

plans will be ordered out of the schools the day the appropriation runs out, although 15 kindergartens may have to be closed up, as music is an integral part of the course of instruction.

The Finance Committee requests that you refer this communication to your Ways and Means Committee so that the matter may be discussed by the two committees with a view to a way being found out of the difficulty.

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. BROWN,  
Secretary.

Accepted and referred to Committee on Ways and Means.

### Street Openings.

To the Honorable the Common Council.

Gentlemen—Your Committee on Street Openings, to whom was referred the petition of T. F. Crandall et al. for the acceptance of a deed in lieu of the cancellation of certain taxes, respectfully report that we have had the same under consideration and upon examination find that the petitioner is willing to deed to the city certain property being used for alley purposes, provided certain taxes levied there against be cancelled; that upon looking over the City Treasurer's books, we find that said property was sold for the non-payment of said taxes, the certificates for which are held by Chas. Warren, of this city, who is willing to return the same provided he is reimbursed the amount paid for the certificates, together with interest at the rate of six per cent. There are four certificates in all for which the sum of \$50.38 was paid into the treasury, and added thereto interest at the rate of six per cent per annum from June 15, 1895, to Nov. 1, 1903, amounting to \$26.41, makes a total of \$76.67. Your committee feel satisfied that the payment of this money will be to the best interest of all parties concerned and at the same time save the necessity of instituting condemnation proceedings for the opening of this alley at a much larger expense, and we therefore offer the following resolution.

Respectfully submitted,

M. J. KEATING,  
ALBERT T. ALLAN,  
CHARLES H. WIEBER,  
E. J. JEFFRIES.

Accepted and on leave the following resolution was offered:

By Ald. Keating:

Resolved, That the City Controller be and he is hereby authorized and directed to draw a warrant upon the proper fund in favor of Chas. Warren, attorney, for the sum of \$76.67, being the face value of certificates of title held by him against the private alley located in the block bounded by Elm street, Ash street Twelfth street and Harrison avenue, together with interest added thereto at the rate of six per cent per annum from June 15, 1895, to November 1, 1903, upon presentation of the certificates issued to him upon the sale of said property, and be it further

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and instructed to cancel the tax sales against the private alley above described, for the non-payment of the

general city taxes levied there against for the years 1896 to 1902, both inclusive, and be it further

Resolved, That the Receiver of Taxes be and he is hereby authorized and instructed to cancel the general city taxes levied against the alley heretofore described for the year 1903.

Provided, That the accompanying deed of John C. Goodrich et al. to the City of Detroit is accepted by the Committee on Ways and Means and approved by this Council, to which committee we recommend its reference.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Ald. Allan, Atkinson, Balsley, Brozo, Burns, Codd, Dederich, Gutman, Harpfer, Heineman, Hillger, Jeffries, Keating, Koch, Lemke, McClellan, Magee, Mahs, Mohn, Nagel, Nevermann, O'Brien, Reinhardt, Rose, Smith, Tossy, Weibel, Weller, Wieber, Zink, and the President Pro Tem.—31.

Nays—None.

FROM THE SAME.

To the Honorable the Common Council:

Gentlemen—Your Committee on Street Openings, to whom was referred the petition of St. Helwig church asking vacation of such portion of alley in block w. of Junction between Rollin and Norton street as intersects its property, respectfully report that at the time of making such petition said church did not own all lots adjacent to alley proposed to be vacated but have since acquired same; that in lieu of alley to be vacated petitioners propose to dedicate a like alley immediately west of its holding.

As no property but that of petitioner is concerned in the matter, we recommend that the prayer of the petitioners be granted and herewith offer the following resolution.

Respectfully submitted,

MAURICE J. KEATING,  
ALBERT T. ALLAN,  
CHARLES H. WIEBER,  
E. J. JEFFRIES.

Accepted and on leave the following resolution was offered:

By Ald. Keating:

Resolved, That alley running east and west between lots 31 and 32 and easterly 10 feet of lot 30, south of Norton street, and lots 42, 43 and east 10 feet of lot 44 of McMillan and, Whiting's sub. of lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 14, 15, and part of lots 5, 12 and 13 of Brush's sub. of part of private claim 260, and running north and south in rear of lots 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40 and 41, both inclusive of the same sub., west of Junction avenue, be and the same is hereby vacated. This vacation to be effective and become final only on acceptance by the City of Detroit of conveyance to it for alley purposes of the westerly 20 feet of lots 30 and 44, same sub.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Ald. Allan, Atkinson, Balsley, Brozo, Burns, Codd, Dederich, Gutman, Harpfer, Heineman, Hillger, Jeffries, Keating, Koch, Lemke, McClellan, Magee, Mahs, Mohn, Nagel, Nevermann, O'Brien, Reinhardt, Rose, Smith, Tossy, Weibel, Weller, Wieber, Zink and the President Pro Tem.—31.

Nays—None.

FROM THE SAME.

To the Honorable the Common Council:

Gentlemen—Your Committee on



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Street Openings, to whom was referred the communication from the Board of Education relative to the vacation of an alley alongside of the Estabrook school, beg leave to report that we have given this matter our careful consideration and after due deliberation recommend that the resolution, recently rescinded, presented by Ald. Keating at a session held April 7, 1903, (J. C. C., page 289), vacating the public alley, 18 feet in width, lying east of Eighteenth street and north of and parallel with McGraw avenue, etc., be readopted.

Respectfully submitted,  
 MAURICE J. KEATING.  
 DAVID E. HEINEMAN.  
 ALBERT T. ALLAN.  
 CHAS. H. WIEBER.

Accepted and laid on table.

### Ordinances.

To the Honorable the Common Council:

Gentlemen — Your Committee on Ordinances, to whom was referred back an ordinance laid over Oct. 20, 1903, entitled, "An ordinance changing the name of Thirteenth street between the railroad and Milwaukee avenue to Vermont avenue," respectfully report that we have had the same under consideration and beg leave to state that we had presented to us petitions from the owners of property on Lafferty place, which is a continuation of Thirteenth street, asking that the name of the entire street be changed to Vermont avenue. Your committee feel favorable to granting the request of the petitioners, and we therefore recommend the passage of the following substitute ordinance.

Respectfully submitted,  
 FRED W. SMITH.  
 WM. GUTMAN.  
 H. C. NEVERMANN, JR.  
 JOS. F. DEDERICH.  
 E. J. JEFFRIES.

Accepted.

The following is the ordinance:  
 AN ORDINANCE changing the name of Thirteenth street and Lafferty place to Vermont avenue.

It is hereby ordained by the people of the City of Detroit:

Section 1. That the name of the street now known as Thirteenth street, which lies between River street and Howard street; also between Porter street and North Grand Boulevard west, and that the name of the street now known as Lafferty place, which lies between Howard street and the M. C. R. R., be and the same are hereby changed to and shall hereafter be known as Vermont avenue.

Sec. 2. This ordinance shall take immediate effect.

Read twice by title, ordered printed and laid on the table.

### Liquor Bonds.

To the Honorable the Common Council:

Gentlemen — Your Committee on Liquor Bonds, to whom was referred the various liquor bonds, respectfully report that we have carefully examined the same and find that the bonds have been certified as correct in form by the Corporation Counsel; we, therefore, recommend that the bonds as

reported by the City Clerk on the 10th day of November, 1903, be and are hereby accepted and approved.

Respectfully submitted,

H. C. NEVERMANN, JR.  
 ALBERT T. ALLAN.  
 ANTHONY WEILER.

Accepted and adopted as follows:

Yeas—Ald. Allan, Atkinson, Balsley, Brozo, Burns, Codd, Dederich, Gutman, Harpfer, Heineman, Hillger, Jeffries, Keating, Koch, Lemke, McClellan, Magee, Mahs, Mohn, Nagel, Nevermann, O'Brien, Reinhardt, Rose, Smith, Tossy, Weibel, Weiler, Wieber, Zink and the President Pro Tem.—31.  
 Nays—None.

### Resolutions.

#### FIFTH WARD.

By Ald. Mohn:

Resolved, That the Public Lighting Commission be and is hereby requested to cause an arm staff light to be placed on Farnsworth avenue between Hastings and Rivard streets.

Adopted.

#### SIXTH WARD.

By Ald. Burns:

Resolved, That the Public Lighting Commission be and is hereby requested to cause an arm staff light to be placed on Brooklyn avenue about 150 feet north of Grand River avenue.

Adopted.

By Ald. Burns:

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works be and he is hereby requested to cause a stone intersection walk to be laid at the northwest corner of Langley and Greenwood avenues.

Adopted.

#### SEVENTH WARD.

By Ald. Weibel:

Resolved, That the City Controller be and he is hereby directed to draw a warrant upon the proper fund in favor of C. H. Wiltzie for the sum of \$4 77 being the face value of a certificate of title issued to said Wiltzie, with interest added thereto, for the non-payment of a sidewalk assessment levied against the south 108 feet of lot 103, situated on the northwest corner of Champlain and Riopelle streets, for the reason that said sidewalk assessment was made in error by the then Department of Public Works, as the lot in question is divided and owned by two different parties.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Ald. Allan, Atkinson, Balsley, Brozo, Burns, Codd, Dederich, Gutman, Harpfer, Heineman, Hillger, Jeffries, Keating, Koch, Lemke, McClellan, Magee, Mahs, Mohn, Nagel, Nevermann, O'Brien, Reinhardt, Rose, Smith, Tossy, Weibel, Weiler, Wieber, Zink and the President Pro Tem.—31.  
 Nays—None.

#### EIGHTH WARD.

By Ald. Magee:

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and instructed to accept from J. T. Keena the face value or amount of city bill of part one of the paving assessment levied against lot 5, block 94, of the Woodbridge farm, north side of Perry street, without penalty and interest added thereto, for the paving of Perry street in 1892. Part one is due the contractor and he has filed a waiver