

and we herewith offer the following resolution.

Respectfully submitted,  
 J. J. HAARER,  
 JOHN C. BLEIL,  
 JOSEPH MERRELL.

Accepted, and on leave the following resolution was offered:

By Ald. Haarer:

Resolved, That the Board of Public Works be and it is hereby authorized and instructed to readvertise for the repaving of Jay street, from Dequinquindre street to St. Aubin avenue, for the usual time and in the usual manner, with cedar block on concrete foundation.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Ald. Barrie, Bleil, Coots, Deimel, Dingwall, Fracher, Greusel, Grunow, Haarer, Hacker, Holihan, Houghton, Knauss, Koch, Lemke, Licht, McGuire, Marx, Masak, Merrell, Miller, Moeller, Peoples, Schneider, Seely, Smith, Stahl, Weber, Weibel, Weiler, Youngblood and the President—32.

Nays—None.

**Public Buildings.**

To the Honorable the Common Council:

Gentlemen—Your Committee on Public Buildings, to whom was referred the communication from the City Controller, submitting proposals for ice, and care of clocks, respectfully report that we have carefully considered the several bids and find that the only bids received for ice were from the Pittmans & Dean Co., J. L. Miner's Ice Co. and Houghton, French Co., were a tie, at 12½ cents per 100 lbs.

We therefore recommend that the Controller be directed to readvertise for proposals for ice.

For the care of clocks, David A. McCormick was the only bidder, at \$240 per year. We therefore recommend that he be awarded the contract, and we herewith offer the following resolutions.

Respectfully submitted,  
 MICHAEL MILLER,  
 CARL STAHL.

Accepted, and on leave the following resolutions were offered:

By Ald. Miller:

Resolved, That the City Controller be and he is hereby directed to advertise for five days in the official papers for proposals for furnishing the City Hall, Municipal Court Building and Bagley Fountain with ice during the ensuing fiscal year.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Ald. Barrie, Bleil, Coots, Deimel, Dingwall, Fracher, Greusel, Grunow, Haarer, Hacker, Holihan, Houghton, Knauss, Koch, Lemke, Licht, McGuire, Marx, Masak, Merrell, Miller, Moeller, Peoples, Schneider, Seely, Smith, Stahl, Weber, Weibel, Weiler, Youngblood, and the President—32.

Nays—None.

By Ald. Miller:

Resolved, That the City Controller be and he is hereby authorized and instructed to enter into a contract with David A. McCormick for the care of all city clocks for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1900, for the sum of \$240.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Ald. Barrie, Bleil, Coots, Deimel, Dingwall, Fracher, Greusel, Gru-

now, Haarer, Hacker, Holihan, Houghton, Knauss, Koch, Lemke, Licht, McGuire, Marx, Masak, Merrell, Miller, Moeller, Peoples, Schneider, Seely, Smith, Stahl, Weber, Weibel, Weiler, Youngblood, and the President—32.

Nays—None.

**Sewers.**

To the Honorable the Common Council:

Gentlemen—Your Committee on Sewers, to whom was referred the petition of Detroit Sewer Tunnelers', Bricklayers' and Lateral Sewer Workers' Union No. 7319, relative to the violation of an ordinance by sewer contractors in working their men 10 hours per day, respectfully report that we have carefully investigated this matter and find that your committee are powerless in this matter; that it was suggested that they arbitrate the matter by choosing one of their own members, a member of the Board of Public Works, and they both to choose a third member, which they agreed to do; that they reached an amicable agreement for finishing the sewers now under construction. In view of this, your committee ask to be relieved from further consideration of the petition.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN F. HACKER,  
 JOHN GREUSEL,  
 LOUIS F. FRACHER.

Accepted and adopted.

**Taxes.**

To the Honorable the Common Council:

Gentlemen—Your Committee on Taxes, to whom was referred the petition of St. Vincent's Orphan Asylum for the cancellation of certain general taxes, respectfully report that we have carefully considered the matter and recommend upon the advice of the Assitant Corporation Counsel, that the prayer of your petitioner be denied.

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER G. SEELY,  
 FRED W. SMITH,  
 BERNARD YOUNGBLOOD.

Accepted and adopted.

**Street Openings.**

To the Honorable the Common Council:

Gentlemen—Your Committee on Street Openings, to whom was referred back the resolution vacating part of an alley in rear of their asylum in the block bounded by McDougall avenue, Congress, Larned and Jos. Campau avenues, respectfully report that we have carefully considered the matter and find that your petitioners have recently purchased additional property lying immediately west of the present asylum grounds; that they desire to have the alley lying in the rear thereof vacated so that there will be no jog in their property. Your committee recommend, inasmuch as your petitioners own lots 15 and 16, that the alley running east and west in the rear thereof, lying easterly of a line drawn from the southwest corner of lot 16 to the northwest corner of lot 15 in said block be vacated, and

we herewith offer the following resolution.

Respectfully submitted,  
WM. F. MOELLER,  
ALPHIA C. PEOPLES,  
J. T. MAYHEW.

Accepted and on leave the following resolution was offered:

By Ald. Moeller:

Resolved, That that part of an alley running east and west in the block bounded by McDougall and Jos. Campau avenues and Larned and Congress streets, lying easterly of a line drawn from the southwesterly corner of lot 16 to the northwesterly corner of lot 15, be and the same is hereby vacated, provided, that said portion of said alley is vacated on condition that the city shall at all times retain and have the right to enter upon the property for the purpose of repairing or replacing the sewer therein.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Ald. Barrie, Bleil, Coots, Deimel, Dingwall, Fracher, Greusel, Grunow, Haarer, Hacker, Holihan, Houghton, Knauss, Koch, Lemke, Licht, McGuire, Marx, Masak, Merrell, Miller, Moeller, Peoples, Schneider, Seely, Smith, Stahl, Weber, Weibel, Weiler, Youngblood and the President—32.

Nays—None.

#### FROM THE SAME.

To the Honorable the Common Council:

Gentlemen—Your Committee on Street Openings, to whom was referred the petition of Guston L. Seelbinder et al., for the opening of Canton avenue, from Gratiot to Hancock avenues, respectfully report that we have carefully considered the matter, have listened to the arguments presented by your petitioners and believing it to be a public necessity, recommend that the Corporation Counsel be instructed to prepare the proper resolutions for the opening of the aforesaid street, between the above-mentioned points where not already opened.

Respectfully submitted,  
WILLIAM F. MOELLER,  
ALPHIA C. PEOPLES,

Accepted and adopted.

#### FROM THE SAME.

To the Honorable the Common Council:

Gentlemen—Your Committee on Street Openings, to whom was referred the petition of Sidney D. Miller et al., asking for the vacation of Pallister avenue, between Woodward avenue and Hamilton boulevard, respectfully report that we have carefully considered the matter and upon examination find that it is proposed to move said street about 65 feet south, between Woodward avenue and Hamilton boulevard, so as to make the lots of equal depth upon both sides of the street, the lots on the north side being very shallow at the present time, and also that it is proposed to cause said street to be paved within four months from the date of the adoption of this resolution and cause sidewalks to be constructed thereon; that it is agreed that no buildings other than dwelling houses shall be erected on the lots on the northeast and southeast corners of Pallister avenue and Hamilton boulevard. That we have thoroughly considered the arguments presented by your petitioners as well as those

opposed to the proposed change, and believe that it will be to the benefit of the city to allow said change to be made. We therefore recommend that the prayer of your petitioner be granted and that the following resolution be adopted.

Respectfully submitted,  
WILLIAM F. MOELLER,  
ALPHIA C. PEOPLES,  
J. T. MAYHEW.

Accepted, and on leave the following resolution was offered:

By Ald. Moeller:

Whereas, On or about the 23d day of August, 1873, Henry Weber and others executed and acknowledged a plat of part of sections 55 and 56, in the 10,000 acre tract, so-called, now in the City of Detroit, Wayne county, Michigan, which plat was afterwards duly approved and accepted and recorded in Liber 2 of Plats, on page 40, in the office of the Register of Deeds of Wayne county, Michigan; by which plat certain streets and alleys therein contained were dedicated to public use, including a certain street named upon said plat, "Third avenue," the name whereof has since been changed to "Pallister avenue," and streets designated on said plat as "Cass avenue" and "Otto avenue," and also certain alleys, to-wit, an alley lying between lots 4 and 5 of block 1 of said plat, an alley lying between lots 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 of block 3 of said plat, an alley lying between lots 1 and 2 in block 2 on the northerly side of Third avenue, according to said plat, and between Otto avenue and Cass avenue; and

Whereas, The said Third avenue, now Pallister avenue, between Woodward avenue and Crawford street, now Hamilton boulevard, is so laid out that the lots upon the southerly side thereof are unnecessarily deep, and the lots upon the northerly side thereof are so shallow as to be practically useless, and the said Cass avenue and Otto avenue, which are northerly and southerly streets in said plat, do not connect with any of the streets north and south of said plat and do not correspond in line with any other north and south streets; and

Whereas, By a proposed resubdivision consented to by all owners of adjoining property of part of said Henry Weber's subdivision of part of sections 55 and 56 aforesaid, it is proposed to change the line of said Pallister avenue, making it run southerly of its present location between Woodward avenue and Hamilton boulevard upon such a line that the lots upon the northerly and southerly sides thereof will be of substantially equal depth; therefore it is hereby

Resolved, By the common Council of the City of Detroit, That the said Third avenue, now Pallister avenue, between Woodward avenue and Hamilton boulevard, and the said Cass avenue and Otto avenue, the said alley between lots 4 and 5 of block 1, the said alley between lots 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 of block 3, and the said alley between lots 1 and 2 of block 2, on the northerly side of Third avenue, now Pallister avenue, between Otto and Cass avenues, be and the same are hereby vacated, such vacation to take effect upon the approval and acceptance by the Board of Public Works of the plat aforesaid filed with this resolution.

The streets and alleys above referred to are vacated upon the express condition that the owners of lots on Pallister avenue, as shown in the proposed plat of Sidney D. Miller, John W. Leggett et al., of part of Henry Weber's subdivision of part of sections 55 and 56, of the 10,000 acre tract, which is now in the hands of the City Engineer, shall cause the same to be paved from Woodward avenue to Hamilton boulevard, under the direction of the Board of Public Works, within four months from the date of the adoption of this resolution, and shall cause a sidewalk six feet wide to be laid on both sides of said avenue, from Woodward avenue to Hamilton boulevard; within four months from the date of the adoption of this resolution. And upon the further condition that the owners of the lots on the proposed line of Pallister avenue, on the northeast and southeast corners of Pallister avenue and Hamilton boulevard, will agree in writing to erect upon said lots no buildings other than dwelling houses, and will agree that no barns, sheds or outhouses shall be erected upon said lots above mentioned.

In the event of the failure of the owners of lots on Pallister avenue as laid out on the proposed plat above referred to, to comply with the conditions herein named, this vacation shall be of no effect.

Ald. Moeller moved the adoption of the resolution.

Ald. Licht moved as an amendment that the resolution be indefinitely postponed.

Ald. Grunow moved as an amendment to the amendment that the resolution be referred back to the Committee on Street Openings, which motion did not prevail.

Then the motion of Ald. Licht did not prevail.

The question then recurring on the motion of Ald. Moeller, the adoption of the resolution was objected to, and the resolution laid on the table.

### Printing.

To the Honorable the Common Council:

Gentlemen—Your Committee on Printing, to whom was referred the communication from the City Controller submitting bids for job printing, stationery, official printing and legal printing for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1900, respectfully report that we have carefully considered the several bids and find as follows: For job printing, Thos. Smith Press and the Richmond & Backus Co. submitted the same bid, viz.: 68 per cent below schedule. The Richmond & Backus Co. having filed with the Controller a request to withdraw their bid, we recommend that the contract be awarded to the Thos. Smith Press at 68 per cent below schedule. For stationery the only bidder is the Richmond & Backus Co. and we recommend that the contract be awarded to them at their bid of 25 per cent below schedule. For official printing three bids were received, as follows: For publishing Council proceedings, general advertisements, record forms and ordinance slips, the Detroit Free Press bid 70 per cent discount; the Detroit Tribune, 65 per cent discount, and the

Detroit Journal, 57 per cent discount. For publishing general and special tax sales, the Detroit Free Press bid 20 per cent discount, the Detroit Tribune 28 per cent, and the Detroit Journal 57 per cent discount. We find upon computing the volume of business of this contract for 1898, at the prices bid for the 1899 contract, that the Detroit Journal are the lowest bidders by over \$1,000. We therefore recommend that the contract for official printing be awarded the Detroit Journal. For legal printing the Detroit Legal News was the lowest bidder at 73 per cent below schedule, but the committee do not consider this paper a newspaper of general circulation, and we therefore recommend that the contract be awarded to the next lowest bidder, which is the Detroit Tribune, and we herewith offer the following resolutions.

Respectfully submitted,  
JOHN GREUSEL,  
MICHAEL MILLER,  
LOUIS F. FRACHER.

Accepted and leave being granted the following resolutions were offered:

By Ald. Greusel:

Resolved, That the City Controller be and he is hereby authorized and instructed to enter into a contract for job printing with the Thos. Smith Press for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1900, at 68 per cent below the schedule price.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Ald. Barrie, Bleil, Coots, Deimel, Dingwall, Fracher, Greusel, Grunow, Haarer, Hacker, Holihan, Houghton, Knauss, Koch, Lemke, Licht, McGuire, Marx, Masak, Merrell, Miller, Moeller, Peoples, Schneider, Seely, Smith, Stahl, Weber, Weibel, Weiler, Youngblood and the President—32.

Nays—None.

By Ald. Greusel:

Resolved, That the City Controller be and he is hereby authorized and instructed to enter into a contract with the Richmond & Backus Co. for furnishing the city with stationery during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1900, at 25 per cent below the schedule price.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Ald. Barrie, Bleil, Coots, Deimel, Dingwall, Fracher, Greusel, Grunow, Haarer, Hacker, Holihan, Houghton, Knauss, Koch, Lemke, Licht, McGuire, Marx, Masak, Merrell, Miller, Moeller, Peoples, Schneider, Seely, Smith, Stahl, Weber, Weibel, Weiler, Youngblood and the President—32.

Nays—None.

By Ald. Greusel:

Resolved, That the City Controller be and he is hereby authorized and instructed to enter into a contract with the Detroit Journal Co. for doing the official printing of the city of Detroit during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1900, at 57 per cent below the schedule price.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Ald. Barrie, Bleil, Coots, Deimel, Dingwall, Fracher, Greusel, Grunow, Haarer, Hacker, Holihan, Houghton, Knauss, Koch, Lemke, Licht, McGuire, Marx, Masak, Merrell, Miller, Moeller, Peoples, Schneider, Seely, Smith, Stahl, Weber, Weibel, Weiler, Youngblood and the President—32.

Nays—None.