Catherine street between Gratiot and Chene street. Your committee is advised by the Department of Public Works that an item for the widening of this street will be included in the forthcoming budget, and the matter will be taken up at that time. We therefore recommend that further consideration of the petition be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully submitted, SHERMAN LITTLEFIELD, Chairman.

Accepted and adopted.

Taxes

To the Honorable, the Common Council:

Gentlemen—To your Committee of the Whole was referred the petition of Sofie Trentacosta (7208), for cancellation of general city taxes for 1926 on the grounds of charity. After noting report of the Public Welfare Commission, and consideration of the request, your committee recommends that same be granted, and offers the following resolution.

Respectfully submitted, SHERMAN LITTLEFIELD, Chairman.

By Councilman Littlefield:

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be and is hereby authorized and directed to cancel the general city taxes for the year 1926 levied against Sofie Trentacosta on "Lot 16, Engel & Schwartz's Sub. of part of O. L. 1 and 2 of the St. Jean Farm, P. C. 26" (w. 21. f. 2391), valuation \$4880, amount \$110.12, said action taken on the grounds of charity.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Councilmen Bradley, Callahan, Castator, Dingeman, Ewald, Littlefield, Nagel, Stevenson and the President—9.

Nays-None.

Taxicab Stands

To the Honorable, the Common Council:

Gentlemen—To your Committee of the Whole was referred the petition of the Black, White & Blue Taxicab Co. (6883), for the establishment of a taxi-cab stand on Monroe avenue between Beaubien and St. Antoine streets. After consultation with the Department of Police, and consideration of the request, your committee recommends that same be denied.

Respectfully submitted, SHERMAN LITTLEFIELD, Chairman.

Accepted and adopted.

Vacation of Alley

To the Honorable, the Common Council:

Gentlemen—To your Committee of the Whole was referred the petitions of the Motor City Tool Co. (6210), and August E. Reifert et al (6302), for the vacation of the east and west alley in block bounded by Farnsworth, Concord, Theodore and Bellevue avenues, also to maintain building as now erected which encroaches in the north and south alleys. After consultation with the City Plan Commission, and City Engineer, and in view of the fact that petitioners own all of the land abutting upon said alley, your committee recommends that the requests be granted, and offers the following resolution.

Respectfully submitted, SHERMAN LITTLEFIELD, Chairman.

By Councilman Littlefield:

Resolved, That "all that part of public alley, 18 ft. in width, adjoining the southerly line of lots 26 and 27 of Grunow and Patterson's Concord Avenue Subdivision of North 3.20 acres of lot 5 of Subdivision of rear concession of Private Claim 19, Beaufait Farm, as recorded in Liber 17, page 25 of Plats of Wayne County Records," be and the same is hereby vacated to become a part and parcel of the adjoining property.

Provided, Petitioner deeds to the City of Detroit for alley purposes "the westerly 8 ft. of lot 1 and the easterly 8 ft. of the westerly 12 ft. of lot 3 of Wreford's Subdivision of the West 182 16 ft. of lot 7, Outlot 5 being the West 182.16 ft. of the rear concession of Private Claim 19 as recorded in Liber 10, page 85 of plats of Wayne County Records," and further

Provided, That by reason of the vacation of the above described alleys the City of Detroit does not waive any rights in the lateral sewer located in alleys aforesaid and shall at all times have the right to enter upon the premises if found necessary on account of said sewer to repair same, and provided further that petitioner shall not build over the above described alleys without first securing the approval of the City Engineer and the Board of Health, and further

Resolved, That the City Controller be and is hereby directed to execute quit claim deed covering the property herein vacated.

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Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Councilmen Bradley, Callahan, Castator, Dingeman, Ewald, Littlefield, Nagel, Stevenson and the President—9.

Nays-None.

By Councilman Littlefield:

Resolved. That permission be and is hereby granted the Motor City Tool Company to maintain the building as now erected on lots 26 and 27 Gruno & Patterson's Pousard · of Avenue Subdivision, etc., and lots 1, 2 and a portion of lot 3 of Wreford's Subdivision which encroaches in the north and south public alleys.

Provided, That when said building is removed or remodelled, same is reconstructed on the proper lines,

and further

rovided, That this resolution is revocable at the will, whim or caprice of the Common Council, and grantee acquires no implied or other privileges hereunder not expressly stated herein.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Councilmen Bradley, Callahan, Castator, Dingeman, Ewald, Littlefield, Nagel, Stevenson and the President-9.

Nays-None.

Finance

To the Honorable Common Council: Gentlemen-To your Committee of the Whole was referred the following communications from various departments requesting the transfer of funds, approval of contracts, vouchers, etc. After consultation with the City Controller, and hearing with the interested department heads, your Committee recommends that the requests be granted, and offers the following resolutions.

> Respectfully submitted, SHERMAN LITTLEFIELD. Chairman.

Controller

December 7th, 1926. To the Honorable Common Council:

Gentlemen - So that the City Treasurer may be in position to pay the following awards, I would respectfully request the adoption of the following resolution.

> Respectfully submitted, P. L. MONTEITH, Controller.

By Councilman Littlefield:

Resolved, That the City Controller be and he is hereby authorized and directed to draw his voucher on the proper fund in favor of the City Treasurer for the payment of the following condemnation rolls:

No. 1534—Opening Gladys Alley E. of Daniels to Daniels, \$4,-

No. 1516-Opening and widening Canfield, Third to Hamilton, \$146, 344.00

No. 1520-Opening Oakman Blvd., across P. M. R. R. and wid. Turner Ave., \$32,467.00.

No. 1524—Opening Roslyn Renfrew to Stratford Rd., \$8.500.00.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Councilmen Bradley, Callahan, Castator, Dingeman, Ewald. Littlefield, Nagel, Stevenson and the President—9.

Nays-None.

Corporation Counsel

December 6, 1926.

To the Honorable Common Council:

Gentlemen—On 21. April Mrs. Annie Schneider, while walking on Riopelle street, between Sherman and Maple streets, fell into an excavation through the sidewalk, sustaining injuries.

At the time this claim was heard before your Honorable Body was requested sent back to this office with authority to negotiate for a more reasonable settlement. At that time claimant was asking the of \$3,000.00. Her husband. Karl Schneider, filed a claim also, in the sum of \$270.00. We were unable to arrive at a satisfactory adjust-ment in the matter and suit was started by the husband and wife against the City of Detroit, same being Circuit Court Nos. 104,358 and 104,359, which cases were called ready for trial. At this time an offer of settlement was made, subject to the approval of your Honorable Body, in the sum of \$1,150.00.

In view of the circumstances under which this accident happened. and taking into consideration the injuries sustained by Mrs. Schneider, we believe it to be an advantageous settlement and recommend that same be paid. To the end that this be done we suggest the adoption of the following resolution.

Attached herewith is copy of our original opinion in this matter.

Respectfully yours,

JAMES R. WALSH, Assistant Corporation Counsel.

By Councilman Littlefield:

Resolved, That the Controller be and he is hereby authorized to draw his warrant upon the proper fund in favor of Annie Schneider and Carl Schneider, husband and wife, in the sum of \$1,150.00, same being pay-ment in full for all claims or damages of whatsoever nature which they may have against the City of Detroit, more particularly for an accident happening to the said Annic Schneider on the 21st day of April, A. D. 1923, by reason of injuries sustained while walking on Riopelle street between Maple and Sherman streets in the City of Detroit; said injuries being caused by falling through a defective sidewalk into an The said sum of \$1,excavation.