

Treasurer, and recommend that a refund in the amount of \$18.83 excess charges be granted.

Respectfully submitted,
JAMES CRANSHAW,
SHERMAN LITTLEFIELD,
M. WARTELL,
ALBERT T. ALLAN,
ALEXANDER DILL,
ANTHONY NOWC.

Accepted and on leave the following resolution was offered:

By Alderman Cranshaw:

Resolved, That the City Controller be and he is hereby authorized and directed to draw his warrant upon the proper fund in favor of Mrs. Hattie Cameron, for the sum of \$18.83, being a refund of the excess charges levied against Lot 185, Schwartz Sub., P. C. 11, Roll No. 2309, Book 198, for the paving of Forest avenue, upon presentation of receipt No. 23,380, showing payment of said assessment.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas — Ald. Allan, Auch, Bahorski, Bleil, Bradley, Braun, Crane, Cranshaw, Dill, Dodt, Ellis, Hindle, Kocher, Kronk, Kunz, Littlefield, Lodge, Miotke, Mitter, Nowc, Reinhold, Richert, Robinson, Ross, Schultz, Starkey, Vernor, Walsh, Wartell, Wenzel, and the President—31.
Nays—None.

Taxes.

To the Honorable the Common Council:
Detroit.

Gentlemen—Your committee on taxes has had under consideration a communication, addressed to your body reading as follows: "The undersigned, your petitioner, respectfully requests for reasons which will be explained to your committee, a refund of the 1917 School Tax assessed against him, amounting to \$9.76," and bearing the typewritten signature of John Bosman. Appended to this communication are two typewritten sheets purporting to be a bill rendered by John Bosman to the City of Detroit "for 1917 School Taxes, paid to the City of Detroit" on property not in the school district of Detroit presumably on the sixty parcels of land thereafter described, in the respective sums set opposite each description, the bill being for an aggregate sum of \$295.89. There is nothing before us from which we can determine that \$9.76 or any other sum should be refunded the petitioner; no item in his bill is for \$9.76; no receipts evidence the payment by him of any of the taxes he asks to have refunded; we are not informed as to the theory upon which his claim is based; the bill is not accompanied by an affidavit of the person rendering it, as required by Section 134 of the Charter Compilation of 1904. Because it was presented without said affidavit, and for the other reasons hereinbefore appearing, we recommend that the petition be denied and the bill rejected.

JOHN C. BLIEL,
JAMES VERNOR,
RICHARD O. STRAKEY,
OSCAR A. DODT,
JOSEPH A. MIOTKE.

By Alderman Bleil:

Resolved that the foregoing report be accepted and adopted.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas — Ald. Allan, Auch, Bahorski, Bleil, Bradley, Braun, Crane, Cranshaw, Dill, Dodt, Ellis, Hindle, Kocher, Kronk, Kunz, Littlefield, Lodge, Miotke, Mitter,

Nowc, Reinhold, Richert, Robinson, Ross, Schultz, Starkey, Vernor, Walsh, Wartell, Wenzel, and the President—31.
Nays—None.

Street Openings.

To the Honorable Common Council:
Gentlemen: To your Committee on Street Openings was referred the petition of National Twist Drill & Tool Co. (1491), for the vacation of alley south of East Grand Boulevard between Beaubien and Brush streets. Your committee finds that petitioners are the owners of all the property abutting said alley, and therefore recommend that the petition be granted, and offer the following resolution:

Respectfully submitted,

CHAS. A. KOCHER,
JAMES VERNOR,
JAMES CRANSHAW,
GEO. H. ELLIS,
WM. A. RICHERT,
RICHARD O. STARKEY.

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

By Ald. Kocher:

Resolved, That "All of the public alley, 16 feet wide, first south of and parallel to East Grand Boulevard lying between the east line of Brush street and the west line of Beaubien street, as platted in Frisbie and Foxen's sub., of part of fractional section 31 and lot 18 of Theodore J. and Dennis J. Campau's subdivision of fractional sections 29 and 32, T. 1, S. R. 12 E., as recorded in liber 6, page 78 of plats, Wayne County Records," be and the same is hereby vacated;

Provided, That petitioners pay into the city treasury within 30 days from the date of the adoption of this resolution, whatever expense may have been incurred by the city in the matter of paving, sidewalks, crosswalks, etc., within the lines of said alley as may be certified by the City Engineer.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas — Ald. Allan, Auch, Bahorski, Bleil, Bradley, Braun, Crane, Cranshaw, Dill, Dodt, Ellis, Hindle, Kocher, Kronk, Kunz, Littlefield, Lodge, Miotke, Mitter, Nowc, Reinhold, Richert, Robinson, Ross, Schultz, Starkey, Vernor, Walsh, Wartell, Wenzel, and the President—31.
Nays—None.

Street Openings.

To the Honorable Common Council:
Gentlemen: To your Committee on Street Openings was referred the petition of John Cain (1430), for the vacation of a strip of land. Your committee has had the same under consideration and recommend that said petition be denied.

Respectfully submitted,

CHAS. A. KOCHER,
JAMES VERNOR,
JAMES CRANSHAW,
GEO. H. ELLIS,
WM. A. RICHERT,
RICHARD O. STARKEY.

Accepted and adopted.

Health and City Hospitals.

To the Honorable the Common Council:
Gentlemen—To your Committee on Health and City Hospitals was referred the communication from the Board of Health transmitting proposals for furnishing and installing window shades in the Nurses' Home at the Herman Kiefer Hospital. Your Committee finds that Newcomb-Endicott Company is the lowest bidder for said equipment, in