

From the Clerk of the Recorder's Court.

To the Honorable the Common Council:

Gentlemen—I respectfully report to your honorable body that a jury duly impaneled in the Recorder's Court, in the matter of opening Canton ave. from Sylvester street to Harper ave. where not already open, sixty feet wide as a public street and highway, rendered a verdict in favor of said opening November 30th, 1903, which was confirmed by the Court December 7th, 1903.

In accordance with the statute I herewith transmit a certified copy of said verdict, and of the judgment of confirmation.

Respectfully,
JOHN A. GROGAN,
Clerk.

Accepted and referred to the Committee on Street Openings.

From the Board of Health.

Transmitting report of non-collection of garbage.

Referred to Committee on Health.

FROM THE SAME.

Submitting claim of E. J. Kendall, M. D. for services in smallpox cases attended by him.

Referred to Committee on Health.

FROM THE SAME.

To the Honorable the Common Council:

Gentlemen—The report submitted for the non-collection of garbage shows an unusually large number of complaints for this time of the year.

I have called the company's attention thereto and they have promised relief.

I will take up the matter again today and next week's report will show whether the company has improved on its collections.

Yours very respectfully,
GUY L. KIEFER,
Health Officer.

Accepted and placed on file.

From the Board of Poor Commissioners.

Transmitting report for the month of October, 1903.

Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

From the Clerk.

That he presented such portion of the proceedings of the last session as is required by the charter to be so presented to his honor the Mayor for approval, on the 1st inst., and that they were approved on the 8th inst. Placed on file.

FROM THE SAME.

To the Honorable the Common Council:

Gentlemen—I beg leave to report that I have been served on behalf of the City of Detroit with a copy of declaration filed in a cause commenced in the Circuit Court for the County of Wayne, wherein Johanna Scheick is plaintiff and the City of Detroit is defendant.

Said plaintiff claims damages not exceeding five thousand (\$5,000) dollars. Also, in a cause commenced where-

in Rudolph Kobel is plaintiff and the City of Detroit is defendant.

Said plaintiff seeks to recover pay for overtime, in a sum not exceeding five hundred (\$500) dollars.

Also, in a cause commenced, wherein Elizabeth J. Morrow is plaintiff and the City of Detroit is defendant.

Said plaintiff claims damages exceeding three thousand (\$3,000) dollars.

I have referred same to the Corporation Counsel.

Very respectfully,

GEORGE T. GASTON,
City Clerk.

Accepted and placed on file.

FROM THE SAME.

To the Honorable the Common Council:

Gentlemen—I beg leave to report to your honorable body that I have received a communication from the Hon. Peter Witt, City Clerk of Cleveland, accepting on behalf of the Aldermen of Cleveland the challenge of the Common Council of this city to a bowling contest to be decided at Detroit.

Very respectfully,

GEORGE T. GASTON,
City Clerk.

Accepted and leave being granted, the following resolution was offered, By Ald. Wieber:

Resolved, That a committee of five be appointed to arrange for the bowling contest between the Aldermen of Cleveland and the Aldermen of Detroit.

Adopted.

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. 5, 1903, respectfully report that with the Chief Accountant we have examined the same, and believing them to be correct, recommend their approval. Respectfully submitted.

HUGH R. BURNS,
WM. W. MAGEE,
WM. HILLGER,
WM. NAGEL.

Accepted and adopted as follows:

Yeas—Allan, Atkinson, Balsley, Black, Brozo, Burns, Dederich, Guttman, Harpfer, Heineman, Hillger, Keating, Koch, Lempke, McClellan, Magee, Hahs, Moeller, Mohn, Nagel, Nevermann, O'Brien, Reinhardt, Rose, Tossy, Weibel, Weiler, Wieber, Zink, and the President Pro Tem.—30.

Nays, none.

FROM THE SAME.

To the Honorable Common Council:

Gentlemen—Your Committee on Ways and Means, to whom was referred the petition of Conrad Merdian and wife for acceptance of a deed of certain land to be used for alley purposes, respectfully report that said deed is certified to by the City Engineer as being correct in description and by the Corporation Counsel as being correct in form and execution and title satisfactory. We therefore recommend that said deed be accepted and approved and that the City

Controller be directed to cause the same to be recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, and herewith offer the following resolution.

Respectfully submitted,
HUGH R. BURNS,
WM. W. MAGEE,
WM. HILLGER,
WM. NAGEL.

Accepted, and on leave, the following resolution was offered:

By Ald. Burns:
Resolved, That the quit-claim deed of Conrad Merdian and wife to the City of Detroit of all those certain pieces or parcels of land situate in the City of Detroit, more particularly the City of Detroit, more particularly known and described as follows, to-wit: The e'ly 10 feet of the w'ly 100 feet of the s'ly 11.90 feet of lot 39, of Walker's subdivision of the west part of lots 24 and 25, and the southwest part of lot 26 of the sub. of the Mel-drum farm P. C. 18. Also the e'ly 10 feet of the w'ly 300 feet of lots 46, 41, and 42, of the sub. above mentioned. Also the s'ly 10 feet of the e'ly 60 feet of lot 42 of the sub. above mentioned, be and the same is hereby accepted and the City Controller be and he is hereby authorized to cause the same to be recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Wayne, Mich.

Adopted as follows:
Yeas—Allan, Atkinson, Balsley, Black, Brozo, Burns, Dederich, Gutman, Harpfer, Heineman, Hillger, Keating, Koch, Lemke, McClellan, Magee, Mahs, Moeller, Mohn, Nagel, Nevermann, O'Brien, Reinhardt, Rose, Tossy, Weibel, Weiler, Wieber, Zink, and the President Pro Tem.—30.
Nays—None.

Claims and Accounts.

To the Honorable the Common Council:

Gentlemen — Your Committee on Claims and Accounts, to whom was referred the Controller's list of approved accounts of Dec. 8, 1903., respectfully report that we have examined the same, and believing the same to be correct, recommend that they be paid from the proper funds.

Respectfully submitted,

C. A. BLACK,
ALBERT T. ALLAN,
BASIL A. LEMKE,
R. J. McCLELLAN.

Accepted and adopted as follows:

Yeas—Ald. Allan, Atkinson, Balsley, Black, Brozo, Burns, Dederich, Gutman, Harpfer, Heineman, Hillger, Keating, Koch, Lemke, McClellan, Magee, Mahs, Moeller, Mohn, Nagel, Nevermann, O'Brien, Reinhardt, Rose, Tossy, Weibel, Weiler, Wieber, Zink, and the President Pro Tem.—30.
Nays—None.

FROM THE SAME.

To the Honorable the Common Council:

Gentlemen — Your Committee on Claims and Accounts, to whom was referred the petition of Alice Brown for damages sustained by falling upon an alleged defective sidewalk, respectfully report that we have had the same under consideration, have listened to the testimony of the claimant, as well as to that of the witnesses, and after consultation with the Corporation Counsel recommend that she be tendered the sum of \$250 in full settlement of all claims for damages

that she may have against the City of Detroit, provided that said amount is accepted within 15 days from the date of the adoption of this resolution.

Respectfully submitted,
C. A. BLACK,
ALBERT T. ALLEN,
BASIL A. LEMKE,
R. J. McCLELLAN.

Accepted, and on leave the following resolution was offered:

By Ald. Black:

Resolved, That the City Controller be and he is hereby authorized and instructed to draw a warrant upon the proper fund in favor of Alice Brown for the sum of \$250.00, in full settlement of all claims for damages that she may have against the City of Detroit caused by reason of falling upon an alleged defective sidewalk, upon presentation of the proper receipt therefor, provided said amount is accepted within 15 days from the date of the adoption of this resolution.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Ald. Allan, Atkinson, Balsley, Black, Brozo, Burns, Dederich, Gutman, Harpfer, Heineman, Hillger, Keating, Koch, Lemke, McClellan, Magee, Mahs, Moeller, Mohn, Nagel, Nevermann, O'Brien, Reinhardt, Rose, Tossy, Weibel, Weiler, Wieber, Zink, and the President Pro Tem.—30.
Nays—None.

Streets.

To the Honorable the Common Council:

Gentlemen — Your Committee on Streets, to whom was referred the petition of Pierson & Hough Co. for permission to build an iron bridge over the alley in rear of Nos. 99-101 Jefferson avenue, respectfully report that we have had the matter under consideration, and find that the petitioners desire to construct an iron bridge over the alley in the rear of their store, located on the premises above described, said bridge to connect with the third floor of the Jefferson avenue building with the corresponding floor of the building directly back of said property, which they desire to use for factory purposes. After a thorough investigation your committee can see no possible objection to the granting of said request, and therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution.

Respectfully submitted,
WM. W. MAGEE,
WM. F. MOELLER,
C. A. BLACK,
FRED MOHN,
JOHN WEIBEL.

Accepted, and on leave the following resolution was offered:

By Ald. Magee:

Resolved, That the Department of Public Works be, and is hereby authorized to issue a permit to the Pierson & Hough Co. to erect an iron bridge over the alley from the third floor of the premises known as No. 99-101 Jefferson avenue, to connect with the corresponding floor of the building directly north of said premises.

Provided, That said work shall be performed under the supervision of the Department of Public Works, and in accordance with the plans submitted to and approved by said Department; and provided further, that no rights in the public streets shall be