in favor of granting the pay for thereof; - which Report is read and received; and it is ordered that the same be postponed to the next meeting of the Common Council.

John Street. The Resolution from the Board of Aldermen, for putting the curb stones and paving the gutters in Jenkins Street, which was, on the 10th of July last, laid upon the Table, with the Report of the Standing Committee on Highways thereon; - is taken up, and read,

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

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Given in Convention of the City Council,

In Convention,

Seundry persons are elected as City Officers, for the remainder of the present municipal year.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the 9th day of October next, at half past 8 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

No President.

Allen
Anthony,
Bantow,
Bush
Cornell,
Crary,
Francis
Goddard
Grinnell,
Hayes,
Hedrick
Hopkins,

Johnson,
Lester,
W. Paine Jr.,
A. Payne,
Saunders,
Tobes,
Stow,
Taylor,
Tillinghast,
Walter,
Watcote,
Winder.

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Abner G. Greene,
Clerk,

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Common Council, October 9th 1854.

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

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

^{Sanitary Report} The Monthly Report of the Surveyor of Highways, is presented, read and received
(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

^{Chief Engineer's Report} The Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer is presented, read and received.
(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

^{Treasurer's Annual Account} The Annual Account of the City Treasurer with the City, (beginning from the first Monday in March last to the first Monday in October instant) is presented and read. And the same having been audited and certified by the City Auditor, it is resolved, that the same be received and recorded.
(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

^{Mayors' Portraits} The joint-Committee who were in the 3rd of June last, appointed to wait upon Hon Walter H. Barfult late Mayor of this City, and upon Hon Edward Smith (P. Bowler the present Mayor, and to request them to sit for their portraits: make Report, that both of said portraits have been executed by James S. Lincoln of this City, and placed in the Council

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Chamber: which report is read and received,
(Concurred)

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

- John H. Petition of John P. Hennessey & others, for cross walk in John Street: -
- Andrew H. Petition of John C. Flaher & others, for paving of gutters &c in Bridgman Street: -
- Eddy H. Petition of New England Screw Co, & others, for the paving of Eddy Street:
- Maple H. Petition of South Baptist Society & others, for repairs on Maple Street.

City Tax. A Memorial from the Officers of Taxes, requesting that deductions may be made from the Taxes assessed upon certain persons in the City Tax ordered on the 22^d of February last: - is presented, read and received. Whereupon, it is ordered that the memorialists have leave to withdraw.

Do. The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 14th of August last, were referred the Petitions of Robert Knight & others, Benjamin Carell & others, Daniel H. Angell & others, and Thomas Burgess & others, praying for a reduction in the rate of taxation in the City Tax ordered on the 22^d of February last; - make Report, which is read. Whereupon it is ordered that the same be received.

(Concurred)
Approved by the Mayor

Do. Upon the several Petitions of Robert Knight & others, Benjamin Carell & others, Daniel H. Angell & others, & Thomas Burgess & others, for a

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reduction of the rate of taxation, in the City Tax ordered on the 22^d of February last; - It is ordered, that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Do. The Ord. to direct the Collector of Taxes, to make his bills for the Tax ordered on the 22^d of February last, at 50 cents for each One Hundred Dollars, instead of 56 cents, as ordered by the Ordinance for the Assessment & Collection of said Tax; which was sent down from the Board of Aldermen, for concurrence on the 18th of September last, and then referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, is now again read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the Common Council do not concur therein.

Appropriations. The Standing Committee on Finance report Resolutions making Appropriations for the Year ending on the last Monday in September 1834; for the purposes therein named: amounting to \$280,100, which Report is received, and said Resolutions are read and passed.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Engine House. A Communication from the Board of Engineers recommending that a new tower be erected at Engine House No 11, is presented, read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon.

214. A Memorial from the Hartford, Providence and Fishkill Railroad Company, requesting the issuing of the remaining \$30,000 of the Bonds of the City, in aid of the construction of their Railroad; in exchange for an equal amount of the Bonds of said Company; - is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

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Town The Standing Committee on City Property, who were, on
House, the 18th of September last, directed to report a plan
for the temporary accommodation of the Police and
Police Officers who stationed at the Town House; make
Report, recommending, that measures be taken for
providing some other location for the occupants of
the lower story of the Market House, and for
fitting up the same, for the use of the City Gov-
-ernment: which Report is read and received.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor)

So, Attention in the under following, having passed the
Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence,
and is read, viz:

"Resolved, That the City Marshal be, and he
is hereby directed to make temporary repairs upon
the Town House, at an expense not exceeding two
hundred dollars:—

Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Cam-
-cil do concur therein.

(Approved by the Mayor)

President Athenaeum A Petition of the Board of Directors of the President
Athenaeum, for a reduction of the tax imposed upon
that Institution, in the City Tax for the present
year, is presented, read, received, and referred to the
Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and
report thereon.

Colver Solin Dr. Resolved, That the sum of thirty five Hundred Dollars,
in addition to former Appropriations, be and the same
is hereby appropriated for the construction of the
Drain, in Robin Street; to be paid out of any
moneys in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor)

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President London Streets. The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to
whom, on the 23rd of August last, was referred the
Communication from the Board of Engineers, en-
closing a Petition of Jonathan Congdon and others,
for an Iron Fence around the Reservoir in
Congdon Street:— report a Resolution for the
erection of such Fence:— which Report is read
and received:— and a motion that said Resolu-
tion pass, is put, and lost.

Public Square Res. A Resolution in the under following, having passed the
Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence,
and is read, viz:

"Resolved, That so much of the Resolution
which passed the City Council on the 30th Day of
August last, as requires the Surveyor of High-
ways to fence the Public Square at the junc-
-tion of Beaufit and India Streets, be, and
the same is hereby repealed:— And that the
Committee on City Property report, at the next
meeting of the Council, what title the City
has to said Public Square."

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

So, Resolved, That the Standing Committee on City Property
be, and they are hereby directed to ascertain what
title the City has to the Public Square at the corner
of Beaufit and India Streets; and report the
same as soon as may be.

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be,
and he is hereby directed to suspend all work
ordered by the City Council to be done on the
Public Square at the corner of Beaufit and
India Streets, until the further Order of the
City Council.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor)

Salary Superintendent Public Schools. Resolved, that the School Committee be, and they are hereby authorized to pay to the Superintendent of Public Schools, in quarterly payments, a salary not exceeding Eighteen Hundred Dollars per annum.
(Continued)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Mining Boarding. Petition of Nelson C. Southap & George Greene, for liberty to mine certain wooden buildings, are presented read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon; which Committee make reports in favor of granting the papers thereof: - And Resolutions granting the papers thereof, respectively, are read and passed.
(Continued)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Do. Petition of Jonathan Piche, and William Viell, for liberty to mine certain wooden buildings; are presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon.

Charles Street. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 18th of September last, was referred the petition of Cyril Bobcock, Agent, & others, for the paving of a part of Charles Street; report the following Resolution: - which is read and passed: viz:

Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause that part of Charles Street lying between Randall and Nichols Streets, to be paved; and also the curb stones to be set, and the gutters paved, on that part of the same lying between Nichols Street and the North Providence Line; upon conditions, that the owners of the adjoining estates furnish suitable curb stones for the

same. The above work to be done in connection with that already ordered on Charles Street.
(Continued)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

City Hall. Resolution for the appointment of a Committee to procure designs and plans for a City Hall to be located upon the Dyer Lot (so called) with the estimated cost of building the same: -
296. and to report at the regular Meeting of the Council in December next: - is presented and read.

Whereupon it is moved, that the same be laid upon the Table. Upon which motion, the question is taken by Ayes and Nays; and it is agreed, that the same be entered upon the Journal; as follows: viz:

Ayes.	Nays.
Stephens,	Stephens,
Bark,	Butter,
Carpenter,	Barrett,
Clary,	Canell,
Francis,	Johnson,
Goddard,	Leiter,
Hages,	Skinner,
Hollbrook,	Stone,
Hopkins,	Winnor,
Mann,	8.
W. Paine Jr.,	
S. Payne,	
Taylor,	
Tillinghant,	
Wheeler,	
Wetcutt,	15.

Laid Resolution is thereupon laid upon the Table.

Wards Meeting for Ward. Resolved, that a Meeting of the qualified voters of the Fifth Ward be, and the same is hereby authorized and directed to be held, at the Ward Room

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in said Ward, on Tuesday the seventh day of November next, at ten o'clock AM for the purpose of electing a member of this Board, for said Ward, in the place of William A. Williams, who having been duly elected, has since deceased.

Resolved, That the City Clerk be, and he is hereby instructed to notify said Meetings, in manner and form as required by the Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance prescribing the manner of notifying Ward Meetings for the purpose of Elections"; - and that the Clerk of this Board be, and he is hereby directed to transmit a copy of these Resolutions to the City Clerk, and also, to the Warden of said Ward.

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

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the 16th day of October instant, at half past 7 o'clock PM.

Members present.

- W. President
- Anthony
- Bantwin
- Bark
- Carpenter
- Candle
- Craig
- Francis
- Goddard
- Hayes
- Hedlock
- Hopkins

- Jehoun,
- Lester
- Mann
- W. Stone Jr
- A. Payne,
- Samuel,
- Stone,
- Taylor
- Dobinghart,
- Webster,
- Westcott,
- Winsor,

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Abner G. Greene, Clerk,

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

By Warden, The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 18th of September last, was referred the Memorial of George G. Bartlett, for compensation for injuries received by a fall in the Street, make Report recommending that the petitioners have leave to withdraw: - which Report is accepted; and it is thereupon ordered, that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Warden, The Bill entitled "An Ordinance for the regulation of Cabs, Omnibuses, Drays, Trucks &c" which was, on the 18th of September last, laid upon the table, is taken up, read and passed (Concurred) (Approved by the Mayor)

Perry Davis, A Memorial of Perry Davis, offering to pay one half the cost of purchasing a strip of land on Stewart Street, for the purpose of widening said Street, and to furnish the curb stones & brick for a new sidewalk thereon; - on condition that the City shall pay the other half of the expense of said purchase, (being \$750) is presented read and received.

Dr. Upon the Memorial of Perry Davis, this day presented to the City Council: - Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed, to pay the sum of seven hundred and fifty Dollars to the owner or owners of the strip of land, measuring one

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landed and thirty feet, by eight feet, on the West side of the North end of Stewart Street; on receiving a deed thereof to the City, for a public highway: - the same to be paid out of any moneys in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 9th of October instant, was referred the Petition of the Directors of the Providence Athenaeum, for a reduction of the Tax imposed upon that Institution in the City Tax for the present year: - make Report recommending a reduction of said tax, which Report is read and received.

Whereupon, it is ordered, that the prayer of said petition be granted. On which motion the question is taken by ayes and nays: and it is ordered, that the same be entered upon the Journal, - as follows.

Ayes.
Messrs Allen
Bark,
Goldard,
Ginnell,
Mason,
A. Payne,
Stone,
Tillinghant,
Walter,
Westcott. 10.

Nays.
Messrs Anthony,
Bartow,
Cancell,
Crary,
Fleming,
Hayes,
Hopkins,
Lester,
W. Parson G.,
Sandus,
Stokes,
Taylor,
Winn. 13.

Said motion is therefore lost.
Whereupon, it is ordered, that said petitioners have

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leave to withdraw.

The Petition of the Rhode Island Historical Society, for a reduction of the tax imposed upon that Institution in the City Tax for the present municipal year: - is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

The Petition of Mrs. Eliza Bowen, for a remission of Tax, is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

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

- Pine St. Petition of William Tallman Tithers, for cross walks in Pine, State & Byron Streets: -
- State St. Petition of the South Baptist Society, for cross-walks in Prince & Friendship Streets;
- Byron St.
- Pine St.
- Friendship St.

A Resolution for the paving of the section of Charles Street from Nichols Street to the North Street, Providence line, in connection with the work already ordered on Charles Street: - is presented, read, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to whom, on the 9th of October instant, were referred the petitions of William Hall and Jonathan Pike, for liberty to remove certain wooden buildings: - make Reports, in favor of granting the prayers thereof: - which Reports are received: and Resolutions grant-

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ing the prayers thereof, respectfully, are read and passed.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

School House
Lot
Graham Street
Resolved, that the sum of Two Hundred Dollars be added to former Appropriations for the purchase of four lots of land on Graham Street, of John A. Doft and others; - to be paid from the Appropriation for "School Houses and Lots,"

(Concurred)
Approved by the Mayor.

School House
Right
Swiss Street
Resolved, that the sum of One Thousand Dollars be added to the Appropriation made August 14th 1854, for erecting a School House on the lot at the junction of Bridge and Swiss Streets;

Also, that the sum of One Thousand Dollars be added to the Appropriation made September 18th 1854, for erecting a School House on Graham Street; - to be paid from the Appropriation for "School Houses and Lots."

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

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

"Where a communication from the Mayor of Hartford, enclosing an invitation from the Common Council of said City, inviting the Mayor, Aldermen and members of the Common Council to visit that City, upon the opening of the Hartford, Providence and Fishkill Railroad; -

It is Resolved, that we will accept of said invitation; and hereby designate Tuesday, the 24th instant, as the day when we will visit said City.

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Resolved, that the Mayor be requested to communicate to the Mayor of Hartford, the action of the City Council, upon said invitation." Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Fire Com-
missioners.
The Standing Committee to engross Ordinances, to whom, on the 26th of June last, was referred the Bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance establishing a Fire Department'; (said Bill relating to the compensation of firemen and other officers of Engine Companies; - make Report by Bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance fixing the Salaries of certain Officers;" - which Report is received; and said Bill is read and passed

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Providence Gas Co.
The communication from the Providence Gas Company, respecting the terms in which they will undertake to supply the City with gas, after the termination of their present contract; - which was on the 26th of June last, postponed to the next meeting; - is taken up and read; and it is ordered, that the same be referred to the Standing Committee on City Reports, to examine and report thereon.

Public Square
at
Fox Point
Resolutions in the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen, are sent down for concurrence, and are read: viz:

"Resolved that the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed, to cause so much of the sand and gravel on the Public Square at the junction of Beaufort and India Streets,

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to be taken therefrom, as shall be necessary to
use in the grading of India Street.

Resolved, that the Resolution in relation to
the said Square, passed on the ninth day of Octo-
ber A.D. 1854, be and the same is hereby
repealed."

Whereupon it is resolved, that the Common Coun-
cil do concur therein;

Passed in Convention of the City Council,

In Convention,

Resignations of sundry City Officers are presented,
read and accepted, and the vacancies occasioned
thereby, are filled by new elections.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet, on Monday
the 13th day of November next, at half past 7 o'
clock P.M.

Members present.

- Mr. President.
- Allen
- Anthony
- Barton
- Bush
- Cunell
- Crary
- Radwin
- Goddard
- Grimwell
- Hayes.

- Hopkins,
- Lester,
- Moore,
- W. Paine
- S. Payne,
- Landers,
- Stokes,
- Stone,
- Taylor,
- Tillinghant,
- Wetler.

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West side.

West.

Abel Greene,
Clerk.

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

Mr. M. Stoddard. The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, con-
sidering the Resolution of the Common Council, of
October 20th 1854, is presented, read, received, and
referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

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

Ch. Engineer Report. The Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer is pre-
sented, read and received.
(Concurred.)
(Approved by the Mayor)

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

Upon the Report of the City Auditor this day pre-
sented to the City Council It is Resolved, that
the same be received
Resolved that the Standing Committee on Finance
be and they are hereby directed to cause said

Report, as so much thereof as is required to be published by the 4th section of the City Charter, with a Schedule of the Property of the City, to be published in the newspapers employed to do the City printing; - and also, to cause not exceeding five hundred copies of said Report and Schedule to be printed in pamphlet form, for the use of the City Council.

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(Approved by the Mayor)

Mr. B. Thayer, one of the electors of William B. Thayer, is a member of the Common Council from the Fifth Ward, at a meeting of the qualified voters of said Ward held on the 9th day of November instant pursuant to the Resolution of the Common Council of October of last; - is present and read. And the member elect, is present and having been engaged by the Mayor according to law, takes his seat.

Mr. B. Thayer, in the words following, having read the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and is read; viz:

"Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways is hereby directed to cause a cross walk to be laid on High Street, on the Westerly side of Stewart Street; and that the same be paid for out of the Appropriation for Highways."

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

(Approved by the Mayor)

The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 15th of September last was referred the petition of James Lewis & others; & to whom on the 16th of October last, was referred the Petitions of William Tallman & others, and of the Society of the Baptist Society & others; - for cross walks; -

report the following Resolutions, which is read and passed; viz:

Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to cause cross walks to be laid in the following places; viz:

- One across Brown Street on the North side of Pine Street.
- One " Pine Street " " East " " Brown Street.
- One " Pine Street " " West " " Water Street.
- One " Water Street on each side of Pine Street.
- One " Friendship Street opposite each of the doors of the South Baptist Church.

- One across Friendship Street, on the East side of Pine Street.
- One " Pine Street " " South " " Friendship Street.
- One " Passage Street, on each side of Point Street.
- One " Point Street, on the East side of Passage Street.
- One " Point Street " " " " Chestnut Street.
- One " North Main Street " " South " " Union Street.
- One " North Main Street " " South " " Riley Street.
- One " North Main Street at its junction with Stephens Street.
- One " Exchange Place, opposite McNeal Lane.
- One " Church Street, on the West side of Beaufort Street.

(Continued), with the following Amendments; viz: that the following words be added;

- One across Hope Street, on the North side of Power Street.
- One " Hope Street " " North side of John Street.
- One " Brook Street " " South side of John Street.
- One " Brook Street " " North " " John Street.
- One " John Street, opposite the door of Amos's estate.
- One " Clifford Street, on the two sides of Claverick Street.
- One " Washington Street, " East side of Jackson Street.
- One " Washington Street " " West " " Jackson Street.

The Common Council concur in the above Resolutions.

(Approved by the Mayor)

Broad Greenwich Streets, A Memorial of George W. Chapin and Abel Lonsdale requesting that Broad Street from Pearl Street, E. Scan

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Verily, as far as the land extends which was formerly owned by Calvin Dean, may be finished and the gutters paved to, and the fence reset on the new line of said Street, &c. together with a Memorial of Calvin Dean, relating to the same subject; - are presented read and received.

Whereupon, the Standing Committee on Highways report the following Resolution; which is read and passed: viz.

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed, to cause the curb stones to be set and gutters paved, on that part of Broad Street lying between Pearl and Greenwich Streets; and that part of Greenwich Street lying between Broad and Wilson Streets; and to deposit the surplus dirt or gravel upon the Calvin Dean Lot, (so called); - and also, to re-set the fence adjoining the said Dean Lot.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor)

Recd. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 19th of June last, was referred the Resolution from the Board of Aldermen, for the setting of curb stones & paving of gutters in Bacon Street; make Report recommending a concurrence therein; - which Report is received and laid upon the Table.

Do. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 19th of June last, was referred the Resolution from the Board of Aldermen, to request the Board of Aldermen to proceed under the Act entitled "An Act for laying out Highways"; and cause Bacon Street to be laid out and widened to the width of thirty three feet; - make Report recommending a concurrence therein; - which Report is received and laid upon the Table.

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Recd. A Communication from the Mayor, in relation to Pond Street, is presented and read.

Do. Whereas, the City Council, on the 19th day of April A.D. 1854, directed Application to be made to the Supreme Court, for the appointment of Commissioners of estimates and assessment, under an Act entitled "An Act in relation to the laying out, enlarging, straightening, or otherwise altering Streets in the City of Providence"; - to estimate the benefits and damages of laying out Pond Street from Penner & Stewart Street; - and Whereas, such Commissioners have been appointed, and have made their first Report to the Supreme Court; - and Whereas, by the provisions of said Act, the City Council are required, within thirty days after the making of the said Report, to elect whether they will make said improvement or not; - Therefore Resolved, that the City Council be and they are hereby directed to elect to make the said improvement.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor)

Transit. A Resolution to request the Board of Aldermen to proceed to lay out a Street as an extension of Transit Street, from East to Gove Street, under the provisions of the Act entitled "An Act for laying out Highways" is presented, read, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

College. A Petition of William M. Bailey, Master, & others, for a drain in College Street, from

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Report to Benefit Street, is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

West Water Street. } A Memorial from Earl Carpenter, praying the City Council to reconsider their Resolution relative to the widening of West Water Street, (passed February 24, 1854) so far that the Waterly line of said Street may be established upon that survey which shall require the least cutting off of the Union Buildings; - is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon.

W.F. Walling. } An Account of W.F. Walling against the City, for \$77.50 for services in relation to the plan for the extension of Domanne Street; is presented, read, received, and laid upon the Table.

School for Let. Fountain Street. } A Resolution on the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and is read, viz:

"Resolved, That the sum of one Hundred Dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated to defray the expense of enclosing the lot of land recently deeded to the City by M.B. Mead and others; to be paid out of any moneys in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated."

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

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Mundy, Knickerbocker. } Petitions of Anne D. Smith, and William Tallman, for liberty to move certain wooden buildings; are presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon; which Committee make Reports in favour of granting the

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prayer thereof; - which Report is read and received; and Resolutions granting the prayer of said petitions, respectively, are read and passed. (Continued)

Resolutions of the Town. } The following petitions, for the reduction, remission or repayment of Taxes; are presented, read, received, and severally referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon; viz:

- Petition of Amey G. Bonance, for repayment;
- Petition of Market Tavern Lodge, for repayment;
- Petition of Richard Waterman; for reduction.
- Petition of Richard and Rufus Waterman, Trustees under the Will of Sally Thompson, for reduction;
- Petition of Joseph Rogers, for reduction.
- Petition of James Barnes, for repayment.

Pur. Gas Co. } The Standing Committee on City Property, to whom on the 16th of October last, was referred the communication from the Providence Gas Company; - make Report, which is read and received.

Do. } Resolved, That the City Treasurer, be and he is hereby authorized, - acting under the advice and direction of the Standing Committee on City Property, to contract with the Providence Gas Company, for a supply of Gas, for one year from the first day of January next; upon such terms as may be deemed expedient; - provided that five feet burners shall be used, and that they shall be kept lighted during the whole night, whenever it may be necessary for lighting the Streets.

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(Approved by the Mayor)

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City Solicitor. } A bill entitled An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance providing for the appointment of a City Solicitor, and prescribing his duties," is presented read, and it is ordered, that the same be postponed indefinitely.

Do. A bill entitled "An Ordinance, repealing an Ordinance, entitled "An Ordinance providing for the appointment of a City Solicitor, and prescribing his duties," is presented and read: and it is ordered that the same be postponed indefinitely.

Do. A communication from William H. Potter, who was on the 16th of October last, elected City Solicitor: declining to accept said office; is presented and read.

W.P.H. } The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom on the 19th of October last, was referred the Hartford, Providence and Fitch Hill Railroad Company, requesting the issuing of the remaining \$30,000 of the Bonds of the City, in aid of the construction of their Railroad: in exchange for an equal amount of the Bonds of said Company; - make Report, recommending the issuing of such bonds: - which Report is read, received, and laid upon the Table.

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

"On Petition of J.B. Cushing, Engineer of the Hartford Providence and Fitch Hill Railroad Company: - it is Resolved, That the Hartford Providence and Fitch Hill Railroad Company be permitted to erect a temporary building on the land filled by them West of Solin Street, for a passenger car house; - to be continued during the pleasure of the City Council."

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Whereupon it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein, with the following Amendments: viz: That the following words be added, after the word "erect" in the 3rd line, viz: "under the direction of the Board of Aldermen"; - And that the words "on the land filled by them West of Solin Street," in the 2^d line, be stricken out.

(The Board of Aldermen concur in the Amendments: Nov 15. 1854)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

City of Hartford } Resolved That the Thanks of the City Council of the City of Providence are hereby tendered to the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Hartford, for the kind and generous manner in which the members of this body were received and entertained, during their recent visit to Hartford.

Resolved, That in the expressions of good feeling so fully called forth upon this occasion; we find a gratifying assurance of the continuance and future increase of those sentiments of respect and attachment which have heretofore so happily existed between the two Cities.

Resolved, That the Mayor be requested to cause a copy of these Resolutions to be transmitted to the Mayor and City Authorities of the City of Hartford.

(Concurred, Nov 15. 1854)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

W.P.H. } Resolved, That the Thanks of the City Council of the City of Providence are hereby tendered to the President and Director of the Hartford, Providence and Fitch Hill Railroad Company, for the free passage afforded to the members of this body, to and from Hartford, over said road, during their recent

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City Solicitor. A bill entitled An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance providing for the appointment of a City Solicitor, and prescribing his duties," is presented and read; and it is ordered, that the same be postponed indefinitely.

Do. A bill entitled "An Ordinance, repealing an Ordinance, entitled "An Ordinance providing for the appointment of a City Solicitor, and prescribing his duties," is presented and read; and it is ordered that the same be postponed indefinitely.

Do. A communication from William H. Potter, who was on the 16th of October last, elected City Solicitor; declining to accept said office; is presented and read.

195. 388. The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom on the 9th of October last, was referred the Hartford, Providence and Fitch Hill Railroad Company, requesting the issuing of the remaining \$30,000 of the Bonds of the City, in aid of the construction of their Railroad; in exchange for an equal amount of the Bonds of said Company; - make Report, recommending the issuing of such bonds; - which Report is read received, and laid upon the Table.

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

"On Petition of J. B. Cushing, Engineer of the Hartford Providence and Fitch Hill Railroad Company; - it is Resolved, That the Hartford Providence and Fitch Hill Railroad Company be permitted to erect a temporary building on the land filled by them West of Solin Street, for a passenger car house; - to be continued during the pleasure of the City Council."

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Whereupon it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein, with the following Amendments: viz: That the following words be added, after the word "erect" in the 3rd line, viz: "under the direction of the Board of Aldermen"; - And that the words "on the land filled by them, West of Solin Street," in the 2nd line, be stricken out.

(The Board of Aldermen concur in the Amendments: Nov 15. 1854)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Resolved That the Thanks of the City Council of the City of Providence are hereby tendered to the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Hartford, for the kind and generous manner in which the members of this body were received and entertained, during their recent visit to Hartford.

Resolved, That in the expressions of good feeling so fully called forth upon that occasion; we find a gratifying assurance of the continuance and future increase of those sentiments of respect and attachment which have hitherto so happily existed between the two Cities.

Resolved, That the Mayor be requested to cause a copy of these Resolutions to be transmitted to the Mayor and City Authorities of the City of Hartford.

(Concurred, Nov 15. 1854)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Resolved, That the Thanks of the City Council of the City of Providence are hereby tendered to the President and Directors of the Hartford, Providence and Fitch Hill Railroad Company, for the free passage of bonds to the members of this body, to and from Hartford, over said road, during their recent

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mit to said City.

Resolved. That the City Clerk is hereby directed to transmit a copy of the above Resolution to the President of the Western Pennsylvania and Fishkill Railroad Company.

(Concurred, Nov 15, 1854)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Police } The Standing Committee on Police report a Bill entitled "An Ordinance in Amendment of an Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance in relation to Police';" - which

Power }
Committee }

Report is received; and said Bill is read and passed. (Said Bill fixing the compensation of each Police Constable at \$2 per day which actually is duty.)

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor)

City } The Standing Committee to enquire Ordinances, to whom referred on the 18th of September last, has received the Resolution from the Board of Aldermen relating to the salary and compensation of the City Messengers; and make Report that said Resolution is informal; and recommend a new concurrence therein; which Report is received; and it is thereupon, resolved, that the Common Council do not concur in the passage of said Resolution.

Do. } The Standing Committee to enquire Ordinances report a Bill entitled "An Ordinance in Amendment of an Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance fixing the Salaries of certain Officers';" - which Report is received; - and said Bill is read and passed. (Said Bill fixing the Salary of the City Messenger at \$600 per annum.)

(Concurred, Nov 15 1854.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

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Watchmen, } The Standing Committee on Police, to whom, on the 18th of September last, was referred the petition of Joseph W. Saunders and others, praying for an Amendment of the "Ordinance in relation to Police"; make Report, recommending that said petitioners have leave to withdraw; - which Report is read and received; and it is thereupon ordered, that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Alvings } A Petition of Abner Jay, Cleveland & Berthas, and others, praying for an Amendment of the provision relating to the subject of Street Alvings, in the "Ordinance in relation to Sidewalks"; - is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee to enquire Ordinances, to examine and report thereon.

Wacks, } A Bill entitled "An Ordinance in Amendment of an Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance for the regulation of Wacks, Drays, Trucks, &c.' is read and passed. (Said Bill restricting the provisions of the 16th clause of the 1st Section of the Ordinance in relation to Wacks, &c. to such vehicles only as shall be used for the conveyance of articles for hire.)
Do. } (Concurred, Nov 20 1854.)

Do. } A Petition of Ebenezer Allen, for an alteration of the "Ordinance for the regulation of Wacks, Drays, Trucks, &c." is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee to enquire Ordinances, to examine and report thereon.

Ward } A Petition of William F. Hammond and others, for the sale of the Engine House and lot in City Ward and the erection of a new building for an Engine

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unit to said City.

Resolved. That the City Clerk is hereby directed to transmit a copy of the above Resolution to the President of the Central Cincinnati and Fishkill Railroad Company.

(Concurred, Nov 15, 1854)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Police } The Standing Committee on Police report a Bill entitled "An Ordinance in Amendment of an Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance in relation to Police'; - which

Report is received; and said Bill is read and passed. (said Bill fixing the compensation of each Police Constable at \$2 per day while actually on duty.)

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor)

City } The Standing Committee to enquire Ordinances, to whom referred on the 18th of September last, was referred the Resolution from the Board of Aldermen relating to the Salary and compensation of the City Messenger; which Report that said Resolution is informal; and recommended a new concurrence therein; which Report is received; and it is therefore, resolved, that the Common Council do not concur in the passage of said Resolution.

Do. } The Standing Committee to enquire Ordinances report a Bill entitled "An Ordinance in Amendment of an Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance fixing the Salaries of certain Officers'; - which Report is received; - and said Bill is read and passed. (said Bill fixing the Salary of the City Messenger at \$600 per annum.)

(Concurred, Nov 15 1854.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

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Watchmen } The Standing Committee on Police, to whom, on the 18th of September last, was referred the petition of Joseph W. Saunders and others, praying for an Amendment of the "Ordinance in relation to Police"; make Report, recommending that said petitioners have leave to withdraw; which Report is read and received; and it is therefore ordered, that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Alarings } A Petition of Abner Jay, Cleveland S. Berthas, and others, praying for an Amendment of the provision relating to the subject of Street Alarings, in the "Ordinance in relation to Sidewalks"; - is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee to enquire Ordinances, to examine and report thereon.

Wagons } A Bill entitled "An Ordinance in Amendment of an Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance for the regulation of Wagons, Carriages, Drays, Trucks, &c.' is read and passed; (said Bill restricting the provisions of the 16th clause of the 1st Section of the Ordinance in relation to Wagons, &c. to such vehicles only as shall be used for the conveyance of articles for hire.)

(Concurred, Nov 20 1854)

Do. } A Petition of Ebenezer Allen, for an alteration of the "Ordinance for the regulation of Wagons, Carriages, Drays, Trucks, &c." is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee to enquire Ordinances, to examine and report thereon.

Ward } A Petition of William F. Hammond and others, for the sale of the Engine House and lot in City Ward and the erection of a new building, for an Engine

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Have and Ward Rooms; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon.

William Sanford. A communication from the City Auditor, enclosing a bill of William Sanford, for \$12, for making copies of nine cases on complaints for the sale of intoxicating liquors. - is presented and read. Whereupon it is ordered that the same be received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Police, with instructions to report at the next meeting of the Common Council, what action should be taken by the City Council, in relation to the same and similar claims.

Tax Districts. Resolved, That the Committee appointed March 14th 1853, to divide the City into Districts, and survey and plat the same, so as to designate each and every lot in the City; be requested to report, at the next meeting of the Council, whether the work has been completed; and if so, at what cost; - Also, whether the Plats made, are satisfactory to them; - and if so, what means they recommend for their preservation; - or, if not, - what course they recommend, to perfect them.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

W. B. Rider. Mr. Rider is appointed a member of the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, from the Board, in the place of Mr. Williams, deceased.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday the 11th Day of December next, at 7 o'clock P.M.

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Members present,

Mr President,
" Anthony,
Bartlett,
Bark,
Carpenter,
Cornell,
Crony,
Fibbers,
Giddard,
Ginnell,
Hoag,
Holluck,
Hopkins,
Johnson.

" Lester,
" Brown,
W. Paine Jr.,
N. Payne,
Ritch,
Thomson,
Stokes,
Stene,
Tayler,
Tillinghast,
Walter,
Westcott,
Winn.

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Robert Greene,
L. D. Clark

Common Council, December 11th 1854.

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

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

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

(Concurred)

Sanjour. The Monthly Report of the Surveyor of the Highways, is

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Board and Ward Room; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon.

William Sanford. A Communication from the City Auditor, enclosing a bill of William Sanford, for \$12, for making copies of nine cases on complaints for the sale of intoxicating liquors... is presented and read. Whereupon it is ordered that the same be received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Police, with instructions to report, at the next meeting of the Common Council, what action should be taken by the City Council, in relation to the same and similar claims.

Tax Districts. Resolved, that the Committee appointed March 14 1853, to divide the City into Districts, and survey and plat the same, so as to designate each and every lot in the City; be requested to report, at the next meeting of the Council, whether the work has been completed; and if so, at what cost; - Also, whether the Plat maps, are satisfactory to them; - and if so, what means they recommend for their preservation; - or, if not, - what course they recommend, to perfect them.

(Ordered)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

W.B. Rider. Mr. Rider is appointed a member of the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, from the Board, in the place of Mr. Williams, deceased.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday the 11th day of December next, at 7 o'clock P.M.

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Members present,

- Mr President,
- Anthony,
- Barstow,
- Barth,
- Carpenter,
- Cornell,
- Craig,
- Fyfe,
- Giddard,
- Ginnell,
- Hoyes,
- Holluck,
- Hopkins,
- Jehon,

- Lester
- Down
- W. Main Jr.
- N. Payne,
- Ritch,
- Tramers,
- Stokes,
- Stene,
- Taylor
- Tillinghast,
- Walter,
- Westcott,
- Winn,

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Robert Greene,
Clerk

Common Council, December 11 1854.

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

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

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

(Ordered)

The Monthly Report of the Surveyor of the Highways, is

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presented, read and received.
(Concurred)

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

The first semi annual Report of the Overseer of the Poor, is presented read and received.
(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

The following Petitions, for the remission, reduction or repayment of Taxes, are presented, read, received, and severally referred to the Standing Committee on Finance to examine and report thereon, viz:
Petition of Francis Greenly Meeting School, for remission;
Petition of John Carter Brown for remission;
Petition of Benjamin Dyer for reduction;
Petition of Levi Lewis for reduction;
Petition of Lemuel B. Shepard for reduction;
Petition of Philip Allen, for estate of Ann Allen; for reduction :-
Petition of Paris Child, for reduction;
Petition of Matthew Watson, trustee of May Rivers, for reduction :-
Petition of Frances, Susan and Anna Jackson, (by Robert W. Watson,) for reduction;
Petition of William P. Bullock, for repayment.

An order for \$75 & interest thereon from August 5th 1848, drawn by Nathaniel S. Carille upon the City Treasurer, in favour of Seth Padesford, for that amount paid into the City Treasury, to the credit of said Carille, is presented by said Padesford; and is read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

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A Petition of the New England Screw Company, petitioners, for cup walks at the junction of Eddy and Boston Streets, is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

A Petition of Jacob Baggott, for liberty to move a certain wooden building, is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon; which Committee make Report in favour of granting the prayer thereof; which Report is read and received; and a Resolution granting the prayer of said Petition, is read and passed.
(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

A Petition of Albert Bowen, for liberty to move a certain wooden building, is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon; which Committee make Report in favour of granting the prayer thereof; which Report is read and received. Whereupon, it is ordered that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

A Memorial of W. P. Love, proposing to sell to the City, certain lands on the proposed line of Dorrona Street, is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon.

A Resolution to direct the sale or exchange of the lot of land at the junction of Summer and Park Streets; is presented, read, and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon.

From the City Marshal, who was on the 9th of October last, directed to make temporary repairs upon the Town House; - makes Report that he has discharged that duty, which Report is read and received.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

The joint Committee who were on the 14th of March 1853, appointed to divide the City into Districts, for the purpose of taxation; and to survey and plat the same, so as to designate every lot in the City, - and who were, on the 13th of November last, requested to make Report at this meeting, whether the work had been completed, and at what cost; - also whether the plats made, were satisfactory to them; and, if so, what means they recommended for their preservation; and, if not, - what course they recommended to perfect them; - make Report, which is read, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

A Resolution for the appointment of a joint Committee to ascertain the cost of perfecting the Plats of the City, recently made for the use of the Assessors; is presented and read; and it is moved, that the same pass; - which motion is passed, and lost.

Resolved, That: (Mr. A. Payne, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be a Committee to apply to the General Assembly, at their January Session, for such alteration in the Laws regulating the assessment and collection of Taxes, as shall enable the City of Providence, to appoint a permanent Board of Assessors of Taxes; and also, to cause an annual appraisal of rateable property to be made, before the annual Taxes shall be voted.

(Concurred, and the Mayor assent)
(Approved by the Mayor, June 8. 1855)

Memorandum of City Clerk, Births &c.

Do

A Memorial from the City Clerk is presented, and read and received.

Resolved, that the City Clerk be, and he is thereby authorized to employ suitable persons to ascertain the number of Births which may have occurred in this City, from the first day of June, to the 31st day of December, 1854; - in conformity with an Act of the General Assembly passed at its recent October Session, amending "an Act providing for the Registration of Births, Marriages, and Deaths;" - and that he be authorized to draw upon the City Treasurer, for an amount necessary to pay the expenses of obtaining said information, not exceeding the sum of one hundred and fifty Dollars.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

A Communication from the School Committee, recommending an alteration of the Resolution fixing the term of service of the Principals of the Grammar Schools, at five years, before they are entitled to the highest compensation; - so far as relates to the present teachers; - is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Education, to examine and report thereon.

A Memorial from the School Committee, requesting the City Council to apply to the General Assembly for an alteration of the Law relative to the election of members of the School Committee for the City; is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Education, to examine and report thereon.

A Communication from the Mayor, returning to the Common Council, the Bill passed on the 22nd.

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13th of November last, entitled "An Ordinance in amend-
ment of an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance for
the regulation of Coaches, Manicoups, Drays, Trucks,
&c." - not approved by him; with his objections
to said Bill: - is presented and read. There-
upon, it is ordered, that said Bill be referred to
the Standing Committee to enquire Ordinance, to ex-
amine and report thereon.

The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on
the 26th of June last, was referred the Petition of the
Penitence Dying, Bleaching and Colordizing Com-
pany, of George No. Richmond, relating to Sturtevant's Ave.
nuer; make Report, recommending the granting of
the prayer thereof. - which Report is received.

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and
he is hereby directed, to cause the curb stones to
be set, and the gutters paved, on that part of Sturtevant
Avenue lying between the present termination of
the crossing and Potter's Avenue.
(Continued.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to whom
on the 6th of March last, was referred the petition of
the Cold Engine Company No 4, for the payment of
the amount expended by them, over the sum appropri-
ated by the City, for the erection of the Engine House
occupied by them; - make Report, recommending
that the petitioners have leave to withdraw, -
which Report is received; and it is thereupon or-
dered, that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

The Standing Committee on the Fire Department,
to whom, on the 8th of May last, was referred the pe-
tition of the Cold Engine Company No 12, for
the payment of \$150 expended by them, for silver mant.

ings for the Engine firmly in their charge; -
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.

Resolution for the remission of \$100 ⁴⁸/₁₀₀ of
the City Tax assessed upon the estate of the
deceased Alexander, for the present mu-
nicipal year; - is presented and read; and
it is moved that the same pass; - which motion
is put, and lost. (11 to 12)

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is
hereby directed to pay to the members of the Com-
mon Council and of the Board of Aldermen,
the proportion of their annual salaries, for
the first six months of the present municipal
year.
(Continued.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

A Memorial from the Board of Engineers of
the Fire Department, recommending an application
to the General Assembly, for the passage of
an Act to regulate the pricing of Lumber
within the City Fire Limits; &c. - is presented,
read, received, and referred to the Standing
Committee to enquire Ordinance, to exam-
ine and report, what legislation is necessary
in relation to the subject.

Resolved, That the sum of fifty Dollars be paid to
the City Auditor, - for extra services performed
by him, since his appointment; and that the
same be paid out of the Appropriation for "Sal-
aries."
(Continued, Dec 14, 1854.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

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App. Resolved, that the sum of one thousand dollars be added to former Appropriation for Gas Fixtures; and that the same be paid out of any moneys in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated.

(Concurred, Dec 14, 1854.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

App. Resolved, that the sum of fifteen hundred dollars be added to former Appropriation for Bridges; and that the same be paid out of any moneys in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated.

(Concurred, Dec 14, 1854.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Salary. The Resolution to authorize the School Committee to pay to the Principal of the High School, an annual salary not exceeding \$1800; which passed the Common Council on the 14th of August last; and in which the Board of Aldermen concurred, with an Amendment, on the 23^d of said August; - in which Amendment the Common Council resolved not to concur, on the 30th of said August; - is now returned from the Board of Aldermen, - who recede from their Amendment and concur in the original Resolution.

(Approved by the Mayor.)

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

"Resolved, that the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to lease the buildings removed from the lot recently leased to N. C. Northup, being a part of the North Burial Ground."

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Whereupon it is advised that the same be referred to the Commissioners of the North Burial Ground.

Engine House No 11.
Horse Power.

Resolved, that the Chief Engineer be, and he is hereby directed to cause a Horse Power to be erected for Engine House No 11; provided, the cost thereof shall not exceed two thousand dollars; to be paid out of the Appropriation for the Fire Department.

(Concurred, Dec 14, 1854.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

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

Members present.

Mr. President,
Allen,
Anthony,
Brosten,
Barko,
Canell,
Crane,
Fidmish,
Goddard,
Ginnell,
Hayes,
Wells,

" Lester,
Mason,
W. Paine Jr.,
A. Payne,
Bicker,
Hakes,
Halse,
Taylor,
Fillingham,
Wells,
Watcote,
Winsor.

Albat Green,
Clerk

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

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

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

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

City Marshal's Report The Annual Report of the City Marshal, of the Business of the Police Department, for the year 1854; is presented and read. Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received; and that the same be printed in the next paper employed to do the City printing. So much of said Report as relates to Dogs, and to Fines in the sale of Fire wood & Charcoal, is referred to the Standing Committee on Police.

Resolutions The following petitions for the remission, reduction or re-payment of Taxes, are presented read and received, viz:
Petition of William Governor, for repayment
Petition of Parshal Carpenter for repayment
Petition of Zachariah Allen for remission.

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Petition of Henry Burgess, for remission;
Petition of Isaac Lewis, for remission;
Petition of Joseph A. Blake, for reduction.

Do. The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom on the 16th of October, the 13th of November & the 11th of December last, were referred sundry petitions for the remission, reduction and repayment of Taxes, - report the following Resolutions: - which is read and passed: viz:

Resolved, That all petitions presented to the City Council, for the remission or reduction of Taxes, including those now in the hands of the Committee on Finance; be referred to the Special of Taxes, for the present Municipal Year: with instructions to report thereon.
(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Spring Petitions of Ira L. Beckwith and Charles W. Howard; for liberty to mow certain under buildings; are presented and read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon: - which Committee make Reports, in favor of granting the prayers thereof: - which Reports are received; and Resolutions granting the prayers of said petitions severally, are read and passed.

Abner P. Pughan An account, for \$105. for services of Abner P. Pughan deceased, as an Assessor of Taxes for the present Municipal Year; is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

Police, Wreckmen A Petition of J. W. Norton & others, for such Amend-

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ment of the "Ordinance in relation to Police" as well authorize an increase of the number of Watchmen for the City: is presented and read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Police, to examine and report thereon.

S. Kelly, J. Kelly, M. Fitzgerald, Petitions of Sarah Kelly, John Kelly, and Michael Fitzgerald, praying for the remission of certain fines: are presented, read and received, and are severally referred to the Standing Committee on Police, to examine and report thereon.

COMM. 1. A Petition of the Providence and Worcester Rail Road Company, ^{withers} in relation to the "Ordinance to prevent Revelling and other disturbances in the Public Streets," is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Police, to examine and report thereon.

Resolved, That the Chief Engineer be, and he is hereby authorized, (if, in the opinion of the Board of Engineers, to the same is deemed expedient,) to cause a suitable Bell to be erected on Engine House No 10, on Waight Street; or on some other suitable building in that vicinity; and to employ some suitable person to ring the same, in case of fire: - and that the cost of the same be paid out of the Appropriation for the Fire Department.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Resolved, A Resolution for the appointment of a joint Committee to cause the Pews in the public streets to be trimmed and put in order: is presented and read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be referred to the

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Standing Committee on Highways, with instructions to report at the next meeting of the Common Council.

Proprietor Street. A Petition of Horatio R. Nightingale and others, for crop walks in Perfect Street: is presented read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

H. B. P. A Communication from the Mayor, enclosing a Communication to him, from the President of the Hartford, Providence and Fitchburg Railroad Company, requesting that the City may receive Bonds secured by the Mortgage in Rhode Island, to the amount of \$28,000, in exchange for the same amount of Bonds now held by the City, secured by the Mortgage in Connecticut: - is presented and read. Whereupon, it is ordered that the same be referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

H. F. Walling. The Account of Henry F. Walling, which was on the 13th of November last, received, and laid upon the Table: is taken up and read.

Resolved, Upon the Account of Henry F. Walling, for services in making plan for the extension of Dorrance Street: - Ordered, That the amount of said Account, (being \$77.⁵⁰/₁₀₀ Dollars,) be paid by the City Treasurer, whenever the same shall have been certified to be correct, by a majority of the Commissioners of estimates and assessment relative to the extension of said Street.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

N.D. Carlile } The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 11th of December last, was referred the Order for \$75 + interest thereon, from August 5th 1848, drawn by Nathaniel D. Carlile in favor of Seth Padelford, for that amount paid into the City Treasury, to the credit of said Carlile; - make Report recommending the payment thereof. - Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be paid by the City Treasurer.
 (Concurred)
 (Approved by the Mayor.)

West Water Street } The Standing Committee on City Property, to whom, on the 13th of November last, was referred the Memorial of Carl Carpenter praying for a reconsideration of the Resolution passed by the City Council, on the 24th of February last, relative to the widening of West Water Street; - make Report. - Whereupon, it is ordered, that said Report be received, and that said Memorial be referred to the Commissioners of estimate and assessment, relative to the contemplated widening of said Street.
 (Concurred)
 (Approved by the Mayor.)

Richard Street } Whereas, the Commissioners of estimate and assessment in the matter of laying out and extending Richard Street, in the City of Providence, appointed by the Supreme Court, at the September Term thereof, in the County of Providence, under an Act entitled "An Act in relation to the laying out, enlarging, straightening, and otherwise altering Streets in the City of Providence," have made their first Report to said Court; - Now therefore, within thirty days after the making of said Report; Resolved, that the City Council elect to make said improvement.
 (Concurred.)

H.P. & R.R. Co. } A Communication from the City Treasurer, stating that the Hartford Providence and Fitchville Rail Road Company have not paid into the City Treasury, the difference of interest between the City Bonds and those of said Company, which became due on the first day of January instant; - is presented, read and received; and it is ordered that the same be referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

W.S. Love } The Standing Committee on City Property, to whom, on the 11th of December last, was referred the Memorial of Horace S. Love, proposing to sell to the City certain lands on the proposed line of Dorrance Street; - make Report, recommending that the memorialist have leave to withdraw. - Whereupon Report is received; and it is thereupon ordered that said memorialist have leave to withdraw.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the 29th day of January instant, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

- Mr President
- Allen
- Anthony
- Bartow
- Bark
- Carnell
- Crory
- Fildard
- Ginnell
- Holbrook

- " Hopkins
- Johnson
- Leiter
- Mason
- W. Paine Jr.
- A. Payne
- Saunders
- Stokes
- Stone
- Tillinghast

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Webster
Westcott,
Windsor.

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Albat Greene, Clerk.

Common Council, January 22^d 1855.

Special Meeting.

Copy.

"Mayor's Office, January 22^d 1855.

To the Members of the City Council
of the City of Providence,

Gentlemen,

You are hereby requested
to assemble, in your respective Chambers, this evening,
at 7 1/2 o'clock, to act upon the subject
of opening Richmond Street.

Edward P. Howland,
Mayor."

"Providence p. 4 January 22^d 1855.
I have, this day, notified the members of the City
Council, to meet this evening, in their respective
Chambers, as commanded.

James C. Sheridan, City Sergeant"

Pursuant to the requisition contained in the open-
ing Warrant, the Common Council are now assembled
at half past 7 o'clock p.m.

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

Richmond Street } A communication from the Mayor, returning to
the Common Council, the Resolution passed
on the 8th of January, instant, electing to adopt
and confirm to the Report of the Commission-
ers of estimate and assessment relative to
the extension of Richmond Street, - not
approved by him; with his objections to said
Resolution; is presented and read.

Whereupon, said Resolution is again read,
and is passed, by a majority of all persons
electors to this Board.

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Richmond Street } A Petition of W. Irving Ellis, for a reduction of
41 votes. } the City Tax assessed upon him; is presented
and read, received, and referred to the Assessors of
Taxes, to report thereon.

Alvings } The Standing Committee, to enquire into
on the 13th of November last, was referred to Petition
of Abner Gay, Jr, Cleveland and Brothers, & others;

Alvings } for an amendment of the provisions relating to the
subject of Street Cleanings, in the "Ordinance in
relation to Sidewalks;" - make Report that they
have heard the parties, and are of opinion, that
any legislation upon the subject would be in-
expedient; - and recommend, that the petitioners
have leave to withdraw; - which Report is
read and received; and it is thereupon ordered,
that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Alvings } Resolved, That Mr. Johnson, with such as the
Board of Aldermen may add, be a Committee
to apply to the General Assembly, for the passage
of an Act authorizing the City Council of the

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City of Providence, to alter and straighten the Harbor Line, from the Wharf of Messrs. Mann and Ballou, to that of Mr. Richard J. Arnold.

(Not concurred, Feb 7, 1855)

joined in Convention of the City Council,

In Convention,

City Council } A Communication from William H. Potter, who was elected City Solicitor, on the 16th of Dec. last; - declining to accept that office, is read and received.

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

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourns, to meet pursuant to the order of adjournment passed on the 8th day of January instant; to wit, to meet on Monday the 29th day of January instant, at 7 o'clock AM.

Members present,

Mr President.

Allen
Anthony
Bartow,
Buck,
Carpenter
Canell
Cory.

Hayes
H. Allen
Thompson
Johnson
Lester,
Mason
W. Payne Jr.
A. Payne,

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" Rider
Saunders,
Taylor

Pillingham,
Webster,
Watcett.

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Abel Greene
Clerk

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

Mining Buildings } A Petition of Luke Flannigan, for liberty to move a certain wooden building, is presented, received, L. R. King of and referred to the Standing Committee in the Pio Department, to examine & report thereon.

Albert Bowen } A Petition of Albert Bowen, for liberty to move a certain wooden building, is presented, read, and received; and a Resolution granting the prayer thereof, is read and passed.

(Approved by the Mayor)

Pro Gas Co. } A Communication from the City Auditor, enclosing the Account of the Providence Gas Company, is presented, read and received; and it is ordered that the same, together with said Account, be referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon.

School Comm. Secy

The Standing Committee on Education, to whom, on the 11th of December last, was referred the Memorial from the School Committee, respecting the mode of selection of members of the School Committee,

make Report, recommending an application the General Assembly, for the passage of a Bill accompanying said Report, entitled "An Act in relation to the election of School Committee in the City of Providence;" - which Report is received; and a Resolution appointing Mr Johnson, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, a Committee to make Application to the General Assembly, at its present session, for the passage of said Bill, is read and passed.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor)

Arnold Street. A Petition of Oliver Lewis and others, praying for the laying out and extension of Arnold Street and Transit Street, to Governor Street, under the Act entitled An Act in relation to the laying out, enlarging, straightening, or otherwise altering Streets in the City of Providence;" - is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

B. Barrett's A Petition of Bryan Barrett, for the remission of a fine is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Police, to examine and report thereon.

Police & The Standing Committee on Police, to whom, on the 8th of January instant, was referred the Petition of J. W. Norton and others, for such alteration of the "Ordinance in relation to Police," as will authorize an increase of the number of Watchmen for the City; - make Report, which is read and received, and it is thereupon ordered that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Fountain Let's A Memorial of George W. Chapin and Abiel Sampson, praying that a lot of land belonging to the City, near Broad and Greenwich Streets, may be filled up

to the grade line of a contemplated Street; is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon.

Remission of Taxes. The following Petitions, for the remission and payment of Taxes, are presented, read, received, and severally referred to the Assessors of Taxes, for the present Municipal year, with instructions to report thereon, viz:

Petition of John G. Eddy, for remission.

Petition of J. C. Jencks, for repayment.

Petition of Benjamin F. Paladie, for repayment.

Petition of William Douglas, for repayment.

Do

J. W. Norton's A Petition of Isaac W. Norton, for the repayment to him of the amount of Tax paid on a lot of land belonging to the City; - is presented, read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

Do

The Assessors of Taxes, for the present Municipal year to whom by Resolution passed on the 8th of Jan. instant, were referred all petitions presented to the City Council, for the remission or reduction of Taxes; make Report, which is read and received; and it is ordered that the same be referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

Do

Resolved That the Committee already appointed to apply to the General Assembly for an alteration of the law in relation to the assessing and collecting of Taxes; be and they are hereby instructed to apply for such alteration as will make the Real Estate primarily liable for all Taxes assessed thereon.

(Concurred, February 5, 1855)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

make Report, recommending an application the General Assembly, for the passage of a Bill accompanying said Report, entitled "An Act in relation to the election of School Committees in the City of Providence"; - which Report is received; and a Resolution appointing Mr Johnson, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, a Committee to make Application to the General Assembly, at its present session, for the passage of said Bill, is read and passed.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor)

Arnold's Petition of Oliver Lewis and others, praying for the laying out and extension of Arnold Street and Transit Street, to Governor Street, under the Act entitled An Act in relation to the laying out, enlarging, straightening, or otherwise altering Streets in the City of Providence; - is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

B. Barrett's Petition of Bryan Barrett, for the remission of a fine is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Police, to examine and report thereon.

The Standing Committee on Police, to whom, on the 8th of January instant, was referred the Petition of J. W. Norton and others, for such alteration of the "Ordinance in relation to Police," as will authorize an increase of the number of Watchmen for the City; - make Report, which is read and received, and it is thereupon ordered that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Francis Lett's Memorial of George W. Chapin and Abiel Sampson, praying that a lot of land belonging to the City, near Broad and Greenwich Streets, may be filled up

to the grade line of a contemplated Street, is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon.

Remission of Taxes. The following Petitions, for the remission and payment of Taxes, are presented, read, received, and severally referred to the Assessors of Taxes, for the present Municipal year, with instructions to report thereon, viz.

Petition of John H. Eddy, for remission.

Petition of J. C. Jencks, for repayment.

Petition of Benjamin F. Pardee, for repayment.

Petition of William Douglas, for repayment.

Do

J. W. Norton's Petition of Isaac W. Norton, for the repayment to him of the amount of Tax paid on a lot of land belonging to the City; - is presented, read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

Do

The Assessors of Taxes, for the present Municipal year to whom by Resolution passed on the 8th of Jan. instant, were referred all petitions presented to the City Council, for the remission or reduction of Taxes; make Report, which is read and received; and it is ordered that the same be referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

Do

Resolved That the Committee already appointed to apply to the General Assembly for an alteration of the law in relation to the assessing and collecting of Taxes; be and they are hereby instructed to apply for such alteration as will make the Real Estate primarily liable for all Taxes assessed thereon.

(Concurred, February 5, 1855)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

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When the Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 8th of January instant, was referred the Account for services of Abner Peckham, deceased, as an Assessor of Taxes: made Report, recommending that the same be allowed; which Report is read and received.

Do. When the Report of the Standing Committee on Finance, it is ordered, that the City Treasurer pay to the legal representatives of Abner Peckham deceased, the sum of one hundred and five Dollars: being the amount of a claim presented for the services of said deceased, as an Assessor of Taxes during the present municipal year.

(Concurred, February 5, 1855.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

When the Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 8th of January instant, was referred the Communication from the City Treasurer, relative to the non-payment of interest by the Hartford, Providence and Fitchburg Railroad Company, on their Bonds held by the City; make Report, that said interest has since been paid; which Report is read, and it is ordered that the same be received.

(Concurred, February 5th 1855.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Communication from the Mayor is presented and read: the same relating to the following subjects:

- Exchange Place and Case Street,
- Exchange Place, { The opening of a Street, on the West side of the Massachusetts River, from Railroad Crossing Street to Smith Street;
- Street, {
- Street, { The width of the new Street adjoining the Case Burners, near the State Prison: -
- St. Clopp, { The Case of Daniel R. Clopp against the City,

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The Case. Samuel Wheldon vs Philip W Martin
Martin Case. The Case, Charles Horton vs the City,
Ordered.

The claims of Edward Dexter upon the City, whereupon it is ordered, that the same be referred to the Standing Committee to engross Ordinances, to examine and report thereon.

Resolved, that the Standing Committee on City Property be, and they are hereby directed, to cause such repairs (to be made upon the Market House, as are necessary) to stop the leaks in the walls and roof.

(Concurred, February 5, 1855.)
(Approved by the Mayor)

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

"Resolved, that the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby authorized, under the advice of the Mayor, to lease any portion of the City Property (which has been heretofore leased) for a term not exceeding five years; upon such terms as they shall think advisable; Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon.

The Standing Committee on Police, to whom on the 8th of January instant, was referred the Memorial of the Providence and Worcester Railroad Company & others: - made Report, by Bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance to prevent Revelling and other disturbances in the Public Streets.'" which Report is received: and said Bill is read and passed

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

The Standing Committee on Police, to whom, on the 8th of January instant, were referred the several petitions of Sarah Kelly, John Kelly, and Michael Fitzgerald, for the remission of fines: - report the following Resolution, which is read and passed: viz:

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed, to pay, out of any moneys not otherwise appropriated, - to Michael Fitzgerald, John Kelly, and Sarah Kelly, each ten dollars; being the amount of fines severally paid by them, on conviction in the Police Court, for violation of the Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance in relation to Swine."

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(Approved by the Mayor.)

The Standing Committee on Police, to whom on the 8th of January instant, was referred so much of the Annual Report of the City Marshal, as relates to Dogs and to Frauds in Firewood and Charcoal, made Report by the following Resolution, which is read and passed: viz:

Resolved, That an Senator and Representatives in the General Assembly, be requested to procure such an Amendment of the Act entitled "An Act concerning Dogs," and also of an Act entitled "An Act to prevent fraud in Firewood and Charcoal exposed for sale," as will provide for the recovery of the penalties for the violation thereof, by Complaint and Warrant, instead of "by Action of Debt," as now provided.

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(Approved by the Mayor.)

Revenue & Expenditures. A Communication from the Standing Committee on Finance, in relation to the Revenue and Expenditures of the City: is presented and read. Whereupon it is ordered that the same be received; and that the same be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing.

Loan. Resolution to authorize the City Treasurer, under the advice of the Standing Committee on Finance, to draw for the use of the City, a sum of money not exceeding \$100,000, as reported by the Standing Committee, and it is ordered that the same be postponed to the next meeting of the Common Council.

Salaries of City Council. The Standing Committee on Finance report a Bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance fixing the Salaries of certain Officers;" (said Bill providing for the repeal of so much of said Ordinance, as provides for the payment of \$200 per annum, salary to each Alderman, and \$100 to each member of the Common Council; and providing for the payment of \$100 to each Alderman,) - is presented and read. - and it is ordered, that the same be laid upon the Table.

Dorover Street. A Resolutions and Resolution, in the words following, are presented and read: viz:

"Whereas the Commissioners of estimate and assessment, in the matter of laying out, and extending Dorover Street in the City of Providence, appointed by the Supreme Court, at the September Term thereof, in the County of Providence, under an Act entitled "An Act in relation to the laying out, enlarging,

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strengthening, and otherwise altering, Streets in the City of Providence," have made their first Report to the said Court: - Now, therefore, within thirty days after the making of said Report: - Resolved, that the City Council elect to make said improvement,

Whereupon it is moved, that the same be referred to a joint Committee, with instructions to notify a meeting: hear all parties in interest; and report at the next meeting of the Council: - which motion is put, and lost.

Whereupon, it is moved that said Preamble and Resolution pass. On which motion, the question is taken by Ayes and Nays: and it is added that the same be entered upon the Journal: as follows: viz:

<u>Ayes.</u>		
Mr. President	Pillingbut,	
" Anthony,	Webster,	
Boston	Westcott,	
Carpenter,	Winnet,	24.
Cornell		
Crary,		
Francis		
Guinnell,	<u>Nays.</u>	
Hayer,	Mr. Bash,	
Hodburk,	Giddard,	
Hopkins,	Taylor,	3.
Jehnerd,		
Leiter,		
Mason,		
W. Paine Jr.		
A. Payne,		
Rider,		
Saunders,		
Stiles,		
Sturce,		

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The same are therefore proposed,
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City Treasurer A Resolution is authorized the City Treasurer to remove his Office to the Committee Room on the floor of the Council Chamber: is presented read: and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon.

Reform School The Annual Report of the Trustees of the Providence Reform School, is presented and read: whereupon it is resolved, that the same be received.

Do. Resolved, that the Report of the Trustees of the Providence Reform School, be referred to the Standing Committee on Education; with directions to cause the same in such portions thereof as they may deem expedient, to be printed, in pamphlet form, for the use of the City Council.

(Continued July 5, 1855.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

Subconvention.

W. Taylor, City Solicitor, is elected City Solicitor, for the remainder of the present municipal year.

The two Boards separate.

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

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Members present,

Mr President,	Lester,
Anthony,	Mason,
Bartlett,	McPaine Jr,
Bark,	A. Payne,
Carpenter	Rider,
Canell,	Saunders,
Cory,	Stokes,
Flannin,	Stone
Fordward	Taylor,
Grimell,	Tillinghast
Hayer,	Wells,
Hallowell,	Westcott,
Hopkins,	Winnor.
Jelmer,	

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W. G. Greene,
Clerk

Common Council, February 12 1855.

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

Ord. No. 110. The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20 1854 is presented, read and received, and is referred to the Standing Committee on Finance: and it is ordered, that the same be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing.

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

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(Approved by the Mayor)

do. Ordered, that the Monthly Report of the Surveyor of Highways, this day made to the City Council, be referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to report thereon.

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(Approved by the Mayor)

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

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(Approved by the Mayor)

General Report. The Surveyor General of New Jersey presents his annual Report of New Jersey surveys during the year ending on the 5th day of February instant: which Report is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the same be received and received.

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Ponds Street. Resolved, that the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby authorized and directed to give the Note of the City, for the amount of the Damages awarded by the Commissioners of Estimates and Assessment for the lay out and extension of Pond Street; payable four months from the date of the confirmation of the Report of such Commissioners: - upon receiving a proper release of the claim for such Damages.

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(Approved by the Mayor)

L. Flannigan. The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to whom on the 29th of January last, was referred the

petition of Luke Planniger, for liberty to mow a certain wooden building: make Report, in form of granting the prayer thereof: - which Report is received, and a Resolution granting the prayer of said petition: is read and passed.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

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

"Resolved That the City Treasurer, he and he heuly is, directed, to pay out of any money in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated, to Peter Cox, the sum of Ten Dollars, being the amount of fine paid by him on conviction in the Police Court, for violation of the Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance in relation to Tarine." Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be referred to the Standing Committee on Police, to examine and report thereon.

Remission of Taxes. The following Petitions for the remission, repayment &c. of Taxes, are presented, received and severally referred to the Assessors of Taxes, for the present municipal year, with instructions, to report thereon: viz:

- Petition of Thomas A. Greene and Welcome B. Greene, for repayment: -
- Petition of Emma J. & Emma J. Smith, for reduction.
- Petition of John Barstow Agent of Freeman Fales, Guardian of Elizabeth W. Carline and Sarah T. Watson; for reduction: -
- Petition of John Greene, for reduction.
- Petition of David Gauday, for reduction.
- Petition of Charles Alwood, for reduction.
- Petition of Henry B. Anthony, Administrator of George River, deceased: - for reduction.

Do. The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom on the 29th of January last, was referred the Report of the Assessors of Taxes, then made, upon certain Petitions for the remission, reduction and repayment of Taxes: - report the following Resolution; which is read and passed: viz:

Taxes remitted. Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to the following named persons, the sums affixed to their respective names; the said sums being in remission of Taxes improperly assessed against their several Estates, in the year 1854: Provided, it shall appear to the Treasurer, upon Certificate of the Collector of Taxes, that these sums have been paid into the City Treasury, by said parties.

If it shall appear to the City Treasurer, that any of said Taxes have not been, as yet, paid into the Treasury: - then he shall credit the Collector of Taxes, with the amt. so unpaid; and the Collector of Taxes shall deduct the several amounts hereby remitted, from the several Taxes of the persons hereinafter named: viz:

Avery G. Dorrance	\$ 82.32
Madis. Brown and Anna Jackson	24.08
Mathew Watson, Trustee to Mary Rivers	12.88
Benjamin Dyer	7.84
Whale Island Historical Society.	52.08.
Eliza Baren	16.80
William P. Ballou.	25.31.
Joseph H. Blake.	27.44
Chester Lewis	15.12
William Groves.	11.59.
Abunt Vernon Lodge,	10.88.
John Carter Brown	36.25.
Heirs of Thomas P. Jones.	109.13.

(Concerned)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Do. The Standing Committee on Finance also make Reports upon the following Petitions for the remission of Taxes: viz.

- Z. Allen, Upon the Petition of Zachariah Allen;
 - P. Allen, Upon the Petition of Philip Allen, for the Exemption of Sam Allen;
 - J. Rogers, Upon the Petition of Joseph Rogers: -
- Which Reports are received, - and it is thereupon ordered, that said petitioners severally have leave to withdraw.

Fines & Surm. The following petitions for the repayment of fines paid on convictions for violations of the "Ordinance in relation to Skins," are presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Police, to examine and report thereon, viz:

- R. Caldwell Petition of Robert Caldwell
- F. W. Conick Petition of Francis Mc. Bermicks,
- P. Mc. Cabe Petition of Peter Mc. Cabe,
- M. Mc. Moran Petition of Michael Mc. Moran,
- E. Garrett Petition of Ellery Garrett,
- M. Shaw Petition of Mary Shaw
- J. Lane Petition of James Lane. (for fine & costs)

A Petition of Stephen A. Phillips, Treasurer of the Poor: for an increase of salary: is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Police, to examine and report thereon.

A bill entitled "An Ordinance in Amendment of an Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance in relation to Dogs,'" is read and passed.
(Concerned)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Mayor & Commr. The Standing Committee to equip Ordinances taken on the 29th of January last, was referred the communication from the Mayor, then made to the City Council: make Report upon the Subjects therein contained, (excepting the claims of Edward Dexter against the City,) accompanied by the following Resolutions: - which Report, read and received: and said Resolutions, are severally read and passed: viz:

Resolved, That so much of the Message of the Mayor, as relates to the layout of Exchange Place and Cove Street, be, and the same hereby is, referred to the City Solicitor, to examine into the subject, and report to the Council, what action, (if any,) is necessary to be taken by the City, in relation to said Place and Street.

Exchange Place & Cove St.

(Concerned)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Resolved, That the Board of Aldermen be, and they are hereby requested to lay out a new Street sixty feet wide, from the Bridge near the State Prison, Southerly, to Cove Street, in conformity with the provisions of an Act entitled "An Act for laying out Highways."

Street near State Prison.

(Concerned)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Resolved, That so much of the Message of the Mayor, as relates to a new Street West of Moshamsuck River, be and the same is hereby referred to the Committee on Highways

Street West of Moshamsuck River.

(Concurred.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Highways
&
Bridges.

Resolved, That Messrs Hayes, Johnson and Paine, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to apply to the General Assembly at its present session, for the purpose of an Act explanatory or in amendment, of an Act entitled "An Act for the mending of Highways and Bridges," so as to exempt the City of Providence from liability to pay Damages for injuries resulting from snow or ice remaining in the Streets of said City.

(Concurred: J. Alderman Hooper added.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Whelden
Case.

Resolved, That the Commissioners of the North Burial Grounds be, and they are hereby authorized to sell and convey to Joseph Whelden, the strip of land which has recently been the subject of dispute in the case "Joseph Whelden vs Philip W. Martin"; - and that, in case said Commissioners and said Whelden are unable to agree upon the amount of purchase money therefor; said Commissioners are hereby authorized to unite with said Whelden, in submitting said question to arbitration.

(Concurred.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Borton
&
Dedder
Case.

Resolved, That the Mayor be, and he is hereby authorized to settle the cases pending in the Court of Common Pleas, between Charles Borton and Seth Aldrich, City Treasurer, and William Dedder and Seth Aldrich, City Treasurer; - upon such terms as he may deem advisable; and that

the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay over to such person or persons as may be designated by the Mayor, such sums or sums of money, as shall be determined upon in said settlement; - the same to be paid out of the Appropriation for "Contingencies";

(Concurred.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

William Richardson proposed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence; and is read: viz;

"Resolved That the City Treasurer be, and is, hereby, authorized to demand and receive from the Providence Institution for Savings, the balance due the late Wm. - leam Richardson, and to give a satisfactory receipt therefor."

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

Rev Geo. Co. & Co. proposed the Standing Committee on City Property, to whom on the 29 of January last, was referred the Account of the Providence Gas Company; make Report, which is read and received.

Do. Upon the Report of the Standing Committee on City Property, refer the Account of the Providence Gas Company; - Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay the amount of said bill, viz; five hundred and twenty nine, $\frac{74}{100}$ dollars, to said Providence Gas Company.

(Concurred.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Do. A Resolution to authorize the City Treasurer, em-

see the advice and direction of the Standing Committee on City Property, to contract with the Providence Gas Company, for a supply of gas, for one year from the first of January, 1855, upon such terms as they may deem expedient; is presented and read; and it is moved that the same pass: - which motion is put, and lost.

Resolved, That the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, do to whom on the 29th of January last, was referred the Memorial of Geny W. Chapin and Abiel Sampson upon the following Resolutions; which are read and passed: - viz.

Resolved, That the Chief Engineer cause the Fountain in the Deen Meadow, (so called,) to be raised, to conform to the grade proposed for the adjoining lots: - the expense to be paid, out of the Appropriation for the Fire Department, provided the same shall not exceed one hundred dollars.

Resolved, That one hundred and fifty Dollars be and the same hereby is appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of filling the lot in the Deen Meadow, (so called,) belonging to the City: - the same to be paid to the Order of the Standing Committee on the Fire Department.

(Concurred.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Resolved, That a Communication from the Mayor, returning to the Common Council, the Resolution passed on the 29th of January last, - electing to adopt and confirm the Report of the Commissioners of streets and openiment relative to the laying out and extension of Donnan Street, - not approved by him; - with his objections to said Resolution; - is presented

and read, Whereupon it is moved, that said Resolution again pass; (notwithstanding present objections.) On which motion, the question is taken by ayes and nays: and it is ordered, that the same be entered upon the Journal, as follows: viz.

<u>Ayes.</u>	<u>Nays.</u>
Mr. President,	Mr. Burt,
" Anthony,	" Goddard,
Perston,	Taylor,
Carpenter,	Fillingham 4
Cornell,	
Crory,	
Francis,	
Holliston,	
Hopkins,	
Johnson,	
Lester,	
W. Paine Jr.	
A. Payne,	
Rider,	
Saunders,	
Stokes,	
Stone,	
Webster,	
Watcott,	
Winant. 20.	

Said Resolution is then put, by a majority of all persons elected to this Board.
(Concurred.)

Resolved, That the Chief Engineer be and he is hereby authorized to invite the Builder of the Steam Fire Engine recently constructed for the City of Boston, and which has already been exhibited in several cities, - to visit this City, with his Engine, for the purpose of exhibition and trial. And the

said Engineer is authorized to draw upon the Treasury, for the expense of said visit and trial, provided the same shall not exceed the sum of one hundred dollars: - the same to be paid out of the appropriation for the Fire Department.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Mayor Williams A Memorial of the Roger Williams Corporation, requesting the City to sell or lease a strip of land adjoining the rear of their meeting house lot: - is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon.

Loans The Resolution to authorize a temporary loan of not exceeding \$100,000, which was on the 29th of January last, passed to this meeting: is called up, read and passed, as follows, viz

Resolved That the City Treasurer, acting under the advice of the Standing Committee on Finance, be authorized to borrow, for the use of the City, a sum of money not exceeding One Hundred Thousand Dollars.

(Concurred, February 28, 1855.)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Harbour Line Resolved, That Mr. Johnson, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be a Committee to apply to the General Assembly, for the passage of an Act empowering the City Council to alter and establish a Harbour Line on the West side of the River, running from Dorrance Street, South to Sapafras Point

(Concurred, February 28, 1855. Alderman Knight added)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Trinity Street The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom,

on the 13th of January last, was referred the Resolution to request the Board of Aldermen to proceed to lay out & extend Transit Street, from East to Governor Street, - make Report recommending the passage of said Resolution: - which Report is received, and laid upon the Table.

Arnold Street The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 29th of January last, was referred the Petition of John Lewis and others, for the laying out and extension of Arnold Street and Transit Street, to Governor Street; - report a Resolution for such extension of Arnold Street: - which Report is received, and laid upon the Table.

H. B. Northrup A Memorial of Nelson B. Northrup, requesting a renewal of the lease of the lot of land, near the Branch Bridge, in North Providence; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon.

Leases of City Land Resolved, That the City Treasurer be requested to furnish the Council, the names of the leases of City lands, with the terms and conditions of said leases, and the size and location of the lots, and the estimated value of improvements thereon.

(Concurred, February 28, 1855)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Lot on Exchange Place A Resolution in the words following, is presented and read, viz

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to take suitable conveyances of the lot of land lying between Exchange Place, Washington, Fisher and Fuller Streets, from the owners thereof; And that the Committee on Finance be and they are hereby instructed, to report,

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at the next meeting of the Council, the proper form of Bonds to be issued in payment for said lands; in accordance with the contracts between the City and the owners of the same; Whereupon, it is agreed, that the same be referred to Messrs Bantam, Goddard and Lester, to examine the deeds and title offered; to hear the opinions of the Council of the City, relative to the same; and to report at the next meeting of the Common Council.

joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

^{Sanjour} Robert Manchester is elected ^{Sanjour} General of ^{Sanjour} Lumber.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Wednesday the 28th day of February instant, at half past 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

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| Mr President. | Hopkins, |
| Anthony, | Johnson, |
| Bantam, | Lester, |
| Buck, | W. Parise Jr. |
| Carpenter, | A. Payne, |
| Canell, | Ricker, |
| Cray, | Saunders, |
| Francis, | Stoker, |
| Goddard, | Sturw, |
| Hellbrook, | Taylor. |

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" Fillinghast,
Hobbs

" Westcott,
Winn.

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Albert Greene,
Clerk.

Common Council, February 28th 1855.

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

^{Sanjour} The following Petitions, for the reduction of Taxes, ^{Sanjour} are presented, received, and referred to the Assessors of Taxes, for the present municipal year, to report thereon: viz:
Petition of John B. Howell and wife, for reduction
Petition of Henry B. Waterman, for reduction.

^{Do.} The Assessors of Taxes for the present municipal year, to whom on the 22^d of January last, were referred the petition of William Ellis; and to whom on the 29th of January last, were referred the petitions of John B. Edgerly and D. C. Tencher.

Benjamin J. Labadie
William Douglas
and Isaac W. Norton;
and to whom on the 12th day of February instant, were referred the petitions of Thomas H. and William A. Greene,
Emma J. and Emma D. Smith
John Bantam, Agent for F. Foster
Guardian of E. W. Corliss & S. T. Watson
John Greene,

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David Goudey
Charles Stewart
and Henry B. Anthony, Administrators of
Genl. Rivers: for the redemption
and redemption of Bonds: - make Report, which is
read and received; and it is ordered, that the
same be referred to the Standing Committee on Finance

The Standing Committee on Police, to whom, on the
12th of February instant, was referred the petition of
Robert Caldwell, for repayment of fine and costs,
for a violation of the Ordinance in relation to Swine's
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.

The Standing Committee on Police, to whom on
the 12th of February instant, was referred the Resolu-
-tion from the Board of Aldermen, for repayment of
\$10, being the amount of a fine paid by Peter Cox,
for violation of the Ordinance in relation to Swine's,
make Report, recommending a new ordinance
in said Resolution; which Report is received,
and it is thereupon resolved, that the Common
Council do not concur in the passage of said
Resolution.

The Standing Committee on Police, to whom, on
the 29th of January last, was referred the petition
of Bryan Barrett for repayment of a fine; -
and to whom, on the 12th of February last, was re-
ferred the petition of James Lane, for the repay-
ment of a fine; - Report the following Resolution,
which is read and passed: viz:
Resolved, That the Treasurer be, and he is hereby
directed to pay to James Lane and Bryan Bar-
rett, each, the sum of Ten Dollars; being the

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amount of fine imposed on them, respectively, by
the Police Court, for the violation of the Or-
dinance concerning Swine.

(Continued with the following Amendment,
viz: - That the name of "Peter Cox" be
added in the 3rd line.)

The Common Council concur in the Amend-
ment.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

The Standing Committee on Police, to whom, on the
12th of February instant, was referred the petition of
Stephen S. Phillips, Overseer of the Poor, for
an increase of Salary; - make Report, by
Bill entitled "An Ordinance in Amendment
of an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance fix-
ing the Salaries of certain Officers": (said
Bill increasing said Salary to \$700.) - which
Report is read, and recommended to
said Committee, for further examination
and Report.

The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom,
on the 8th of January last, was referred the Com-
munication from the Mayor, enclosing a Com-
munication to him, from the President of the
Watford, Providence, and Fiskhill Railroad
Company; - report the following Resolution,
which is read and passed: viz:

Resolved, That the Board of Aldermen
are, hereby authorized to exchange the Bonds
of the Watford, Providence, and Fiskhill Railroad
Company, issued under the Connecticut Statute,
to the amount of \$28,000, for an equal amount
of Watford Bonds of said R.R. Co. issued under
the Rhode Island Statute.

(Continued.)

Water
minor
Valley
Street,
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A Petition of Niles Burges and others, owners of real estate between Valley Street, and the Rail Road, for the prevention of further damage to their lands, by water turned upon them from Broadway and other Streets: - is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Market
Square,

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

viz: "Resolved, That the Survey of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to take under the direction of the Committee on Highways, - to cause Market Square to be graded, and paved with granite blocks, or with the "Nicholson Pavement"; -"

Whereupon, it is ordered, That the same be opened to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

O.W. Prince

A Petition of O. W. Prince, for the remission of a fine and costs, incurred by him for a violation of Ordinance, by depositing oyster shells and ashes in a public street; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Police, to examine and report thereon.

Deers of
City
Property

The Standing Committee on City Property, to whom on the 29th of January last, was referred the Resolution from the Board of Aldermen, to authorize the City Treasurer, under the advice of the Mayor to lease any portion of the City property, which has been heretofore leased, for a term not exceeding five years; - make Report recommending a concurrence therein, with an Amendment thereto, striking out the word "five", and inserting the word "one" in its place; - which Report is received, and laid upon the Table,

Salaries
of
Teachers.

Resolved, That the School Committee be, and they are hereby authorized to pay to the male Teachers of the Public Schools, annual salaries not exceeding Eleven Hundred Dollars each.
(Concurred, March 12, 1855)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

City
Treasurer
Office.

The Standing Committee on City Property, to whom on the 29th of January last, was referred the Resolution relative to the Office of the City Treasurer make Report recommending the passage of the same which Report is received; and said Resolution is read and passed; as follows: viz:

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be authorized to see the Committee Room on the floor of the Council Chamber; and vacate his present Office, for the use of His Honor, the Mayor.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Let no Mr. Bantam, for the majority of the Committee to Exchange (when on the 12th of February) in last, was offered Place, the Resolution to direct the City Treasurer to take suitable conveyances of the Lots of Land lying between Exchange Place, Washington, Baker City Hall, and Fulton Streets from the corner thereof; make Report recommending the Council to enter the contract, by accepting the deeds and guarantee now offered."

And Mr. Goodard, a minority of said Committee, makes Report, dissenting from the recommendation of said majority; - which Reports are read, and are severally received; and it is ordered that said Reports be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing.
(Concurred)

Do.

The following Resolutions, reported by the majority of said Committee, are read, viz.

Resolved, That the City Treasurer, acting under the advice of Messrs. Bartow, Westcott and Lester, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be, and he is hereby authorized, to accept the Deeds of the Lot of Lands bounded by Exchange Place, Washington, Fallon and Baker Streets, of- fered by Elisha Dyer Jr. Thos. B. Lyman and W. C. Snow, Trustees; Thos. B. Lyman and Caroline Lyman, Mrs. F. J. Vinton and her children, A. H. and A. W. Aldrich, Thomas Brown, Jewett and Catherine Westcott, and Carl Carpenter Trustees; with Bonds of Indemnity from Thos. B. Lyman and wife and Mrs. F. J. Vinton and her children; - and to pay, for the same, the sum of Seventy-five Thousand Dollars, (\$75,000.) to be divided among the several parties, as they may mutually agree.

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to issue the notes of the City, to the several parties named in the preceding Resolu- tion, for the amounts respectively due them, on time not exceeding six months and at a rate of interest not exceeding six per cent.

It is moved, that said Resolutions pass. Upon which motion the question is taken by Ayes and Nays, and it is agreed that the same be entered upon the Journal; as follows: viz:

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| <u>Ayes.</u> | | |
| Mr. President, | Johnston, | Minor, |
| Anthony, | Lester, | |
| Bartow, | W. Paine Jr. | |
| Carpenter, | Ryder, | |
| Canell | Lairdus | |
| Crang, | Stokes | |
| Francis, | Stone | |
| Hollbrook, | Wolster | |

Nays.

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| Mr. Burch | Taylor, | |
| Giddard | Billinghast, | |
| Hoyses, | Westcott, | 7. |

(Mr. H. Payne being excused from voting)
Said Resolutions are therefore passed.
(Conceded; and Alderman Rathbone added)

Resolved, That Mr. Johnson, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be a Committee to apply to the General Assembly, for the passage of an Act, by which all persons duly appointed and employed under the Ordinance of the City estab- lishing a Fire Department, shall be exempt from serving as jurors.

(Conceded, Alderman James, added)
(Approved by the Mayor)

The Report of the Standing Committee on Highways, upon the Resolution from the Board of Aldermen to request the Board of Aldermen to cause Bacon Street, to be laid out and widened to the width of thirty-three feet; - which Report was on the 13 of November last, laid upon the Table; - is taken up and read. Whereupon, it is agreed that the same be recommended to said Committee, with instruction to report an estimate of the cost of said proposed widening of the Street.

Do. The Report of the Standing Committee on High- ways, upon the Resolution from the Board of Aldermen, for the setting of curb stones and paving of gutters in Bacon Street; which Report was on the 13th of November last, laid upon the Table; is taken up and read. Whereupon, it is agreed that the same be recommended to said Committee, with instruction to report an

Henry Petitions of *Holland Henry*,
and wife *N. Ghazidini*,
 The *Boys William* *Freewill Baptist* *Cooperation*,
Nathaniel A. Smith
 and *Elihu N. Duffer*: for liberty to mend
 certain wooden buildings; are presented, received,
 & referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire De-
 partment, to examine and report thereon: which
 Committee make Reports, in favour thereof: and
 said Reports are severally received, and Resolutions
 granting the prayers thereof, severally, (on condition
 that said petitioners give bond as required by
 Ordinance:)- are read and passed.

(Concurred: (excepting on petition of *N. Ghazidini*:)
 which was withdrawn from Bd of Aldermen)
 (Approved by the Mayor.)

Do A Petition of *John Conley*, for liberty to mend a certain
 wooden building, is presented received and referred to
J. Conley the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to ex-
 amine and report thereon: - which Committee make
 report in favour thereof: - which Report is received:
 and it is ordered that the same be laid upon the
 Table.

Do Petitions of *Bradford Allen*,
Rena's Head
 and *Walter S. Barges*, for liberty to mend
 certain wooden buildings: are presented, received,
 and severally laid upon the Table.

Overser The Standing Committee on Police to whom, on the 28th of
with *Par.* February last, was recommended their Report then made
 by Bill, entitled An Ordinance in amendment of an
Salary Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance fixing the Salaries
 of certain Officers." make Report, recommending the
 passage of said Bill, (said Bill increasing the Salary of the

Revenue of the Poor, to \$7000.- which Report is
 received; and said Bill is read and passed.
 (Concurred.)
 (Approved by the Mayor.)

Scrap for *the Poor* } *Resolved*, That the Board of Aldermen be, and they
 are hereby authorized to draw upon the Treasurer,
 for the amount of *Hollis Chaffin's* bill, for the
H. Chaffin supply of Soup for the Poor: - the same to be
 paid out of the Appropriation for the Support of
 the Poor.
 (Concurred.)
 (Approved by the Mayor.)

School *Room* *at* *Asylum* } *Resolved*, That this Board, the Mayor, and the
 Board of Aldermen be, and they are hereby
 authorized, to provide a suitable room, for a
 School Room, in one of the out buildings on
 the Asylum Farm; - providing the cost thereof
 shall not exceed the sum of Five Hundred Dol-
 lars.
 (Concurred.)
 (Approved by the Mayor.)

Law *D. R. Clapp* } An Account of *Tamara Ames*, for services and
 expenses, as counsel in the case *Daniel R. Clapp*
City vs the City of Providence, amounting to \$780.⁵⁶/₁₀₀;
 is presented, received, and referred to the Standing
Finance *Bill* } Committee on Finance, to examine and report
 thereon.

Iron *from* *the* *Cove* } *Resolved*, That the Committee appointed to superintend
 the erection of the Iron Fence around the Cove;
 and the *Cove* } *Remanded*: be, and they are hereby authorized
 to cause suitable pipe and fixtures to be
Gas *fixtures* } laid and connected with the lamp posts on
 said *Remanded*; and that they be authorized to draw
 on the Treasurer, for a sum not exceeding the

sum of Fifteen Hundred Dollars.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Do. Resolved, That the sum of Two Thousand Dollars be added to the Appropriation for the Green Fence around the Court; and that the same be paid out of any money not otherwise appropriated.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Gas Fixtures, Resolved, That the sum of One Thousand Dollars be added to former Appropriation for Gas Fixtures; and Approved that the same be paid out of any money in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Donance Street. Resolved, That Messrs Doyle, W. Paine Jr. and Allen, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to confer and advise with the Surveyor of Highways, relative to the opening of Donance Street; the disposition of buildings standing on the same, and all matters connected therewith.

(Concurred, & Adam and Rockwell added.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Do. Resolved, That a Petition of David Whipple, praying that his building on Donance Street, may be permitted to remain, until the expiration of the present lease thereof, or until further order of the City Council; is presented read and received.

Do. Resolved, That the Petition of David Whipple, this day presented to the City Council; - it is ordered, that the same be referred to the joint Committee, this day appointed to advise with the Surveyor of Highways,

relative to Donance Street.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Crisp Walks } A Resolution in the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and it reads: viz:

- "Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to lay the following cross walks: viz:
- One across Beowolf Street: West side of Hope Street;
- One across Hope Street: North side of Beowolf Street;
- One across Hope Street: South side of Beowolf Street;
- One across Corke Street: North side of Power Street;
- One across Corke Street: North side of Charles Field Street;
- One across Corke Street: South side of Beowolf Street;
- One across Beowolf Street: West side of Corke Street;
- One across Beowolf Street: East side of Brown Street;
- One across Power Street: West side of Corke Street."

Whereupon it is ordered that the Common Council do concur therein, with the following amendments: viz: that the following words be added: viz:

- "One across Rudd Street, East side of Thayer Street;
- One across Gaspee Street, opposite the Prison."

(The Board of Aldermen concur in the amendments.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Nelson C. Northup. The Landing Committee on City Property, to whom, on the 12^o of February last, was referred the Petition of Nelson C. Northup, for a renewal of lease: report the following Resolution: which is read and passed: viz:

Resolved, That the Petition of Nelson C. Northup for a renewal of lease, be referred to the Commissioners of the North Burial Ground,

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

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Let any
Exchange
Place. } Communication from the Mayor returning to the
Common Council the Resolutions passed on the 28th
of February last, authorizing the City Treasurer
to accept the deeds of the lots of land bounded
City Hall. } by Exchange Place, Washington, Baker and
Fulton Streets; - not approved by him, with
his objections to said Resolutions; is presented
and read.

Whereupon, the following Resolutions are read and
passed, viz:

Resolved, That the City Treasurer, acting under
the advice of Messrs Barrett, Westbrook and Lester,
with such as the Board of Aldermen may add,
he and he is hereby authorized to accept the
deeds of the lot of land bounded by Exchange
Place, Washington, Fulton, and Baker Streets,
offered by Elisha Dyer Jr. Henry B. Lyman
and William C. Snow, Trustees, Henry B. Lyman
and Caroline Lyman, Mrs Francis J. Vinton and
her children, A. K. and A. W. Bedwch, Thomas
Brown, Josiah Westbrook and Catherine Westbrook,
and Carl Carpenter, Trustees; - with Bonds of
Indemnity from Henry B. Lyman and wife, and
Mrs Francis J. Vinton and her children; and
Bonds from Elisha Dyer and from Mrs Francis
J. Vinton respectively, against any claim by
them or their heirs respectively, as heirs at law
of Mrs Caroline Lyman, to that third part of the
Dyer Lot (so called) which the Trustees of Mrs
Lyman, in case she shall decease without living
issue, must convey to said Elisha Dyer and
Francis J. Vinton as their heirs, as heirs at law of
Mrs Lyman; and also a Bond from Henry B.
Lyman, that his son, on arriving at the age of
twenty one years, shall execute and deliver
to the City, a deed, with proper covenants of war-
ranty, of the said third part of said Lot; -

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and to pay for the same, the sum of Seventy-
five Thousand Dollars. (\$75,000) to be divi-
ded among them, the several parties, as they
may mutually agree.

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and
he is hereby directed, to issue the notes of
the City, to the several parties named in the
preceding Resolution, for the amounts res-
pectively due them; on time, not exceeding
six months, and at a rate of interest not
exceeding six per cent.

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(Approved by the Mayor.)

Chilera } A Communication from the Mayor, enclosing a
Communication made to him, by Dr. Edwin M.
Dr & Co. } Snow, upon the Statistics and Causes of the Cholera
Snow. } Cholera, as it existed in the City in 1854; with
a Resolution of the Providence Medical Associ-
ation, relating thereto; - is presented and read.
Whereupon, it is ordered, that said Resolution
of the Providence Medical Association, together
with the Communication of Dr. Edwin M. Snow
be printed in the newspapers employed to do the
City printing; and that five hundred copies
of the same be printed, in pamphlet form, for
the use of the City Council.

(Continued)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Harboring
Line.

The joint Committee appointed on the 12 of Febru-
ary last, to apply to the General Assembly, for the
purpose of obtaining an Act empowering the City Council to
alter and establish a Harbour Line on the West
side of the River, running from Irons Point
South, to Soapbox Point; - make Report, that
they have attended to that duty, and have procured
the passage of such Act; - which Report is

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

(Concurred)

Do. Resolved that the subject of the alteration of the Harbor Line, on the West side of the River, be referred to a select Committee, consisting of Messrs Barstow, Hayes and Anthony, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add; and that said Committee cause notice to be published in the newspapers employed to do the City advertising, - for the space of ten days, - of the time and place of the meetings of said Committee.

(Concurred, and Aldermen Knight added.)

(Approved by the Mayor)

Resolved, in the words following, Having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for concurrence, and is read: viz:

"Resolved, That the sum of Five Thousand Dollars be added to former Appropriations for digging the mud from the channel of the River, between Weyliffet Bridge and Smith's Wharf, Per Part; - And the Treasurer is hereby authorized to pay the same upon the order of the Committee appointed to superintend said work."

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

Resolved, The Resolution from the Board of Aldermen, to request the Board of Aldermen to proceed under the Act for laying out Highways; and to cause Bacon Street to be laid out and widened to the width of thirty three feet; - which was, on the 28th day of February last, recommitted to the Standing Committee on Highways, with instructions to report estimates of cost; is now read; (such estimate having been this day reported;) Whereupon, it is resolved that the Com-

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mun Council do concur therein.

Do. The Resolution from the Board of Aldermen, for the setting of curb stones and paving of gutters in Bacon Street, whenever the proprietors of the adjoining estates shall furnish curb stones, which was, on the 28th day of February last, re-committed to the Standing Committee on Highways, with instructions to report estimates of cost; - is now read; (such estimate having been this day reported;) Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Council do concur therein.

Resolved, The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 28th day of February last, was referred the Report of the Assessor of Taxes, then made, upon certain petitions for the remission, reduction and repayment of Taxes, report the following Resolution which is read and passed: viz:

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to the following named persons, the sums applied to their respective names, the said sums being in remission of Taxes improperly opened against their several estates, in the year 1854: provided, it shall appear to the Treasurer, upon the Certificate of the Collector of Taxes, that the several sums have been paid into the City Treasury;

If it shall appear to the City Treasurer, that any of said taxes have not been paid into the Treasury; - then he shall credit the Collector of Taxes, with the amount so unpaid; and the Collector of Taxes shall deduct the several amounts, hereby remitted, from the several taxes of the persons hereinafter named: viz:

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Charles Atwood,	14. 20
D. B. Jencks,	6. 72
John Bartow, agent,	30. 60
William Douglas,	21. 28,
James Barnes,	28. 00
John W. Eddy,	5. 60
David Guider,	11. 76.
Henry B. Anthony, Guardian.	12. 88.
(Balance)	
(Approved)	

Do. The Standing Committee on Finance also make Report on the following petitions for the remission, &c. of Taxes, recommending that the petitioners have leave to withdraw:

- On petition of Richard Waterman,
- On petition of Paris Hill, Trustees of Spring Chapel,
- On petition of Friends' Free Meeting School,
- On petition of Paschal Carpenter,
- On petition of Benny Bangs,
- On petition of W. Irving Ellis,
- On petition of Gaud W. Norton,
- On petition of G. J. and E. D. Smith

Which Report is read and received: and it is thereupon ordered, that said petitioners severally have leave to withdraw.

Do. Said Committee also make Report on the petition of Lemuel B. Shepard, for remission of Tax: recommending that said petitioner have leave to withdraw: which Report is received: and said petition is again referred to said Committee.

Do. The following Petitions for the remission of Taxes, are presented, received, and referred to the Assessors of Tax, as for the present municipal year: to report thereon: viz: Petition of Charles Lefferts, Petition of George W. Hopkins,

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West Water Street, -
The Commissioners of estimate and assessment relative to the contemplated widening of West Water Street, to whom on the 8th of January last, was referred the Memorial of Carl Carpenter, relative to that subject, - make Report, that they have come to the conclusion that they have no power under their Commission, to act in the premises: - which Report is read: and it is ordered that the same be received.

City of Hartford } Resolved, That the Hospitalities of the City of Providence be, and the same are hereby, tendered to the Municipal Authorities of the City of Hartford: and that the Mayor be, and he is hereby, requested to extend to them, an invitation to visit this City, at such times as shall be agreeable to them.

Resolved, That Messrs. Day W. Farnell, Goddard, Francis and Westcott, with such of the Board of Aldermen may add, be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to make suitable arrangements for the reception and entertainment of the Municipal Authorities of the City of Hartford as the guests of this City.

(Balance March 21st 1855, & the Mayor & ^{and some others 22nd 1855.})
(Approved by the Mayor.)

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Friday the 30th days March instant, at half past 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present,

W. President
Allen,
Anthony,
Bartow.

.. Bask
Carpenter
Cornell,
Craw,

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" Francis,
Gossett,
Ginnell
Hayes,
Hollink
Hopkins,
Johnson
Lester,
Massa,
W. Parie Jr.

" A. Payne,
Rider,
Saunders,
Stokes,
Stone,
Tayler,
Tillinghast,
Webster,
Webster,
Winnor.

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Abat Greene, Clerk.

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

D.R. A communication from Francis C. Gardner, United States Marshal, relative to the execution "Daniel R. Clapp in the City of Providence" is presented and read.

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed, under the advice of the City Solicitor to pay the Execution "Daniel R. Clapp in the City of Providence" returnable at the June Term of the Circuit Court of the United States, for the District of Rhode Island; with the interest thereon. (Carried)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

30 The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 12th of March instant, was referred the Account of Samuel Ames: make Report by the following Resolution,
and Ames: make Report by the following Resolution,

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which is read and passed: viz:
Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to Samuel Ames Esq. ~~the~~ hundred and eighty ^{75.00} dollars, in full for his services and expenses in the case "Daniel R. Clapp vs the City of Providence"
(Carried)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

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

- Hape St. & Drain St. Petition of Rippon Spague and others; for extension of Hape Street Drain, from Charles Field to Gray Street;
- Bridge St. Petition of George W. Chapin and Abiel Sampson; for the grading of Bridge and Central Streets, and the paving of gutters on;
- Baptist St. Petition of Smith Peltier & others, for crosswalks, in Baptist Street.

The Standing Committee to enquire into the same: to Edward Dexter on the 29th day of January last, was referred the communication of the Mayor, then made to the City Council, make Report on so much thereof as relates to the claims of Edward Dexter against the City; - by offering the subject of said claims to the City Council. Whereupon a Resolution is moved, that the City Solicitor be authorized to enter a Rule of Court, in behalf of the City, to refer all causes of action subsisting between said Edward Dexter and the City, to the decision of a Referee to be agreed upon by the Mayor and said Dexter; and in case of their failure to agree, - to be appointed by the Court in which said Rule shall be entered; - which

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motion is put, and lost.

Reports of Bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to Taxes." the appointment of a permanent Board of Assessors of Taxes; is presented and read. Whereupon, it is ordered that the same be referred to the Standing Committee to enquire Ordinance, to examine and report thereon.

The Standing Committee on Finance report the following Resolution: which is read and passed: Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to the following named persons, the sums appertaining to their respective names; the said sums being in arrear of Taxes imposed by several orders against their several estates, in the year 1854: provided it shall appear to the Treasurer, upon the Certificate of the Collector of Taxes, that the several sums have been paid into the City Treasury). If it shall appear to the City Treasurer, that any of said taxes have not been paid into the Treasury, - then he shall credit the Collector of Taxes with the amount so unpaid; and the Collector of Taxes shall deduct the several amounts hereby committed, from the several Taxes of the persons hereinafter named:

- Richard and Rufus Watkinson, Trustees of heirs of Sally Thompson. \$72. 27.
- Lephael B. Shepard. 9. 17.
- Sam Lewis 2. 40.

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The following Petitions for the remission of Taxes; are presented, received, and referred to the Assessors of Taxes for the present municipal year; to report thereon: viz. Petition of Henry F. Davis:

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Petition of Sarah Bailey.
Petition of J. H. Bartshorn.

A Petition of Augustus M. Wheeler, for Liberty to erect a certain wooden building; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee and the Police Department, to examine and report thereon.

Resolved, That the Salary of the Mayor, for the year ensuing, the first Monday in June next, shall be Fifteen Hundred Dollars, payable quarterly. (Comm. 1) (Approved by the Mayor.)

The Committee appointed on the 29th of January last, to apply to the General Assembly for the passage of a Bill entitled "An Act in relation to the election of School Committee in the City of Fairhaven"; make Report that they have prepared the passage of such Act: - which Report is read; and it is ordered that the same be received. (Comm. 1) (Approved by the Mayor.)

Resolved, That Messrs. Taylor, A. Payne, Hayes, Bartow, Rider, Lester & Gray, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to nominate to the City Council, at their next meeting, twenty persons, as candidates for election as members of the School Committee (Comm. 1 & Aldermen Hall & Knight added) (Approved by the Mayor.)

The Committee appointed on the 28th of February last,

Presented to the General Assembly, for the passage an Act by which all persons duly appointed and employed under the Ordinance of the City, establishing a Fire Department, should be exempted from serving as Jurors: make Report that they have prepared the proposed an Act entitled "An Act in Amendment of an Act in Amendment of an Act entitled An Act in relation to Jurors"; - (said Act exempting the Officers only of the Fire Companies.) - which Report is read. Whereupon it is ordered that the same be received. (Concurred April 5. 1855)

Edwin H. Brown - A Memorial of Edwin H. Brown, offering to sell the City, a chandelier, now in the building purchased by the City of the Pioneer Fire Company; - is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon.

Water Street - A copy of the Report of the Commissioners of estimates and assessment, respecting the widening of West Water Street, appointed by the Supreme Court at their September Term 1854; is presented and read, together with the following Memorials in relation to the subject: viz

Memorial of Earl Carpenter & of Elisha Harris, for the heirs of Joseph Harris: -

A Memorial of Earl Carpenter and others: -

A Memorial of William Grosvenor.

And a Resolution that the City Council do elect to make said improvement, is presented and read.

Whereupon it is ordered, that said Resolution, with the accompanying papers, be postponed to the next meeting of the Common Council.

Donner Street - A Resolution in the words following, is presented and read: viz

Resolved, That Messrs with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be a Committee to confer with the parties interested in the extension

of Donner Street, as to the left and damage benefit and advantage, apportionment and assessment to each. And the said Committee be fully authorized, to agree and settle with said parties, for the lands or improvements required for said extension, or for benefits applied; upon such terms as may be deemed satisfactory to said Committee.

Whereupon, it is moved, that said Resolution pass, upon which motion the yeas and nays are taken by Ayes and Nays; - and it is ordered, that the same be entered upon the Journal; as follows: viz:

Ayes
 Mr. President,
 Bartow,
 Holbrook,
 Hopkins,
 Johnson,
 Lister,
 W. Paine Jr.,
 Rider,
 Stone,
 Weber,
 Winsor. 11.

Nays
 W. Anthony,
 Park,
 Cornell,
 Goddard,
 Ginnell,
 Hayes,
 Maynard,
 Stokes,
 Taylor,
 Tillinghast,
 Herbert. 11

Said motion is therefore lost.

Health - Resolved, That Messrs Hayes, Bartow and Winsor and such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be a Committee, to enquire and report, whether any, and if any, what, further legislation is necessary for the preservation of the health of the City.

(Concurred April 5. 1855 & the Messrs and Aldermen mentioned added)

City Messengers - A Resolution in the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down, for concurrence,

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and is read, viz:
Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to the order of the City Sweeper, five Dollars per month, to pay for sweeping offices, and making fines & said allowance to commence the first of December last;
 Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do not concur therein.

Let on the joint Committee appointed on the 12th of March Exchange instant, to advise the City Treasurer respecting the acceptance of the deeds of the lots of land bounded by Exchange Place, Washington, Pullin and Baker Streets; make Report that they have examined the deeds and the Bonds named in the Resolution appointing said Committee; and have advised the City Treasurer, to accept the same; and that the same have been accepted, and the Deeds recorded; — which Report is read and received.

(Commenced, April 5, 1853)

Sent ^{man} _{of} ^{the} _{wharf} } A Resolution in the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for circulation, and is read, viz:

"Resolved, That the Committee appointed to clear out the Channel, be and they are hereby directed to have the sand removed from the River, opposite Jonathan Peck's wharf."
 Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein.

The Common Council adjourn, to meet, on Monday the 9th day of April next at half past 7 o'clock, P.M.

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| <u>Members present,</u> | |
| Mr. President, | " Lester, |
| Anthony, | Howe, |
| Benton, | W. Parie Jr. |
| Bush, | H. Payne, |
| Carpenter, | Rider |
| Carroll, | Sanders, |
| Croxy | Stokes, |
| Fordland, | Stone, |
| Grinnell, | Taylor, |
| Hays, | Tillinghast, |
| Hollister, | Webster, |
| Hopkins, | Watcott, |
| Johnson, | Winn. |

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Attest
 Mark J. Greene,
 Clerk

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

By the Council

The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, and the Resolution of the Common Council, of October 20, 1854, is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance; and it is ordered that the same be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing.

Surveyor's Report

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

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

Mainy Petitions of Johna Bacon (Buildings) and Alfred Peepall, for liberty to mend certain wooden buildings; are presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon, which Committee make Reports, in favour thereof, and said Reports are severally received: - and Resolutions granting the prayers thereof, severally (on condition that said petitioners give bonds as required by Ordinance,) are read and passed.

(Concurred) (Approved by the Mayor)

Dr. A Petition of the People William Baptist Society, for liberty to move a certain wooden building; is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon,

Dechenio Rifles. A Petition of "The Mechanic Rifles," for the use of the Ball in Engine House No 6, as an Armory, is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon,

Nonproven Taxes. A Petition of George Johnson, for remission of Taxes: is presented, read, received, and referred to the Assessors of City Taxes for the present Municipal year; to report thereon.

Mr. M. Read. A Memorial of William M. Read, requesting examination and allowance of a claim for compensation for time and labour expended by him, in the preparation

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of plans specifications and proposals," for the erection of two School Houses, for the City: - is presented read and received, and it is ordered, that the same be postponed to the next meeting of the City Council.

Dr. Resolved; That the vote of the Common Council to purchase the Memorial of William M. Read, this day passed; be rescinded: and that said memorialist have leave to withdraw.

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

Broadway's Petition of Percen M. Stone & others, for the widening and straightening the Western end of Broadway, and for the widening of the Bridge near the Railroad: -

High Street Petition of William A. Howard & others, for the paving of High Street, to Easter Street: -

Irms St. Petition of Thomas R. Holden and others, for the setting of curb stones and paving of gutters, in Irms Street: -

Trid. St. of H. P. Franklin Petition of Trustees of Estate of Henry P. Franklin, deceased; for leave to connect a private drain with the Colvest in Westminster Street.

PSW R.R. Co R.R. A Petition of the Providence and Worcester Railroad Company: for liberty to extend their rails of the West side of the River, to a point below the point where the same are now permitted to be laid: - is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon,

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Manning } The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to whom
Railroad } on the 30th of March last, was opened the petition
 of *Whelan* } of *Suzanne* M. *Whelan*, for liberty to remove a
 certain wooden building: - make Report, in favor
 thereof: which Report is received, and it is
 ordered, that said petitioners have leave to withdraw

Do. A Resolution to direct the Standing Committee to en-
 gage Ordinances to report on Ordinance limiting
 the privilege of citizens in reference to the removal
 of old Buildings: - is presented and read, and
 it is moved, that the same pass: - which motion
 is put, and lost.

Bridgeport } The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on
Street } the 30th of March last, was opened the Petition
 of *Chapin* } of *Geny* W. *Chapin* and *Milib* *Tompson*, for
Central } the grading of *Bridgeport* and *Central* Streets,
Street } and the paving of gutters therein: make Report
 in favor thereof: - which Report is received, and
 it is thereupon ordered, that said petitioners
 have leave to withdraw.

Eddy } The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom
Street } on the 9th of October last, was opened the petition of
 the *New* } *England* Screw Company and others, for the
 paving of *Eddy* Street: - Report the following
 Resolution: which is read and passed; viz:
 Resolved, that the Sawyer of Highways,
 he and his *Henry* be directed to cause that part
 of *Eddy* Street lying between *Point* Street
 and the *Granite* line, to be paved: provided
 the owners of the adjoining estates shall furnish
 suitable curb stone for the same.

(Concurred. April 10. 1853)
 (Approved by the Mayor)

Harbour } The joint Committee to whom on the 12th of
Line } March last, was opened the subject of the
 alteration of the *Harbour* Line on the West
 side of the River, under the power granted
 by the General Assembly at their January
 Session, A.D. 1853; make Report, accompanied
 by the following papers: viz

1. A bill entitled "An Ordinance estab-
 -lishing the West Harbour Line": -
2. A Resolution for the erection of a stone
 bands in the angle of said proposed
 line: -
3. A Resolution to direct the City Solicitor
 to examine, and report to the City Council
 whether, in his opinion, any lands which
 may be filled in between the present
 shore and said proposed line, - will
 fall under the jurisdiction of the City.
 And the same having been read: - it is
 ordered, that said Report, together with the accom-
 panying papers, be put upon the next meet-
 ing of the Common Council; and that the
 same be printed in the newspapers employ-
 ed to do the City printing.

Dorland } A Resolution, in the words following, having passed
Street } the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for circula-
 tion, and is read: viz:

"Resolved, That Aldermen *Hall* and *Thayer*
 with such as the Common Council may add, be
 a Committee to confer with the parties interested
 in the extension of *Dorland* Street, as to the loss
 and damage, benefit and advantage, appropria-
 -ment and apportionment to each. And the
 said Committee are hereby authorized to agree
 and settle with said parties, for the lands and
 improvements required for said extension, or for

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benefits offered, upon such terms as may be deemed satisfactory to said Committee."

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

<p><u>Ayes.</u> Mr. President, Carpenter, Cray, Hopkins, Johnson, Lester, Mason, W. Paine Jr., Saunders, Stone, Tillinghast, Webber, Winsor. 13.</p>	<p><u>Nays.</u> Messrs. Anthony, Barlow, Cornell, Francis, Goddard, Hayes, Holbrook, A. Payne, Stokes, Taylor, Webster. 12.</p>
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The Common Council therefore concur in said Resolution.

Messrs. Webber, Goddard, Hayes, Barlow, Doyle Francis and Winsor added to the Committee.

West Water Street. } The Resolution relative to the widening of West Water Street; which, (with accompanying papers) was in the 30th of March last, reported to this day; is taken up and read: as follows: viz:

"Whereas, the Commissioners of estimates and expenditure, in the matter of widening West Water Street, in the City of Providence, appointed by the Supreme Court, on the September Term thereof in the County of Providence, under an Act entitled "An Act in relation to the laying out, enlarging, straightening, or otherwise altering,

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Streets in the City of Providence;" have made their first Report to said Court: Now therefore, within thirty days after the making of said Report: Resolved, That the City Council elect to make said improvement."

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

<p><u>Ayes.</u> Mr. President, Anthony, Barlow, Carpenter, Cornell, Cray, Francis, Hayes, Hopkins, Johnson, Lester, Mason, Saunders, Stokes, Stone, Taylor, Tillinghast, Webber, Winsor. 19.</p>	<p><u>Nays.</u> Messrs. Barlow, Holbrook, A. Payne, Webster. 4</p>
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Said Resolution is therefore passed. (Concurred)

Resolved A Resolution in the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down, for concurrence, and is read: viz: Resolved, That the Board of Engineers be, and they are hereby requested, to report, at their next

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meeting of the Canal, their opinion as to the best means of protection to property against fire: - whether by sinking the present Culverts in Downe Street, so that the water from the Canal may flow through it, at all stages of the tide; or by sinking fire-wells, at proper distances, in that portion of the Street not yet laid out.

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

Joined in Convention of the City Council.

Sub Convention.

School Committee The joint Committee appointed on the 30th of March last, to nominate to the City Council, twenty persons, as candidates for election as members of the School Committee; now make such nomination; and the twenty persons named by them are elected members of the School Committee.

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the 16th day of April instant, at half past 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr President,
Anthony,
Bartow,
Bark,
Carpenter,
Canell,

" Crory
Flavin,
Gouldard,
Ginsell,
Hayes,
Holloway,

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Hopkins,
Jefferson
Lester,
Mason,
W. Parise Jr.
D. Payne,
Ridder,
Sanderson.

Stetson,
Stear,
Taylor,
Tillinghast
Webster,
Wheat
Wheat.

27.

Robert Green,
Secy.

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

Meeting
holding
of Pike

A Petition of Jonathan Pike for liberty to mend a certain wooden building, is presented read and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon: - which Committee make report, in favour thereof, and a Resolution granting the prayer of said petition, (on condition that said petitioner gives bond or security by Aldermen,) is read and passed.

(Carried April 23rd 1855)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Remission
of Tax,
A. Alexander

A Petition of Abraham Alexander, for the remission of Tax: is presented, read, received, and referred to the Officers of Taxes, for the present municipal year, to report thereon.

R.P. & F.
R. P. Co.,
Thoms.

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

and is read; viz: That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to exchange with the Hartford, Providence and Poughkeepsie Rail Road Company - Bonds now held by the City, and secured by the Certificate of Mortgage, for an equal amount of Bonds secured by the Rhode Island Mortgage; for such sums as the Board of Aldermen may, from time to time, advise and direct."

Whereupon, it is ordered that the same be referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

351. A Resolution in the words following, having passed the Board of Aldermen; is sent down, for concurrence

and is read; viz:

"Resolved, That the Mayor and Aldermen Nathbone, with such as the Common Council may add, be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee, with full power and authority to cause a Census of this City, to be taken; and to collect such facts and statistics as they may think advisable to embody therewith, for the purpose of exhibiting the business and prosperity of this City."

Whereupon, it is ordered, that the Common Council do concur therein. Messrs Taylor, Quinsell, Allen, Canell, Anthony, Lister and Stone added to the Committee

(Approved by the Mayor)

352. A Petition of John Mc Guinep and Philip Carroll, for remaneration for damage to their premises, by the flow of water from Broadway towards Valley Street; is presented; received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

353. A Resolution to direct the paving of the gutters and setting of curb stones in Bond Street, from Fenner to Stewart Street; having passed the Board of Aldermen; is sent down for concurrence; and is read. Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

354. Resolutions to direct the removal of the rubbish from the public streets between Washington Bridge and the Hogmarket; -

and to direct the Surveyors of Highways, to replace the pavement, and lay a cross walk in front of the Army of the Puritan Artillery, on Canal Street; -

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

355. Petitions of James Blitch, and Scott Seagrave, both of Newbury, in the State of Massachusetts, severally claiming the reward offered by the Board of Aldermen in December last, of \$500, for the apprehension of Charles B. Scott; - are presented, received, and severally referred to the Standing Committee on Police, to examine and report thereon.

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

"Resolved, That Alderman Knight, with such as the Common Council may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee, with full power to settle the claim of Mr. George G. Hawkins, for injuries received in consequence of an obstruction in High Street, in April last." Whereupon it is resolved, that the Common Council

as concurred therein. Messrs Westcott, Mason and Thayer added to the Committee.
(Approved by the Mayor.)

A Communication from the Board of Engineers, is presented reads and received, & laid upon the Table.

Hydroants. Resolved, That the Chief Engineer be directed to cause Hydroants to be attached to the pipes of the Rawson Fountain Society, every five hundred feet, in Westminister Street, below Aborn Street; and in Broad Street below Mathewson Street: -

Reveries Smith's Child. Also, that he cause a cement Cistern to be built on Smith's Hill, opposite the Eighth Baptist Church: -

Angell Street. Also, that he cause Reveries to be dug, at the junction of Angell and Hope Streets; and on Hayer Street, between Transit and Power Streets: - provided, that the expense of the aforesaid works shall not exceed the sum of twenty five hundred dollars.

(Concerned)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Water Closet. Resolved, That the Standing Committee on City Property be, and they are hereby directed to cause such repairs to be made upon the Water Closet in the Market House, as they may deem expedient;

(Concerned, April 27, 1855)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Visit to the Common Council. A Communication from the Board of Aldermen, inviting the Common Council to visit the Leicester Hyland on Saturday the 5th day of May next, at 3 o'clock P.M. is presented and read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the invitation of the Board of Aldermen be accepted.

City Hall. The Resolution for the appointment of a Committee to

procure designs and plans for a City Hall, which was laid upon the Table on the 9th of October last; - is taken up, read, and passed, as follows: -

Resolved, That Messrs Benten, Allen and Hopkins, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be a Committee to procure designs and plans for a City Hall to be located upon the Dyer Lot, - with the estimated cost of building the same; and to report to the Council at its regular meeting, at an early day.

(Concerned: and Alderman Hughes added.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

A. H. & A. W. Aldrich. A Petition of Alfred H. Aldrich and Susan W. Aldrich, for compensation for loss and damage caused by delay in laying out Dismore Street, and for delay in the part of the City in accepting their lot of land on Exchange Place, is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

Board of Aldermen. The Standing Committee to engross Ordinances, to whom, on the 30th of March last, was referred the Bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the appointment of a permanent Board of Assessors of Taxes" now report said bill amended: - which Report is received, and said Bill is read and passed.

(Concerned)

Bridgman's. The Standing Committee on Highways present the following Resolutions, which are read and passed: -
Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to George W. Chapin and

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That Sampson, out of the Appropriation for Highways, - one half of the cost of setting the curb-stones and paving the gutters in Central Street, Major Street, and that part of Bridgman Street lying between Broad and Pond Streets; when such said Chopin and Sampson shall furnish curb stone for the same, (which shall be approved by the Street Commissioners,) set the same, and pave the gutters, and grade the said Street; - provided all contracts for said work, shall be made under the advice and to the satisfaction of the Surveyor of Highways.

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to furnish to Messrs Chopin and Sampson, paving stone for the same, whenever required.

West Water Street.

Whereas, the Commissioners of estimate and expenment in the matter of the lay-out and extension of West Water Street, have made their Report; and whereas, the City Council have elected to make the said improvement; and whereas, in the opinion of this Council, if the same can lawfully be done, it would be expedient to have the said Report so amended, that said Street shall be laid out and extended according to the plan prepared by Carl Carpenter and others, in their Memorial to this Council; - therefore, Resolved, That the City Solicitor be, and he is hereby directed to take such measures, if practicable, as may lead to the re-commitment of the said Report to the said Commissioners, with instructions to amend the same, so as to lay out and extend said Street according to the plan prepared by Carl Carpenter and others, in their Memorial to this Council.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

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South Water Street, } It possible and Resolution in the words following, are presented and read: viz. Whereas, the Commissioners of estimate and expenment in the matter of widening and extending South Water Street, in the City of Providence, appointed by the Supreme Court, at the March Term thereof, A.D. 1854, in the County of Providence, under the Act entitled "An Act in relation to the laying out, enlarging, straightening or otherwise altering Streets in the City of Providence," have made their first Report to said Court; - Now therefore, within thirty days after the making of said Report; - Resolved, that the City Council elect to make said improvement.

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

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| <u>Yeas.</u> | <u>Yeas.</u> | <u>Nays.</u> |
| Mr President | " Rider, | Mr Hopkins |
| " Allen | Launders | 1. |
| Anthony, | Stokes, | |
| Barrett, | Steele | |
| Bark, | Taylor, | |
| Canell, | Tillinghast, | |
| Francis | Wells | |
| Gouldard, | Watcitt | |
| Ginneth | Winnor, | 24. |
| Colbrook | | |
| Jehann, | | |
| Lester | | |
| Mason, | | |
| W. Paine Jr. | | |
| A. Payne, | | |

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The same are thereby passed.
(Now concurred April 30, 1855)

Resolved, That the Board of Aldermen be and they are hereby requested to cause that portion of Denance Street lying between Broad and Pine Streets, to be widened, so that the easterly line of said Street shall range with the westerly line of Howard's Building on said Street, and continuing said line to the South West corner of the building on Denance and Pine Streets, belonging to G. T. Swarts; as appears by a Plat of said proposed change in Denance Street, surveyed and plotted, April 13, 1855, by W. S. Haines; - the said work to be done under, and according to, the "Act in relation to laying out Highways."

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Do. Messrs Goddard, Hayes and Bartow, of the Committee appointed on the 9th of April instant, to confer with the parties interested in the extension of Denance Street, and to settle with said parties for the lands or improvements acquired therefor; or for benefits offered, &c. - are, at their request, excused from serving on said Committee, and Messrs Bark, Johnson and Pillinghast are appointed in their places.

Do. Resolved, That the Resolution passed on the ninth of April instant, appointing a joint Committee to confer with the parties interested in the extension of Denance Street, as to the loss and damage, benefit and advantage, apportionment and offerment to each; and to agree and settle with said parties, for the lands or improvements required for said extension; or for benefits offered; - be; and

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The same is hereby repealed.
(Now concurred, April 23, 1855)

Do. The Board of Engineers who were by the Resolution of the 9th of April instant, requested to report their opinion respecting the best means of protection from fire, in Denance Street; make Report, which is read and received.

Do. Resolved, That the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department be, and he is hereby directed, to cause a Reservoir to be constructed in Denance Street, between Broad and Middle Streets.

(Concurred, April 23, 1855.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Do. A Resolution directing the Survey of Highways, to cause the School House Lot at the junction of the Ridge and Sharp Streets, to be brought to the grade of the adjoining Streets; is read and passed.

Do. A Resolution in relation to the cutting off the westerly end of the Union Buildings, on Water Street; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Friday the 27th of April instant, at half past 7 o'clock P.M.

Members present,
Mr President
Allen
Anthony,

Bartow,
Bark,
Cornell,

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Francis,
Gouldard,
Ginneth,
Hayes,
Helmuth,
Hopkins,
Johnson,
Lester,
Mason,
W. Paine Jr.

A. Joyner,
Kider,
Lauder,
Stokes,
Stone,
Tayler,
Tillinghant,
Webster,
Watcull,
Winnor, 26.

Albert Greene,
Clerk.

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

Read & Estate } A Memorial of J. B. G. Faurel Guvand, Vice Consul of the French Empire, for the parts of Newport and Providence in the State of Rhode Island, demanding to be put in possession of the Real Estate of the Heir at Law of Alexis Teste, deceased; - is presented, read & referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

Sends to } A Petition of William M. Bailey father, for the removal of the sand &c. discharged into the River from the Ferry Street Drain; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

A Resolution to permit the survey of estates in

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Drain } the vicinity of Calender Street, from Fountain to Calender } to construct a Drain, from Fountain to Salin Street, to the Collect in Salin Street; and to enter said Collect; - is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

A. B. O. } A Petition of Samuel B. Surfe and others, Streets } praying the City Council to cause A. B. and C. Streets to be laid out, through to Central Street, under the Act entitled "An Act in relation to the laying out, enlarging, straightening, and otherwise altering Streets in the City of Providence"; is presented, read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Canal Basin } A Communication from the Board of Engineers Subject } relative to the Collect in Canal Street and the Canal St. } Basin near that Street; is presented and read. Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to enquire respecting the ownership of the lands adjoining the Canal; and to report thereon.

Resolving } Received, That the Chief Engineer be, and he Smith St. } is hereby authorized to construct a Cement Cistern at the corner of Smith and Jefferson Streets, instead of the one already ordered near the Eighth Baptist Church.
(Ordered, April 30, 1855.)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Moving } Petitions of Paden Angell and Isaac M. Wood, for liberty to move buildings } across wooden buildings; are presented, read, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Five

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Department, to examine and report thereon; which Committee make Reports in favour thereof; which Reports are severally received; and Resolutions granting the prayers of said petitions severally, (on condition that said petitioners give bonds as required by Ordinance,) are read and passed.

(Carried)
(Approved by the Mayor)

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R.W. Bishop Society.

The Standing Committee on the Jail Department, to whom, on the 9th of April instant, was referred the petition of the Regent Willsons Baptist Society, for liberty to move a certain wooden building; make Report that they do not recommend the granting of the prayer thereof; which Report is received; and it is thereupon ordered, that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Par. Committee
John Greene.

The Standing Committee on Finance to whom on the 12th of February last, was referred the petition of John Greene; report the following Resolutions; which is read and passed: viz.

Resolved That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to John Greene, seventeen $\frac{64}{100}$ Dollars; being in remission of a part of a tax improperly assessed against his estate in the year 1854; provided it shall appear to the Treasurer, upon the Certificate of the Collector of Taxes, that the same has been paid into the City Treasury. If it shall appear to the City Treasurer, that the same has not been paid into the City Treasury; - then he shall credit the Collector of Taxes with said amount, with the interest thereon.

(Carried, April 30. 1855.)
(Approved by the Mayor)

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J.W. Smith
Remission of Taxes

A Petition of John W. Smith, for remission of Tax; is presented received, and referred to the Officers of Taxes for the present municipal year; - to report thereon.

Iron Pipe for Fire Purposes.

Resolved, That the Board of Engineers be, and they are hereby requested to report, at as early date as practicable, a detailed plan, with estimates, for laying iron pipe, with suitable hydrants for fire purposes, from the steam pump on Eddy Street, to and connecting the same with the steam pump of Mathewson and Allen, on Broad Street; and connecting this pipe with the steam pump of the Elm Street Manufacturing Company on Elm Street; and continuing the same to the steam pump of the New England Bell Company, and thence to the pump of the Providence Dyeing, Bleaching and Coloring Company; - Also, from the steam pump of the Providence Tool Company and the steam pump of the Eagle Screw Company and connecting the said pipe with the steam pump of Gotham Co. in Steeple Street; and also extending the pipes on Benefit Street, and connecting with those on South and North Main Street, through the entire length of said Benefit Street.

Steam.

Resolved, That the Board of Engineers be, and they are hereby requested to report what arrangements can be made with the several owners of steam pumps in the proposed route, for a constant head of steam.

(Carried, April 30. 1855.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Geo. G. Hawkins, Resolutions in the words following, Chas. J. [unclear]

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The Board of Aldermen, is sent down, for concurren-
ce, and is read; viz:

"Resolved, that the City Treasurer be and he
is hereby directed to pay to George G. Baw-
kins, the sum of five thousand and eight ²⁴/₁₀₀
dollars (\$508. 24/100) in full for injuries
sustained by him in consequence of an ob-
struction in High Street, and for costs in-
curred by him; upon receiving from said
Bawkins, a full discharge for all claims and
demands against the City, for Damages and
costs on account of such injuries."

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

Iron
Fence
around
the Cove.

Resolved, that the sum of Five Thousand Dollars
be added to the Appropriation for Iron Fence
around the Cove; and that the same be paid
out of any money not otherwise appropriated.
(Concurred, April 30. 1855)
(Approved by the Mayor)

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

"Resolved, that the Committee on the Fire De-
partment, be and they are hereby directed to
report to the next meeting of the City Council
the propriety of extending the operation of
the Act entitled "An Act concerning the
erection of Buildings in the City of Providence",
to other parts of the City, not now included
within the limits therein defined."

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

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Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways
be and he is hereby instructed to proceed
forthwith, and reset the Trees around the
Doctor Training Ground, on the grade es-
tablished by the Street Commissioners.
(Concurred, April 30 1855)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Books
sent
to
Robert.

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

Resolved that the Surveyor of Highways, act-
ing under the advice and direction of the Stand-
ing Committee on Highways, be directed to
cause a suitable Reservoir to be built in
South Main Street, to hold the deposits of
sand from the Park Street Culvert.
(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Park
Street.

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

Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways
be, and he is hereby directed to cause the
curbstones to be set and gutters paved, in
that part of Park Street lying South of Smith
Street; provided the owners of the adjoining
lots shall furnish curb stones for the same.

College
Street,
Drain.

The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on
the 13 of November last, was referred the Petition of
William M. Bailey and others; report the follow-
ing Resolution; which is read and passed; viz:
Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be,
and he is hereby directed to build a Drain through

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that part of College Street lying between Benefit and Respect Streets.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor)

Boyle } The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 18th of September last, was opened the petition of John F. Phillips & others, report the following Resolution; which is read and passed: viz:

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause the curb stones to be set and the gutters paved, on Boyle Street, whenever the owners of the adjoining estates shall furnish curb stones for the same.

(Concurred.)

(Approved by the Mayor)

North } A Petition of John Whipple and others, for the widening Main } of a part of North Main Street, is presented, read and Street. } received.

Do Whereas, in the opinion of the City Council, it is desirable and necessary to widen North Main Street, in this City, from a point at the North West corner of the brick building on the estate owned by Anna E. Arnold, of Springfield, to a point at the South West corner of the building on the estate owned by Richard and Elizabeth Waterman; so that the East line of said Street, between the estates aforesaid, shall be on a line with the West line of the buildings on said Estates; - And whereas, certain real estate will be required for that purpose; -

That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to make application to the Supreme Court of this State, for the appointment of Commissioners of estimate and apportionment, under and according to the Act entitled "An Act in relation to the laying out, enlarging, straightening, or otherwise altering streets in the

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City of Providence; and that the City Council be hereby directed 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, in the ratio of the benefits conferred.

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

(Concurred, April 30 1853.)

(Approved by the Mayor)

Passit } The Resolution relative to an extension of Transit Street. } that, which was laid upon the Table on the 12th of February last, is taken up, read and passed, as follows: viz:

Resolved, That the Board of Aldermen be and they are hereby requested to proceed, to lay out a Street, under the provisions of the Act entitled "An Act for laying out Highways," from East Street to Governor Street; as an extension of Transit Street.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor)

Arnold } The Resolution relative to an extension of Arnold Street. } Street; which was laid upon the Table on the 12th of February last, is taken up, read and passed, as follows: viz:

Resolved, That the Board of Aldermen be, and they are hereby requested to proceed, to lay out a Street, under the provisions of the Act entitled "An Act for the laying out of Highways," from East Street to Governor Street; as an extension of Arnold

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Street.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor)

Union Buildings. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 16th of April instant, was referred the Resolution relating to the cutting off the Western end of the Union Buildings; make Report that they do not recommend the passage thereof. - which Report is read, received and adopted.

Friendship Street. Resolved that the Board of Aldermen be, and they are hereby requested to proceed, to lay out a Street under the provisions of the Act entitled "An Act for laying out Highways," from Eddy Street to Orange Street; as an extension of Friendship Street; -

Clifford Street. And also, to lay out, under the same Act, a Street from Eddy Street to Dyer Street, as an extension of Clifford Street.

(Concurred. April 30, 1853.)

(Approved by the Mayor)

Bridgeman St. Mayor's Council. The Resolutions to direct the City Treasurer to pay to George W. Chapin and Abiel Sampson, out of the appropriation for Highways, one half of the cost of setting the curb stones and paving the gutters in Court Street, Major Street, and that part of Bridgeman Street, lying between Broad and Pond Streets, (upon certain conditions); - which paper the Common Council on the 16th of April instant, and was then sent up for concurrence; is now returned by the Board of Aldermen, who concur therein, with the following Amendment, viz: That the following words be added therein, to wit: "provided Messrs Chapin and Sampson give a bond to the City, that they will reset the curbing and repave the gutters, provided said work shall settle within a year after it is finished."

Chapin & Sampson. The Board of Aldermen concur in the Amendment of the Resolution, with the following Amendment, viz: That the following words be added therein, to wit: "provided Messrs Chapin and Sampson give a bond to the City, that they will reset the curbing and repave the gutters, provided said work shall settle within a year after it is finished."

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Which Amendment is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein, with the following Amendment thereto, to wit: That the following words be added, viz: "And provided, further, that the Owners of Highways furnish said paving stone, whenever the same can be done without causing delay to the Highway with already ordered." (to which motion, the question is taken by ayes and noys: and it is ordered that the same be entered upon the Journal, as follows. viz:

Ayes.

Alex. Batteny, Bark,

Cornell,

Giddan,

Guinnell,

Hoops,

Hollark,

Jehon,

Mann,

Taylor,

Tillinghast,

Webster 12.

Noys.

Mr President

Bartow,

Hanis,

Lester,

Rider,

Stokes,

Winnor.

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The Common Council do cheerfully concur in the Amendment of the Board of Aldermen, - with said Amendment thereto.

(The Board of Aldermen concur in the Amendment of the Common Council.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the 14th day of May next, at 8 o'clock P.M.

Members present,

Mr President.

Mr Allen.

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Mr. Anthony,
" Bartlett,
Bash,
Cornell
Crary,
Francis,
Giddard,
Ginnell,
Hayes,
Hollark,
Hopkins,
Johnson,

" Lester,
Mason,
W. Payne Jr.,
A. Payne,
Rider,
Stakes,
Stow,
Tayler,
Tillinghast,
Waters,
Westcott,
Winsor. 25.

Abel Greene, Clerk

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

For 11. The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council of October 28th 1852, is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance; And it is ordered that the same be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing.

For 12. The Monthly Report of the Surveyor of Highways is presented, read and received.

For 13. The Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, is presented, read and received.

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J. Wareing, A Petition of Samuel Warner, for a reduction in the Assessing tax; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance for the present municipal year, to examine and report thereon.

Fillmore, A Petition of Francis Mc Cormick & Ellen Ganett, for remission of the fine, for violation of the Ordinance in relation to "Swine," is presented, received and referred to the Standing Committee on Police, to examine and report thereon.

Rail Road Dept. A Petition of John B. Winslow Superintendent of the Providence and Worcester Rail Road, and of Saml A. Brooks, Superintendent of the Boston and Providence Rail Road, for the passage of an Ordinance to enable them to maintain good order at the passenger stations of said Roads; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Police, to examine and report thereon.

J. H. Sylvester, A Memorial of Theodor W. Sylvester, requesting compensation for injuries received by a fall in Broadway; is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Moving Buildings, Petition of Stephen Brown Jr, Elisha A. Duffee, Elisha A. Duffee, & John Fox, for liberty to move certain wooden buildings; and a Memorial of Lorenzo Vaughan, against the granting of said petition of John Fox; are presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon.

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Resolved, That Messrs Hayes, Gould and, and Johnson, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be a Committee to make application for the City, to the General Assembly, at its next session, for the passage of a law authorizing the Mayor, with the approval of the Board of Aldermen, to appoint the City Marshal, Police Constables and Watchmen of the City; and giving to the Mayor, the power of removing said Officers from Office.

(Continued.)

The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 9th of October 1854, was referred the Petition of John P. Humber and others, for a cross walk in John Street; - & to whom on the 8th of January 1855, was referred the petition of Uastis R. Nightingale and others, for cross walks in Popert Street; - and to whom, on the 3rd of March 1855, was referred the petition of Smith Patten and others, for cross walks in Popert Street; - make Report in favour thereof; which is read and received.

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways he and he is hereby directed to cause cross walks to be laid in the following places: viz,

- One across John Street, at the summit of the same.
- One across Popert Street, on the West side of Butler Street.
- One " Popert Street " " East side of Hoppin Street.
- One " Hoppin Street " " South side of Popert Street.
- One " Popert Street " " East side of Cushing Street.
- One " Popert Street " " West side of Cushing Street.
- One " Popert Street " " East side of Meeting Street.
- One " Popert Street " " West side of Meeting Street.
- One " Jackson Street " " North side of Washington Street.
- One " Jackson Street " " South side of Washington Street.
- One " Washington Street " " East side of Jackson Street.
- One " Washington Street " " West side of Jackson Street.
- One " Benefit Street " " South side of Arnold Street.

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- One across Broad Street, near the entrance to the gates of the Grove Church Cemetery.
 - One across Star Street, on Benefit Street.
 - One across John Street, on the East side of Broad Street.
 - One across Broad Street, on the North side of John Street.
- (Continued.)

The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 16th of April last was referred the Petition from the Board of Aldermen, for the setting of curb stones and paving gutters in Pond Street, from Fenner to Stewart Street, & to remove the curbs of the adjoining lands furnish curb stones for the same; - make Report recommending a concurrence therein; - which Report is received; and it is thereupon Resolved, that the Common Council do concur in the passage of said Resolution.

The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 23rd of August last, was referred the Resolution relative to the purchase and delivery of Curbing Stone, by the Surveyor of Highways; - make Report that they do not recommend the passage of the same; which Report is received and adopted; and a motion that said Resolution pass, - is put and lost.

The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 2nd of May, 1854, was referred the petition of Benjamin Patten et al. for a cross walk in Westminster Street; make Report that they do not recommend the granting of the prayer thereof; - which Report is received; and it is ordered, that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 8th of May, 1854, was recommended their Report then

make relative to the repairing of Market Square, with instructions to report upon the expediency of paving the same with blocks; - make Report recommending that the paving be done with pebbles; - which Report is read, received, and laid upon the Table

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Docks. { The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 24th of May, 1852 was referred the Resolution for the removal of the Mud from the Docks at the foot of James and Ship Streets; - make Report, that they do not recommend the proposed change; - which Report is received; - and a motion that said Resolution pass; - is put and lost.

^{Iron}
^{Pipes}
^{for}
^{Fire}
^{Purposes.} { The Board of Engineers, who were by Resolution passed on the 27th of April last (April 30) requested to report a detailed plan, with estimates, for laying Iron Pipes, with Hydrants, for Fire purposes, through certain parts of the City; and also to report, what arrangements can be made with the owners of Steam Pumps, on the proposed route, - for a constant head of Steam; - make Report; which is read and received; and it is ordered, that the same be postponed to the next meeting of the Common Council; and that the same be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing.

Engine
No 1. { A Communication from the Board of Engineers, relative to the Engine in charge of Engine Co No 1, is presented and read.

Do. { Resolved, that the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department be and he is hereby authorized to purchase a new Fire Engine, for the City, at a cost not exceeding eleven hundred Dollars, to be paid from the Appropriation for the Fire Department,
(Concurred)

^{Calvert}
ⁱⁿ
^{Friendship}
^{Street.} { The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 15th of August 1853, was referred the Resolution relative to the opening of the Calvert in Friendship Street; make Report, in favour of the proposed change; which Report is received, and said Resolution is read and passed, as follows, viz:

Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to cause the openings of the Calvert in Friendship Street, near the corner of Richmond Street, to be permanently closed; and make such alterations in the gutters, as may be necessary.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

West
Union
Buildings. { A Petition of B. B. Wiley and others, for the widening of Westminster Street, at the West end of the Union Buildings; is presented, read, received, and referred to Messrs Webster, Grinnell, Hayes, W. Paine Jr, Batherly, Francis and Co., to examine and report thereon.

Harbour
Side. { The Report of the joint Committee upon the subject of the alteration of the Harbour Line of the West side of the River, which was, with the accompanying papers, on the 9th of April last, presented to the next meeting, with an order that the same be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing; - having been printed pursuant to said order; - is taken up and read.

The Resolution accompanying said Report, (for an examination and report by the City Solicitor, whether any land which may be filled in between the shore and the proposed line, will fall under the jurisdiction of the City;) - is read; - and a motion that the same pass, is put and lost.

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The Bill accompanying said Report, entitled "An Ordinance establishing the West Harbor Line" is read. and it is moved that the same pass. Upon which motion the question is taken by Ayes and Nays, and it is ordered, that the same be entered upon the Journal; as follows.

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| <p>Ayes.</p> <p>Mr President,</p> <p>Anthony,</p> <p>Baxter,</p> <p>Carpenter,</p> <p>Canell,</p> <p>Cray,</p> <p>Finley,</p> <p>Hughes,</p> <p>Johnson,</p> <p>Lester,</p> <p>Mann,</p> <p>W. Paine Jr.</p> <p>Rider,</p> <p>Sayles,</p> <p>Stokes,</p> <p>Stow,</p> <p>Taylor,</p> <p>Winnor, 18.</p> | <p>Nays.</p> <p>Mr Allen,</p> <p>Bush,</p> <p>Gouldard,</p> <p>Ginnell,</p> <p>Hedden,</p> <p>H. Payne,</p> <p>Tillinghast,</p> <p>Webster,</p> <p>Watcutt, 9.</p> |
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Said bill is the same paper.
(Concurred, May 21, 1835.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

The following Resolution, accompanying said Report, is read and passed: viz:
Resolved, that Messrs Anthony, Bush and Lester, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby directed to cause a suitable Stone Bound to be erected at the point of the angle in the West Harbor Line this day established between Serrano Street Wharf and Sapafras Point; said bound to be of suitable

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diameter, and to show eight feet above the high water mark: - the part out of water, to be painted white.
(Concurred, May 21, 1835. & all James add'd)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Resolved, that Messrs Gouldard, Hayes and Johnson, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to make application to the General Assembly, at its May Session, instant, for the passage of an Act authorizing the City Council of the City of New Haven, to straighten the Harbor Line on the East side of the River and said City, between such points as said City Council may deem advisable, from the South side of Seth Adams's Wharf, to Fox Point.

joined in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

The Resignation of Willard Sayles, City Solicitor, is presented and accepted.

Dr. James M. Blake is elected City Solicitor

The resignations of Richard Brownell and William Gammell, as members of the School Committee, are presented and accepted.

Dr. William T. Ginnell
& Samuel S. Greene are elected members of the School Committee.
Shubael B. Brownell is elected a Measure of grain, salt & wood

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The two Bonds separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet, on Monday the 21st day of May instant, at 8 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

Mr President.

Allen.

Anthony.

Barstow.

Bark.

Carpenter

Canell

Coary

Hanus

Gulldard.

Ginnell.

Hays.

Hollister.

Hopkins.

Jepson

Lester.

Maun

W. Parson Jr.

A. Payne.

Rider.

Saunders.

Stokes.

Stone.

Taylor

Tillinghast

Wheeler.

Westcott

Winsor.

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Albert Greene. Clerk.

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

The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 16th of April last, was referred the Resolution upon the Bond of Aldermen, authorizing the City Treasurer to exchange with the Hartford,

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Providence and Fishkill Railroad Company, Bonds held by the City, & secured by the Connecticut Mortgage, for an equal amount of Bonds secured by the Shull Island Mortgage, for such sums as the Board of Aldermen, may, from time to time, advise and direct. - make Report, recommending a concurrence therein; which Report is received, and it is thereupon, resolved, that the Common Council do concur in the passage of said Resolution.

(Approved by the Mayor.)

The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to whom, on the 14th of May instant, were referred the several petitions of Stephen Brewin Jr.

Elisha H. Durfee,

Elisha H. Durfee,

and John Fox, for lib-

erty to move certain wooden buildings; - make Reports, in favour thereof; which Reports are received; and Resolutions granting the passage of said petitions, severally (on condition that said petitioners give bonds as required by Ordinance,) are read and passed.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

The Standing Committee on Finance report the following Resolution which is read and passed.

Resolved, that the sum of eleven \$1000 be paid to Benjamin G. Pabodie, in remission of a tax imposed against him upon land not owned by him

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor)

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A.H. to the Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 16 of April last, was referred the Petition of Alfred H. Adrich and Anson W. Howch, for compensation for loss and damage or delay in accepting their deed of land on Exchange Place; to: - make Report, which is received and it is thereupon ordered, that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Remission of Taxes. That the Standing Committee on Finance be discharged from further consideration of the Reports of the Officers of Taxes upon sundry petitions for the remission of taxes, - which Reports were referred to said Committee on the 29th day of January last, and on the 28th day of February last.

Appropriation. The Standing Committee on Finance report the following Resolution: which is read and passed:

Resolved, That the following sums be added to former Appropriations and that the same be paid out of any moneys in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated: -

- For Public Schools, Six Thousand Dollars;
 - Contingencies, Five Thousand Dollars;
 - Improvement of Public Grounds, One Thousand Dollars;
 - Gas Fixtures, One Thousand Dollars;
 - Iron Fence around the Cove, One Hundred Dollars;
 - Hayland Walls & Buildings, Five Hundred Dollars;
- (Carried)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Mr. Howch's Memorial of William Howch enclosing his Account, for carriers fees and expenses of ingrossment on the body of Hezekiah B. Moulton, is presented,

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read and received.

Do. Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to William Howch, the sum of ten Dollars and ninety-two cents; being the amount of his Account for fees and expenses for a carriers ingrossment upon the body of Hezekiah B. Moulton, on the 4th of May, A.D. 1854: - the same to be paid from the Appropriation for "Contingencies".

Harbor Line } The Resolution to appoint Messrs. Giddens, Hoops, and Johnson, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, a Committee to apply to the General Assembly at its May Session, for the passage of an Act authorizing the City Council to straighten the Harbor Line on the East side of the River, between such points as the City Council may deem advisable, from the South side of Seth Adams's Wharf, to Fox Point, - which Resolution passed the Common Council on the 14th of May instant, and was then sent up, for consideration: - is now returned by the Board of Aldermen, - who concur therein with the following Amendment:
viz That the following words be added after the word "Point" in the 11 line: - viz "and to establish a Harbor Line from Fox Point to Judia's Point".

Alderman Kalkbrenner added, which amendment is read. Whereupon it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur in said Amendment.
(Approved by the Mayor)

Guaging of Quays. A Bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to

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Grading and the Appointment of Gasgers" - is presented, read and passed.

(Concurred May 30. 1855.
(Approved by the Mayor)

Health. The joint Committee appointed on the 30th of March last, to enquire and report, whether any, - and if any, - what further legislation is necessary for the preservation of the Health of the City? - Report the following Resolution; which is read and passed: viz:

Resolved, That Messrs. Bayne, Giddard and Johnson, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to make Application to the General Assembly, for such legislation, as in the opinion of the City Solicitor, may be necessary for the more effectual preservation of the Health of the City.

(Concurred May 20. 1855.
(Approved by the Mayor)

Westminster Union Buildings. The Committee to whom on the 14th of May) instant, was referred the petition of B. B. Wiley and others, for the widening of Westminster Street at the West end of the Union Buildings; - make Report that it is inexpedient to widen said Street at that place; and recommend that said petitioners have leave to withdraw. - which Report is read and received; and it is thereupon ordered, that said petitioners have leave to withdraw

South Water Street. Resolved, That in the opinion of this City Council, it is desirable and necessary to lay out a Street, of the width of forty feet, from the Westward end of the continuation of Judica Street, as laid down on the Plat of the Fire Point Association, and

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proposing naturally, near the Street laid out on said Plat, between the water and South Main Street, and parallel with South Main Street, and continuing straight, or as nearly straight as may be, without touching Pearson Greene and Co's principal Machine-Shop, & the gangway which is the present termination of South Water Street; and also, to enlarge to the width of forty feet; and otherwise alter, South Water Street, from Martin & Hollett's Store, at the South East corner of Transit and South Water Streets, so that it shall run on nearly a straight line, to meet the Street to be laid out as aforesaid; 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 or otherwise altering Streets in the City of Providence," passed by the General Assembly, at its January Session, A.D. 1834; 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 out of one half of the cost 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 directions of, and in the manner prescribed by, said Act.

(Now continued, May 20, 1853)

C. Jackson } The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on
W. Bishop } the 9th of January, A.D. 1854, was referred the Memorial of Charles Jackson and William W. Bishop,

proposing to contribute towards the construction of a drain through Pearl Street, if the City would cause said Pearl Street and the drain to be continued to Pine Street; make Report, that they do not recommend the same; which Report is read and received; and it is thereupon ordered, that said memorialists have leave to withdraw.

West } Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be, and he
Clifford } is hereby directed to proceed and pave the gutters
Street } and set the curbing, on West Clifford Street, forth
with.

(Concurred, with the following Amendment, viz, that the word "forthwith" be stricken out; and that the following words be inserted in its place, viz: "whenever the owners of Estates furnish suitable curb-stones")

The amendment of the Board of Aldermen is read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the Common Council do not concur therein.

Drain } Resolved, that the owners of estates in the neighborhood
Calender } of Calender and Mathewson Streets, be allowed
Mathewson } the privilege of constructing drains through Calender
Streets } and Mathewson Streets, from Fountain to Solind Street; to remain during the pleasure of the City Council: The same to be done under the direction of the Surveyor of Highways.

Chesnut } A Resolution in the words following, is presented, to
Street }

ceived, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon; which Committee make Report in favour thereof; Whereupon said Resolution is read and passed.

Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause the curb-stones to be set and the gutters paved on that part of Chesnut Street lying between Elm and Elbow Streets; wherefore the owners of the adjoining estates shall furnish suitable curb-stones for the same.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Hope } The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom
Streets } on the 30th of March last, was referred the petition
Balwant } of Byron Sprague and others, for an extension of the Hope Street Balwant; make Report that they do not recommend the granting of the prayer thereof; which Report is received, and is recommended to said Committee, with instructions to report the estimated cost of such extension; which Committee make Report that the same is estimated at \$800. which Report is received and received.

do, } Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause a drain to be constructed in Hope Street, from the present termination of the drain at Charles Field Street, to George Street.
(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Charles } The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on
Street } the 16th of October last was referred the Resolution for the paving of a section of Charles Street; make

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Report in former cases: - which Report is received, and said Resolution is read and passed, as follows: viz:

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause that part of Charles Street lying between Nichols Street and the North Providence Line, to be paved: the same to be done in connexion with the work already ordered on Charles Street.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor)

Canal Street. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 16 of April last, was referred the Resolution relating to rubbish in Canal Street, and a cusp with them, make Report by the following Resolution, which is read and passed: viz:

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause a cusp walk to be laid across Canal Street, in front of the Armory.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor)

Pallas Street. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 30 of August, 1854, was referred the petition of Thomas Pierce Jr. & others, for the paving of Pallas Street; - make Report by the following Resolution, which is read and passed: viz:

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause the curb stones to be set and the gutters paved, on that part of Pallas Street lying between Carpenter Street and Broadway, when and where the owners of the adjoining estates shall furnish suitable curb stones for the same.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor)

Bridgman Street. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the

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9 of October, 1854, was referred the petition of John C. Plunkron and others, for the paving of gutters &c. in Bridgman Street: - make Report by the following Resolution, which is read and passed: viz:

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause the curb stones to be set and the gutters paved, in that part of Bridgman Street lying between High and Cranston Streets; whenever the owners of the adjoining estates shall furnish suitable curb stones for the same.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor)

Sumner Street. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 30 of August, 1854, was referred the petition of Thomas M. Washburn & others, for paving on Somerset Street; make Report by the following Resolution, which is read and passed: viz:

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause the curb stones to be set, and the gutters paved, on that part of Somerset Street lying between Friendship and Broad Streets; provided the owners of the adjoining estates shall furnish suitable curb stones for the same.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor)

High Street. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 9 of April last, was referred the petition of William H. Howard and others, for the paving of a section of High Street: make Report by the following Resolution, which is read and passed: viz:

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause that part of High Street lying between the present termina-

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tion of the paving, and Sewer Street, who paved; whenever the owners of the adjoining estates shall furnish suitable curb stones for the same.

(Continued.)

(Approved by the Mayor)

Sand from Ferry Street Drain } The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 27th of April last, was referred the petition of William M. Bailey & others, for the removal of the sand &c. discharged into the River, from the Ferry Street Drain; - make Report, by the following Resolution, which is read and passed: viz:

307. Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be and he is hereby directed to cause a suitable Bulkhead to be constructed, in the Dock, at the foot of James Street; to hold the deposits of sand, at the mouth of the Calvert.

(Continued.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Canal Street } The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom was referred by the Board of Aldermen, a petition of Allen and Duncan and others; - report the following Resolution; which is read and passed: viz:

Wall } Resolved, That the Board of Aldermen be requested to cause the Wall on the West side of Canal Street, to be removed, so as to be on a line drawn from the wall at the turn of the River at the foot of Mating Street, to a point ten feet West of the East Abutment of Shingle Bridge, (so called;) - and to fill up the land, and make the Street to conform to the same; - the work to be done in connection with the paving already ordered on the said Street; - the mud to be removed from the Canal Basin and the Calvert and Fire Wells on Canal Street, to fill the be section above ordered.

(Continued.)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

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City Debt } A Communication from the Standing Committee on Finance, in relation to the City Debt: recommending an application to the General Assembly, for the sinking papered an Act to authorize the City Council to create a Sinking Fund for the gradual extinction of the City Debt, and to establish a Board of three Trustees, for that purpose; - accompanied by a Draft of a Resolution to appoint a Committee to make such application to the General Assembly; is presented read and received.

A motion that said Resolution pass; - is put and lost.

Tax } The Standing Committee on Finance report a Bill entitled "An Ordinance providing for the Assessment and Collection of a Tax of cents on each One Hundred Dollars in value of the Rateable Property in the City of Providence"; - which is read; and it is ordered that the same be postponed to the next meeting of the Common Council.

Shops } A Bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance in relation to Shops and Highways"; - is presented and read; and it is ordered, that the same be postponed to the next meeting of the Common Council.

Buildings } A Bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the erection of Buildings;" is presented and read; and it is ordered, that the same be postponed to the next meeting of the Common Council.

Iron Pipes } Resolutions to direct the laying of Iron Pipes in certain Streets, for Fire purposes; are presented.

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read and read: - and it is ordered, that the same be postponed to the next meeting of the Common Council.

Thanks Resolved, that the thanks of the Common Council be ^{to} rendered, and the same are hereby presented to Thomas H. Doyle, Esq. for the able, impartial and dignified manner in which he has discharged the duties of President of the Common Council, during the past year.

^{Unfinished} Resolved, that all business lying unfinished, before ^{at. Business} this Council, be and the same is hereby referred to the Common Council to meet on the first Monday in June next.

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

Members present.

Mr. President.

Anthony,

Bentley,

Bach.

Carpenter,

Cancell,

Crang,

Francis,

Goddard,

Ginnell,

Hayes,

Hedbrook,

Hopkins.

" Johnson,

Leiter,

Mason,

W. Paine Jr.

A. Payne,

Rider,

Stoker,

Stead,

Taylor,

Pillingham,

Webster,

Whitcomb,

Winn.

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Albion G. Greene,
Clerk

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Organization of the City Government of the City of Providence, for the Municipal Year commencing on the first Monday in June, A.D. 1855.

Monday, June 4th 1855.

This being the day designated by the City Charter, for the organization of the City Government, for the ensuing Municipal Year, - the Mayor and Aldermen elect, and the members elect of the Common Council, assembled in the Council Chamber, at 3 o'clock P.M.

The Certificate of the election of James F. Smith as Mayor for said year, is read, and the oath prescribed by law, is administered to him by Edward J. Knowles, Mayor.

The Certificate of the election of Isaac Thurber, William W. Bowen, Billings Brashear, George Stoughton, Cyrus B. Manchester, Joseph C. Knight, and Zebulon W. Holden, as Aldermen for said year, are presented and read; and they are severally engaged by the Mayor, according to law.

Certificates of the election of the Members of the Common Council, are presented and read; and all of said members, (excepting Royal C. Taft and

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Thomas J. Hill, are present; and are engaged by the Mayor, according to law.

Abner P. Adams is by ballot, elected City Clerk, for said year, and is engaged by the Mayor, according to law.

An Address is delivered by the Mayor, relative to the municipal affairs of the City.

The two Boards separate.

Members of the Common Council
of the
City of Providence,
for the Municipal Year commencing
on the first Monday in June
A.D. 1855.

First Ward.

John H. Taylor
Daniel Angell
Charles T. Robbins
Frederick Miller.

Second Ward

Amos N. Beddick,
Edward A. Greene,
Royal C. Taft
Edwin M. Frew.

Third Ward.

Abner Lydon,
Stephen J. Salisbury,
Edmund W. Tingley,
Henry M. Pinnons.

Fourth Ward.

Stephen Cornell,
Charles G. M^r Wright,
Nathan Greene,
Stephen Waterman.

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Fifth Ward

William B. Rider,
Thomas J. Hill,
Edward J. Rhodes 2^d,
Charles F. Pike.

Sixth Ward

John H. Lester
John A. Francis,
Thomas Lincoln
James Tucker Jr.

Seventh Ward.

Amos C. Barstow,
George S. Spicer,
Samuel A. Winsor,
Parson M. Stone.

The Members elect of the Common Council, (except Messrs Taft and Hill) having been engaged by the Mayor, in the presence of the Board of Aldermen; are called to order.

Charles T. Robbins is elected President of the Common Council, for the present municipal year.

Abner Greene is elected Clerk of the Common Council, for the present municipal year, and is sworn by the Mayor, in the presence of the Board of Aldermen, according to law.

Standing Rules. The Standing Rules of Order of the last Common Council are read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Standing Rules of Order of the last Common Council, be revised and adopted, as the Standing Rules of Order of this Council.

do. Resolved, That the same Standing Rules which were on the fifth day of June A.D. 1854, adopted as

The Standing Rules of the City Council, for the Municipal year last past, be, and the same are hereby adopted as the Standing Rules of the City Council, for the present municipal year.
 (Concurred.)
 (Approved by the Mayor)

Standing Committee Pursuant to the Standing Rules this day adopted by the City Council, the following joint Standing Committees are now appointed according to the respective Rules of the two Boards: viz.

On Finance

Messrs. E. Greene,
 R. Greene,
 Taft
 Waterman } Alderman Rathbone.

On Highways

Messrs. Cornell
 Leister
 Ingell } Alderman Fisher.

For engraft Ordinances

Messrs. Tacher
 Lincoln
 Hill. (June 25th) } Alderman Brewster.

On Education

Messrs. Lyon,
 Snow,
 Francis
 Winsor. } Alderman Knight.

On the Fire Department

Messrs. Taylor
 Rider
 Miller } Alderman Holden.

On City Property

Messrs. Beckwith,
 Pike
 Stone. } Alderman Manchester.

On Police

Messrs. McKnight
 Bartow,
 Salisbury
 Tingley. } Alderman Bowen.

On the North Bariat Guard

Messrs. Rhodes,
 Simmons,
 Spear? } Alderman Knight.

Mayor & Aldermen

Resolved, that Messrs. Waterman, Bartow, & Lyon with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to wait upon the Mayor, and request him to furnish, for publication, a copy of the Address this day delivered by him to the City Council; and to cause the same to be published in such manner as they may deem expedient.
 (Concurred & Alderman Bowen added.)
 (Approved by the Mayor)

City Printing

Resolved, that Messrs. Beckwith, Ingell and Rider, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to contract for the City printing, for the present municipal year.
 (Concurred, & Alderman Manchester added.)
 (Approved by the Mayor)

Printing

Resolved, that the joint Committee to whom was referred the subject of printing the Mayor's Address, to the

City Council, he and they are hereby authorized and directed to cause a List of the Standing Committees and such portions of the Organization of the City Government, as they may deem expedient, to be printed, in pamphlet form, for the use of the City Council.

(Continued)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Tri Board Resolved, That Messrs E. A. Greene, Rufus Greene and Watumou, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to take a Bond of the City Treasurer, for the faithful discharge of the duties of his office, for the present municipal year; and that said Bond be for the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars,
(Continued June 25. Alderman Karkline added)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Police Court Resolved, That from the justices assigned to keep the Peace within the City, Henry L. Bowen and William Knowles be, and they are hereby selected to compose the Police Court of this City, during the present municipal year.
(Continued.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

School Com. Report The Annual Report of the School Committee, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Education, with directions to cause five hundred copies thereof to be printed, in pamphlet form, for the use of the City Council.
(Continued)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Engineering Report The Annual Report of the Board of Engineers of the

Fire Department, is presented and read. Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, with instructions to cause five hundred copies thereof to be printed in pamphlet form, for the use of the City Council.

(Continued)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Overseer's Report The semi-Annual Report of the Overseer of the Poor, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be received; and that the same be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing.
(Continued)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Report Comm. N.B. Ground The Annual Report of the Commissioners of the North Burying Ground, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is ordered that the same be received.
(Continued.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Report Supt. N.B. Ground The Annual Report of the Superintendent of the North Burying Ground, is presented and read. Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be received.
(Continued)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Mayor's Portrait Resolved, That Messrs Barstow, Ping (by) and Spicer, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to wait upon the Mayor, and request him to sit for his portrait for the City; and that said Committee are hereby

authorized to draw upon the City Treasury, for such sum as may be necessary to carry this Resolution into effect.

(Carried. & Alderman Knight add.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

West Water Street. I memorial of Carl Carpenter, stating that he is desirous to retain about 3 1/2 feet of the land taken from his estate by the Report of the Commissioners for the widening of West Water Street;

and proposing, in case proceedings can be had to revert in him, a strip of land about 3 1/2 feet wide, on the Westerly side of the Street, as laid out by said Commissioners; - He will pay for the same, the sum of \$3000, and will allow the City to use the same amount of his land and wharf on the Easterly side of the Street, without claiming damages for the same; - is presented and read, together with a Resolution, in the words following, which, having passed the Board of Aldermen, is sent down, for concurrence: viz;

"Resolved, That the Petition of Carl Carpenter in relation to the lay out of West Water Street, be referred to Aldermen Husler and Rastrow, with such as the Common Council may add, to examine and report thereon."

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

- Alfred Angell,
- Beckwith,
- Tingley,
- R. Greene,
- Hudson,
- Tucker,
- & Stone,

added to the committee.

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Truancy. Resolved, That Messrs. M. Knight, Miller and Francis, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to make application to the General Assembly at its present session, for the passage of an Act for the prevention of Truancy.

(Carried. & Alderman Brewster add.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Census. A Resolution to direct the Committee appointed to cause a census of the City to be taken, - to ascertain the number of children attending the public & private Schools; the number not attending school, and the number of children of foreign parentage; - is presented, read, and laid upon the Table.

do. A Resolution to direct the Committee appointed to cause a census of the City, to be taken, to report, at the next meeting, what steps they have taken in the matter; what information they intend to obtain; - with copies of the blanks prepared by them, &c. - is presented, read, and laid upon the Table.

Mining Building. A Petition of Martin C. Pollard, for liberty to mine two certain wooden buildings, is presented, received, & Mr. Pollard referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon.

do. A Resolution granting liberty to Daniel H. Chaffee to mine a certain wooden building; (the first 3 ft. Chaffee giving bond as required by Ordinance); - having passed the Board of Aldermen, - is sent down for concurrence, and is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein.
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Drains
Calender
Street
326. The Resolution granting to the owners of estates in the vicinity of Calender and Mackerson Streets, the privilege of constructing Drains through Calender and Mackerson Streets, from Fountain Street, being the pleasure of the City Council, &c; - which paper the Common Council on the 21st of May last, and was then sent up for concurrence, is now returned by the Board of Aldermen, who concur therein, with the following Amendment: viz: That the following words be added, after the word "Highways in the City, &c;": "And that said owners of estates have the liberty of entering the Salin Street Calvert, with their Drains, on the same terms as are required to enter the Waterman Street Calvert".

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

Weights
A Bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance in relation to Weights, Measures, Scales and Balances, and the Duty of the Scales thereof.'" - is presented, read, and referred to the Standing Committee to enquire Ordinance, to examine and report thereon.

Weights
Public
Grounds
A Bill, entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance in relation to the Keeper of the Public Grounds;'" - is presented, read, and referred to the Standing Committee to enquire Ordinance, to examine and report thereon.

W. H. Under A Communication from the Mayor, relating to the Common Council, the Resolution passed on the 21st of May last, for the payment of \$10,000 to W. H.

-W. H. Under, being the amount of his fees & expenses of a Council's Request upon the City of New York B. Beaulieu, - not approved by him; - with his objections thereto; - is presented and read.

Whereupon, said Resolution is again read, and is passed by a majority of all the persons elected to this Board.

(Carried June 11, 1855;)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Fourth
July. Resolutions for a Municipal Celebration of the approaching Anniversary of American Independence: and appropriations therefor, are presented and read.

344. Whereupon, it is moved, that the blanks therein, be filled with the words "Two Thousand". Upon which motion, the question is taken by ayes and nays: and it is ordered, that the same be entered upon the Journal; as follows: viz:

- | Ayes. | Nays. |
|----------------|---------------|
| Steph Beckwith | Steph. Bugell |
| Francis | Harlow |
| McKnight | Canell |
| Miller | E. A. Green |
| Rhodes | R. Green |
| Ryder | Leiter |
| Waterman | Lincoln |
| | Lyon |
| | Pike |
| | Polibury |
| | Simmons |
| | Shaw |
| | Spicer |
| | Stone |
| | Taylor |
| | Tingley |
| | Tucker |
| | Winsor |

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Said motion is cheerfully lost.

Ordered, that said blank be filled with the words "One Thousand."

Ordered, that said Resolutions be laid upon the Table.

Do. A Resolution that no portion of the appropriation for a municipal celebration of the approaching Centenary of American Independence, shall be expended for fireworks or for a municipal dinner, is presented read, and laid upon the Table.

Ch. Engr. The Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer, is presented, read and received.
(Approved June 11, 1855)

Joined in Concurrence of the City Council,

In Concurrence,

The City Council proceed to the election of City Officers for the present municipal year; and complete the same, with the following exceptions: viz,

- City Treasurer
- City Solicitor,
- City Marshal,
- Overseer of the Poor,
- Food Director,
- Wiggen & Co. ab
- Superintendent of the North Burial Ground,
- Quartermaster General

The two Boards separate

The Common Council adjourn, to meet on Monday, the 11th day of June instant, at 8 o'clock P.M.

June 4th June 11, 1855

Members present,

Mr. President,

" Angell,

Christie,

Beckwith

Cornell,

Francis,

E. A. Greene

R. Greene,

Lester,

Lincoln

Lyon,

McKnight,

Miller,

" Pick

Rhodes,

Rider,

Salisbury,

Stimons,

Town,

Spicer,

Stone,

Taylor

Tingley,

Tucker,

Waterman,

Winst.

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Abner Greene,
Clerk

Common Council, June 11 1855.

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

R. C. Toft. Mr. Royal C. Toft member elect of the Common Council from the Second Ward, appears, and having been duly engaged by the Mayor, takes his seat.

Comm. on City Debt. Messrs. E. A. Greene, Rufus Greene, Toft and Waterman have been, this day, appointed by the Common Council, as the Committee in their stead, for the reduction of the City Debt, for the present municipal year, pursuant to the appointment contained in the first section of the Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the City Debt." It is Resolved that the

names of said Committee be communicated to the Board of Aldermen, in order that said Board may add an Alderman to said Committee, pursuant to the resolution contained in said Section.

(Adm. Res. 233)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Treas. The Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer, under the Resolution of the Common Council of October 20, 1852, is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

City Treasurer's Report. The Quarterly Report of the City Treasurer, of the issues and payments of the City Debt, is presented and read. Whereupon it is ordered, that the same be received.
(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

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

Standing Committee on the Fire Department. To whom on the 4th of June instant, was referred the petition of Martin B. Pellard, for liberty to move two certain wooden buildings, make report, in favor thereof: which Petition is read and received; and a Resolution, granting the prayer of said Petition, (on condition that said petitioner give bond as required by Ordinance,) is read and passed.
(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Albion Street. The Petition of Luther Pearson and others, praying that Albion Street from Westminster Street to Washington Street, may be gravelled instead of being paved; which was laid upon the Table on the 14th of May

1852, is taken up; and is referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

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

High St.
Docket No. 8. 263

Petition of George Miller & others, for the paving of High Street, from Dexter Street to Olneyville.

High St.
Pallas St.
Broadway.
Docket No. 8. 279.
Albion
Salin St.
R. Avenue.

Petition of Charles Sherman & others, for cross walks in Highgate & Pallas Streets; and Broadway.

Petition of Alexander Walpole and others, for cross walks in Albion and Salin Streets & Alwell's Avenue.

Battery St.

Resolution for an appropriation to the Supreme Court, for the appointment of Commissioners of estimate and assessment, for the extension of Battery Street, from High Street to Broadway; are presented, read, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Centland Street.

A Resolution for the setting of curb stones and paving gutters in Centland Street, from High Street to Broadway, is presented, read, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Westminster Street.

A Resolution for the immediate paving of Market Square, and of Westminster Street, below Market Square, to its junction with Broad Street, is presented, read, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

West Water St. } The joint Committee to whom on the 4th of June instant, was referred the Memorial of Earl Carpenter in relation to an alteration of the proposed line of West Water Street, make Report recommending, that he have leave to withdraw. - which Report is read and received, and it is thereupon ordered, that said memorialist have leave to withdraw.

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

Resolved, That Messrs R. Greene, Waterman & Beckwith, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be appointed a Committee to confer with the Directors of the Merchants Bank, with regard to the widening of Waterman's Street, opposite the Bank lot.

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

- | | |
|---------------|--------------|
| Yeas | |
| Mr. Angell | " Ringley |
| Beckwith | Dukes, |
| Cornell, | Waterman 18. |
| E. A. Greene, | — |
| R. Greene, | |
| Lyon, | Nays. |
| Mr. Knight, | Mr. Bartow. |
| Miller | Rawls |
| Pike | Letter, |
| Rhodes, | Lincoln, |
| Rider | Simmons, |
| Salisbury | Stone, |
| Trow, | Taylor |
| Spicer | Winsor. |
| Taft | |

Said Resolution is the first paper.
(Concurred: & the Mayor added)
(Approved by the Mayor)

South Water Street } Resolved, That Messrs R. Greene, Waterman and Beckwith, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to confer with the owners of the estates at the junction of South Water Street and Market Square, and ascertain upon what terms said Street can be widened, at that point, to the same width as that portion of said Street lying southerly thereof; and report upon the same as early as practicable.

(Concurred: & Aldermen Bartow added)
(Approved by the Mayor)

City Weights & Measures } Resolved, That Messrs Taylor, Tingley and Rhodes with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be a Committee to enquire and examine into the condition of the Weights and Measures in possession of the scales of Weights and Measures; with authority to cause such repairs made as they may find necessary: provided the cost thereof shall not exceed fifty dollars.

(Concurred: & Aldermen Bartow added)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Iron Safe } Resolved, That the Standing Committee on City Property be, and they are hereby authorized to procure a suitable fire proof safe, for the use of the City Clerk and Clerk of the Municipal Court; for the security and safe keeping of such papers as may, from time to time, be deposited in said Office, for record, and for such books as they may deem necessary: And

the sum of three hundred dollars is hereby appropriated to defray the expense of the same, payable to the order of said Committee, out of the Appropriation for "Contingencies."

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Oppn. Resolved, that the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars, be added to former Appropriations for Highways

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor)

City Bonds. Resolved, That the Standing Committee in Finance be and they are hereby directed to apply to the General Assembly, to obtain the passage of a Law authorizing and empowering the City of Providence to issue their Bonds to the amount of their debt to be appropriated to the payment thereof, and to establish a Sinking Fund.

(Concurred)

(Approved by the Mayor)

344. The Resolutions for a Municipal Celebration of the approaching Anniversary of American Independence, which were laid upon the Table on the 4th June instant, are called up and read.

Whereupon it is resolved, that the order made on the 4th June instant, to fill the blank in the second Resolution with the words "one thousand" be reconsidered.

It is moved, that said blank be filled with the words "Fifteen Hundred." Upon which motion the question is taken by ayes and nays; and it is agreed that the same be entered upon the Journal; as follows: viz:

Ayes.

Mr Angell,
Beckwith

Mr Cornell
Francis.

S. A. Greene,
N. Greene
Lester,
Lyons
McKnight
Miller
Pike.
Rhodes
Rider
Tabilony,
Timmons,
Trow,
Spicer,
Taff,
Taylor,
Tingley
Watson, 21.

Nays,
Mr. Bartlett,
Lincoln,
Stone,
Tucker,
Wesson. 5.

It is therefore ordered, that said blank be so filled. Whereupon said Resolutions are read and passed, as follows: viz:

Resolved, That Messrs McKnight, Miller, Francis, Watson and Beckwith, 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 Fifteen Hundred Dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated for defraying the expenses of said Celebration; to be paid to the order of said Committee, by the City Treasurer, out of any moneys in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated, (Concurred. & Alderman Bowen addd.)

(Approved by the Mayor)

Superintendent of Health. A Bill entitled "An Act to provide for the appointment of a Superintendent of Health," is presented and read. Whereupon it is resolved,

that the same be referred to Messrs. New, Mc Knight and Barstow, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon (Concurred. & Alderman Widdow added) (Approved by the Mayor)

Census. A communication from Dr. Joseph Mauran stating that in his opinion, the blanks prepared by the Committee of the City Council for taking a Census of the City, "present deficiencies in some important particulars for securing a species of information much required for the best interests of the City;" is presented and read.

Do. Resolved, that the Committee appointed on the 16th of April last, to cause a Census of the City to be taken; be directed to obtain the Statistics of the City as they may exist on the first Day of July next, and not as they existed on the first Day of June. (Concurred) (Approved by the Mayor)

Do. A Resolution to discharge the joint Committee appointed on the 16th of April last, to cause a Census of the City to be taken; is presented & read; - And a motion that the same pass, - is put and lost.

Do. Messrs Taylor Cornell & Lester, who were on the 16th of April last, appointed as assessors of the members of the joint Committee to cause a Census of the City to be taken; are at their request, discharged; - And Messrs Angell R. Greene & Tucker, are appointed in their places,

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School House Lots. in Peters Avenue, Knight St. & Burgin St. & Valley St. School House.

Resolved That the City Treasurer, acting under the advice and direction of Messrs Barstow, Mc Knight and Lyles, and such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be and he is hereby authorized to purchase a lot on Peters Avenue, to accommodate a building for an Intermediate and Primary School, at a price not exceeding twelve hundred Dollars; - Also, to purchase a lot near the junction of Broadway and Knight Street, or in that vicinity, - for the accommodation of a new School House now under contract, and intended to be located in said Street, - at a price not exceeding sixteen hundred Dollars; - Also, to purchase the lot on Burgin Street, owned by the Revue Williams Baptist Society, at a price not exceeding twenty five hundred Dollars; - Also, to remove the School House on Valley Street to the lot to be purchased on Peters Avenue, and put another story under the same; so as to accommodate both the Valley Street and Peters Avenue Districts; - and pay for the same, out of the appropriation of "School Houses and Lots."

(Concurred, June 11, 1835, Alderman Widdow added) (Approved by the Mayor)

Do. Resolved, that the City Treasurer, acting under the advice of the Standing Committee on City Property, be, and he is hereby authorized to sell the lot now occupied by the Valley Street School House, and also the lot at the corner of Ridge and Surf Streets, when ever the arrangements are made for the location of the School Houses in those Districts,

Warren Sch. the Sch. Sch. Ridge & Surf Sts.

Public Schools } A Communication from the School Committee recommending such Amendments of the "Ordinance in relation to Public Schools," as may be necessary to establish a grade of Schools for those children who cannot, or do not, attend the existing Schools; - is presented, read, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Education; to examine and report thereon.

Do. } A Communication from the School Committee, requesting authority to increase the salaries of the Superintendent of Public Schools; the teachers in the High School; the Masters of the Grammar Schools; and the female teachers in all the Public Schools; - is presented, read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on Education, to examine and report thereon.

Salaries } A Bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of City Officers" an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance fixing the Salaries of certain Officers," is presented and read, and is referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

Special Committee } Resolved, that the special Committees appointed by the late ... City Council are hereby requested to report at the next meeting of the City Council

(Convened June 18, 1853.)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Filed in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention,

The City Council proceed in the election of City Officers

in the present municipal year; and complete the same, with the following exceptions, viz: City Treasurer, Overseer of the Poor, Fire Driver

The two Boards separate.

The Common Council adjourn to meet on Monday the 18th day of June instant, at 8 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

- | | |
|----------------|-----------|
| Mr. President, | " Rhodes, |
| Angell, | " Rider, |
| Borsten | Lalifury |
| Beckwith. | Timmons, |
| Canell | Snow, |
| Francis | Spicer |
| C. A. Greene | Stone |
| R. Greene, | Toll. |
| Leiter, | Payler |
| Lincoln | Ringley |
| Lyon | Tucker? |
| Mc Knight | Waltman |
| Miller, | Wisor, |
| Pike. | |

Abraham
Clerk.

Common Council. June 18. 1855.

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

29. *Whit* Mr. Thomas J. Hill, member elect of the Common Council from the Fifth Ward, appears; and having been duly engaged by the Mayor, - takes his seat.

The following Petitions are presented, read, received and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon: viz:

28. *Curtis* Petition of Francis E. Curtis, for compensation for damages, occasioned by the extension of Dorrance Street.

McCurry Petition of Ralph McCurry, for remission of fine for violation of the Ordinance in relation to Wags, Trucks, &c.

Merrill Petition of James Allen, for liberty to move a certain wooden building, is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon.

Bonifit Petition of Laura A. Ashton and others, for cross walks in Bonifit Street, is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Gurney A Petition of Charles E. Gurney and Abubly Barton for the payment of \$150, for an expenditure made by them on Engine No 4, - is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon.

The following Petitions are presented, received, and

referred to the Standing Committee on Police, to examine and report thereon: viz:

26. *Pellier* Petition of John B. Fuller, City watchman, for repayment of fine and costs.

Prince Petition of P. W. Prince and wife, for repayment of fine and costs.

Police A Bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance in relation to Police,'" is presented, read, and referred to the Standing Committee to engross Ordinance, to examine and report thereon: said Bill providing for the appointment of two additional Police Constables by the Mayor, with the advice of the Board of Aldermen.

Beaumont The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom Street. was referred the 11th of June instant, and referred the Resolution for setting curb stones and paving gutters in Beaumont Street, from Third Street to Broadway, make Report that they do not recommend the passage thereof: which Report is received, and adopted.

Cross The Standing Committee on Highways report the Walks. following Resolution, which is read and passed: viz: Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause cross walks to be laid, in connection with the work now being done on Broadway, in the following places: viz:

- One across Robin Street at the junction of Broadway.
- One across Broadway, opposite the Meeting House.
- One across Carpenter Street, at the junction of Federal St.
- One across Federal Street, at the junction of Carpenter St.
- One across Beams Street on the North side of Broadway.
- One across Broadway, at the junction of Federal Street.
- One across Federal Street, at the junction of Broadway.
- One across Parker, Barclay and Broadford Streets, in the

North side of Broadway,
(Continued)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Carp
Which The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the
11th of June last, was referred the petition of Alexander
Walford and others, report the following Resolutions;
which is read and passed: viz.

Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be, and
he is hereby directed to cause cross walks to be laid
in the following Streets: viz.

- One across Talia Street, on the North side of Aborn Street.
- One across Aborn Street, at the junction of Stowell's Avenue.
- One across Stowell's Avenue, on the North side of Talia Street.

(Continued)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Judicial
Street Resolved, that the Standing Committee on Highways,
be directed to examine Judicial Street, between Jones
and South Main Streets, and report, at the next
meeting of the Council, the reasons for the delay
in grading the Street, with such recommendations
as they may think proper

(Continued)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Aborn
Street The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on
the 11th of June instant, was referred the petition of
Sacher Pearson and others, relative to Aborn Street,
report the following Resolutions; which is read and
passed: viz.

Upon the Petition of Sacher Pearson and others,
Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be,
and he is hereby directed to cause the section
of Aborn Street from Westminster to Washington
Street, to be gravelled, instead of being paved.

(Continued)
(Approved by the Mayor)

South
Water
Street. The joint Committee appointed on the 18th of
June instant, to confer with the owners of the
lots at the junction of South Water Street
and Market Square, relative to the widening
of said Street at that point, make re-
port that on conference with said owners,
they find it impracticable to come to any
decision in the matter, and recommend
the passage of the following Resolutions: viz.

Whereas, in the opinion of this City
Council, it is desirable and necessary to
widen South Water Street, beginning at the
North Westerly corner of the Brick Block oc-
cupied by W. H. Lippitt, on said Street, and
proceeding Northwesterly, or as near as may be,
on a line with the Westerly front of said
Block, to Market Square, - of a width
of forty feet; - and whereas, certain real
estate will be required for that purpose: -

Therefore 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 ac-
cording to, the Act entitled "An Act in
relation to the laying out, enlarging, straight-
ening and otherwise altering Streets in the
City of Providence," passed by the General
Assembly at its January Session A. D. 1854.

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 one half of the
cost and damages thereof, upon the per-
sons 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 said application, as soon as he shall have been informed thereof by the City Solicitor, according to the direction of, and in the manner required by, said Act.
Which Resolutions are read and passed.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Trees. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 8th of January last, was referred a draft of a Resolution relative to Trees in the public streets and grounds; make Report by Bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to Trees;" - which Report is accepted, and said Bill is read and passed.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Full Committee. The Standing Committee on Police, to whom on the 14th of May last, was referred the petition of Francis Mc Cormick and Ellen Garrett; report the following Resolution, which is read and passed: viz:

Resolved, that the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to Francis Mc Cormick and Ellen Garrett, each ten dollars; being the amount of fine imposed upon each by the Police Court, for a violation of the "Ordinance in relation to Swine."

(Concurred, July 23, 1855.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

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

Resolved, that the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay the bill of John S. Daggitt, out of the appropriation for "contingencies"
Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council

do concur therein
(Approved by the Mayor)

Hospital. Resolved, that so much of the Mayor's Address to the City Council, as relates to the subject of a City Hospital, be referred to Messrs E. S. Greene, Spicer, Rider, Mr Knight and Snow, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add; with instructions to report by Bill, as soon as practicable.

Book No 8, page 114.

(Concurred, & Alderman Bowen added)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Pauperism. Resolved, that the portion of the Mayor's Address relating to the subject of Pauperism, be referred to Messrs Snow, Winsor and Lyon, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, to examine and report thereon.

Book No 8, page 26

(Concurred, & Alderman Manchester added)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Health. The Joint Committee on the 11th of June instant, was referred the Bill entitled "An Ordinance providing for the appointment of a Superintendent of Health," and providing his duties; -

Superintendent of Health. Report the following Resolution, which is read and passed: viz:

Resolved, that the Board of Aldermen, acting as a Board of Health, be and they are hereby authorized to employ, at their discretion, such medical advice and services as they shall deem necessary to promote the general Health of the City, with power to offer suitable compensation for such services, and draw upon the Treasury therefor.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Finance. The Standing Committee on Finance report the following Resolution; which is read and passed: viz:

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to the following named persons the sums appraised to their respective names; - the said sums being in satisfaction of taxes improperly assessed against their several estates, in the year 1854; - provided it shall appear to the Treasurer upon the Certificate of the Collector of Taxes, that the several sums have been paid into the City Treasury.

If it shall appear to the City Treasurer, that any of said taxes have not been paid into the Treasury; - then he shall credit the Collector of Taxes, with the amounts so unpaid; and the Collector of Taxes shall deduct the several amounts hereby admitted, from the several taxes of the persons hereinafter named: - viz:

John W. Smith	12.80
Henry B. Wolman	20.44
Joseph Wolsey; (from tax of Thomas L. Marsh Wolsey)	73.15
J. G. Washburn	13.44
George W. Hopkins,	5.60
Henry F. Davis	4.80
John B. Howell and wife.	2.72.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Salaries The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 11th of June instant, was referred the Bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance fixing the salaries of certain officers,'" now report said Bill: (the same providing for the compensation of the following

- Officers in
- The Judge of the Municipal Court.
- The City Auditor.
- The City Solicitor.
- The Overseer of the Public Grounds
- The City Clerk.
- The Chairman of the Board of Assessors of Taxes,

Chairman of Assessors.

The Assistant Assessors of Taxes.) Upon which motion, that the salary of the Chairman of the Board of Assessors of Taxes, be \$1500, as reported in said Bill. Upon which motion, the question is taken by yeas and nays, and it is ordered, that the same be entered upon the Journal; as follows: viz

<u>Yeas.</u>	<u>Nays.</u>
Alger, Angell	Allen, Lister
Bartow	Tucker 2.
Beckwith	
Conell	
Harris,	
C. H. Greene,	
H. Greene,	
Bill	
Lincoln,	
Lyon,	
McKnight,	
Miller,	
Pike	
Rhodes,	
Rider	
Salisbury,	
Simmons,	
Snow,	
Spicer,	
Stone,	
Taylor	
Tingley	
Waldman	
Wines	24.

Said motion is therefore carried
Whereupon, said Bill is read and passed.
(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

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June 18th 1853.

372. ^{of} ~~the~~ Report of a Bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance in relation to the appointment of a permanent Board of Assessors of Taxes,'" is read and passed.

Passed in Convention of the City Council.

In Convention.

The City Council proceed in the election of City Officers for the present municipal year; - and complete the same, with the following exceptions:
viz Overseer of the Poor,
Field Driver.

George. William Borough. Gauger General, having nominated sundry persons as his deputies; - the same are now approved by the City Council.

The two Boards separate.

In Common Council.

Westminster. The joint Committee appointed on the 11th of June last, to confer with the Directors of the Merchants Bank with regard to the widening of Westminster Street, opposite the Bank Lot, make Report: which is read and received.

Do. Resolutions to direct an application to the Supreme Court, for the appointment of Commissioners to estimate and apportion, & for the widening of

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Westminster Street, opposite the Merchants Bank Lot; Having passed the Board of Aldermen; are sent down for concurrence; and are read.

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

Pending which motion, the Common Council adjourn to meet on Sunday the 9th day of July next, at 8 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

W. President,

Angell,

Barstow,

Beckwith

Cornell

Francis

E. A. Greene

H. Green

Hill,

Lester,

Lincoln

Lyon

McKnight,

Miller

Pike

Rhodes

Rider

Talbot

Timmons,

Town,

Spicer,

Steele,

Taylor

Tingley,

Tucker

Watson,

Wisor,

27.

Abel Greene,
Clerk

Common Council June 25. 1853-

Special Meeting.

"City of Providence.

Copy

To the Members of the Common Council,
City of Providence;

Greeting.

Whereas, in my opinion, it is advisable for
the Common Council to meet at an earlier
day than that to which said Council stands
adjourned: - you and each of you and
therefore hereby requested and required to
meet, in the Council Chamber, on Monday
the 25th day of June, at 8 o'clock P.M. to trans-
act such business as may legally come before
you.

Given under my hand and the seal of
said City; this 23rd day of June. 1855.

L.S.

J. Y. Smith, Mayor."

Providence June 25. 1855

I have notified and warned the members of the
Common Council, that they are to meet in their
Chamber, this evening, at 8 o'clock: as
commanded.

James C. Sheridan,
City Sergeant."

Pursuant to the requisition contained in the open-
ing Warrant, the Common Council are now as-
sembled, at 8 o'clock P.M. : a quorum
present.

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

A Communication from the Mayor, relative to cer-
tain nuisances, not provided for by any existing
Ordinance, is presented and read.

Do. A Bill, entitled "An Ordinance in addition
to an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance
in relation to Streets and Highways." - is
presented, read and passed.

(Concurred, with the following Amendment,
viz: that the following words be added:
viz: "Section 5. This Ordinance shall
go into effect on the first Monday of July
next.")

The Common Council concur in the Amend-
ment.

(Approved by the Mayor.)

City Treasurer & City Funds A Communication from the Mayor, relative
to the Bond of the City Treasurer, and the Deposits
of the City Funds; is presented and read.

Do. The Standing Committee on Finance report a
Bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to
the depositing, and drawing out, the City
Funds." - which Report is received; and
said Bill is read and passed.

(Concurred, with the following Amend-
ment: viz: that the following words be
added: viz: "Section 5. This Ordinance
shall go into effect on the first Monday
of July next.")

The Common Council concur in the Amend-
ment.

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Do. Resolved, That Messrs. C. B. Greene, R. Greene
and Waterman, with such as the Board of Al-
dermen may add, be, and they are hereby
appointed a Committee, to receive of the present
City Treasurer, the Books and papers apper-
taining to his Office, together with all the
Notes, Bonds and other evidences of City

perfectly in his possession: and to transfer the same to his successor; and to give and receive proper Receipts therefor.

(Concurred, July 2^d 1855; Alderman Rathbone added)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Police, Ordered, That the Standing Committee be engaged Ordinance be discharged from the consideration of the Bill "in amendment of an Ordinance in relation to Police,"

357. which was referred to them on the 18th of June instant.

Ordered, That said Bill be referred to the Standing Committee on Police, to examine and report thereon.

Do. The Standing Committee on Police, to whom was, this day, referred the Bill entitled "An Ordinance in amendment of an Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance in relation to Police': - make Report, in favour of the passage thereof; - which Report is received; and said Bill is read and passed

(Concurred July 2^d 1855.)

(Approved by the Mayor)

Valley Street, A Resolution relative to the setting of the curb stones and paving gutters in Valley Street, is presented, read, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Washington Street, A Petition of George C. Arnold and others, for an extension of the Drain on Washington Street, from Union Street to Snow Street; and that all owners or occupants of lands near said Street, may be permitted to use the drain; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

City Reading, The joint Committee who were, on the 4th of June instant, appointed to contract for the City Printing, for

the present municipal year: make Report, that they have contracted with Messrs. Knickerbocker & Co., for the job printing; and with the proprietors of the "Providence Journal," "Daily Post," "Republican Herald and Post," and "Daily Transcript," for the City advertising: - which Report is read: Whereupon, it is ordered, that the same be received.

(Concurred, July 2^d, 1855)

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Do. Resolved, That the joint Committee who were, on the 4th of June instant, appointed to contract for daily the City Printing, for the present municipal year: - make Report, and they are hereby directed to contract with the proprietors of the "Providence Daily Tribune," to do the City Advertising, during said year: if such contract can be made on terms as favorable as those of the past year.

(Not concurred, July 2^d, 1855.)

Sherry, A Petition of Daniel Donoho, for liberty to move building a certain wooden building; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon.

Do. A Petition of Nathaniel Greene, for liberty to move building a certain wooden building; is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon: - which Committee make Report, in favour thereof; - which Report is received; and a Resolution granting the prayer of said petition, (on condition that said petitioner gives bond, as required by Ordinance) is read and passed.

Do. The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to J. Allen.

whom, on the 18 of June instant, was opened the petition of James Allen, for ^{the duty to remove} a certain wooden building, make Report in favour thereof: (provided no pavement be removed) which Report is received, and a Resolution granting the prayer of said petition, (on condition that said petitioner gives bond as required by Ordinance,) is read and passed.

(Concurred, July 2^d 1855)

(Approved by the Mayor)

J. W. Prince The Standing Committee on Police, to whom, on the 18 of June instant, was opened the Petition of O. W. Prince and wife, for repayment of fine and costs, 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.

Ralph Murray The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom, on the 18 of June instant, was opened the Petition of Ralph Murray, for remission of fine and costs; now Report the following Resolution; which is read and passed.

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to Ralph Murray, the sum of four dollars and ten cents; being for fine and costs paid by him, for violation of the Ordinance for the regulation of Cabs, Omnibuses, Drays, Trucks, &c.

(Concurred, July 2^d 1855)

(Approved by the Mayor)

Whitman. The Resolutions from the Board of Aldermen, to direct an Application to the Supreme Court, for the appointment of Commissioners of estimates and assessment, &c., for the widening of Westminster Street, opposite the Merchants' Bank Lot; - which were pending at the adjourn-

ment of the Common Council, on the 18th of June instant, are now taken up: (the motion pending at the time of adjournment being, that the Common Council concur in the passage of said Resolutions.)

Whereupon, it is moved, that the same be postponed indefinitely. Upon which motion, the question is taken by yeas and nays: and it is ordered, that the same be entered upon the Journal, as follows.

Yeas.
Messrs Angell,
Barstow,
Francis,
Hill,
Lester,
Lincoln,
McKnight,
Pike,
Salisbury,
Simmons,
Spicer,
Stone,
Taylor,
Tingley,
Tucker,
Winsor. 16.

Nays.
Messrs Beckwith,
Canell,
E. A. Greene,
B. Greene,
Lyons,
Miller,
Rhodes,
Rider,
Snew,
Waterman. 10.

Said Resolutions are therefore postponed indefinitely.

Do. Resolved, That Messrs Barstow, Pike and Tucker, with such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to confer with the Directors of the Union Bank, for the purpose of ascertaining upon what terms the Union Bank lot can be purchased for the City.

June 25. July 9th 1835.

Mr. Bastin,
Beckwith,
Canell,
Francis,
E. A. Greene,
R. Greene,
Hill,
Lester,
Lincoln,
Lyon,
McKnight,
Miller,
Pike,
Rhodes

Ricks,
Tobisling,
Timbers,
Snow,
Spier,
Stens,
Taylor,
Tingler,
Tucker,
Waterman,
Winsor,

27.

Albert Greene
Clerk

Common Council, July 9 1835.

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

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

The Monthly Report of the Surgeon of the City, is presented, read and received. (Concluded.) (Approved by the Mayor)

The Monthly Report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, is presented, read and received. (Concluded, July 23, 1835.) (Approved by the Mayor)

July 9th 1835.

A Petition of Allen Shaw, for liberty to remove a certain wooden building, is presented, read, and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to examine and report thereon.

The Standing Committee on the Fire Department, to whom, on the 25th of June last, was referred the petition of Daniel Donoho, for liberty to remove a certain wooden building, make report, in favor thereof, which report is received, and a Resolution granting the prayer of said petition: (on condition that the petitioners give bond as required by Ordinance, and provided that no pavement be removed, or holes dug in the streets,) - is read and passed.

(Concluded.)

(Approved by the Mayor)

The Resolution granting liberty to Matthew Green, to remove a certain wooden building, which passed the Common Council on the 25th of June last, and was then sent up, for concurrence, is now returned by the Board of Aldermen, who concur therein with the following amendments, viz: that the following words be added thereto, viz, "provided no pavement be removed, or holes dug in the streets," which Amendment is read. Thereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein.

(Approved by the Mayor)

A Petition of James C. Sheridan, City Messenger, for an increase of Salary, is presented, read, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

Chesnut Plantation for repair upon Chiswell Street, from
S. to Elm & Elbow Streets: is presented, read, and re-
ferred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to
examine and report thereon.

The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the
14th of July last, was referred the Petition of Theodor
H. S. for compensation for injuries sustained
by him, by a fall in Broadway: make Report
requesting to be discharged: which Report is read
and received: and it is ordered, that the same
together with said petition be referred to the Stand-
ing Committee on Finance, to examine and re-
port thereon.

Resolution to appropriate \$800, in addition
to the sum appropriated on the 11th of June last,
for defraying the expenses of the Municipal Celebra-
tion of the recent Anniversary of American Inde-
pendence: is presented and read. Whereupon,
381. it is ordered, that the same be postponed to the
next meeting of the Common Council: and that
the Committee of Arrangements for said Celebra-
tion, report the items of the expenditure made
by them.

The Standing Committee on Highways, who were,
on the 18 of June last, directed to examine India
Street, from Pine to South Main Street, and to
report the reasons for the delay in grading the same: -
now make Report: which is read and received.

A Resolution on the words following, having passed
the Board of Aldermen, is sent down for con-
currence, and is read: viz:
"Resolved, by the City Council, that the
Board of Aldermen be requested to lay out,
as a public highway, the Street hereafter

known as India Street, from Benefit Street
Eastward, until it intersects that part of In-
diana Street which is now a public High-
way: -
Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Com-
mon Council do concur therein,
(Approved by the Mayor)

Resolved, that Messrs. L. M. Knight and Cornell
Street, that such as the Board of Aldermen may add, be
a Committee, to enquire into the probable ex-
pense of opening and widening Valley Street,
386. from High Street to Broadway: and also,
to ascertain how much of said expense can
be defrayed by the voluntary contributions of
the citizens residing in, or in the vicinity of
said Street: and report, at an early day, to
this Body.
(Concurred in by Alderman McDevitt added,
(Approved by the Mayor)

A Resolution in the words following, is presented, read,
and referred to the Standing Committee on the Fire De-
partment, to examine and report thereon, viz:
"Resolved, that the Chief Engineer of the Fire
Department be, and he is hereby directed to cause
five hundred feet of water pipe, with hydrants
attached, to be laid in Charles Street, connecting
with the rotary pump at the Franklin Foundry,
and extending from Martin Street, to within about
two hundred feet of the City Line: and the sum
of six hundred and seventy five Dollars is hereby
appropriated, to pay for the cost of the same: - to
be paid out of the Appropriation for the Fire De-
partment,
which Committee make Report, in favor of the pro-
posed thereof: which Report is received,
Whereupon, said Resolution is read and passed.

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(Continued)
(Approved by the Mayor)

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

"Resolved, that permission is hereby given to the
Prudential and Worcester Rail Road Company, to lay
a track from their rails on Canal Street to their
Passenger Depot, in order to accommodate therein, the
cars of the Prudential, Warren and Bristol Rail
Road Company; and that said track be laid
under the direction of Aldermen Bowen and
Manchester, with such as the Common Council
may add."

Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Coun-
cil do concur therein.
Messrs. Linn, Myall and Lincoln added to the Committee,
(Approved by the Mayor.)

City Bill entitled "An Ordinance in relation to the issue
Bonds, and sale of the Bonds of the City of Providence, and
Sinking the establishment of a Sinking Fund for the satisfaction
H.C. and payment thereof." is presented, read, and
(Book 8, 17) passed.

(Continued)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Salaries The Standing Committee on Education, to whom, on the 11th
Teachers of June last, was referred the communication from the
School Committee, regarding authority to increase the
wages of the Superintendent of Public Schools, the
Teachers in the High School, the Masters of the Gram-
mar Schools, and the female Teachers in all the
Public Schools; - make report, in favour thereof, by
Resolution, which report is received.

Said Resolution is read, and it is moved that
the same pass: which motion is put, and lost.

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

"Upon the Petition of Frank Johnson and
others,
Resolved, that the Mayor and Aldermen
Shaker, with such as the Common Council may
add, be and they are hereby appointed a Com-
mittee, to confer with the parties interested in
the extension of Dorance Street, as to the loss
and damage, benefit and advantage, oppor-
tunement and objection to each. And the
said Committee are hereby authorized to agree
with, and settle with, said parties, for the
lands or improvements required for said extension,
or for benefits aforesaid; upon such terms as
may be deemed satisfactory to said Committee."

Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common
Council do concur therein.
Messrs. Greene, Spicer & Tucker added to the
Committee.

(Approved by the Mayor)

App. The Standing Committee on Finance report the follow-
ing Resolution: which is read and passed: viz.

Resolved, that the sum of Ten Thousand
Dollars be and the same is, hereby appropriated
for Highways.

(Continued.)
(Approved by the Mayor)

City Hill. The joint Committee appointed on the 16th of April last,
to procure plans and designs for a City Hall, to
be located on the Dyer Lot; with the estimated
cost of building the same; make Report, that they
have caused a plan and design to be made
by Thomas A. Tofft, of this City, for a building
to front on Dorance Street and Exchange Place;

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and that the estimated cost of the same is \$180,000, which Report is read and received.

A Resolution for the adoption of said plans, and for the appointment of a joint Committee to contract for the speedy erection of said building, under their supervision, provided the cost of building and fixtures does not exceed \$200,000, is presented and read.

Whereupon, it is advised, that said Report and Resolution be referred to the next meeting of the Common Council, and that the same be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing.

Resolved, That the Standing Committee on City Property be, and they are hereby authorized to purchase of Edwin W. Brown, the Chandelier now in use in Pioneer Hall, (so called) - the same to remain where it now is, for the use of the City; and the sum of fifty Dollars is hereby appropriated, to defray the expense of the same; payable to the order of said Committee, out of the Appropriation for "Contingencies".

(Passed, July 26, 1855.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Passed in Convention of the City Council,

The Convention,

Port Warden, Luther B. Cady, Christopher B. Pierce and Lloyd Bowers are elected Port Wardens.

The two Boards separate.

July 9th - July 23, 1855.

The Common Council adjourns, to meet, on Monday the 23rd Day of July instant, at 8 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

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|----------------|-----------|
| Mr. President, | " Peto |
| Angell, | Bladen, |
| Bartlett, | Rider, |
| Beckwith, | Lobbey, |
| Canell, | Leimann, |
| Francis, | Law, |
| E. A. Greene, | Leas, |
| H. Greene, | Stone, |
| Hill, | Toft |
| Leas, | Taylor, |
| Lincoln, | Tongley, |
| Lyon, | Tucker, |
| McKnight, | Waterman, |
| Miller, | Waver |

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Albert Greene, Clerk.

Common Council, July 23, 1855.

The Common Council not present to adjournment, a quorum present.

376. The Resolution for an additional Appropriation of \$800, for defraying the expenses of the celebration of the cent anniversary of American Independence, which was, on the 9th of July instant, postponed to this day, is called up, and read. Whereupon, it is moved, that

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

Ayes
Steph. Angell,
Blenstar,
Canell
N. Green
Wells
Leitch,
Lincoln
Pehr,
Spicer,
Stow,
Taylor
Tingley
Packer,
Windsor.

Noys
Beckwith,
Francis,
E. A. Green,
Lyon,
McBryght
Miller,
Rhodes,
Rider,
Tolishing,
Timmons,
Snow,
Toth,
Waterman.

Said Resolutions in the fore, laid upon the Table.

City Hall. The Report of the joint Committee appointed on the 16 of April last, to procure plans and designs for a City Hall, which was, on the 9th of July inst. presented to this Day, together with a Resolution for the adoption of the plans reported by said Committee, with an order that the same should be printed in the newspapers employed to do the City printing; - Having been printed pursuant to said order, - and taken up, and read, Whereupon, it is agreed, that said Resolution be laid upon the Table.

30. Whereupon, - Resolutions in the words following, are presented and read; viz:

Resolved, That the City Council of Providence will consider any design for a City Hall that may be submitted to it; - and Refer 13

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a clock room, on Saturday the eighth day of September next.

Resolved That if a satisfactory design is received; and adopted, the Architect offering it, is to be employed to furnish working plans and specifications, and to superintend the erection of the Building; provided that a satisfactory contract can be made with him by a Building Committee.

Resolved, That the following conditions shall be observed by those presenting plans; -

The designs shall comprise plans for each floor, elevations and sections, drawn to a scale of one eighth of an inch to a foot; and accompanied by the names of the Architects offering the same.

The plans shall be adapted to a level lot, surrounded by streets, 150 feet front, by 190 deep, exclusive of side walks, and to admit of future extension; at the same time, preserving the symmetrical form of the Building.

The Building to be built of stone, and to be fire proof throughout. The following accommodations to be amply provided for in the Building; viz: Police Court Room, Lock up, with 40 cells; Female Lodging Room; Watch Station; Police Office; Offices for the City Marshal; Collector of Taxes, Receiver of the Poor, Sanegor of Highways, Municipal Court, School Committee, Probate Clerk, Treasurer, and Auditor, City Clerk and Registry of Deeds, Mayor, Assessor of Taxes, Board of Health, City Solicitor, Aldermen, Common Council, and Board of Engineers; with additional Rooms for Committees.

The rooms, entrances, stairs, corridors, clerks and other appurtenances, to be suitable for a Building like the one in contemplation.

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Each design shall be left in the City Clerk's office on a table the day above mentioned; where it shall be kept, for public examination, until some plan shall be adopted by the City Council.

Resolved, That the above Resolutions be printed in the newspapers which do the City printing, - Daily, in ten days."

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

- Ayes.
 Mr. President,
 Angell,
 Beckwith
 Cornell
 Francis,
 R. Greene
 Hill,
 Lester,
 Lincoln,
 Lyon
 Mc Knight,
 Miller,
 Pike,
 Rhodes,
 Ridd,
 Salisbury,
 Simmons,
 Snow,
 Spicer,
 Taft
 Taylor,
 Tingley,
 Tucker,
 Waterman, 24.

- Nays.
 Boston,
 Stone,
 Winsor, 3.

Said Resolutions are therefore passed.

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(Concurred, July 26, 1855)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Valley Street.

The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 20th of June last, was referred the following Resolution, now report thereon, in favour thereof, which Report is received and said Resolution is read and passed: viz.

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause the work of setting the edge stone and paving the gutters of Valley Street, to be done in connection with the work now being done on Broadway.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor)

Edgely Street.

The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 11th of December, last, was referred the petition of the New England Sewer Company & others, - v. - put the following Resolution; which is read and passed: viz.

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause cross walks to be laid across Edgely Street, on each side of Hospital Street.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Benefit Street.

The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 18th of June last, was referred the petition of Lewis A. Ashton & others; report the following Resolution, which is read and passed: viz.

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause a cross-walk to be laid across Benefit Street half way between James and Williams Streets.

(Concurred)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

or, walks.

July 23^d 1855.

Each design shall be left in the City Clerk's office on a table the day above mentioned; where it shall be kept, for public examination, until some plan shall be adopted by the City Council.

Resolved, That the above Resolutions be printed in the newspapers which do the City printing, - Daily, for ten days."

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

- Yeas.
- Mr. President.
 - Angell,
 - Beckwith
 - Cornell
 - Francis,
 - R. Greene
 - Walt,
 - Leahy,
 - Lincoln,
 - Lyon
 - McKnight,
 - Miller,
 - Pike,
 - Rhodes,
 - Ridg,
 - Sullivan,
 - Simmons,
 - Shaw,
 - Spicer,
 - Taft
 - Taylor,
 - Tingley,
 - Tucker,
 - Waterman, 24.

- Nays.
- Boston,
 - Stone,
 - Winsor, 3.

Said Resolutions are therefore passed.

July 23^d 1855.

(Concurred, July 26, 1855)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Valley Street.

The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 20th of June last, was referred the following Resolution, now report thereon, in favour thereof; which Report received and said Resolution is read and passed: viz.

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause the work of setting the edge stone and paving the gutters of Valley Street, to be done in connection with the work now being done on Broadway.

(Concurred.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Edgely Street.

The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 11th of December, last, was referred the petition of the New England Sewer Company & others, - do put the following Resolution; which is read and passed: viz.

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause cross walks to be laid across Edgely Street, on each side of Hospital Street.

(Concurred.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Benefit Street.

The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 18th of June last, was referred the petition of Lewis A. Ashton & others; report the following Resolution; which is read and passed: viz.

Resolved, That the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause a cross-walk to be laid across Benefit Street half way between James and Williams Streets.

(Concurred.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

or, walks.

Battery Street. } A Petition of Silas B. Whittred and others, for the opening of Battery Street, from High Street to Broadway: is presented and read.
377.

380. Upon the Petition of Silas B. Whittred and others, for the opening of Battery Street: Ordered, that the same be received, and referred to the joint Committee appointed on the 9th of July instant, relating to Battery Street.
(Carried)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Drain in Washington St. } The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 25th day of June last, was referred the petition of George C. Knolls and others, for the extension of the drain in Washington Street, from Union to Snow Street: make Report that they do not recommend the same: - which Report is received, and it is thereupon advised, that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.
369.

Daught Lands. } A Petition to enquire into the expediency of uniting with the owners of the Daught Lands (so called) in opening Streets through said Lands: is presented, read, and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon.

Mud in Donoree Dock. } A Petition of the owners of Donoree Street Wharf, for the removal of the mud from the Dock at the foot of Donoree Street, is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

C. B. Pierce. } A Memorial of C. B. Pierce, for remuneration for losses in rents &c, occasioned by the sand and gravel deposited in the River, from the

Brook Street Culvert: is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on City Property, to examine and report thereon.

Wm. S. Richmond & others. } A Memorial of William S. Richmond and others, relative to injuries done to their land on the Eastern side of Knight Street, (formerly Lone Lane,) is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.

Countdown Sheet. } A Petition of George W. Collett and others, for the re-ception of Countdown Street: and for the setting of curb stones and paving of gutters therein: is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Highways, to examine and report thereon.
395.

Friends of the Friends' Yearly Meeting Boarding School. } A Petition of the Friends' Yearly Meeting Boarding School, for repayment of tax paid in 1853, and for remission of tax of 1854: is presented, received, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.
Tax.

John B. Fuller. } The Standing Committee on Police, to whom, on the 18th of June last, was referred the petition of John B. Fuller, City Watchman: report the following Resolution, which is read and passed: viz:

Upon the Report of the Standing Committee on Police, upon the Petition of John B. Fuller, City Watchman: Resolved, that the City Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to said John B. Fuller, the sum of Seventeen ~~70~~ Dollars; being the amount of fine and costs paid by him on a judgment of the Court of Magistrates, on Complaint of William L. Purtyll.

(Conceded)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Wm P. A. Memorial for the removal of William P. Dear
from his Office of City Constable; is presented, read,
and referred to the Standing Committee on Police,
to examine and report thereon.

The Report of the Standing Committee of Finance
F.R.K. of the last City Council, upon the Memorial of the
Bonds, Hartford, Providence and Trich Hill Railroad Com-
pany, for the issuing of the remaining \$30,000 of
the Bonds of the City, in aid of the Construction
214, of their Railroad; - in exchange for an equal
amount of the Bonds of said Company; - which

Book 8 Report was on the 13th of November last, laid
page 20 upon the Table; - is called up, and referred to
the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine
and report thereon.

The Standing Committee on Finance report the fol-
lowing Resolution; which is read and passed; viz:
Resolved, That the sum of Three Thous and
Schools.} Dollars be added to the former Appropriation
for Public Schools.

(Conceded.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Resolved, That the School Committee be, and they
are hereby authorized to pay the Teachers in Pub-
lic Schools, annual Salaries, in quarterly
payments, as follows: viz:

The Masters in the Grammar Schools, each,
a salary not exceeding twelve hundred
dollars.

The Female Teachers in the High School,
salaries not exceeding the following speci-
fications: viz: - The Teacher in the first Room,

six hundred and fifty Dollars: the Teacher in
the second Room, five hundred and fifty Dollars;
the Teacher in the third Room, four hundred
and fifty Dollars; the Teacher in the fourth
Room, four hundred Dollars:

The Assistants in the Grammar Schools,
each, a salary not exceeding three hundred
and fifty Dollars.

The Principals of the Intermediate and Primary
Schools, each, a salary not exceeding three
hundred and fifty Dollars.

The Assistants in the Intermediate and Primary
Schools, each, a salary not exceeding three
hundred Dollars.

The Standing Committee on Finance report a Bill
entitled "An Ordinance in Amendment of an
Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance fixing the
Salaries of certain Officers;" which is read and
passed. / said Bill concerning the Salary of the City
Clerk to \$1200 per annum. /

(Conceded.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

The Standing Committee on Finance report the following
Resolution; which is read and passed: viz:
Resolved, That the sum of One thousand
and fifty Dollars be appropriated and paid, out
of the Appropriation for "Contingencies," to the
order of the City Clerk, as additional wages
to the Clerk now employed by him; for the
present municipal year.

(Conceded)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

The Standing Committee on Finance to whom, on
the 9th of July instant, was referred the Memorial of

July 23. 1853.

James C. Skindon, City Sefenger, for an increase of compensation, make Repub by Resolution for the payment of \$60 to the City Sefenger, for menses paid out by him in the performance of a part of his duties, during the present year: - which Report is received: - and a motion that said Resolution pass, is pat and lost.

The Common Council adjourns to meet on Monday the 13th day of August next, at 8 o'clock P.M.,

Members present.

Mr. President

Byrdell,

Baustus,

Beckwith

Carroll

Harris

E. A. Greene

N. Greene

Wick.

Lester,

Lincoln

Lynn,

McKnight,

Miller.

" Pehr.

Rhodes,

Rider,

Salisbury.

Tinsman.

Trow,

Spicer,

Stone,

Toff,

Taylor

Tingley

Tucker,

Waterman,

Winnor.

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Abraham Green
Clerk

July 27. 1853.

Common Council, July 27. 1853.

Special Meeting.

copy. "City of Providence.

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

Whereas, in my opinion, it is advisable for the Common Council to meet at an earlier day than that to which said Council stands adjourned: - You and each of you are therefore kindly requested and required to meet, in the Council Chamber, on the 27th day of July, at 8 o'clock P.M., to transact such business as may legally come before you.

Given under my hand, and seal of said City, this 27th day of July, 1853.

James Y. Smith, Mayor.



Providence, July 27, 1853.

I certify, that I have warned the members of the Common Council, of a special meeting to be held on this evening, at 8 o'clock P.M.

James C. Skindon, City Sergeant.

Pursuant to the requisition contained in the aforesaid Warrant, the Common Council are now assembled, at 8 o'clock P.M.; a quorum present.

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

P.W. & E.P.R. Co. R.R.

A Communication from the Mayor, relative to the appointment of a Committee to superintend the laying of Rails on South Main Street, to connect the Rails of the Providence, Warren and Bristol Railroad on India Street, with the Rails of the Providence and Worcester Railroad on South Water Street; is presented and read.

Do.

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

"Resolved, That Aldermen Baren and Mander, &c., with such as the Common Council may add, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee under whose direction the Providence, Warren and Bristol Railroad Company are authorized to lay their Rails upon that part of South Main Street, South of its junction with Wickenden Street; and also, upon any Street or gangway between South Main Street and South Water Street, South of said junction, and to connect their said rails with those laid upon South Water Street, by the Providence and Worcester Railroad Company; - Provided, that the terms and conditions of this grant shall be, in all respects, the same as were those of the grant to the Providence Warren and Bristol Railroad Company, by the Resolutions of the City Council, passed August 15, A.D. 1853."

Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein. Messrs. Lister, Angell, and Lincoln added to the Committee. (Approved by the Mayor)

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Mering Building

J.W. Greene

A Resolution, granting liberty to Thomas W. Greene, to move a certain wooden building, (on condition that he give bond as required by Ordinance, and provided that no pavement be removed, or holes dug in the Streets;) Having passed the Board of Aldermen; is sent down for concurrence; and is read. Whereupon, it is resolved, that the Common Council do concur therein.

(Approved by the Mayor.)

Do. Allen Shaw

The Standing Committee on the Fire Department to whom, on the 9th of July instant, was referred the petition of Allen Shaw, for liberty to move a certain wooden building; make Report in form of granting the prayer thereof; (provided said petitioner first give bond as required by Ordinance; and provided no pavement be removed, or holes dug, or trees injured, in the Street;) which Report is received; and a Resolution granting the prayer of said petition, on said conditions, is read and passed.

Resignation of Taxes.

J. M. Staley

W. Baren

E. A. Nichols

Swill

Petitions of John M. Staley and William Baren, in respect of taxes, are presented, received, and severally referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to examine and report thereon.

A Memorial of Edmund A. Nichols, for indemnification for losses sustained by him upon his contract for the removal of Swill and House Offal; is presented, and read. Whereupon it is resolved that the same be received, and that said memorialist have leave to withdraw.

T. W. Lykes. The Standing Committee on Finance, to whom on the 9th of July instant, was referred the Petition of Thos. W. Lykes, for compensation for injuries sustained by him by a fall in Broadway, together with the Report of the Standing Committee of Highways thereon: - make Report, which is read and received. Whereupon, it is ordered, that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Guill. + House of Reps. A Bill entitled "An Ordinance regulating House Offal." Board of Aldermen: is sent down for concurrence, and is read. Whereupon it is ordered that the same be referred to the Standing Committee to engross Ordinances, to examine and report thereon.

A. B. + C. Streets. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 27th of April last, was referred the petition of Samuel B. Surfer and others, for the laying out & opening of A, B, & C Streets, through to Central Street: - make Report, that they do not recommend the same; which Report is received; and it is, thereupon, ordered, that said petitioners have leave to withdraw.

B. Street. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom by the Board of Aldermen has referred a Petition of Samuel B. Surfer and others: report the following Resolution: - which is read and passed: viz:

Resolved, by the City Council of the City of Providence: that the Board of Aldermen of said City be and they are hereby requested to lay out a Highway in said City, under an Act entitled "An Act for laying out Highways," from Pond Street to Central Street in said City: - said Highway to be a continuation

of, and in a line with, B Street, in a South-Easterly direction, about one hundred feet, and of the same width as B. Street.
(Continued, Sept 10. 1855.)

Countdown Street. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 23rd of July instant, was referred the Petition of Guy W. Balliett and others, for the re-
387. - caption of Countdown Street: report the following Resolution, which is read and passed: viz:

Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cut the curb stones and pave the gutters in Countdown Street; whenever the owners shall furnish curb stones for the same.

(Continued August 6. 1855.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Orms Street. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom on the 9th of April last was referred the petition of Thomas R. Woodson & others, for repairs on Orms Street: report the following Resolution, which is read and passed: viz:

Resolved, that the Surveyor of Highways be, and he is hereby directed to cause as much work to be done on Orms Street, at its connection with Charles Street, as the safety and interest of the public demand.

(Continued, August 6. 1855.)
(Approved by the Mayor.)

Battery Street. The Standing Committee on Highways, to whom, on the 11th of June last, was referred the Resolution relative to the laying out and extension of Battery Street, from High Street to Broadway: -
347. - make Report: - Whereupon it is ordered that

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The same be received, and be committed, for further examination and report thereon.

The Common Council adjourns, to meet pursuant to the vote of adjournment passed on the 23^d of July instant: to wit: to meet on Monday the 13th day of August next, at 8 o'clock P.M.

Members present.

The President,

Angell,

Barstow,

Beckwith

Cornell,

Harris,

E. A. Greene,

N. Greene,

Yell,

Lester,

Livcoln

Lyon,

Mc Knight,

Miller

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Rhodes

Rider,

Salisbury

Simmons,

Turo,

Spicer,

Stene,

Taft,

Taylor,

Tingley

Tucker,

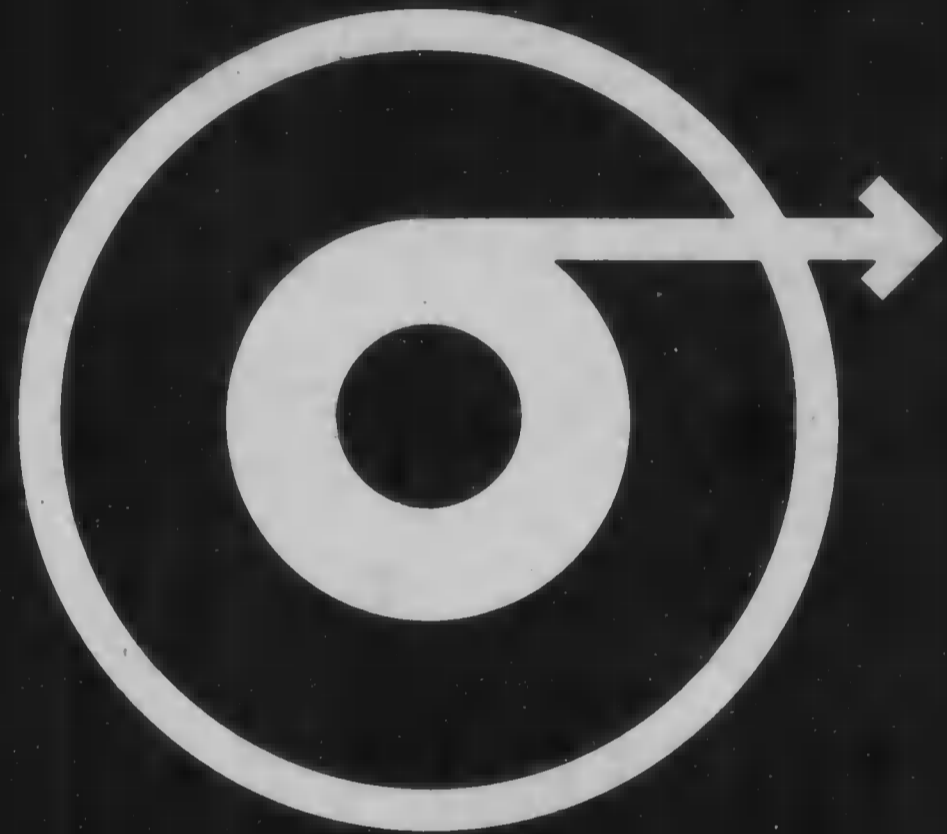
Waterman,

Winson,

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Albat G. Greene,
Clerk

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