

Detroit, Mich., Dec. 13, 1895.
 Charles R. Forster, Esq., City Clerk,
 Detroit:

Dear Sir—The resolution of the Common Council in regard to claim for damages by Stephen Delair, transmitted by you Nov. 20th, was presented to the Board at its regular meeting, the 11th inst.

I am instructed to send to you the information that the claim of Delair was considered by the Board Sept. 3d and "laid upon the table." The Board also desire me to say that the said Delair was an employe of Candler Bros., not of the Board, and that the evidence goes to show that the injuries sustained were through carelessness of Delair himself.

Yours very respectfully,
 L. N. CASE,
 Supt. and Sec'y.

Accepted and placed on file.

FROM THE SAME.

To the Honorable the Common Council:

Gentlemen—I hereby nominate and recommend the appointment of Mr. Frank P. K. Oldfield as Chief Clerk in the City Clerk's office in place of Mr. Winthrop C. Jones, resigned.

Very respectfully,
 CHARLES R. FORSTER,
 City Clerk.

Accepted.

Rule 24 was suspended and the nomination confirmed as follows:

Yeas—Ald. Batchelder, Beamer, Bleil, Conus, Coots, DeGaw, Deimel, Gerecke, Goeschel, Goldwater, Grunow, Hacker, Hanes, Harpfer, Jacob, Marx, McGuire, Nagel, Scovel, Stenius, Weiler, Welsh, Wesch, Wuellner and the President—25.

Nays—None.

FROM THE SAME.

To the Honorable the Common Council:

Gentlemen—I hereby nominate and recommend the appointment of Mr. Frederick W. Biedermann as Engrossing Clerk in the City Clerk's office in place of Mr. Frank P. K. Oldfield, promoted.

Very respectfully,
 CHARLES R. FORSTER,
 City Clerk.

Accepted, and the nomination confirmed as follows:

Yeas—Ald. Batchelder, Beamer, Bleil, Conus, Coots, DeGaw, Deimel, Gerecke, Goeschel, Goldwater, Grunow, Hacker, Hanes, Harpfer, Jacob, Marx, McGuire, Nagel, Scovel, Stenius, Weiler, Welsh, Wesch, Wuellner and the President—25.

Nays—None.

The regular order was resumed.

Reports of Committees.

WAYS AND MEANS.

To the Honorable the Common Council:

Gentlemen—Your Committee on Ways and Means, to whom was referred the reports of the various city officers for the week ending Dec. 14, 1895, respectfully report that with the Chief Accountant we have examined

the same, and believing them to be correct, recommend their approval to be

Respectfully submitted,
 CHAS. WRIGHT,
 P. STENIUS,
 JOHN CHR. JACOB,
 A. M. CONUS,
 SAM GOLDWATER.

Accepted and adopted as follows:
 Yeas—Ald. Batchelder, Beamer, Bleil, Conus, Coots, DeGaw, Deimel, Gerecke, Goeschel, Goldwater, Grunow, Hacker, Hanes, Harpfer, Jacob, Marx, McGuire, Nagel, Scovel, Stenius, Weiler, Welsh, Wesch, Wuellner and the President—25.

Nays—None.

FROM THE SAME.

To the Honorable the Common Council:

Gentlemen—Your Committee on Ways and Means, to whom was referred the quit claim deed of Peter A. Reno et al., to a strip of land dedicated for use as a public street and highway and known as Meldrum avenue, respectfully report that we have carefully examined the same and find that the deed is certified to by the City Engineer as correct in description and by the City Attorney as correct in form. We therefore recommend the acceptance of said deed and herewith offer the following resolution.

Respectfully submitted,
 CHAS. WRIGHT,
 P. STENIUS,
 JOHN CHR. JACOB,
 A. M. CONUS,
 SAM GOLDWATER.

Accepted and on leave the following resolution was offered:

By Ald. Wright:
 Resolved, That the deed given by Peter A. Reno et al., of a strip of land to the city of Detroit, known and described as follows: All that piece or parcel of land lying and being situate in the city of Detroit, county of Wayne, state of Michigan, known and described as follows: To-wit: All that part of o. l. 23, Meldrum farm described as follows: Commencing at the s. e. corner of lot 12 of Meridian's sub. of the n. 2 acres, o. l. 23, p. c. 18, Meldrum farm, thence n. 64 deg. e. 60 ft., thence s. 26 deg. e. 466 42-100 ft. more or less, to the south line of o. l. 23, thence s. 64 deg. w. 60 ft., and thence n. 26 deg. w 466 42-100 ft. to the place of beginning, be and the same is hereby accepted and the City Controller be and he is hereby authorized and instructed to cause the same to be recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Wayne County, Michigan.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Ald. Batchelder, Beamer, Bleil, Conus, Coots, DeGaw, Deimel, Gerecke, Goeschel, Goldwater, Grunow, Hacker, Hanes, Harpfer, Jacob, Marx, McGuire, Nagel, Scovel, Stenius, Weiler, Welsh, Wesch, Wuellner and the President—25.

Nays—None.

FROM THE SAME.

To the Honorable the Common Council:

Gentlemen—Your Committee on Ways and Means, to whom was referred the communication from the City Attorney, relative to the work of compiling, printing and indexing the Revised Ordinances, respectfully report that we find upon investigation that the work as stated in the com-