

bridge, broke through. Therefore the entire bridge is now closed to team traffic.

It now becomes necessary to take off the entire floor of the bridge, for which the department has no appropriation except a small appropriation for general maintenance of Lafayette Boulevard. It will be impossible until the roadway is removed, to tell its exact condition. This work will be proceeded with at once as the bridge must be put in condition at the earliest possible moment.

As soon as examination is completed the conditions and cost of repairs will be reported to your Honorable Body.

Respectfully submitted,

M. P. HURLBUT,  
Commissioner.

Referred to Committee on Parks and Boulevards.

#### From Public Library Commission.

To the Honorable the Common Council: Gentlemen—An appropriation of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) having been made for the purpose, the Library Commission in May last, closed a deal with C. A. Ducharme and others, for the purchase of the southwest one hundred feet of lot 4, McLaughlin Bros.' subdivision, northeast corner of Woodward and Alger avenues. The Commission requests that the taxes assessed against this property be remitted and that the property be taken from the assessment roll.

Very truly,

H. M. UTLEY,  
Librarian.

By Ald. Vernor:

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be, and is hereby authorized and directed to cancel the General City Taxes for the year 1911, levied against the southwest 100 feet of lot 4, McLaughlin Bros.' subdivision, being the northeast corner of Woodward and Alger avenues, for the reason that the Public Library Commission bought the said property in May, 1911, and be it further,

Resolved, That the Board of Assessors be instructed to take the above described property from the Assessment Rolls.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas — Ald. Brozo, Deimel, Ellis, Field, Glinnan, Grindley, Harpfer, Hindle, Keating, Keusch, Koenig, Krapp, Littlefield, Lodge, Lynch, Mason, Merritt, O'Brien, Ostrowski, Owen, Rosenthal, Schultz, Skrzycki, Thompson, Tossy, Vernor, Walsh, Watson, Zoeller, and the President—30.

Nays—None.

#### From Clerk of the Recorder's Court.

To the Honorable the Common Council: Gentlemen—I respectfully report to your Honorable Body that a jury duly impanelled in the Recorder's Court, in the matter of opening Canfield avenue, from Bellevue avenue to the easterly city limits where not already open as a public street and highway, rendered a verdict in favor of said opening Oct. 13, 1910 and June 27, 1911, which was confirmed by the court July 22nd, 1911.

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

Respectfully,  
GERALD P. MONAGHAN,  
Department Clerk.

Accepted, and referred to the Committee on Street Openings.

#### FROM THE SAME.

To the Honorable the Common Council: Gentlemen—I respectfully report to your Honorable Body that a jury duly impanelled in the Recorder's Court, in the matter of opening the alley in the block bounded by Michigan avenue, Otis street, Lockwood and Goldner avenues, where not already open as a public alley, rendered a verdict in favor of said opening Thursday, July 20, 1911, which was confirmed by the court Monday, July 24th, 1911.

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

Respectfully,

GERALD P. MONAGHAN,  
Department Clerk.

Accepted, and referred to the Committee on Street Openings.

#### FROM THE SAME.

To the Honorable the Common Council: Gentlemen—I respectfully report to your Honorable Body that a jury duly impanelled in the Recorder's Court, in the matter of opening Sylvester street, from Newland avenue to the easterly city limits where not already open as a public street and highway, rendered a verdict in favor of said opening July 12th, 1911, which was confirmed by the court July 22nd, 1911.

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

Respectfully,

GERALD P. MONAGHAN,  
Department Clerk.

Accepted, and referred to the Committee on Street Openings.

#### 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 24th inst., and that they were approved on the 25th inst.

Placed on file.

Also that he has received an invitation to the Common Council to attend a moonlight excursion August 8th, given by the Detroit Equal Suffrage club.

Invitation accepted.

Also that he has received from David Stott an agreement in accordance with report of the Committee on Street Openings and accompanying resolution adopted at the session of June 13, 1911.

Referred to Committee on Ways and Means.

Ald. Schultz entered and took his seat.  
Ald. Merritt entered and took his seat.

### 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 July 22, 1911, also the official bonds of D. E. Binning, City Physician; W. P. Melody, City Physician; G. E. Lavin, City Physician; H. H. Prenzler, Secretary and Thos. E. Dolan,